CELEBRATING 75 years 60 years
Christ the King - Saint Stephen

Christ the King-St. Stephen Catholic Church

Christ the King | 195A Brandon Road | Pleasant Hill, CA 94523
St. Stephen | 1101 Keaveny Court | Walnut Creek, CA 94597

NOVEMBER 8, 2026 | THIRSY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses -CTK

Saturday | 4pm Vigil also livestreamed
Sunday | 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, & 4pm
10:30am Mass is also livestreamed

Weekend Masses -St. Stephen

Saturday | 5pm Vigil
Sunday | 9:30am

9am Daily Mass Schedule

St. Stephen
Monday, Wednesday & Friday
Christ the King
Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday

Confession

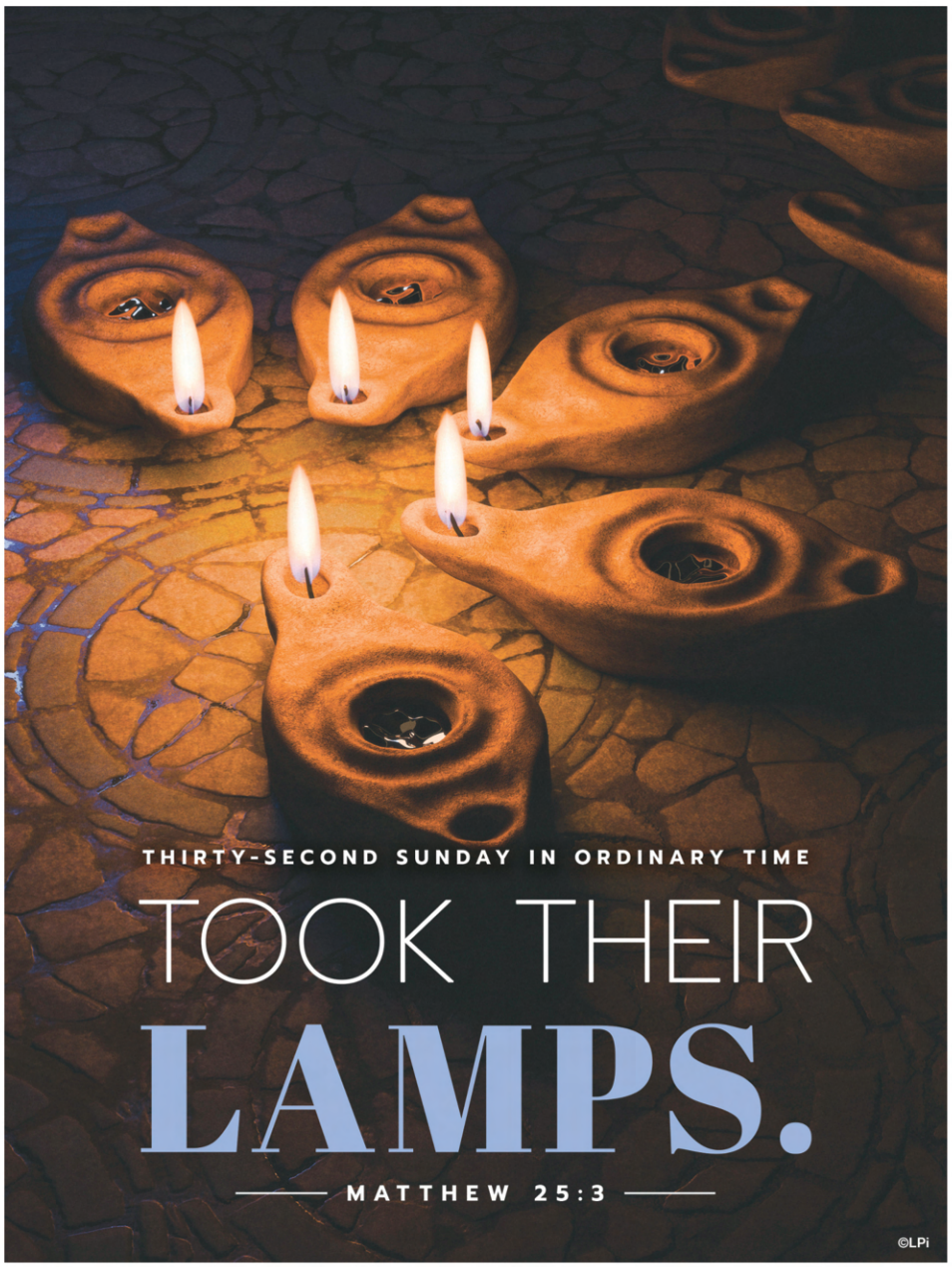
Christ the King | Saturday 3pm-3:30pm
St. Stephen | Saturday 4:30pm
Or | By Appointment

