To Hear the Gospel and Make a Difference

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

First Friday Mass,
July 1 at 6:00 pm.
(no exposition)

Parish Office: 682-2486
www.ctkph.org

Religious Ed: 686-1017
www.ctkreligioouseducation.org

Youth Ministry: 676-0979
www.ctkym.org

Facebook: Christ the King
Catholic Community of
Pleasant Hill

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 6/26
Monday, 6/27
Tuesday, 6/28
• Perpetual Help Devotion, Church 7 pm

Wednesday, 6/29
Thursday, 6/30
• Centering Prayer, Min. Ctr 10 am
Friday, 7/1
• First Friday Mass, 6 pm

Saturday, 7/2
• Men’s Fellowship, Chapel 7:30 am

Sunday, 7/3

“Foxes have dens and birds of the
sky have nests, but the Son of Man
has nowhere to rest his head.”

Luke 9:58

Christ the King Community

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Friday Mass, July 1 at 6:00 pm.
(no exposition)
Last week I attended a conference on “Divine Renovation, Maintenance to Mission” with 650 fellow Catholics and priests from across the globe. “A building, no matter how grand and beautiful, is only as good as its foundation”, Fr. Mallon, the chief organizer of the conference stated. “The foundation of any human organization is the culture of that organization. The church is no exception.” I am grateful for the culture of brotherly love and sisterly affection at CTK and our great sense of hospitality. It was during the conference that I heard of the mass shooting in Orlando. Conspicuous among mourners are people of different faiths especially the clergy across the nation participating in vigils and prayers. Jack Jenkins in an article named “After Orlando, Faith Leaders Are Starting To Take Ownership Of Religious Homophobia,” stated that several are now speaking out against the role homophobia played in inspiring the gunman — and even examining the role religious communities play in marginalizing LGBT people.

On Monday, the Catholic Bishop of St. Petersburg, Florida, Robert Lynch posted an unusually frank blog post in response to the shooting. He expressed his shock at the massacre and acknowledged that a root cause was anti-LGBT sentiment embedded in many faith communities — including the Catholic Church. “Sadly it is religion, including our own, which targets, mostly verbally, and also often breeds contempt for gays, lesbians and transgender people,” he wrote. “Those women and men who were mowed down early yesterday morning were all made in the image and likeness of God. We teach that. We believe that. We must stand for that … Singling out people for victimization because of their religion, their sexual orientation, their nationality must be offensive to God’s ears. It has to stop also.” I thought this was a bold statement. Similar expressions were heard from Archbishop Blase Cupich who urged tolerance and Bishop Robert McElroy stated that the Church needed to do more to combat homophobia. “This tragedy is a call for us as Catholics to combat ever more vigorously the anti-gay prejudice which exists in our Catholic community and in our country.”

Catholic leaders were initially silent about the anti-LGBT prejudices undergirding the mass shooting at Pulse Nightclub in Orlando and many have criticized their silence as shocking. A Jesuit, Brendan Patrick Busse, offered sharp words against church leaders who he said, “have an allergy to the word ‘gay’ in their statements of condolence.” He wrote on Facebook: “Something ‘intrinsically disordered’ revealed itself again in Orlando today and it was armed with bad religion and an assault rifle. I fear our government is armed with bad religion and an assault rifle. I think this was a bold statement. Similar expressions were heard from Archbishop Blase Cupich who urged tolerance and Bishop Robert McElroy stated that the Church needed to do more to combat homophobia. “This tragedy is a call for us as Catholics to combat ever more vigorously the anti-gay prejudice which exists in our Catholic community and in our country.”

I would like to express my gratitude to Fr. Vince and the young adults for leading a vigil last Friday at Christ the King. Participating in the beautifully orchestrated prayer service were people of all faiths, sexual orientation, law enforcement and the faithful of Christ the King. Our mission statement reads, “Hear the Gospel and Make a Difference.” Christ the King parish is an inclusive community of the people of God. We believe that we are all made in the image and likeness of our God. We teach that. We believe in the universality of God’s love. We teach that. We believe in the universality of God’s salvific plan. We teach that. We must stand for that!

Fr. Paulson
Please welcome Msgr. Ted Bertagni who will speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priest and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and So. America. Thank you for your generosity to Msgr.’s appeal.

