Christ the King Ministries & Organizations

January, 2020
Altar Server Ministry
We recruit and train altar servers, in 4th through 8th grade for serving at weekend and weekday Masses. We usually train new servers in October/November and do occasional training throughout the year, as needed. Training is in the sanctuary at CTK. Volunteers/participants must be good with children and have a knowledge of the order of Mass and complete VIRTUS safe environment training. Leader: Kathy Gannon Briggs, 925-389-0141 kgannonbriggs4@gmail.com.

Altar Society
Altar Society members care for the altar and sanctuary. Every Friday, the altar is cleaned, dusted, polished, and books arranged. Altar linens (special training by Sr. Dominic), purificators, corporals, towels, and albs are also maintained weekly. Additionally, members assist and support other CTK ministries, especially our Liturgical Environment Ministry. Watch for our quilt raffle fundraisers to help our ministry! We welcome new members! Meeting and training, as needed. Leaders: Pam De Bernardi, 925-202-6138, pdeber@hotmail.com; Violet de Borgia, 925-934-7832, violet.deborgia@yahoo.com.

Baptism (Infant/Toddler)
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Bereavement Ministry
The Bereavement Ministry (in addition to diocesan Grief Ministry), meets monthly, on the 1st Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m., at CTK or a local coffee shop. The ministers reach out with a phone call to a family member who's loved one had a funeral or memorial service at CTK or Queen of Heaven in recent weeks. We give the family member the opportunity to talk about their loved one, and if desired, receive another phone call from us. Instructions will be provided. Leader: Rita Iforida, 925-787-7241, riforida@hotmail.com.

Caregivers Ministry NEW MINISTRY FORMING!
Contact Sr. Dominic at 925-682-0486 if you are interested in training to lead or participating in this ministry.

Centering Prayer Group
Come join us for a restful and inspiring hour and a half every Thursday morning. After a period of silent prayer, we practice "Lectio Divina," a fresh and very personal way of reflecting on Scripture. Participants then share their experience with the Scripture reading if they wish. General sharing and fellowship follow.

No preparation is required. We welcome newcomers! Every Thursday 10 am in the Ministry Center. Jodi Henrekin, 925-293-4088, mjhenrekin9@gmail.com.

Christ the King Catholic School
Christ The King Catholic School is a family-centered, faith-based parish school serving students in grades Kindergarten through Eighth. We believe that we have the responsibility to communicate the Catholic message as well as to provide academic excellence. CTK School has been educating young people since the doors of the school first opened in 1961. Since then, our dedicated teachers and staff have worked tirelessly to further our mission and inspire our students to grow in faith, knowledge, and service. Through challenging academic courses, service-learning opportunities, and exciting extracurricular activities, students at Christ the King practice the skills necessary to become lifelong learners, effective communicators, active persons of faith, and dependable citizens.

School Website: www.CTKschool.org
School Phone: 925-685-1109
Principal: Joseph Silveira JSilveira@ctkschool.org
Assistant Principals: Kathryn Thornbury KThornbury@ctkschool.org and Jeanne Bucci JBucci@ctkschool.org.

Christ the King CYO Basketball
Christ The King parish sponsors Catholic Youth Organization as just one dimension of the total youth ministry experience. We believe that athletic programs can help young people develop the essential tools for success and foster an attitude to help improve communities in a changing world. The program encourages community relationships and instills Christian attitudes and responsibilities among its participants. For more information, visit our blog: CTKcyohoops.org

ChristLight
ChristLight is an annual, parish-based weekend experience that invites you to renew your faith, in the presence of God, as individuals and as a parish community. Over 500 parishioners have attended a ChristLight weekend. ChristLight gathers women and men to share in prayer, fellowship, stories, song and fun. At ChristLight, all are welcome to share in an open and trusting community where we can focus on our journey of faith as Catholics. ChristLight XVI will be held the weekend of Nov 8-10, 2019. For more information, contact John Alonso, 925-961-2695, AlonsoGang@hotmail.com.
Coffee and Donuts Ministry
Our ministry invites friendly outgoing volunteers to greet parishioners after Mass and host our donuts, coffee and apple juice after morning Masses (up to 10:45). 12 times/year: 6 weeks in Fall and 6 weeks in Spring. About 3 weeks before the start, you will receive a letter and schedule. To sign up, call the parish office and add your name, phone and email to our volunteer lists: 925-682-2486.