GET IN TOUCH

Christ the King | 925-682-2486
Office Hours Mon. - Fri. 9am to 5pm
ctkph.org
St. Stephen | 925-274-1341
Office Hours Mon. & Weds. 11am -2pm
ctkph.org

DONATE ONLINE

Donating online is easy! Just aim your phone camera at the QR Code and follow the link. Thank you!



Our Mission Statements

To Hear the Gospel and Make A Differnce
To Live and Love In Christ

Moving Forward Together in Faith

A LETTER FROM FR. PAULSON



Dear Friends,

Some years ago, I had the privilege of visiting Galway, Ireland, with Fr. Brian Timoney. One of the most memorable moments was visiting the military barracks where he grew up. His father had been the commanding officer, and the family lived in a house within the barracks. The current commanding officer graciously welcomed us, and the chaplain took us through Fr. Brian's childhood home, where remarkably little had changed. As we walked through the rooms, Fr. Brian pointed out where he slept, where the family gathered for meals, and where so many precious memories had been made.

After his father's tragic death, the family had to leave that home. Yet, under the loving and courageous leadership of his mother, the family continued to grow stronger and more united. I can personally testify to this, having come to know most of Fr. Brian's relatives and witnessed the extraordinary love and care they continue to share. ***They remind us that a home is not simply a building; it is the love that holds a family together.***

I share this story because it speaks directly to our journey as Christ the King–St. Stephen Parish. Like Fr. Brian's family, we carry with us something far more precious than walls and windows: our faith, our love, and our relationships.

Listening, Learning, and Moving Forward

Recently, we held two Town Hall listening sessions at St. Stephen, led by Joann Kurpinsky and Greg Thornbury, co-chairs of our Transition Committee. We invited parishioners to reflect on three important questions: What would help you feel more at home at Christ the King? What concerns do you have about bringing our communities together? And what cherished aspects of St. Stephen would you like to see carried forward?

I am deeply grateful to everyone who participated. The conversations were marked by openness, respect, and a wonderfully constructive and inclusive spirit. Our Transition Committee will share further updates on what we heard and the steps ahead.

The Diocese has also invited me to accompany other parishes navigating similar transitions, including Transfiguration Church, which is joining Our Lady of Grace, and St. Rose of Lima, which is joining St. Patrick's in Rodeo. I have shared our own experiences of grief, uncertainty, and hope, and how we have been navigating these difficult waters while trusting in God. Every situation is unique, but I am grateful that our journey can offer encouragement to others. We still have much to accomplish, but ***look how far God has already brought us!***



Our Jubilee: Gratitude for the Past, Hope for the Future

In just a couple of weeks, on **Sunday, November 22**, **Bishop Michael Barber** will join us for the **10:30 a.m. Mass on the Feast of Christ the King**, officially bringing our Jubilee Year to a close. What a beautiful opportunity to celebrate 75 years of Christ the King and 60 years of St. Stephen with hearts overflowing with gratitude!

And what better occasion to entrust our future to God than the Feast of Christ the King? ***Ultimately, everything belongs to Christ, our Master and King.*** Our history, our blessings, our grief, our uncertainties, and our journey toward becoming one parish worshipping on one campus—we place them all into His loving hands.

