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I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count,
from every nation, race, people, and tongue.
They stood before the throne and before the Lamb.

REVELATION 7:9

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

NOVEMBER 1, 2020

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SS UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Oct. 31 9 am Joselito Asuncion †
Nov. 1 9:30 am St. Stephen & CTK Parishioners
Nov. 2 9 am Deceased members of
St. Stephen Parish †
Nov. 4 9 am Donald DuBeau †
Nov. 8 9:30 am Jim Vranesh †

**All CTK Masses streamed live with videos
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Mon-Fri ~ 9 am to 1 pm***

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CTK UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Nov. 2 9 am Orlando Villanueva †
Dr. Winston Pineda
Connie Deeney †
Nov. 3 9 am Juvenal Figueiro †
Nov. 4 9 am Paul Sbragia & J.P. Sbragia-Zoricic †
Nov. 5 9 am Cecilia Nguyen †
Nov. 6 9 am Maria Marrazato †
6 pm Juan, Felicidad, Manuel Vallejo †
Saturday, November 7
9 am
5 pm Alice Fernandes †

Sunday, November 8
7 am Ben Pineda †
8 am Mary Taggart †
9:15 am Iva Biagi †
10:45 am Gloria Maliwanag †
12:15 pm Orlando Villanueva †
6 pm CTK & SS Parishioners

Dear Friends,

A few days ago, the news of **Pope Francis' endorsement** of civil unions for same-sex couples in the new documentary "Francesco" took the Catholic world by storm. Some Catholics have applauded the remarks as a major step forward in the church's pastoral attitude toward LGBT people while others have decried it as a break with official church teaching and a tacit approval of sexual immorality. This is definitely an historic moment in the church, and I don't know what the ramifications of Pope Francis' opinion with regard to civil unions will hold for the future of the Church and its teachings. I don't want to add anything more than what is out there right now.



While he was the Cardinal of Buenos Aires, Pope Francis had categorically opposed efforts to engrave same-sex marriage in law. And he still does. Cardinal O'Malley stated that the Pope's remarks on civil unions is not an endorsement of homosexual activity. O'Malley said in a statement that while "many people are anxious for the Church to change its position on marriage and family," the pope's comments do not represent a groundbreaking shift in the church's teachings. "Pope Francis strongly and consistently teaches that marriage is between a man and woman for a lifetime and that this is God's plan for having and raising children," O'Malley said. "Just as the Church does not campaign against civil laws that allow for common-law marriage or second marriages that are not sacramental, even though such arrangements can be in violation of the laws of the Church, the Holy Father recognizes that in civil society there can be cogent reasons to enact such laws providing for civil unions which are not the same as the institution of marriage."

In a book first published in 2010, Pope Francis — then Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio — made some of his first widely circulated public comments on same-sex marriage, saying that he opposed it, along with the right of same-sex couples to adopt children. "Every person needs a male father and a female mother that can help them shape their identity," he wrote. He pushed back against the Argentine government in its efforts to legalize same-sex marriage. "Let's not be naive. This isn't a simple political fight, it's an attempt to destroy God's plan."

While a number of bishops have taken exception to remarks of Pope Francis, other prelates have opined that they are waiting for further clarification from the Vatican on his comments. "The pope's statement clearly contradicts what has been a long-standing teaching of the church about same-sex unions," Bishop Thomas J. Tobin of Providence, Rhode Island, said in a statement. I am one of those awaiting clarity on this issue and I would ask you to pray for the Church at this crucial time.

I would also like to bring your attention to what is happening in Walnut Creek, where parishioners from our church as well as other parishes who have been part of 40 days of Life movement, faced aggression for basically protesting abortion in a prayerful way. Peaceful protest is a right regardless of whether people agree with it or not. And I applaud all those who continue to uphold the cause of the unborn. "Our defense of the innocent unborn, for example, needs to be clear, firm and passionate, for at stake is the dignity of a human life, which is always sacred and demands love for each person, regardless of his or her stage of development. Equally sacred, however, are the lives of the poor, the already born, the destitute, the abandoned and the underprivileged, the vulnerable infirm and elderly exposed to covert euthanasia, the victims of human trafficking, new forms of slavery, and every form of rejection."

(Pope Francis, Gaudete et Exultate) **Let us pray for peace!**

As Covid 19 continues to spread across the nation, our community remains very cautious and prudent in the way we offer our services. We will continue to hold outdoor services as long as possible. Wi-Fi will be available in our entire parking lot soon so that in addition to radio (FM 106.7) which has been working well, you will be able to view the mass on your tablet or smart phone. This will be definitely beneficial during the rainy or cold days. We priests have been praying daily for all of you that God will protect us from Covid 19 and other hardships. Let us also pray for fair elections and also, that we as a nation may accept whoever wins this election, and support our leaders.