Join us this summer for Ministry Meet and Greets! The masses listed will have hospitality hosted by various CTK ministries. Enjoy some wine and appetizers after church while you get to know some of the vibrant ministries we have here at Christ the King:

- June 25/26: Italian Catholic Federation (5pm and 9:15 am)
- July 9/10: Christ Light (5pm, 12:15)
- July 16: Faith in Action (5 pm)
- July 23/24: Music Ministry (5pm, 12:15)
- July 30/31: The Filipino Society (5 pm, 12:15)
- August 6: Hospitality (5 pm)
- August 13/14: Dress A Child (5 pm, 12:15)
- August 20/21: Eucharistic Ministers (5 pm, 12:15)
- August 27/28: CTK School (5 pm, 12:15)

High School Youth Group Registration: Youth Group is for all high school teens 9th-12th grade. We meet on our new night - Thursdays in the parish hall. Registration forms and calendars can be found in the back of the church or you can download a form at ctkym.org. You can fulfill the Confirmation prerequisite hours. Any questions? Please call the Youth Ministry office at 676-0979.


Religious Education Information 3 year old to grade 8:
- The RE Office will be closed on July 1 and will reopen on Aug. 8.
- Anyone new or returning to the RE program who has not yet registered, may do so beginning 8/8.
- Registration hours are 10 am to 5 pm Monday-Thursday, closed noon to 1:00 pm. Let us know if you need an evening registration.
- Deadline to register is August 25.
- Note: 3 yr. old registration is on Sunday, September 11 after the 9:15 mass. This is the only registration day for 3 yr olds.
- Please call 686-1017 after Aug. 8 for any questions regarding the RE program.

Happy summer, Sr. Maureen

Sew Fest Success! Heartfelt thanks to all those who participated in this years Sew Fest. We produced 189 dresses and 55 pairs of shorts, all while having a great time together. Providing impoverished children around the world is our primary goal.

The dresses and shorts made at the SEW FEST this year have already made their way down to Honduras and the Congo. We measure our success not only by the number of dresses, but also in the friendships we’ve made, the joys and sorrows we share, and in fulfilling the mission of CTK, “To Hear the Gospel and Make a Difference.” Thank you! Carol Vogl

Contra Costa Interfaith Housing - Provide a meal for a monthly resident meeting: These community meetings are essential in building community, reinforcing resident roles as community stakeholders and allowing residents to learn important skills needed to improve their lives. Volunteer groups prepare, serve, and share a meal for 35-40 people. Families, congregations, service clubs, and other groups are encouraged to apply. July 14 is in need of a sign-up. Visit www.tinyurl.com/ovepnva to sign-up.

First Friday Mass - July 1 at 6 pm. Please note, there will be no exposition of the blessed sacrament during the summer months. However, we will have First Friday Mass, at our new 6:00 pm time.

4th of July Parade! CTK will again be participating in the Pleasant Hill Fourth of July parade and celebration. March alongside Fr. Joyce, Fr. Vince and our parish boy scouts. Decorate strollers, bikes and join in the fun to show how vibrant CTK is!

Offertory envelopes have been ordered and will be available in church during August. Be on the lookout!

Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer just a few hours a month to help bring quality health care to the poor and uninsured in your local community? You don’t need to go overseas! Please join our VOLLUNTEER team at the RotaCare Pittsburg Free Medical Clinic. We are in need of Adult Medicine/ER Physicians, Pharmacists, Bi-lingual Social Workers, RNs and RDs to volunteer once per month or every other month. All malpractice insurance provided. Join our team of caring professionals and contact Drea Riquelme at 439-2009 or pittsburg@rotacarebayarea.org.

PRAY FOR THE SICK MEMBERS IN OUR COMMUNITY: David Grandin, 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.

Church Support 6/19/16 $23,145 (plate collections $17,562 + online giving $5,583)
Deepen your own faith by sharing with others. Step forward to teach! In-services provided ~ curriculum provided ~ lots of support ~ materials provided ~ celebrations ~ FUN! FUN!

R.E. CATECHISTS NEEDED
3 Yr. Old and 4 Year Old ~ During Sunday 9:15 AM Mass
Grades 1-5 ~ Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday ~ 3:30-5:00 PM
Grades 7-8 ~ Tuesday Evenings ~ 7:00-8:15 PM

Come, meet others who love praying, working and playing together! Contact Sr. Maureen at (925) 686-1174.

No strings attached! Come ~ Hear ~ Decide . . .