WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 10/30
- 3 yr. old, Pre-K, K, Parish Hall 9:15 pm
- No CLOW
Monday, 10/31
- No RE classes
Tuesday, 11/1 - ALL SAINTS’ DAY
- RE Grds 1-5, School/Hall 3:30 - 5 pm
- RE Grds 7-8, Parish Hall 7 - 8:15 pm
- Perpetual Help Devotion, Church 7 pm
Wednesday, 11/2 - ALL SOULS’ DAY
- RE Grds 1-5, School/Hall 3:30 - 5 pm
- RE Grds 6, Parish Hall 7 - 8:15 pm
- Young Adults, Youth house 6:30 pm

Thursday, 11/3
- Centering Prayer, Min. Ctr 10 am
- RCIA, Min. Ctr Chapel 7 pm
- Youth Grp, Parish Hall, 7:30 pm

Friday, 11/4
- Men’s Fellowship, Chapel 7:30 am

Saturday, 11/5
- 3 yr. old, Pre-K, K, Parish Hall 9:15 am
- Confirmation, Parish Hall 7 pm

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www.ctkph.org
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www.ctkreligiouseducation.org
Youth Ministry: 676-0979
www.ctky.org

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 10/29
5:00 pm - Donald Peirce+
Saturday, 10/30
7 am - CTK Parishioners
8 am - Rose Hoppin+
10:15 pm - Ceasar Tiangco+
12:15 pm - Alfredo Quintans, Jr.+ 6:00 pm - Phillip Telucci+
10/31 8 am - Anna Griffin+
11/1 8 am - Msgr. James Wade+
11/2 8 am - Marisa Palines+
11/3 8 am - Guillermo Abarca+
11/4 8 am - Phillip Telucci+
11/4 6 pm - Alfred & Emily Burri+
11/5 8 am - Muriel Moore+
Dear Friends,

One of the great things about being Catholic is our tradition and our music and our prayers. All of that comes together in an extraordinary way each year in November. The whole month is an interesting time filled with the feast days of great saints, but also subtle portents of eternity. It begins with All Saints or All Hallow’s Eve (aka Halloween), which is the last day of October. While some see ghosts and goblins, we see saints, celebrated by All Saints’ Day November 1. All Hallow’s is followed by November 2nd, All Souls’ Day, or (more officially) the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed. All Souls’ isn’t a Holy Day of Obligation, but it is a very beautiful part of our ancient Catholic tradition. St. Odilo in 998 A.D. established November 2nd as the date on which the monks at his monastery at Cluny would hold commemorations for their deceased members, and from Cluny, this date eventually won acceptance as “the” date for All Souls in the universal Church.

And let us not forget that for us here in America, it is within November that we celebrate Thanksgiving, a day for reflecting upon family and our ancestors, and upon the settlement of our nation, but also reflecting upon God’s providence. Another great feast of November is Christ the King, which is the last Sunday of Ordinary Time. This, too, is a reminder of the end of days and the second coming of Christ in glory, as are the first weeks of Advent that begin in December.

(Taken from Our Lady of the Mountains, Jasper)

I am happy to announce that Catholic Charities has placed a refugee family from Afghanistan under the patronage of Christ the King parish to guide and nurture them as they transition to a new country and culture. They are a relatively young family of eight and the father is educated and speaks English. They arrived this Thursday and I would like to thank our volunteers for welcoming them at the airport and driving them to their new home. In addition to furniture and other equipment that they would need, we are asked to raise $7000.00 towards their rent and expenses to supplement what they will be given. I know it is a lot of money and I am hoping and praying some generous parishioners will step forward. Kindly contact Kate Doherty if you would like to make a donation to this cause. Thank you. More information will be given to you later.

Father Brian Timoney has left for Ireland to preside over the funeral of his nephew in law who died early Monday morning this week. I would like to extend our heartfelt condolences to Brian and his family. His letter is given below.

Paulson

My nephew in law, Paul Kerr, aged 63 died on October 24. We had been praying for him for the past two months. He had lung cancer and then suffered a severe stroke, followed by pneumonia. His death was very peaceful and indeed in some way a blessing, in that he was spared more suffering. He was a businessman and his partner told me that their relationship was based on a simple handshake. While that may not be best practice, it speaks loudly of both their characters. He loved all sports and in particular was an avid golfer and very good at that. And so a story that golfers will understand. He was my companion on a cruise that was starting from Monte Carlo. We stayed in a hotel the night before and in the morning could see our ship from the balcony. We debated whether we could walk or needed a taxi. He said, “I think we can walk, it is no more than a Par 5.” Paul is survived by his wife, my niece Paula, and five adult children and two grand children.

Thank you for all your prayers these past two months. May he rest in peace.

Brian Timoney.

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
First Reading: Wisdom 11:22-12:2

The book of Wisdom was written by a teacher who lived in Alexandria, Egypt, a center for Greek philosophy in the ancient world. It was written about 50 years before Christ, and was the last book of the Old Testament to be written. After the first verse of today’s passage, the author speaks directly to God and does so in poetic fashion.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

In his first letter to the Thessalonians, Paul had told them always to be prepared for the Lord’s coming in glory. Some of them became preoccupied with the date when the Lord would come. The second letter to this community addresses that situation.
Join us for First Friday, Nov. 4 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition at noon, with First Friday mass at 6:00 pm.