Fr. Paulson

MASS INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 9
9:00am | Daniel Ratto ✝
9:00am | Rio Bianca Ramirez ✝
9:00am | Remegia Devera ✝
9:00am | Rodolfo Centeno, Sr. ✝
9:00am | Mary Ellen Mangiapane

Tuesday, November 10
9:00am |Tess Dunn
9:00am | Chris & Neal Veterana

Wednesday, November 11
9am | Roger Van Maren ✝
9am | Cesar, Corizon & Dennis DePaula ✝
9:00am | Henry & Eloisa Morante ✝

Thursday, November 12
9:00am | Roberto dela Fuente ✝
9:00am | Jose & Leonora Torres ✝
9:00am | Ricardo & Riso dela Fuente ✝
9:00am | Mary Ann Torres ✝

Friday, November 13
9:00am | Felipe D. Hernandez ✝
9:00am | Richard P. Ang ✝
9:00am | James P. Ang ✝
9:00am | Joselito Asuncion ✝

Saturday, November 14
9:00am | Joselito Asuncion ✝
9:00am | Noelle Rivera ✝
9:00am | Edgar G. Yap, Jr.

Saturday, November 14
4:00pm | Cristina Guilatco ✝
4:00pm | Alar Castro ✝
4:00pm | Alisha Lovenetti
5:00pm | (SS) Marion Stark ✝

Sunday, November 15
7:30am | Jack Cardoza ✝
7:30am | Mary Marquez ✝
7:30am | Virginia Fundano ✝
9:00am | Honey O'Leary ✝
9:30am | (SS) Luz Sevilla ✝
10:30am | Manuela Cauilan ✝
10:30am | Violet de Borja ✝
10:30am | Roman Shimoniak ✝
10:30am | Taggart Family
10:30am | Shimoniak Family
4:00pm | Mao Nguyen ✝
4:00pm | Alisha Lovenetti ✝



NEED PRAYER?

Confidential Prayer requests can be sent to:
prayerline@ctkph.org



NEWS AND EVENTS



Our Parish Offices both at CTK and St. Stephen will be closed on Wednesday, November 11th.



SECOND COLLECTIONS

November 8 -
Jubilee Year

November 15 -
Diocese Justice & Hope Collection

November 22 -
Hungry & Homelsss

November 29 -
St. Vincent de Paul



Book of Remembrance

In front of the church at CTK (near the Baptism Font) we have our Book of Remembrance.

You are invited to write in it the names of your deceased loved ones.

NEWS & EVENTS



Pilgrimage Walk *of* Transformation

Sunday, November 15

St. Stephen to Christ the King

Gather at 2:00 pm • Walk about 2.5 miles • Mass at 4:00 pm

Join us for a Pilgrimage Walk of Transformation, a hopeful celebration of who we have been and who we are becoming. We gather at St. Stephen Church at **2:00 pm** for a brief history and a blessing from Fr. Paulson, then walk in small groups along the trails to Christ the King, about 2.5 miles. Our pilgrimage ends with the **4:00 pm Mass** at Christ the King.

Planning your return:

The walk ends at CTK, so please consider the following options:

- Arrange for a family member or friend to drop you off at St. Stephen and then pick you up at CTK.
- Carpool with fellow pilgrims.
- Take an Uber/Lyft to and from both locations.

Can't walk the trail?

You're still part of the pilgrimage. Join us at Christ the King to welcome the walkers and celebrate the 4:00 pm Mass together.

All are welcome.

Looking to be confirmed?

OCIA: Adult Confirmation

Our OCIA: Adult Confirmation process is intended for those who are baptized Catholic but never received Confirmation. The process welcomes you regardless of your previous faith education and explores the teachings of the Church as a basis for further developing our relationship with God. Participation typically results in receiving Confirmation at the Easter Vigil in March.

Thursday night sessions resume

November 12.

Register or learn more by emailing **Tom Bobich** at OCIA@CTKPH.org.



Join our own Fr. Lee in a Pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines in Portugal, Spain and France

September 12-23, 2027

For a brochure and details contact:
olga@poblete.org or 510-502-2437

Training for all new Eucharistic Ministers

Join us in the church at CTK on Monday, November 9 at 7pm.

This training is for those who have recently joined the ministry or would like to become Eucharistic Ministers.

