SCHEDULE OF MASSES
Daily Masses:
Monday-Friday, 8:00 am

Saturday Masses:
8:00 am & 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses:
7 am, 8 am, 9:15 am,
10:45 am  12:15 pm

CONFESSIONS:
Saturday:  3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Parish Office: 682-2486
Religious Ed:  686-1017
Youth Ministry: 676-0979
School:  685-1109

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
OCTOBER 26, 2014

I love you, O Lord, my strength.
O Lord, my rock,
my fortress, my deliverer.
Psalm 18:2–3

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 10/26
• No CLOW
• Pancake breakfast 7, 8, 9:15 hall
• Halloween Mass 9:15 Gym
• 3 yr.olds Rm D 9:15 mass
• PreK, parish hall 9:15 mass
• K ; school 9:15 mass
• No Youth Group
• Concert Pianist 6:00 pm Church

Monday, 10/27
• Bible Study A & B, 8:30-10:30 am
• Older Sacraments  A/B 4:00 pm
• “St. Francis Play” 7:30 pm Church

Tuesday, 10/28
• Legion of Mary, following 8am mass
• RE Grades 1-3 School
• Grades 4-5 ; Parish Hall
• RE Grades 7/8; 7 pm Parish Hall
• Rosary & Perpetual Help,Church 7pm
• Spanish Prayer, Church, 7:30pm

Wednesday 10/29
• RE Grades 1-3 school
• Grades 4-5; parish hall
• RE Grade 6;  7 pm parish hall

Thursday, 10/30
• RE Grades 1-3; School
• Grades 4-5 ; parish hall
• Centering Prayer; Min Ctr 10:00 am
• RCIA Min Ctr (Chapel), 7pm

Friday, 10/31
• -Garden Cafè, Ministry Ctr 7:30am

Saturday, 11/1
• Mens Fellowship ;Chapel 7:30am
• Secular Franciscans – Min. Ctr 9am

Sunday, 11/2
• Children’s Liturgy of the Word 9:15
• 3 yr.olds Rm D 9:15 mass
• PreK; parish hall 9:15 mass
• K ; school 9:15 mass
• RE Older Sacs RE office 10:30
• Candidate/Sponsor Mtg 11 am gym
• ICF parish hall A/B 2pm
• Youth Group 7 pm parish hall
• Taize Prayer 7pm; Hillcrest Church
• Bereavement Mass 12:15

To Hear the Gospel and Make a Difference
Dear Friends,

I have heard many of you express dismay over what transpired in the final week of the deliberations where the bishops maintained the tone but narrowed the original document's openness, particularly when speaking about gay people.

Where the Oct. 13 document, for example, had a section titled "welcoming homosexual persons," Saturday's document has a section on giving "pastoral attention" to persons with "homosexual orientation." At the conclusion of the two weeks of deliberations of the Synod, Pope Francis referenced the upcoming 2015 synod and said the bishops "now still have a year to mature, with true spiritual discernment, the proposed ideas and to find concrete solutions to many difficulties and innumerable challenges that families face. We must continue to pray that the spirit of Jesus can prevail in our Church, so that we can experience Jesus’ catholicity - inclusion and outreach that were marks of the historical Jesus.

While the bishops Saturday voted on the document paragraph by paragraph, expressing approval or disapproval with each, Francis asked for the whole document to be published, even the three paragraphs that did not garner the needed two-thirds majority for passage by the synod. The full text was published by the Vatican alongside the tally of bishops who voted approval and disapproval for each paragraph. The three paragraphs that did not garner the traditional two-thirds majority -- 122 of the 183 prelates who were present during the voting -- concerned gay people and the church's teaching regarding divorced and remarried persons who do not obtain annulments before remarrying.

Pope Francis emphatically called on the bishops to "feed the flock" and to search for lost sheep. The pope also directed them to avoid the temptation to become either a "hostile rigorist" concerned only with enforcing church doctrine or a "destructive do-gooder" that advocates "false mercy" instead of truth telling. He further asked the bishops to resist the temptation, "To transform the stone into bread to break a long fast, heavy and painful, and also to transform the bread into stone and throw it against the sinners, the weak, and the sick, namely to turn it into 'unbearable burdens;"

A Liberian bishop unable to attend the Synod of Bishops on the family urged his fellow bishops to use their influence to help West African families in their enormous suffering caused by Ebola.

"Whole families are being decimated," Bishop Anthony Fallah Borwah of Gbarnga, Liberia, said. He continued, "It is the poor who have been most harmed and it is the poor who are the church’s priority.” With the restrictions on travel from Ebola-affected countries, Bishop Borwah was unable to get to Rome. Let us keep the suffering people of our world in our prayers.

On behalf of our community, I would like to welcome Bishop Cummins to Christ the King this weekend to celebrate the 5:00 pm Mass and install me as your Pastor. This is a moment of grace for me, as the Bishop accompanied by my fellow priests and this community will be praying for me. God’s grace “comes alive and flourishes to the extent that we, in faith, go out and give ourselves and the Gospel to others, giving what little ointment we have to those who have nothing, nothing at all.” (Pope Francis) I am grateful for my call and I will always treasure your hospitality and prayers.

Fr. Paulson

Sunday Readings

Background on today’s readings:

First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26

The book of Exodus recounts how the Jews escaped from slavery in Egypt and made a covenant with God at Mt. Sinai. While we’re familiar with the 10 Commandments as part of this covenant, God also included other laws. Note that many of them deal with how we treat other people.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Some geography will help us appreciate this reading. Macedonia was a Roman province in northern Greece in which the city of Thessalonica was located. Achaia was the province in southern Greece to which Paul journeyed after preaching to the Thessalonians. In this, his first letter, he reports that, on his journey, he learned that their exemplary faith was already known and talked about throughout Greece.
Remembrance ceremony in memory of Msgr. Wade, Margo Schorno and Fr. Declan Dean; Monday, November 10, 12:15 pm at Queen of Heaven Cemetery, celebrated by Fr. Brian Joyce.

