The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

Luke 2:40

Week At A Glance

Sunday, 12/31
- Regular Mass Schedule
- Monday, 1/1/2018
- Happy New Year!
- 8:00 am & 9:15 am Masses

Tuesday, 1/2

Wednesday, 1/3

Thursday, 1/4
- Friday, 1/5
  - 1st Fri. Exposition 4 pm/Mass 6 pm
- Saturday, 1/6
  - Altar Society, Rms A/B 8:30 am
  - Men’s Fellowship, Rm D 7:30 am
- Sunday, 1/7
  - CLOW, 9:15 mass
  - 3 yr. old, Pre-K, K, Parish Hall 9:15

Upcoming Mass Intentions

1/1 8 am - Katie Morley Dubrow+
  9:15 am - John Aitken+
1/2 8 am - Joseph Grech+
1/3 8 am - Doral Family
1/4 8 am - Paul Sbragia & JP Sbragia-Zoricic+
1/5 8 am - John & David Macaluso+
  Saturday, 1/6
  8 am - DelFa Hegedis+
  5 pm - John Reardon+
  Sunday, 1/7
  7 am - CTK Parishioners
  8 am - Mario & Enis Paoli+
  9:15 am - George Egolf+
  10:45 am - M/M Adelardo Peña+
  12:15 pm - Donald Dean+
  6:00 pm - Alma Matas+

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, Jan. 5, 2018
at 6 pm with Exposition at 4 pm

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Catholic Community of Pleasant Hill
Dear Friends,

I would like to update you on the progress of our Ministry Center Project. We contacted 11 potential bidders to solicit their participation. Of the six who indicated an interest only 2 showed up at the site review meeting. Subsequently we received 3 bids from the initial six bidders who expressed an interest. These bids were over 45 percent higher than estimates and the budget we have set aside for this project. Challenges from high demand for constructions services appear to be impacting our ability to solicit bids that are within our budget.

After reviewing the proposals, we requested that the initial 3 bidders revisit their bids and bring costs down with suggestions for efficiencies to allow CTK to accomplish this project at lower cost. We also pressed one of the original 11 contacted who declined to participate to reconsider bidding. This contractor again declined to participate. We also contacted another contractor who had indicated a willingness to bid for the project, however, this contractor also did not bid. The facilities Committee has been meeting multiple times to see how we can be creative in reducing our costs. Due to rising costs, I had to contact the diocese for further input and their subsequent approval of our project, which is ready to commence, once we have everything in place. While this project is coming in at a higher cost than expected, CTK would need to raise some more funds towards this project. The Finance Committee is exploring some creative ways to accomplish this in the New Year. I am grateful to over 600 families that supported the capital campaign 3 years ago and I would like to ask others to come forward to support our project.

A month ago, Fr. Brian Timoney spoke about our Gym-Kitchen project, during which he talked about the possibility of a shut down of some of the facilities if we don’t attend to them a.s.a.p. The sewer that connects our facilities would need replacement. We have established an account for this purpose and our accountants have given us a specific code to manage the money collected for this purpose. Many of you have already started contributing to this project. Thank you. This project is about our parish community especially about our children at the school, CYO programs and RE classes. I trust in God’s providence and your generosity. Together we can do it. I have personally pledged $6000.00 towards the Gym-Kitchen project in the footsteps of Fr. Brian Timoney who pledged the same amount. We will be working hard on this front in the New Year.

On another front, we have made significant progress. Our Youth House was in disrepairs and was only used for BBQ with young people. Our Knights of Columbus stepped up and raised funds and has turned that house into a beautiful meeting space for the parish at large. They removed all of the old ceilings in the main room and kitchen. It was then insulated, sheet-rocked, textured and painted. Additionally all of the old fluorescent lighting was removed and replaced with LED canned lighting in both rooms. Room heating and air conditioning was added which will make the rooms much more comfortable in all seasons. The small room in the front adjacent to the kitchen was eliminated and the kitchen area was opened up to offer a much larger and more versatile communal area for gatherings and smaller meetings. The kitchen was completely gutted and all of the cabinets were replaced as well all of the appliances. A new floor was installed scraping all of the old layers and floor leveled. Granite counter tops will be installed along with a new sink and faucet. Lastly the carpets and chairs will be cleaned and the main room will be permanently set. All of this has been at no cost to the Parish and has been done by Knights on a volunteer and donation basis. Thank you Knights for a job well done.

Let me take this opportunity to wish each and everyone of you a Blessed New Year filled with God’s blessings. I will be leaving on January 2nd for a week long vacation with my family in India. With lots of changes taking place in my home country, I would need to update my status as an Overseas Citizen of India and apply for something similar to social security number in India. Time is limited for this purpose. I am a citizen of the United States, but I have a lifelong visa to India and can live and work there freely except for the right to vote. Please do keep my siblings and me in your prayers. I will be back on January 14th early morning. God bless you.