Convalescent Home Ministry
Ministers work in teams of several people and go together once a month to provide a simple prayer service with Communion for elderly residents of local convalescent homes. There are four teams and each team serves once a month. Training is provided by learning from the other team members and working together. If and when a team member is comfortable, they may choose to lead the group on their own with the support of the other team members. Leader: Pat Cheng, francis_pat_cheng@msn.com Note Email underscore.

Christ the King Parish Festival
Christ the King’s Festival, a long tradition at CTK, is a wonderful opportunity to bring the entire Parish community together for a weekend of fun. We offer games for kids, music, and food. Planning for the May festival starts with the larger committee in September. We welcome people of all types of skills, interest, and time to help us put on this community-building and fundraising event. 2020 Leaders: Christina and Tim Francis, christthekingfestival@gmail.com.

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Cub Scout Pack 401
Affiliation: Boy Scouts of America, Mount Diablo Silverado Council, Briones District
Description: Pack 401 has been the CTK cub scout pack for many years and is available to boys and girls Kindergarten through 5th grade. This organization aims to promote character development, citizenship training, personal fitness, and leadership. We have many fun and enriching activities throughout the school year and summer, and you can join at any time. Meetings monthly in the CTK Parish Hall; 2020 school year schedule TBD. Contact Cubmaster Daniel Block, 805-459-9605, Daniel.Block1@yahoo.com.

Dress A Child Around the World (Sewing Ministry)
Dress A Child Around the World is a sewing ministry that began in 2012. It is made up of a group of 45-80 women from the Contra Costa area who volunteer their time and efforts to sew new dresses for girls (age 4-14) and shorts for boys (age 6-12). These dresses and shorts are given free of charge to poor, disadvantaged, and/or children affected by disasters in the United States and other countries around the world. The intent is to provide children with a sense of dignity despite their circumstances and a sign of God’s love and respect for those who would otherwise go without. To date, we have completed and sent over 12,000 dresses and over 3,500 pairs of shorts to children here in the U.S. and 31 countries worldwide. All the clothing is made using donated sewing machines, fabrics, notions and trims. Dress A Child Around the World meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays monthly, September-June from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Contact: Carol Vogl, 925-288-0488, CarolVogl@sbcglobal.net.

Eucharistic Ministers at Mass
Eucharistic Ministers assist the priest administering the sacrament of Holy Communion, the consecrated bread and wine at weekend Masses, Saturday evening & all Sunday morning Masses. 3 Masses distribute both bread & wine, 3 distribute just bread by 53 Ministers every weekend. An initial training of 60-90 minutes is required. Coordinator: Gayle Nault, 925-352-3597, SoftballScrapper@gmail.com.

Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick/Homebound
If you are looking for a rewarding ministry that gives back more than you give, this would be a wonderful choice for you. Our Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick and Homebound let people know that they have a friend who cares about them. Our ministers bring Communion once a week to one or more persons unable to leave their place of residence to attend Mass. They join in prayer, share of the word of God, receive Communion and spend some time in conversation. Training is provided. Coordinator: Beverly Prosek, 925-825-4269 or BevProsek@gmail.com.