Questions? Contact Kieran Chan
kierankc@pacbell.net

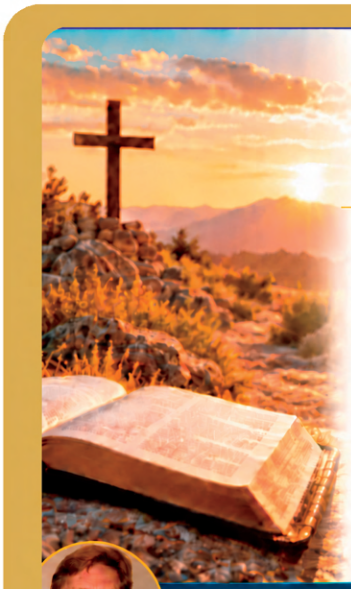
NEWS & EVENTS

Save the Date

Healing Mass

Saturday, December 5
10:30am

St. Stephen Church



Faithfulness to the Suffering Messiah:

Reading the Gospel of Mark Today

Join us for the two remaining classes as we prepare for a year of listening to Mark every Sunday at Mass, exploring his insights on Christology (who is Jesus?) and Discipleship (what does it mean to follow Jesus?).

Please note: Our next class is on Thursday, November 12. (not Tuesday this week)

All are welcome!

CLASS DATES & TIME

Thurs, November 12
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Tues, November 17
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Classes will be livestreamed

Christ the King Church



Speaker: **Zach Flanagin**
Professor of Theology & Religious Studies at Saint Mary's College (23 years), and director of the Bishop John S. Cummins Institute for Catholic Thought, Culture, and Action.





Thanksgiving Day Mass
Thursday November 26 at 9am
Christ the King Church

Will you and your family be attending Mass on Thanksgiving Day?
We are looking for families who would bring forward a symbol in the offertory procession.
All will be prepared for you. Please consider this simple way to participate in a meaningful liturgy in our Jubilee Year!
Contact Sr. Dominic Marie at **srdominic@ctkph.org**

IMMIGRATION INFORMATION NIGHT

HOW CAN WE HELP
OUR IMMIGRANT BROTHERS AND SISTERS?
FAITH- BASED REASON TO SUPPORT IMMIGRANT NEIGHBORS.
WHAT IS THE SITUATION TODAY WITH IMMIGRANTS?
WHAT CAN WE DO?



DISCUSSION

SISTER ANNE CARRABINO, SSS
- EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OAKLAND CATHOLIC WORKER

REVEREND DEBORAH LEE
- CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INTERFAITH FOR HUMAN INTEGRITY

KIONA MEDINA
- SOCIAL JUSTICE COORDINATOR, OAKLAND DIOCESE

NELSON MEEKS
- IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY, SALGADO IMMIGRATION LAW

JUDI JEWETT
- SOCIAL JUSTICE CHAIR, WCUMC

PATRICK SHANDONAY
- CRS CALIFORNIA COALITION CO-LEADER;
- JUST FAITH PROGRAM FACILITATOR, BOARD MEMBER

QUESTION AND ANSWER

OPPORTUNITY TABLES

CHRIST THE KING CHURCH
199 BRANDON ROAD
PLEASANT HILL 94523

CHRIST THE KING PARISH HALL
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 12, 2026
7:00 - 8:30 PM

RSVP Suggested but not Mandatory

Click here to RSVP

Scan the QR code to RSVP



CTK STAFF CONTACTS

CTK Office: office@ctkph.org

Fr. Paulson Mundanmani
925-682-2486
frpaulson@ctkph.org

Fr. Lee Chompoochan
925-682-2486
frlee@ctkph.org

Deacon Nelson Gonzales
ngonzales@ctkph.org

Deacon Wynn Norona
wnorona@ctkph.org

Sr. Dominic Bonnici OP
925-246-1122
srdominic@ctkph.org

Dr. Joe Silveira, Principal
925-685-1109
jsilveira@ctkschool.org

Helen Christian, Office Manager
925-682-2486
hchristian@ctkph.org

Kathy Ridgway, Parish Office
925-682-2486
kridgway@ctkph.org

Rick Grand-Lejano
Religious Education Director
925-510-2259
rgrandlejano@ctkph.org