Fr. Paulson

All Saints Day November 1, 2020

First Reading: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

The Book of Revelation is not intended to predict actual people and events in future times. The author was concerned only about people and events in that time and was given no privileged information about the future. In today's passage, the author encourages people of that time by presenting a vision of God's people enjoying heavenly life.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

In our first reading, we heard symbolic images of what heaven will be like. The author of our second reading also talks about what heaven will be like, but without attempting to give us any specific details.

Carondelet High School's 20-21 Admissions Season has officially opened! We have many virtual events and on-campus tours available (space is very limited). To register for events and find out more about our school, please visit carondeleths.org/apply.



WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF MASSES

CTK: Monday - Saturday:

9 am Mass ~ Live streamed from our chapel on facebook/YouTube

6 pm Thursday Indoor Mass includes devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

Christ The King Weekends

Saturdays ~ 3 pm - 3:30 pm Private Confessions are available. Please meet in front of the church.

Saturdays ~ 5 pm Vigil Mass Drive-In/Lawn

Sundays ~ 7:30 am, 9 am, 10:30 am and 6 pm drive-in/lawn mass

12:00 noon Spanish drive-in/lawn mass

Note: While communion will be available at all the Outdoor Masses, we will also offer Drive through Communion from 11:30 am - 12 pm Sundays in front of the church.

Saint Stephen Weekends

Sunday Mass ~ 9:30 am Outdoor Mass

Communion only - please arrive at the end of mass, approximately 10:10 am.

St. Stephen Updates

Starting this weekend, the Little **Blue Advent Books** will be available for those interested. They will be available after Mass on Sundays.

It's not too late to have your deceased loved one included in our online **Table of Remembrance**. Email the parish office with a picture, or see Chris Lang after Mass on Sunday and she can quickly scan in your picture.

Married Couples: Fall is a beautiful season full of color and crisp fresh air. A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** is like Autumn because it's a weekend full of fresh air, New Beginnings and a time to *rejoice in the beauty of your marriage and family*. It's a great time to plan to **rekindle communication** and **enjoy a weekend away**. The next **Marriage Encounter Weekends** include:

Nov 20-22, 2020 in Virtual Weekend, CA and Feb 19-21, 2021 in DANVILLE, CA. For more information and/or to register for a Weekend, visit our website at: oaklandwwme.org or contact Ray & Roberta at applications@oaklandwwme.org or 916-806-4601.

CTK Mass Schedule Highlights

We will hold our weekly Thursday Mass (Honoring Our Mother of Perpetual Help) at 6pm indoors in the church. All other masses will remain outdoors. Please follow the direction of the ushers when you arrive. Those attending mass must wear masks and maintain proper social distancing practices. You are welcome to sit on the patio in front of the church and listen through the speakers.

CTK Church is open for private prayer, Monday - Friday 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. Please enter through the side door closest to the rectory.



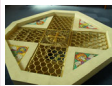
Join us Nov. 7 after 5 pm Mass for Music on the Lawn!

Prayer Works!

Do you have a need that requires Divine intervention? Let us add our prayers to yours. Send confidential prayer requests to:

prayerline@ctkph.org





Are you or anyone you know, curious about the process of becoming Catholic? The program is called Rite of Christian Initiation, or RCIA. As an adult, you receive Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation. There is no commitment, simply come and see! During the pandemic we are meeting through email. Contact: Mary McCarthy (maryjane.mccarthy@gmail.com).

A special **Mass of Remembrance** will be held on **Saturday November 7 at 5 pm**. At that Mass we will pray specially for all who have died during this past year and whose funeral was held at CTK. All are welcome to join us for this Mass.

(Do you have a loved one who died during the past 12 months? Were they *not* buried from Christ the King Parish? Would you like their name included? Please call the parish office at 925-682-2486 and leave their name. Deadline is the 5th of November.)



(Questions? Sr. Dominic Marie at 925-246-1122.)

All Souls envelopes are available at Mass from the Ushers, or if you use envelopes, they are in your box. **During the month of November** we pray in a special way for all the faithful departed. Please use the envelopes to write in the names of your deceased loved ones **to be placed on the altar** during the month of November. All envelopes can be placed in the collection basket or sent to the office. We will prepare them and place them on the altar.

A **huge thank you** to all our parishioners who have continued to support Christ the King and St. Stephen during this Covid-19 pandemic. We very much appreciate you.

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