**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

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**Parish Office:** 682-2486
www.ctkph.org

**Religious Ed:** 686-1017
www.ctkreligiouseducation.org

**Youth Ministry:** 676-0979
www.ctkym.org

**CTK School:** 685-1109
www.ctkschool.org

**Facebook:** Christ the King Catholic Community of Pleasant Hill

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**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Sunday, 02/01**
- 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 Sacms RE office 10:30 am
- Youth Group 7pm parish hall
- Good News People 10:30am parish hall

**Monday, 02/02**
- Bible Study A & B, 8:30-10:30 am
- Older Sacraments A/B 4:00 pm
- Parent Sac. Mtg Gr. 2-8 7:30pm church

**Tuesday, 02/03**
- Legion of Mary, Min.Ctr; 8:30am
- RE Grades 1-3; school

**Tuesday, 02/03 cont.**
- RE Grades 7/8; 7 pm Parish Hall
- Rosary&Perpetual Help;Church 7pm
- Spanish Prayer, Church, 7:30pm

**Wednesday 02/04**
- Sewing Ministry Min. Ctr 9:30am
- RE Grades 1-3 school
- Grades 4-5 parish hall
- RE Grade 6 - 7 pm parish hall

**Thursday, 02/05**
- RE Grades 1-3 School
- Grades 4-5 Parish Hall
- Centering Prayer; Min. Ctr 10:00 am
- RCIA Min Ctr -Chapel, 7pm

**Thursday, 02/05-cont.**
- Centering Prayer; Min. Ctr 10:00 am
- RCIA Min Ctr -Chapel, 7pm

**Friday, 02/06**
- First Friday Mass 7pm

**Saturday, 02/07**
- Men’s Fellowship Chapel; 7:30am

**Sunday, 02/08**
- 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 Sacms RE office 10:30
- Confirmation 11-1:30 parish hall
- Youth Group 7pm parish hall

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**To Hear the Gospel and Make a Difference**
Dear Parishioners,

I hope 2015 has been off to a hopeful and exciting start for you, as it has for me. I know one thing I am thankful for are these beautiful West Coast winters, speaking to my mother who is sitting home trapped by over 2 feet of snow this morning really reminds me how lucky we are. On the other hand, as I read my East Coast friends and families Facebook statuses about being snowed in, churches closed, schools closed, even Starbucks closed! I thought how nice it is to slow down and have nowhere to be and nothing to do. Father Vince reminded me that this is what we really are preparing to do during Lent, slow down. In the same way a blizzard forces us to slow down and reconnect with our neighbors and family, Lent helps us slow down and reconnect to our Savior. In the next few weeks as you start preparing for your Lenten journey what are some things you can do that will bring this kind of quiet connection into your life? In Lent the goal isn’t about achievements or completing tasks but instead of finding ways to do less but feel more, to say less and hear more, to spend less but to give more.

There are several opportunities at Christ the King to help you tap in to the “Less is More” gratitude of Lent. For example, Catholic Relief service Rice Bowl program. This wonderful program started 40 years ago as a way to respond to famine in Africa. More than simply taking a cardboard bowl and returning it with money- it is a powerful way to practice the Lenten calls to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. I encourage you to download the Lenten Rice Bowl App for powerful daily reflections, stories of hope, and meatless meal recipes. You may have read a few weeks ago in the bulletin that prior to the Friday night adult education series on the Joy of the Gospel, the youth group will be preparing and serving rice bowl meals to serve to the participants. Parishioners can offer a free will donation on what they would have spent on a meal out, which will then be donated to Catholic Relief Services. Our school students will also be participating in Rice Bowl activities and actually they will be visited at the end of Feb. by Thomas Awiape a man from Ghana whose life was saved by Catholic Relief Services! Another way to give that we will be gearing up for During Lent is our hosting of Winter Nights which will happen the two weeks following Easter. During Lent there will be online sign-ups available on CTK’s website for all food donations and volunteer positions. Online sign-ups will only be available Ash Wed. Feb 18th-Friday Mar. 27th (the Friday before Palm Sunday) That Friday at 5pm online sign-ups will close down and on the weekend of Palm Sunday all food items and jobs still available will be tabled for outside of masses, for those who prefer not to sign up online. I hope you will consider making CRS and Winter Nights part of your Lenten practice this year.