Phil Tafoya, Confirmation Coordinator
925-246-1128
ptafoya@ctkph.org

Rosa Panelli, RE Office
925-686-1017
rpanelli@ctkph.org

Jennifer Bennett, Music Ministry
jbennett@ctkph.org

ST. STEPHEN STAFF CONTACT

Chris Lang, St. Stephen Liaison
saintstephenwc@gmail.com

MOULDING MASTERS
FAMILY OWNED FOR 21 YEARS

MARK BENDA, USHER
925-689-7322
1070 Detroit Ave., Concord, CA
ACROSS FROM COSTCO | OPEN 7 DAYS
WE SELL:
Crown Moulding • Base Boards
Door & Window Casing • Mantels
Assorted Trim • Chair Rail • Pre-Primed

MEDICARE
We're Local!
We have answers
to all your Medicare questions!

We offer help with:
- Medicare Advantage
- Medicare Supplement
- Part D Drug Plans
- and more

Call or visit us online to schedule a call today!
GOLDSUM INSURANCE SOLUTIONS
(415) 596-5968
Gabriel Bruen
Licensed Insurance Agent
gabe@goldsuminsurance.com
CA License 4029809
(415) 517-6700
Connie Holt
Licensed Insurance Agent
connie@goldsuminsurance.com
CA License 0E86250
www.goldsuminsurance.com/schedule

JENNIFER MARTIN, D.D.S.

ORTHODONTICS FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS
Please Call For Complimentary
NEW Patient Examination
invisalign
(925) 676-8485
401 Gregory Lane, Ste 126
drjennifermartin.com


We're Hiring **Ad Sales Executives**
- Paid Training
- Full-time with Benefits

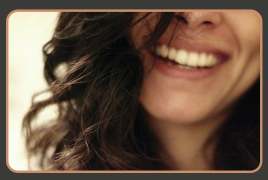
Visit www.lpicommunities.com/careers

THE MAHER LAW GROUP
A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION
VINCENT R. MAHER
ATTORNEY AT LAW
CERTIFIED CRIMINAL LAW SPECIALIST
www.themaherlawgroup.com
Tel: (925) 489-1500 | vince@vincemaherlaw.com
724 Texas Street, Fairfield, CA 94533

MARK ROLANDELLI CONSTRUCTION
New Homes • Kitchens • Baths
Additions • Home Improvements
Repairs • Remodeling
rolandelliconst.com
Ins. Work Lic. #507081 (925) 935-3100

MERRILL GARDENS
SENIOR LIVING
in Lafayette
(925) 854-1855
Lic #079200597

KEN SMITH ROOFING
All Your Roofing Needs
New Roofs • Re-Roofs • Repairs
20 Years Experience
Lic #645964 • Bonded
925-788-0262

We take most **PPO INSURANCE** including Delta Dental / Delta Dental Medicare Advantage!

Here's to Brighter **Smiles!**
925-338-8044
hello@pearldentalhub.com
PEARL DENTAL HUB
140 Gregory LAne, Suite 100
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Advertise in Our Church Bulletin!
Donna Touros
Dtouros@4LPi.com
(800) 950-9952 x2610


KATIE OBERFELDER
510.326.3377
DRE #02275158
Katie Oberfelder — CTK parishioner, school mom, and a Realtor who values faith, family, and serving your real estate needs with care.
DUDUM REAL ESTATE GROUP

IF YOU LIVE ALONE
MDMedAlert!™ $1 Less Than a day
✔ Ambulance ✔ Police/Fire
✔ Family/Friends ✔ GPS & Fall Alert*
CALL NOW! 800.809.3570 md-medalert.com


ADT-Monitored Home Security
Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust
- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide


ADT Authorized Provider | SafeStreets
833-287-3502

Little space.
Big impact.
Advertise here
Call 800-950-9952

Kragen WEALTH MANAGEMENT GROUP OF **RAYMOND JAMES**
Helping protect and grow your wealth
Assisting with...
• Retirement cash flow planning • Investment management
• 529 College Savings Accounts • Charitable giving • Tax planning
Founded by parishioner, Jeff Kragen