Facilities Committee
The committee is responsible for the maintenance and upgrading of parish facilities and grounds. The committee, which has about 10 members, works with the pastor to determine parish needs and develops preliminary estimates for the work. Once agreement is reached with the Finance Council, work is either done with volunteers from the parish or a request for proposals is drawn up to secure design or installation of the approved work item. A committee member then manages the work for the parish. Anyone interested in helping maintain our campus facilities can contact the parish office or the committee chair: John Kluesener, 925-876-9672, John@Klueseners.com.
Faith in Action
Faith in Action has as its vision statement: Hear the Gospel, Make a Difference. It covers areas around Social Justice that deal with the hungry, homeless etc. The committee works with Monument Crisis Center, the Catholic worker, Hillcrest Church, Immigration concerns, advocacy for policies dealing with these areas in Sacramento and local city councils. We welcome parishioners to join us with Thanksgiving food baskets, signing letters about current issues, and advocating for the poor, etc. Thank you for supporting the needs of the poor, disenfranchised and those without a voice. The committee meets on the first Thursday of the month. Leader: Kathy Gannon Briggs, 925-389-0141, kgannonbriggs4@gmail.com.

Filipino Society of Christ The King (FSCTK)
The Filipino Society is an inclusive vibrant ministry whose goal is to embrace and promote the Filipino culture at CTK in celebrating its religiosity and culture by assisting the parish in its programs. Meets 1:30 p.m. every 1st Sunday of the month at the Parish Hall, rooms A/B. Areas of service: singing in the Filipino Choir (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays), serving dinner to the homeless, hosting parish hospitality events, collecting food and clothing donations for shelters in need, and helping at various events including the annual Fiesta, Bingo, Simbang Gabi, Caroling, Santo Nino celebrations. Leader: Abe Miralles, Pres., 925-381-5898, AbeMiralles@yahoo.com; Imelda Santos, Secy., 925-623-7340, IQSantos01@gmail.com.

Finance Council
The Finance Council is a group of 8 parishioners who provide financial advice to the Pastor on managing the financial operations of Christ the King Parish. This group is responsible for preparing and approving the annual operating and capital budget, which supports the mission of CTK parish. We meet monthly to monitor spending against budgets and advise the pastor on financially impactful issues that need attention. This group also monitors internal controls set up to assure proper management and accounting of all funds received and disbursed by the parish. This group also provides advice and counsel to the pastor on fundraising options as well as special projects needed to support the parish financial health. Finance Council works closely with the Facilities Committee to help manage the capital investment budget. Members of this Council are appointed by the pastor. If you are interested in the Finance Council and experienced in this area, contact the parish office, 925-682-2486, or Finance chair, Greg Thornbury, 415-370-6154, GMThornbury@Outlook.com.

Funerals
When a loved one dies, we are happy to assist the family in planning a funeral service. The funeral may take place within a Mass or outside a Mass. It is encouraged to have the casket or cremains present for the service. At the time of death, the family is encouraged to call the parish to first set up a date for the funeral. Planning a funeral is a new experience for many people. We will guide you through the steps to help create a beautiful and meaningful service. We assist by helping you in choosing scripture readings, prayers, music and songs. We invite family and friends to participate in the funeral as much as they are comfortable. Leader: Sr. Dominic Marie, OP, 925-246-1122, SisterDominic.Marie@gmail.com.

Grief Ministry
Our team of Grief Ministers (in addition to the Bereavement Ministry) help facilitate at CTK’s Grief Support Group. Sessions are conducted twice per month at CTK’s Ministry Center; the 1st Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m. and the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Several Grief Ministers attend each meeting. Attendees are not required to commit to every session. Our team holds a few planning meetings per year and participates in November’s annual Mass of Remembrance. Each team member has experienced a significant loss, enhancing their ability to relate to the participants’ experiences. Training will be provided. Leader: Donna Bradshaw, 510 381-3615, donnab@cfcsoakland.org.

Hospitality Committee
We help those new to the Church and the Sacraments celebrate by having receptions after Easter Vigil, Confirmation (when held at CTK) and First Eucharist. We also offer refreshments after the Bereavement Mass and Thanksgiving Day Mass. We host a party after the New Year’s Eve Mass. In other words, we are here to help the Parish celebrate significant happenings in the Parish. We have meetings when needed. Volunteers are welcome! The only qualifications are a warm smile and a welcoming heart. Sherry Cartmill, chairperson, Shars41547@gmail.com.