Fr. Paulson Mundanmani
We are excited to announce that the Tickets for the annual **Christ the King CYO Crab Feed** are now on sale! Come join us for a great evening of food and dancing on January 27, 2018 in the gym. This is the only fundraiser that helps support our basketball program. Please go to our website at ctkcyohoops.org and follow the link to purchase tickets. This is a 21 & over event. For any questions, contact Allen Brezac at allen.brezac@comcast.net.

Knights of Columbus - **2018 Basketball Free Throw/ 3 Pt. Competition - January 14, 2018.** All girls and boys ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate and - **new for 2018 -** all young ladies and men ages 15 - 18 are invited to the 3 point competition. Bring your ball to warm-up. There is no fee required. Jan. 14 from 7:30 am to 11:30 am at the CTK gym. Contact Roberto at 925-899-7782 or rbracamontes@mac.com with any questions.

**Calling all Cantors!** Do you have experience with singing and have the ability to learn music quickly? Do you have a desire to lead the congregation in worship? The **Cantor Ministry at CTK needs YOU!** Contact Phyllis at pgurnett6@aol.com.

Want to know what mass to find your new options? Here is what you need to know:

- **Saturdays at 5 pm:** Contemporary Choir
- **Sundays 8 am:** Cantor only (1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays) 
  Adult Choir (2nd & 4th Sundays)
- **Sundays 9:15 am:** Children’s Choir (1st, 3rd & 5th Sun) 
  Adult Choir (2nd & 4th Sundays)
- **Sundays 10:45:** Adult Choir
- **Sundays 12:15 pm:** Cantor only (1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays) 
  Adult Filipino Choir (2nd & 4th Sun)
- **Sundays 6 pm:** Youth Band

**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.  
**Loretta Cabral, Ruth Hirschfeld, Ritzel Pepito**

**“Let the little children come to Me.”** First Friday Mass, January 5, 2018 at 6 pm. **Children's Holy Hour** will be from 4 pm to 5 pm in the main church, right before the regular First Friday adoration from 5 pm to 6 pm. Prayer, song and silence in front of the Blessed Sacrament will be led in a **Holy Hour designed for kids.** All are welcome!

The **14th Annual Walk for Life** will take place on Saturday, January 27, 2018 at Civic Center Plaza in San Francisco at 12:30 pm. Earlier that morning, Bishop Barber will be concelebrating the special Walk for Life Mass at 9:30 am at St. Mary’s Cathedral in SF. You are invited to join him, Archbishop Cordileone and other priests and lay faithful for this very special mass and walk.

**Registration for Christ the King School** will begin mid January. More information soon or call the school office at 685-1109.

**Tour to Ireland and Scotland!** - Back by popular demand, Sr. Joanne Gallagher will be leading another enjoyable tour to Ireland and Scotland in August 2018. More details soon. Call Sr. Joanne at 925-989-3862 for more information.

**Capital Campaign - Gym, Kitchen Update:** We currently have 66 families pledging $104,655.00. Thanks to those 66 families! Please pick up a pledge sheet and consider helping renovate these much used facilities.

During this **Christmas season,** we pray for those who are less fortunate and thank God for our families and the benefits we have in our lives. Here at Christ the King, we are truly grateful for your gifts of time, talent and treasure. Through our many ministries that lend a helping hand, CTK brings Christ’s message of love to those in our community in many ways. As you consider your year-end charitable giving, CTK parish would be honored to be included as one of the organizations that you support. CTK is a thriving parish largely due to the generosity of our parishioners. As you consider a year-end financial gift, donating to CTK is easy and can be done online at ctkph.org/giving, or traditional mail works too: CTK, 199 Brandon Rd, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.

Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continuing generosity and support. May the peace of Christ be with you always.  
*Greg Thornbury, CTK Finance Chair*

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**UPDATE:**

- **Loretta Cabral,** Religious Education Director
- **Kathy Ridgway,** Office Staff
Join us at our annual **Women’s Retreat** at beautiful **Vallombrosa Retreat Center** in Menlo Park! The theme will be: *The Generations: Finding Grace in the Gaps!* Join us for a retreat that explores the concepts of generational differences today ~ while delving into the lives of some biblical folks who experienced similar challenges.

**Retreat leader:** Kathy Roberts


To reserve a room, contact
Sr. Dominic Marie at 925-246-1122 or sisterdominic.marie@gmail.com. Single rooms are $320.00/sharing is $290.00.

**Reservations in advance are required!**

And for the men in our parish...

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**It’s not too late!**

Give a Christmas gift for the men in your life! Sign them up for the **Christ the King’s Men’s Retreat!**

March 23-25, 2018 at San Damiano Retreat House.

The retreat master will be our very own Pastor, Fr. Paulson. For information contact
Pete at peteobrien7@gmail.com or 899-6662 or Eddy at eddywilliams1969@comcast.net or 787-7631.