Jeff Kragen, CFP®, CIMA®, CPWA®, MBA
Senior Vice President, Investments
925-952-5267
Jeff.Kragen@RaymondJames.com
CA Insurance #0D93353

Stephen J. Kragen
Financial Advisor
925-952-5268
Stephen.Kragen@RaymondJames.com
CA Insurance #4289133

Located at 2999 Oak Rd, Walnut Creek www.kragenwealth.com
Raymond James & Associates, Inc., member New York Stock Exchange/SIPC


Vickie K FINE ART
Accepting Commissions
Fine Artist | Creator | Art Coach
310-780-6792
vickiek@vickiekfineart.com

Art Parties and Lessons for all ages and skill levels
Parishioner and CTK School Alumna
www.vickiekfineart.com
Specializing in Watercolor, Pastel, Oil, Acrylic, *and More*

Support Our Advertisers!

Advertise Here!
Engage with consumers in your neighborhood.

Diablo Valley Funeral Group

DIABLO VALLEY CREMATION & FUNERAL SERVICES
CONCORD FD 2235 - ANTIOCH FD 2331 - PINOLE FD 2333
Diablovalleycremation.com • 925-998-0303

DIABLO VALLEY FUNERAL HOME
CONCORD FD 873 - SERVING THE DIABLO VALLEY AREA SINCE 1949
Diablovalleyfuneralhome.com • 925-682-1100



Linda Marie
Bachini
Realtor®
916-300-8240
lbachini522@gmail.com
DRE#02098856
REALTYONEGROUP ELITE

ALMIGHTY PLUMBING
- PLUMBING
- WATER CONSERVATION
- WATER HEATING
- DRAIN CLEANING
- DIAGNOSTICS
- FIXTURES
925-267-6416
" PLUMBING CAN BE H*LL WITHOUT US"
LIC. #1055136

FREE AD DESIGN WITH PURCHASE OF THIS SPACE
Call 800.950.9952

Never miss our bulletin!
Get this bulletin delivered straight to your inbox every week.
Scan to subscribe on parishesonline.com

HOME FAIRIES IN-HOME CARE
Our caring, friendly, and compassionate staff and caregivers can be your personal "fairies"
For free assessment, call 925.526.0009
www.homefairies.com | Licensed • Bonded • Insured

PLEASANT HILL DENTISTRY
RANDY B. BAUTISTA, DDS, INC.
Family Dentistry • Clear Aligners
Night Lase Laser Snoring
Same Day Crown Cerec
Implant & Cosmetic Dentistry
www.pleasanthilldentistry.com
pleasanthilldentistry@gmail.com
925-685-8587 • PARISHIONER

catholicmatch® California
CatholicMatch.com/CA

Heating & Air Conditioning
COMPARE
FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED SINCE 1963
Sales & Service
(925) 686-1366
Mark Fraschieri, Parishioner • Contractor's License #220289

GENERAL CONTRACTOR
F.P. GORSKI & SON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY
ALAMO, CALIFORNIA CA LIC. #B-575831
Custom Homes ♦ Additions ♦ Remodeling
FRANZ P. GORSKI & SON
Family Owned and Operated / Parishioners
OVER 45 YEARS EXPERIENCE
(925) 457-1688 fpgorski@yahoo.com

OUIMET BROS.
CONCORD FUNERAL CHAPEL
Lic. FD1006
Providing Dignified Professional Services
• Cremation and Burial Services
• Celebrations of Life • Reception Packages
• Worldwide Shipping & Pre-Planning
Bryan Cortez - Managing Partner
Don & Bea Ouimet
4125 Clayton Road, Concord, CA 94521
925.682.4242 • fax 925.682.4281
OUIMETBROTHERS.COM

StateFarm™
You never know who you're going to run into.
Christine Sampson
925.685.9752
1920 Oak Park Blvd.
HOME • LIFE • AUTO • BANK

NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE
NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH GOD.
NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE

Let Go.
Let God.

CENTER FOR ELDERS' independence
Comprehensive healthcare in community
CEI helps preserve, enhance, and strengthen your independence while providing many services to you.
LEARN MORE
(888) 975-1150
elders.org