The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit

Christ the King Community

May 22, 2016

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 5/22
Monday, 5/23
Tuesday, 5/24
- Perpetual Help Devotion, Church 7 pm
Wednesday, 5/25
Thursday, 5/26
- Centering Prayer, Min. Ctr 10 am
- RCIA, Chapel, 7 pm
Friday, 5/27
Saturday, 5/28
- Men’s Fellowship, Chapel 7:30 am
- Parish Office: 682-2486
- Religious Ed: 686-1017
- Youth Ministry: 676-0979
- CTK School: 685-1109
- Facebook: Christ the King
- Catholic Community of
- Pleasant Hill

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,
6:00 pm
CONFESSIONS:
Saturday: 3:30 pm
to 4:30 pm

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To Hear the Gospel and Make a Difference
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Christ the King Church

Christ the King has offered St. Vincent de Paul services since 1964. That's quite a legacy and the ministry's success has been due to your continuing generosity. Our parish historically contributes significantly more than the next two most generous parishes in Contra Costa combined. Last year you contributed $154,000 to be used for the less fortunate. Our rules are strict and we are not allowed to use money given to us by you for anything but help for people. Each member attending pays $2 at our own meetings to make sure that computers, paper, ink and such are not bought with donations for the poor.

Our clients regularly express their gratitude for the assistance you make possible. Here's a quick summary of the services we provide: food vouchers to be redeemed at Grocery Outlet; bags of food; bread; produce and fruit; incidental, ponchos, hats, gloves and sleeping bags for the homeless; clothing vouchers to be redeemed at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store on N. Main; layette sets for newborns; Christmas boxes; furniture collection and distribution; referrals for eye care and dental service; referrals for payment of PG&E bills and rent assistance.

Beginning with Baptism, symbolic death to the old, selfish way of life, Christians enter the lifelong growing into becoming more and more like Jesus. Each day we practice to love people more, even enemies and people who hate us. Many Christians have found that becoming a member of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society is one way of insuring that they are practicing this kind of love. At Christ the King Church we bring our members into direct contact with persons who, were they our family members, would not have to suffer various needs and indignities that can sometimes oppress the most careful preparations of life. Whole lines of work can disappear because of a change in the way life has been lived for many years, like when on-line buying disrupts retailing. Left without jobs, all kinds of persons have difficulties.

Whatever the reasons, problems do crop up in life and the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Christ the King is there to help. If you have ever visited our parish church office around three or four in the afternoon on Monday through Friday, you probably noticed people lined up for assistance from our Society. This kind of Christian living needs many hands. All of us have talents and most of us have some time and energy left in our days or weeks that we could invest in helping others feel like members of our family of God. You might be able to pick up some day-old bread to give to our clients, drive your truck with furniture for a needy home, or hand out food to our daily clients. We average 22 client families per day with the family size ranging from 1 to 12, resulting in helping over 20,000 persons per year.

If we succeed in our efforts, the whole world will come to act like they are one family and, thus, come to know the salvation of our God - just like Isaiah described for us some 700 years before Jesus came. Most of our members are over 70, so we can certainly use some new associates. Can you help us? Just leave your name at the parish office - we'll contact you.

Frank Nieman and Steve Paris

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Trinity Sunday
First Reading: Proverbs 8:22-31

The book of Proverbs is mostly a collection of wise sayings to help people live a good life. Today’s passage from Proverbs, however, is a hymn to Wisdom which in the Old Testament is sometimes symbolically described as a person coming from God.

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5

Paul’s letter to the Romans is his most detailed and important theological work. The Church chose this brief passage to read on Trinity Sunday because, in these five verses, all three persons of the Trinity are mentioned.

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Confirmation Registration - If you are a Sophomore or Junior in High School and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this upcoming school year, please download a registration form at ctkym.org. You can also find registration forms and calendars in the back of the church. For questions, call Youth Ministry at 676-0979.

Daycare Assistant Needed: Club CTK is looking for two high school students to assist with our after school program. The main responsibilities are: - oversee playground activities; - assist with homework; - snack preparation; - help with clean up. These are paid positions at CTK. The hours are from 2:50 - 5:10 M-F. All interested candidates should contact Mike Doyle at clubctkschool.org or call the office at 685-1109.

Christ the King has teamed up with Car Donation Services, Inc. to provide you with an easy way to donate a vehicle, whether it is running or not! Car donations Services, located in Martinez, has been helping local charities since 1990 and will take care of every aspect of your car donation, allowing you peace of mind that the transaction will be completed efficiently and properly. Proceeds from all vehicle donations will go to the CTK Capital Campaign, unless you tell us otherwise. To get started, call 888-686-4483 and identify yourself as a CTK parishioner.

RE Registration (4 yr old - grade 8) If you missed registration and would still like to register your school aged children for faith formation, please stop by the Religious Education office (facing Gregory Lane) during our office hours 9:30 am - 5:00 pm Monday thru Thursday. For questions, call 686-017.


Searching for a spiritual home? Our “no strings” inquiry series begins Thursday, May 26 at 7 pm. Ideal for learning about Catholicism and for Catholics who have not yet received Eucharist and/or confirmation. Contact Al Garrotto at 925-849-6319 or algarrotto@comcast.net.

The Office of Vocation is once again hosting a Quo Vadis Camp on July 10-13 at the Oakland Diocesan Youth Retreat House in Lafayette. Quo Vadis Camp aims to assist young men to recognize and respond to their own vocation invitation from our Lord and grow in their relationship with Christ. Please spread the word and invite young men ages 13-18 to join this event. The fee is $50 and financial assistance is available. Contact Neil Clemens at 510-2674-8345 for more information and for registration.

Interested in helping run a summer day camp for one week? We are currently putting together summer programming for kids and we need your help. Many of these kids are formerly homeless or very low income. These activities take place at our housing sites in Pleasant Hill, Concord and Pittsburg for a couple hours/day for 1-4 days during the week. Feel free to call and discuss ideas or just offer general help to an already formed camp week. Gloria Bertolozzi at 944-2244,ext 214.

Calling All Women! Magnificat, A Ministry to Catholic Women would like to invite all Catholic Women to our upcoming Prayer Breakfast. June 18th 9:30-12:30 at St. Mary’s Church Gymnasium 2039 Mt. Diablo Blvd. WC. We are excited to welcome Cheryl Ward-Kaiser as she shares her inspirational journey from tragedy to forgiveness. In this Year of Mercy, Cheryl has so much to teach us. Reservations are $21/ $25 after June 11th. Please go to www.magnificatsoti.org for info or call Maribel at (925) 788-7762.

Thank you again! Once again Religious Education thanks you for your generosity with our wine toss booth. It was another year of fun and success because of your support. We are grateful and appreciate all.

Sr. Maureen

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LifeWorks family snack and play: Meet on the CTK school playground after the 9:15 mass on May 22 to learn more about the LifeWorks ministry (for families with young children) at CTK and spend time with other families. Bring a healthy snack to share, or just show up! Questions? Email: lifeworksetk@gmail.com.

PRAY FOR THE SICK MEMBERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:
Elizabeth Arden, Laura Najar Brown Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.

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