Christ Light XI, Nov. 7th, 8th, 9th. If you have been wondering about this weekend experience, now is the time to give it a try. It’s a unique and safe way to renew your faith, make new friends, and have some fun. Theme is Strength for the Journey. Application and information available at www.christlightonline.com

Magnificat, A Ministry to Catholic Women is excited and pleased to welcome our Bishop, Most Reverend Michael Barber, as our November speaker. Join us for breakfast and experience the power and presence of the Holy Spirit as Bishop Barber shares his inspirational testimony. November 22, 9:30—12:30 Concord Hilton
Reservations: $28/$35 after Nov. 15. www.magnificatsoti.org

Trip to Ireland—2015 Because of popular demand, Sister Joanne Gallagher is planning another trip to Ireland beginning July 20, 2015—July 31, 2015. For the past 20 years she has been leading groups to Europe and invites you to join her this year. The trip includes flying into Dublin, traveling to Kildare, Kilkenny, Cork, Killarney, Adare and ending in Limerick. You will experience excellent accommodation in the Irish Hotels. If you wish more information, contact Sr. Joanne at 246-1125 or 989-3862

Special Bereavement Mass on Sunday, November 2nd at Christ the King Church will be celebrated for all those who have lost a relative or loved one during the past year. Mass at 12:15 pm, refreshments to follow. If you have a family member who died during the past year please call the parish house (682-2486) by October 28th to give their name so they can be included on a special scroll at that mass.

Grief Ministry Workshops
The holidays can be a painful and confusing time for families and individuals who are grieving. As a continuation of the previous eight-week session, these workshops will each provide a safe, faith-filled space for the public to come and do grief work with trained and supervised grief ministers. There are no costs and pre-registration is not necessary.
• Saturday, November 8, 10:00 am: Coping with the holidays
  Cooper Funeral Home, 1580 Fruitvale Ave., Oakland
• Thursday, November 13, 7:30 pm: Coping with the holidays
  St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 4001 Stoneridge Dr., Pleasanton
• Wednesday, November 19, 7:30 pm: Coping with the holidays
  All Saints Parish, 22824 Second St., Hayward
• Saturday, November 15, 10:00 am: Coping with the loss of a child during the holidays
  Queen of Heaven Funeral Center, 1965 Reliez Valley Rd., Lafayette
Info: padraig@cfcsoakland.org

De La Salle High School and Carondelet High School open houses.
Sunday, November 2
De La Salle: 10:00am to noon. www.dlshs.org
Carondelet: 2 pm to 4 pm www.carondelet.net

Infant Baptism at CTK: If you have an infant to be baptized we welcome you! Baptisms are celebrated twice a month on a Sunday at 1:15pm. More information can be found on our parish website at www.ctkph.org. To begin the process of baptism preparation, please contact Sr. Dominic at 925-682-2486 ext. 113 or dominic@ctkph.org

Holiday Boutique: The Altar Society will have their holiday boutique on Saturday, November 21 and Sunday, November 22. We need your donations of saleable items; gift cards, quilts, knitted items, electronics, housewares, jewelry and other usable items would be greatly appreciated. Please call Shary Luthy at 798-8920 or Andrea Yap at 228-8694

Thanks from CROP. The CROP walk was a success, thanks to the generous CTK parishioner sponsors, who donated $2,000.00; Thanks to the walkers and special thanks to our cheerleader, Father Paulson.

From Gwen Watson: It meant a lot to me that 40 members and friends of CTK attended the CCHD lunch to share in my Lifetime Achievement Award. We were joined by Fathers Paulson, Brian Joyce and Brian Timoney; Sr. Joanne, and Kate Doherty. We were proud that 12 programs received generous grants.

Remember ! November 2
Join us Monday for the first of Our Adult Education Series: Instruments of Peace

Monday, October 27, 7:30 pm in Church
“Saint Francis of Assisi: Face to Face with David Hoover”

In this one person Reader’s Theater play, ‘Saint Francis’ returns to our world to share with us his life of celebrating poverty, prayer, and peace - and about the Gospel path to “perfect joy.” It is a true story that reveals a person who turned all the values of the world upside down, showing us today a way to freedom and to the love of all people and all creation. This form of theater is in many ways similar to oral storytelling in which the ears and the imaginations of the audience are central to helping to bring the performance to life. So, relax and hand yourself over to letting the life and spirit of Saint Francis come to life for us.

Be sure to save the next two Mondays as well for two incredible speakers on subjects of vital importance:
Monday, November 3rd: 7:30pm in Church
A Muslim perspective on Anti-Islamism with Dr. Hatem Bazian

Dr. Bazian was recently named in the category for Social Justice as one of The Muslim 500: The World’s Most Influential Muslims by The Royal Islamic Strategic Studies Center. He received his Ph.D. in Philosophy and Islamic Studies from the University of California, Berkeley. He also is a co-founder, Member of Board of Trustees and Faculty at Zaytuna College.

Monday, November 10th: 7:30pm in Church
Overcoming anti-Semitism- You can make a difference- with Rabbi Pam Frydman

Rabbi Pamela Frydman was the founding rabbi of Or Shalom Jewish Community in San Francisco and is the former Director of the Holocaust Education Project of the Academy for Jewish Religion, California. She is International Co-Chair of Rabbis for Women of the Wall, a movement to raise consciousness about women’s rights in Israel. Rabbi Frydman is the author of Calling on God, Sacred Jewish Teachings for Seekers of All Faiths. She is working on two new books, including a dramatic telling of first-hand Holocaust accounts.

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