In Solidarity,
Kate Doherty

Reflections on Sunday Readings:

First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

The events in today’s reading take place as the Israelites are camped on the shore of the Jordan River ready to enter the Promised Land. Moses is near death and is giving final instructions. He promises that after his death, God will still be with them through another prophet. Both Jewish and Christian readers have seen this as referring to the future Messiah.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

In this section of the first letter to the Corinthians, Paul is responding to their question about whether it is better to remain single or become married. Paul’s belief was that when you became Christian, you shouldn’t take on a new state in life since he expected Jesus would return in glory soon.

This weekend there is a second collection for Catholic Education. Thank you for your generous support.
Save the date for Christ The King’s Men’s Retreat!

The Men’s Retreat will be held at San Damiano Retreat Facility on the weekend of March 13-15, 2015. Don’t miss our retreat master, Fr. Jim Conlon. For details, please call Pete O’Brien at 925-899-6662 or Eddy Williams at 925-787-7631.

Scout Sunday, February 8th. All Scouts and Scouters (boys and girls) are welcome to help us celebrate Scout Sunday February 8th during the 9:15 Mass by attending in uniform. If your Scout has earned their Religious Emblem and would like to receive their Emblem at this Mass, please contact Laura Birnbaumer at 256-6390. We are also looking for Scouts to serve as ushers or lectors. If you are interested, please contact Laura. This mass is for boys scouts and girl scouts.

Bring God’s graces into your marriage. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend to receive the tools needed to make the most of the gifts of being husband and wife. The next weekend is February 20-22. For more information, contact Joe and Sue at 925-680-7767 or go to oaklandwwme.org.

New CTK Job Transition Online Ministry. News flash: The new online ministry is now up and running and may be found on our parish website at www.ctkph.org. On the home page, under the heading “Ministries”, click on the link “CTK Job Transition Online Ministry”. There, job seekers can sign up to receive the services provided through our alliance with the Career Actions Network. For the employed members of our parish community who want to help, you can also sign up using this same link. Other helpful resources may also be found on this website.

CYO Track Information: CYO Track season is coming! Students in grades 2-8 who attend school, religious ed. or live in the parish boundaries of Christ the King, St. Catherine, or St. Stephen’s may enroll. Details on the team web site at ckt-track.org. Contact Michael Clemens with questions at info@ckttrack.org or (925) 680-1555.

It’s Valentine’s Day again … What can I do to get through this day without my Valentine? Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal. Come and spend the morning with others for whom Valentine’s Day is difficult with the loss of their spouses. A time to grieve, to relax, to savor the memories to pray, and be strengthened for life’s journey. Fr. Padraig Greene and team will facilitate the workshop. Mullen Commons, St. John Vianney, WC Sat. Feb. 14th 10am-1pm.

Local refugee family looking to purchase safe, reliable car. Do you or someone you know wish to sell - or donate - a fuel efficient car with low mileage to benefit a family in need? CTK’s Family to Family team is working with a family of 8 that recently arrived from Afghanistan. The family needs to purchase a second car and has a modest budget for this purpose. If you can help, please contact Vito Magliano at vdonvito@sbcglobal.net. Family to Family is a Catholic Charities of the East Bay program that partners with families in need with congregational service teams.

“Reclaiming Christ’s Mission Together”. There will be an Introduction Meeting on February 4th at 7 pm in the parish hall. The time together will be used to address both the diocesan and parish aspects of the campaign. The diocese has a case and goals for the campaign. This can be viewed on the diocesan web site with a link to “reclaiming Christ’s Mission together”. Our parish case will be presented as well. Prospective leaders have been invited to attend. Anyone else is welcome. We hope to have a Leadership Team in place by the end of the evening. Our consultant, Andy Poole will join us and be a part of the evening.
Kindergarten students dressing up as literary characters for Catholic Schools Week.

The winner of our Geography Bee:
Jack Feliciano

Eighth grade students, Julie and Christina win the VFW Essay Contest.