Integrating Faith After Cancer Ministry
NEW MINISTRY FORMING!
Contact Sr. Dominic at 925-682-0486 or SisterDominic.Marie@gmail.com if you are interested in training to lead or participating in this ministry.
Italian Catholic Federation Branch 442 (ICF)
The ICF is a nonprofit family-oriented organization, whose mission is to promote and support the Catholic faith and its values, encourage apostolic and charitable works, celebrate our Italian American heritage and all the heritages of our communities. Branch members build fellowship through social and religious events, provide financial and volunteer assistance to Christ the King Parish, support local and national charities, seminarian education, and award high school and college scholarships to students. Monthly meetings usually fall on the 3rd Sunday of the month in the Parish Hall at 1:30 p.m. We share a meal, enjoy an interesting program and build lasting friendships. Occasionally our meetings are held off-site, such as playing bocce or enjoying an afternoon at Viano Winery. We also celebrate Mass and lunch together every 3 months. President: Diana Mackinson. 925-335-9712, dijoed@comcast.net.

Job Search Ministry (SING)
The CTK Parish, Job Search ministry recently ceased. However, if you are currently amid a job search or are considering embarking on a different job or career path, reach out to CTK parishioner, Dick Bertrand, co-leader of St. Isidore’s Networking Group (SING). SING is a job search ministry, hosted by that parish. Meetings most Monday evenings: 6:30 p.m. for Networking, followed at 7 p.m. by a relevant speaker or roundtable topic. Meetings held at St. Isidore Church Hospitality Lounge, 428 La Gonda Way, Danville.
Contact: Dick Bertrand, 925-698-2155, Dick@BertrandOnline.com.

Knights of Columbus
The CTK, Knights of Columbus Pope John XXIII Council #5811 was founded in February 1966. Our council includes parishioners of St. Stephen parish in Walnut Creek and St. Catherine of Siena parish in Martinez. We are involved in many ministries and activities at Christ the King, including hosting our annual St. Patrick’s dinner, pancake breakfasts, the Easter Egg Hunt, and supporting the CYO Crab Feed. Our meetings are on the 1st Tuesday of every month at the “Knight House” at CTK from approximately 6:45 to 9 p.m. Membership is open to practicing Catholic gentlemen in union with the Holy See, who are at least 18 years old. A practicing Catholic is one who lives up to the Commandments of God and the precepts of the Church. Application forms are available from any member of the Knights of Columbus. Leader: Jay Becker, 925-818-1915, Scooners@comcast.net.

Knitters Workshop Ministry
CTK knitters create hand knit items for distribution in the community to support other CTK ministries, such as welcome blankets benefiting refugees and new immigrants, and knitted hats and scarfs for the sick and disadvantaged. Knitting workshops are held at 2 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month in one of the Parish Hall rooms (check the church weekly bulletin for exact room location). No experience is required, and new knitters are encouraged to participate. Experienced knitters willing to share their expertise is much appreciated. Storage is minimal; therefore, yarn and needles may be donated by appointment only (Do not leave in Parish Office). To learn more, or to donate supplies to the ministry, please contact Leader, Patti Turner, at ctk.knits@gmail.com.

Landings: Time to Reconnect with your Catholic Faith?
Are you feeling like it may be time to re-engage with your Catholic Faith? Here’s a special opportunity just for you. “Landings” is a 10-week program that offers a chance to reconnect. We hold discussion-based sessions that are for listening and for being heard - for asking questions and finding answers. The 10 week program here at CTK on Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 7 pm. Pre-registration is required. All are welcome and we look forward to hearing from you. Interested? Contact Joe Witherspoon, 925-932-0900, jwitherspoon@cfcoakland.org.

Lector Ministry
At Christ the King, we take the Ministry of the Word very seriously. We expect our lectors to have a personal passion for Scriptures and a strong desire to proclaim the Word, making it come alive in the hearts of our congregants. This ministry is open to all members of the parish, including younger teenagers and high school students. Three times a year, we publish a schedule that includes all the weekend liturgies for that period. We strive to train our lectors well for proclaiming their readings. To this end, we require them to commit to a Saturday practice at 8:30 a.m. on the weekend of their assignment. Coordinators: Steve Paris, SMParis1@comcast.net, 925-825-3687; Terry Heywood, Terry.Heywood@kp.org, 925-890-8047; Sue Weiler-Doke, suewdoke@gmail.com, 916-719-6073.