A special Bereavement Mass will be held on Sunday November 13 at 12:15 pm. We will pray specially for all who have died during this past year. If your loved one was not buried in the cemetery we would like their name included on a scroll ~ please call the parish office at 925-682-2486 and leave their name. Deadline is the 4th of November. (Questions? Sr. Dominic Marie at 925-246-1122.)

Christ the King Altar Society Bake Sale - We will be holding a bake sale after each mass on Nov. 19/20. We need your help! We need donations of baked goods. They can be store bought or home baked goods. Please bring your baked items to the parish hall on Nov. 19 from 12:30 - 6:30 pm. We also need any kind of gift cards. Proceeds from the boutique go to CTK church needs. For questions or donations, call Violet at 925-934-7832/ violet.deborja@yahoo.com or Aura at 925-228-8694/ juniorbebs@yahoo.com.

St. Dominic’s Catholic Church at 475 East I St, Benicia is presenting “Therese - The Story of a Soul” performed by Audrey Ahern. Thursday, Nov. 10 at 7 pm. Call 707-747-7220 for tickets and information.

Christ the King has teamed up with Car Donations Services, Inc. to provide you with an easy way to donate a vehicle whether it is running or not! Go to this link to begin the process: cardonation-services.com/205/donate-a-car-Christ-the-King-Parish or call 888-686-4483. Proceeds will go to CTK Capital Campaign unless you tell us otherwise.

Countdown to ChristLight - Don’t miss this fun, spirit-filled weekend! November 4-6, right here at Christ the King. Sign up today after all the masses. For more information, call Blaine, 963-6168 or Nancy, 360-7285. “God Bless everyone involved - this weekend changed my life!” - a ChristLight participant.

Young Adults: Join us Wednesday, Nov. 2 for a prayer service and then dinner at Pleasant Hill’s Off-the-Grid. Prayer at the youth house from 6:30 - 7:30, then we will walk downtown to have dinner together. Don’t miss it!

Head and the Heart: Nov. 3 healing mass has been canceled. There will be no mass and discussion on Thurs. Nov. 3. For information, email katedoherty.ctk@gmail.com.

Carondelet High School Open House for interested 6th, 7th and 8th grade girls and their parents/guardians, will be held on Sunday, Nov. 6 from 2pm-4pm at 1133 Winton Drive in Concord. To register for this event, please visit www.carondeleths.org/admissions.

De La Salle High School will be having its Open House on Sunday, November 6, 10 am- noon, for all interested boys. 1130 Winton Drive, Concord. 288-8100 for more info.

Catholics@Work breakfast, Nov. 8 at Crow Canyon Country Club in San Ramon. Natasha Howes, executive producer of the “Fatima” movie will be the guest speaker. “Fatima, a 100 Year Old Solution to World Trouble”, a new catholic movie, to share the miraculous apparition’s relevance today. Program begins at 7 am, ends at 8:15 and is preceded by optional mass at 6:30 am. Pre-registration is appreciated: catholicsatwork.com.

Pray for Our Sick
May you be wrapped up in God’s love, Found deep in His everlasting wings, Carried and kept, safe and cherished. May the healing power of Christ breathe across your being now.

Franz Von Uckermann, Samuel Critz, Maya Cardin-Bosworth, Olivia Lovett

Christ the King’s annual auction, The Black and White Gala will be held Saturday, February 11. Tickets can be purchased through the school website, www.ctkschool.org. To insure the night is a big success, please consider donating an item, sports tickets or a restaurant gift card. Cash donations are always appreciated as well. Donor forms can be found in the back of the church. Thank you for your support!

San Damiano Retreat in Danville will be hosting a pre-Thanksgiving dinner on Sunday, November 20 from 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm. The dinner will feature Thanksgiving favorites as well as non-traditional Thanksgiving fare. The cost is $25 for adults, $12 for kids 12 and under, and free for Veterans. No one will be turned away due to lack of funds. Guests are invited to bring non-perishable food items for entry into a raffle, with items going to the CCC food bank. Call 837-9141 ext. 315 for more information or to register.

Save the Dates: Parish Advent Reconciliation Services - Saturday, December 17 at 3:30 pm and Monday, December 19 at 7:30 pm. Make plans to join us for one of these reconciliations services.

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Church Support 10/23/16 $20,204 (plate collections $13,568 + online giving $6,636)
CTK Random Act of Mercy of the Week:

Two parishioners became aware that one of the sisters who worships here at Christ the King was taking herself to Urgent Care. They went there to check on her and sat with her for over an hour as she waited to be seen. She was so grateful to see them walk in and calls them her “Knights in Shining Armor”.

Save the date, Monday, November 7th to visit the Cathedral of Christ the Light and walk through the Holy Doors of Mercy.

CTK will make this pilgrimage as a parish. You can join us by meeting at CTK at 5 pm and we will take a bus to the cathedral. Buses will depart CTK at 5 pm and return to Pleasant Hill leaving the Cathedral either at 8 pm or 9:30 pm. If you prefer, you can drive or take BART but plan to join us on the plaza by 5:50 pm so we can gather as a parish and enter together.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, November 1st at 682-2486. Let us know how you plan to get to the cathedral. If by bus, let us know which bus (8 pm or 9:30 pm) that you would prefer to return on. The bus will be $5/teen, $15/adult or $50.00/family.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH!!