WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 11/27
- No RE classes
- RE Grds 1-5, School/Hall 3:30 - 5 pm
- RE Older Sac, Rm B 3:30 - 5 pm

Monday, 11/28
- 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

Tuesday, 11/29
- RE Grds 1-5, School/Hall 3:30 - 5 pm
- RE Grds 6, Parish Hall 7 - 8:15 pm

Wednesday, 11/30
- RE Grds 1-5, School/Hall 3:30 - 5 pm
- RE Grds 6, Parish Hall 7 - 8:15 pm

Thursday, 12/1
- Family Faith Pgm, Parish Hall 6 pm

Thursday, 12/1 cont.
- Youth Group, Parish Hall 7:30 pm
- RCIA, Chapel 7 pm

Friday, 12/2
- Garden Cafe, Ministry Ctr 7:30 am
- First Friday Mass, Church 6 pm

Saturday, 12/3
- Altar Society, Rm A/B 8:30 am
- Men’s Fellowship, Chapel 7:30 am

Sunday, 12/4
- CLOW, 9:15 mass
- 3 yr. old, Pre-K, K, Parish Hall 9:15
- Sponsor/Candidate, Parish Hall 4 pm

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 11/26
5:00 pm - Zofia & Andrew Mihulka+
11/27 7 am - Orlando Villanueva+
8 am - Arthur Vierra
9:15 am - Jenna Betti+
10:45 am - Alejandra Abarca+
12:15 pm - CTK Parishioners
6:00 pm - Eileen Radding+
11/28 8 am - Fe Ricafrente+
11/29 8 am - Blanche Oldham+
11/30 8 am - Maura Atherton
12/1 8 am - Jose Antonio Leitao+
12/2 8 am - Xaver & Adolf Burri+
12/2 6 pm - David Macaluso+
12/3 8 am - Benjamin Luna+

To Hear the Gospel and Make a Difference
This letter is to provide you with an update on our capital campaign and the work we have been able to do because of your generosity. We currently have pledges of $2.2 million and have collected over $1.1 million so far. Thank you! Our pledge commitment to the Diocese has been fulfilled, and now every dollar donated or pledged stays right here at Christ the King Parish.

With these funds, we have completed – an upgrade to the **Church sound and audio visual system; Constructed a fence** to secure the playground around Christ the King School (cost shared with the school) and **re-roofed the Parish Hall**.

Next up. We are getting ready to launch a significant project for **Christ the King (CTK) Ministry Center**. The project is to remodel this building to provide **offices and added meeting space to serve CTK ministries**. Lack of meeting space has been one of the chief concerns of many ministries that CTK sponsors. This remodeling project has been estimated at $1.7 million, including contingency, and is based on initial architectural plans as well as environmental and engineering assessments used to define the scope and cost for the effort.

Thanks to your ongoing support, all funds for this project have been collected and are on deposit in our parish savings account. We expect to start construction next year and complete the project towards the end of 2017. We are working through the permitting process now and will have a better schedule once we have all the permits approved.

**Background**
The Ministry Center was originally built in 1961 as a convent for the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet who provided Catholic Education to the CTK School children. This 6,000-sq. ft., two story building is no longer used as a convent and currently has limited use for meetings due to the poor layout of the building. The second floor of the building is not used except as temporary storage.

The CTK Parish office is currently located in a separate building that also serves as the rectory for the parish. Use of the rectory for both office and living space has been a significant challenge as there is no suitable space for group or private meetings. Our St. Vincent de Paul ministry also serves the poor from the rectory. For a parish the size of CTK, the public nature of the parish office in the rectory makes it difficult for residents to maintain a reasonable level of privacy and run the day to day operation of the parish.

The objectives of the Ministry Center remodeling project are as follows:

**Remodel the Ministry Center to house the parish offices and meeting space.** This includes:
- Construction of offices and meeting rooms on the 1st and 2nd floor
- Exterior wall extended ~8 feet to add 300 sq. ft. for a larger meeting room on the 1st floor
- ADA Compliant Restrooms
- Asbestos Abatement
- Sprinklers
- New Electrical, Plumbing and HVAC
- Landscaping

Bring the Ministry Center up to current building code for Fire Safety, ADA Access, and Earthquake stability.
- Relocate parish offices to the new space.
- Relocate St. Vincent de Paul services to the gym office vacated when Youth ministry is moved to the new parish offices.
- Restore rectory office space to residential use only.
- Site improvements for ADA access from the street to the church and Ministry Center

Required to comply with city permit requirements.

**Our next priority for capital investment is to remodel the gym bathrooms and parish hall kitchen.** We initially thought we could do a low-cost upgrade to just the gym bathrooms, however, our facility experts have advised us that we will likely need to invest in improvements to our sewer line at the same time. Since this sewer line also serves the kitchen, we want to combine the two efforts. The kitchen and bathrooms are showing their advanced age. The kitchen improvements are needed to make it more usable, efficient and up-to-date with appliances that better meet our needs. Looking beyond the kitchen and gym bathrooms, we have a need to update the gym itself, improve the HVAC for the Church and repave our parking lot.