Liturical Environment Ministry
The Environment Ministry creates an atmosphere of reverence and beauty during the liturgical seasons – Advent, Christmas, Ordinary Time (after Epiphany), Lent, Easter, and Ordinary Time (after Pentecost). The
colors of vestments and church decor change according to the season. This ministry welcomes volunteers, especially during Easter and Christmas. We especially appreciate strong men and women comfortable on ladders, able to carry bulky items and move flowers. Contact: Pam De Bernardi, 925-202-6238, PDeBer@hotmail.com or CTK office, 925-682-2486.

**Men’s Fellowship**
The Men’s Fellowship is a group of men who gather to build community and support each other in our faith journeys. We meet on Saturday from 7:30-8:30 a.m. in the Ministry Center, Fr. Brian Joyce Room. We use Sunday’s readings and a commentary as a starting point for discussion; pray for each other’s intentions; participate in social outreach projects and plan social gatherings that include our families. Interested? Just show up! Leader: John Alonso, 925-961-2695, AlonsoGang@hotmail.com

**Men's Retreat**
CTK offers a 3-day annual men’s’ retreat at San Damiano Retreat House in the foothills above Danville. Currently the 2020 retreat is scheduled for Palm Sunday weekend. Adult men are welcome. There are no prerequisites for attendance. Retreat begins Friday evening, and includes dinner, continues Saturday all day, with 3 meals served. Sunday, 2 meals served. Regular and vegetarian meals available. Some participants elect to attend the meetings only, and sleep at home. Shared room: $250. Private room: $300. A 4-person committee plans the weekend. Leader: Carl Sutter, 925-348-2086, csutr53@gmail.com

**(23rd Annual) Monsignor Wade Golf Tournament**
Please join us Monday, October 21 at Contra Costa Country Club for an awesome day of golf and camaraderie! Knowing how to golf is optional; knowing how to have fun is mandatory! Registration includes: Golf, Cart, Range Balls, Breakfast, Hosted Morning Cocktails, Food & Drinks on the Course, Silent Auction, Raffle Contest, Awards and a Prime Rib Dinner! Don't miss out on the fun! Register at www.ctkgolf.org, $195 for first 30 registrations; $225 afterwards.

**Music Ministry**

**Cantor**
Do you have experience with singing and 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 Music Director, Phyllis Gurnett, at PGurnett6@aol.com.

**Choirs**

**Saturday 5 p.m.** Contemporary Band directed by Phyllis Gurnett, PGurnett6@aol.com. Rehearsal Saturday at 4 p.m. in church.

**Sunday 8 a.m. (2nd & 4th Sundays):** Adult Choir directed by Susan Comber, scomber@sbcglobal.net. Rehearsal Tuesday prior at 6:30 p.m. (NEW TIME)

**Sunday 9:15 a.m. (1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays):** Children’s Choir (1st-8th grade) directed by Phyllis Gurnett, PGurnett6@aol.com. Rehearsal Sunday before Mass at 8:20 a.m. in Ministry Center Chapel.

**Sunday 9:15 a.m. (2nd & 4th Sundays):** Adult Choir directed by Sandy Lione, Lionegirl@pacbell.net. Rehearsal Thursday prior in Ministry Center Chapel at 7:30 p.m.

**Sunday 10:45 a.m.** Adult Choir directed by Angela Schmidt, SingSchmidttySing@gmail.com. Rehearsal Wednesday in Church’s Choir area in from 7:30-9p.m.

**Sunday 12:15 p.m. (1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays):** Adult Filipino Choir directed by Imelda Santos IQSantos01@gmail.com. Rehearsal Thursday prior at 7 p.m. in church.