Funding for the gym bathrooms and kitchen remodel will be dependent upon the next phase of our capital campaign. We paused our campaign efforts after the initial push so that we could solidify our plans and cost estimates. Early next year, once we have hard cost estimates, we will be renewing our campaign efforts and asking for your help to achieve our **original $4.5 million campaign goal** so that we have the funds to continue our capital improvements that support our parish, school and ministries.

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We are always open to questions and comments. Email is the best way to ask a question but a phone call is OK. You can contact Greg Thornbury, Finance Committee Chairman at gmthorn@ix.netcom.com or 925-671-9935 or Fr. Paulson is available at the phone or email address in the bulletin. Fr. Paulson will get your question to either the Facility Committee or Finance Committee and we will get back to you promptly.

Thank you for your continuing generosity in supporting our parish.

Fr. Paulson Mundanmani
Pastoral Council
Finance Committee
Facilities Committee

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 ensure 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!

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 reconciliation services.

Concern America Craft Sale: Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 3/4, volunteers for Concern America will hold a craft sale after all the masses featuring unique, quality handcrafts that provide us with the opportunity to purchase conscientiously. The gifts we find to brighten our own homes are an exchange of caring with impoverished communities in developing countries. For questions, call Concern America at 714-953-8575.

Our annual food collection for St. Vincent de Paul continues through Dec. 4th. You can leave bags of groceries in the vestibule of church. Please leave only items listed: All kinds of canned vegetables; All kinds of canned beans; pasta, rice, dried beans; canned fruit, tuna, soups, tomato sauce, peanut butter and cereal. Thank you for your generous support.

The holiday season is quickly approaching and so is the season to buy your Christmas Wreath. Scouts will be outside of church the next two weekends after all masses selling fresh Oregon Christmas wreaths. Be sure to support the local Scouts while adorning your home for the holidays.

If you would like to help our environment committee decorate our church for Christmas, including flowers and Christmas trees, please consider donating using our Christmas Flower offering envelopes. You can find the envelopes in your boxed set or in the back of the church.

This weekend is the annual collection for Catholic Campaign for Human Development. CCHD provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD’s grants improve education, support economic development and create affordable housing. Thank you for your support.

The Garden Café is back for the first Friday, on Friday, December 2nd. We will have lots of great garden egg dishes, hot oatmeal with berries, great coffee, a variety of tea and juice and many other goodies. Come by and eat breakfast together before and/or after mass, 7:30 am - 9:30am.

First Sunday of Advent
November 27, 2016
First Reading: 2 Isaiah 2:1-5

The prophet Isaiah dreamed of a day when Jerusalem (sometimes called Zion) would be the center of the world, and all people would come there to receive God’s wisdom. In today’s reading, Isaiah presents a vision of peace and prosperity for the whole world.

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Behind everything Paul wrote was his strong belief that the hour of Christ’s return in glory was near at hand. In this passage, Paul uses the image of darkness and light to describe how Christians ought to live as they await that coming.

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.

Brad Lubeck, Carmen Taelar, Shawn Ray-Schiller, Dominador Mendoza, Jr., Theresa Murphy.

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Concern for America at 714-953-8575.

Concern for America is an organization that works to alleviate poverty in developing countries. The organization offers services such as scholarships, microloans, and health care to local communities. Their goal is to empower people to break the cycle of poverty and create sustainable change.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is a national program that provides funding to local organizations working to end poverty. The program focuses on education, economic development, and housing.

The Garden Café is a local restaurant that offers breakfast on the first Friday of the month. The café is known for its delicious garden egg dishes, oatmeal, and coffee.

The First Sunday of Advent is a time when Christians reflect on the coming of Christ. The readings for this week focus on themes of hope, faith, and anticipation.

Pray for Our Sick: Join in prayer for those who are sick and in need of healing. May their pain be comforted and their spirits lifted.

The Garden Café: A great place to start your day with a delicious breakfast.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development: A program that supports local organizations working to alleviate poverty.

First Sunday of Advent: A time for reflection and anticipation of Christ's return.
BE PREPARED

Be prepared. It's that simple. As this Advent season opens before us, the Lord Jesus summons us to stand ready for his coming. At this time of year much of our attention is focused on being prepared for the details that accompany the holiday season. We purchase gifts; we decorate our homes, inside and out; we prepare foods that we eat only during the holidays; we write and send Christmas cards; we attend holiday concerts; we prepare either to welcome family and friends into our homes or arrange for visits to their homes. We really can't escape the details that make up the season. Perhaps this Advent is a time to attend to all those details with a different spin. As we prepare to celebrate the feast of Christmas, why not be deliberate about acknowledging the presence of the Lord as we go about these tasks? The Lord often comes to us in wonderfully surprising ways. Let us be prepared.

Christ the King Youth Group Retreat 2016
Lafayette Retreat Center