**Sunday 6 p.m.** Youth Band directed by Nelson Gonzales, nngonzales@ctkph.org. Rehearsal in Church on Sunday at 4 p.m.

**Friday 8 a.m. School Mass** Accompanist: Teri Hurlbut, tmhurlbut@sbcglobal.net

**Pastoral Council**
The Pastoral Council functions to set a vision and plan to achieve our mission: “Hear the Gospel and Make a Difference.” The council is made up of 14 members, serving 4-year terms. New members are selected by a discernment process, held every 2 years. We meet 9 times a year and also participate in various parish activities. We are easily identifiable by our silver name tags; and are always happy to hear opinions and suggestions from parishioners. Requirements: Registered and participating member of the parish; working knowledge of parish life; a Vatican II vision of the church; an ability to listen to the needs of parishioners; an ability to collaborate; and a desire to serve the church. If you are interested in joining the Council, please contact Fr. Paulson Mundanmani at Paulson.CTK@gmail.com or 925-682-2486.

**Prayer Line**
The Prayer Line is a phone and computer network of prayer volunteers who offer support to all parishioners in need of prayer support. Prayer requests are collected on a daily basis, then emailed to a group of approximately 70 people who pray for the intentions on the list. If you are in the need of prayer support for
any reason, please call Rosa Grand, 925-945-1340 or email prayerline@ctkph.org. Leader: MaryAnn Spicer, 925-935-5306, marod61@att.net. Send prayer requests to prayerline@ctkph.org.

**Projectionists for Mass**
Members of the parish serve as projectionists at all Masses, tracking and advancing prayers, music and other text during the service. After training, the volunteers for this ministry will serve about 2 times in 3 months at the Mass they usually attend. Coordinator: MaryAnn Spicer, 925-935-5306, marod61@att.net

**Respect Life Ministry**
“From the Womb to the Tomb.” Stand for the sanctity of life. We celebrate Respect Life Month at CTK in October with an information table. We honor Mother’s Day. We post and attend pro-life events such as the Walk for Life in SF. We support groups like 40 Days for Life, Birthright, Options for Women, Rachel's Vineyard, Students for Life, and we staff the WC California Right to Life information table at Sun Valley Mall each month. We write letters to the editor and to our representatives on life issues. We pray every day that the right to life be restored from fertilization to natural death. Meeting times and dates to be arranged. Contact Charlotte Graham at CSGraham228@yahoo.com.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**
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**Rossmoor/Tice Valley Friends of CTK**
Nearly 100 parishioners from CTK hail from the senior community of Rossmoor and the Tice Valley area in Walnut Creek. Twice a year, parishioners from 94595 meet for fellowship, to break bread, and sometimes for religious education offerings. Some of the group sit together near the choir at 5 p.m. Saturday Mass. Please reach out and join us or our team! Emails to registered 94595 parishioners are sent before each gathering. Leaders: Chris and Dick Bertrand, 925-963-3991, Chris@Bertrandonline.com.

**St. Vincent de Paul Ministry**
Christ The King Conference of St. Vincent de Paul (St. VdP) assists less fortunate members of our community on a person-to-person basis, providing emergency food, clothing and other services. Volunteers meet with families and individuals Monday-Friday 3:45-3:30 at CTK’s dedicated St. VdP office next to the Gym.

Typical assistance awarded a client might include a Grocery Outlet and/or St. VdP Clothing Stores, or perhaps a shower facilities voucher. Vouchers can only be used at the location designated and no change is returned to the client by the stores.

Vouchers vary in amount depending upon the size of the family seeking assistance and range from $20 to $100. A bag with assorted grocery staples (i.e. cereal, canned goods and other non-perishable food items) is also provided to most families. Clients can only receive assistance once every 2 months, although those identified as homeless can seek assistance once every month.

To assist our clients, we also provide referrals to other organizations that provide food, clothing, housing and other services to the needy. For families in need, we provide furniture, beds and household items as they struggle to make a home for their families. Volunteers pick up donations from our parishioners/friends and deliver them to our clients.

Clients are required to provide a current government issued identification and proof of address, unless homeless. Thus, monitoring of client assistance is performed to make sure program guidelines are adhered to.

Parishioners make this emergency aid possible through their generous contributions to a special collection taken up four times a year (5th Sunday of the month). For the past ten years, these contributions have amounted to $150-200,000 yearly.

In the fiscal year ending September 2019, monetary contributions were $146,371 and in-kind donations of food, clothing and furniture were roughly $65,000. All of these contributions are used to support our clients. Any overhead expenses are covered separately by St. Vincent de Paul volunteers.

Last year, Christ The King proudly held 4,450 client meetings at our CTK St. VdP location; approximately 18-23 meetings per day. These client meetings provided assistance touching 14,813 family members (inclusive of repeat visits).

The volunteer members of Christ the King Conference of St. Vincent de Paul selflessly contributed 5,210 hours to help serve the less fortunate members of our community. These hours also include prison, hospital and eldercare visits for those who have no way of coming to us. Volunteer meetings are 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month. Contact: Gary Pierratte, GaryFPe@gmail.com, 510-590-1009.
Sunshine Greeting Card Ministry
The Greeting Card Ministry will send handcrafted cards to CTK parishioners. The ministry welcomes volunteers as crafters, and assemblers, plus donations of postage stamps. Leader: Mary Muhlenkamp, MTMuhl@pacbell.net, 925-413-4473.

Ushers
Parishioners who usher, offer hospitality to those arriving for worship and are CTK’s first line of welcome. They assist with collections and its prompt delivery to our secure repository, the communion procession and with other needs that occur during worship. To volunteer for this ministry, contact: Jack Murphy, 925-933-8072, jmurph818@aol.com.

Welcome Ministry
The Parish Welcome Ministry plays a central role in helping our parishes become more vibrant and welcoming communities. The welcome ministry is the face and heart of the parish to new members, visitors and even other members of the parish who want to feel more connected. They help to build up the Body of Christ by helping to increase the membership and making them feel that they are an important part of Christ’s living body, the Church. They are an example of Christian community building at its best. The Welcome Ministry develops and regularly updates the registration, welcome and orientation process for new parishioners. This new ministry also will host Welcome Events, follow up with newly registered parishioners and answer any questions. Contact: Welcome@CTKph.org 925-963-3991 or Blaine Carter blainecarter66@yahoo.com, 925-963-6168.

Women’s Retreat
Each October, we offer a Saturday morning of reflection for women. In the spring, we offer a longer retreat, with Friday evening introduction followed by all-day Saturday. For both, events topics and speakers vary. Both events are advertised well in advance and all women are welcome. Leader: Sr. Dominic Marie, OP, 925-246-1122, SisterDominic.Marie@gmail.com

Young Adults Group (Young Active And Spiritual)
Young Active And Spiritual (CTK Y.A.A.S group), a small, laid-back, young adult group serves and welcomes anyone ages 21-39. We meet on the 1st Wednesday of every month for a prayer service/bible study. Additionally, we try to do one social or service event within the month. Drop-ins welcome, but please email us to be added to our mailing list for updated information regarding events. For events involving younger kids/teens (i.e., volunteering with Winter Nights), you must complete your Virtus Training online at www.virtus.org. Leader: Rick Grand-Lejano, ctkaasgroup@gmail.com

Young Families Ministry (YFM)
Do you have young children? Are you hoping to grow in your faith as a family and looking to connect with other young families? We promote faith development, family support, and family-friendly community service opportunities. Meetings are typically held monthly on the 1st Sundays of the month at 10:30am (following the 9:15 Mass) in the Parish Hall Rooms A/B. Please join us! YFM Coordinators: Brianna and Eric Johnson, 415-314-5338, YoungFamiliesCTK@gmail.com. Also, find us on Facebook: Young Families Ministry CTK

FAITH FORMATION AT CTK
Faith Formation is offered for all ages and stages of life at CTK. Whether one is an active Catholic in search of ways to deepen and grow in their faith, or if one is seeking to learn more about the Catholic faith, CTK uses catechetical programs and develops material to meet the broad needs of the community. These programs include: Baptism, Confirmation, K-8 (after school) Religious Education, K-8 Religious Education at CTK School, Pre-School Sunday Program, Children’s Liturgy of the Word, (K-3), Youth Ministry (High School), CTKalive!, RCIA and other occasional programs for different age groups, interests and topics throughout the year.

For information, to register or volunteer, contact our Faith Formation Director, Deacon John Ashmore at 925-682-2486 or FaithFormation@CTKph.org. NOTE: Some programs have different administrators or leaders.

Baptism (Infant/Toddler)
We welcome families to have their infants/toddlers baptized at Christ the King. The process of preparation may begin even before the birth of the baby. The Baptismal preparation begins with an initial parents’
meeting with Sr. Dominic. Next, there is one Baptism Class parents and godparents are required to attend. (If godparents live out of town, they must attend a Baptism Class in their local parish.) Baptisms are celebrated once a month on Sundays, beginning at 12:15 p.m. Mass, where families are introduced. Following Mass, the Baptism ceremony continues, usually celebrated with several families together. Leader: Sr. Dominic Marie, OP, 925-246-1122, SisterDominic.Marie@gmail.com.

Sunday Program (Age 3-5)
Our Sunday R.E. Program is designed to support parents in providing knowledge and participation in the faith development of children aged three to five. Music, Scripture, prayer and activities are designed to reinforce Christian values and attitudes taught at home. Classes meet during the 9:15 AM Mass. Children should arrive between 9:05 AM to 9:15 AM; children are to be picked up in their classrooms following the 9:15 AM Mass. Registration is required.

K-8 Religious Education (CTK School)
Religious education is an integral part of the curriculum at Christ the King School for all students K through 8.

K-8 Religious Education (Students from other schools)
After school programs for religious education, First Penance and First Communion for K-8 students is available after school or in the evenings. Contact the Faith Formation office for schedule and details: 925-682-2486 or FaithFormation@CTKph.org

Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)
Christ the King Parish offers Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) to children in language that is meaningful to them by providing a discussion of the Scriptures geared to their age and developmental levels. CLOW occurs during the 9:15 AM Mass on most Sundays September-May.

Children in Grades 1-3 are invited forward by the Priest, blessed and dismissed with their leaders, then proceed as a group to listen to the Scriptures in a separate space. The Presider uses music, activities, skits and various techniques to make Scripture exciting and alive. They return for the Liturgy of the Eucharist, following the Petitions. Some children are chosen to carry the gifts and all the children assemble around the altar for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Youth Ministry (Post 8th grade thru High School)

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Confirmation Program (High School program)
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ctkAlive!
ctkAlive! provides ongoing Adult Faith Education and Formation to our parishioners. Our goal is to spark new spirit-life to better ourselves, our parish, and the world through enlightened faith, deepened prayer life, and commitment to stewardship and other-centered action. We offer 6-week and weekend sessions periodically throughout the year. Our underlying theme is that God has only one story to tell us, but it is told in hundreds of different ways. That one story is God’s total love for every human being and all of creation. We invite parishioners who are new to CTK and “long timers” to take advantage of this opportunity. Renew your faith through immersion in adult Catholic theology, deeper and more intentional prayer, and a desire to take individual and collective action on behalf of others, especially the poor in body and/or spirit. For more information, email us at CTKalive@CTKph.org.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)
RCIA is the process, typically 9-12 months, by which adults are educated in the Catholic faith – its teachings and traditions – in order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist at Easter. Adults who have never been baptized are welcome, as are those who have been baptized in another Christian denomination but desire initiation into the Catholic Church. RCIA is available for baptized Catholics who never received the Sacrament of Confirmation, although the process is adaptable depending on each individual’s needs. No qualifications are necessary for participants. Meetings are held in the Ministry Center, time TBD, but typically Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. Leader: Contact the Faith Formation Office, 925-682-2486 or FaithFormation@CTKph.org.

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