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I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me,
ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.

MATTHEW 25:35-36

OUR LORD
JESUS CHRIST
OF THE UNIVERSE
NOVEMBER 22, 2020

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SS UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Nov. 21 5:00 pm Cecelia Cody †
Nov. 22 9:30 am Jim Vranesh †
Nov. 23 9:00 am Jeanie McGraw †
Nov. 24 9:00 am Kathleen Flemming †
Nov. 25 9:00 am Paul Des Rosiers †
Nov. 26 9:30 am Mariza Kim †
Nov. 28 5:00 pm Barbara Woodby †
Nov. 29 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. 23 9 am Mae Woo †
Danilo Yalung †
Nov. 24 9 am Luisito Gopez †
Nov. 25 9 am Norman Jack †
Nov. 26 9 am C.K. Tagle Family
Nov. 27 9 am Evangeline Malibiran †
Arturo Malibiran †
Nov. 28 9 am Fe Ricafrente †

Saturday, November 28 & Sunday November 29

Blanche Oldham †
Carmen Rodriguez †
CTK & SS Parishioners
Anita Keating, Lisa Santos,
Joel Keating
Norman Jack †
Ditus Ramos †
Leticia Marchadesch †
Timothy Tran †

Dear Friends,

I am happy to announce that **Gwen Watson**, one of our social justice pioneers was recognized by Multi-faith Action Coalition of Contra Costa County for her commitment and dedication to social justice especially for the poor and the vulnerable. Kathy Gannon Briggs, the Chair of our Faith in Action ministry introduced Gwen with these words at the award ceremony.



“Who shall find a valiant woman? She has opened her hand to the needy and stretched out her hand to the poor. She works for peace and justice.” These words from the Book of Proverbs fit Gwen Watson to a tee. Gwen is a member of Christ the King Parish and many social justice organizations. She works tirelessly for the homeless and for immigrants, and her voice is heard throughout Contra Costa County and beyond when it comes to issues of peace and justice. Gwen started us out at Christ the King by beginning an adult education program called Just Faith to help people understand the many facets of working for justice. She was one of the driving forces to bring the Winter Nights Program to the churches throughout the County. We look to Gwen for wisdom, leadership, and guidance on social justice issues. She is a trail blazer, a role model, a woman of vision and hope, a force – she hears the Gospel and makes a difference! Thank you, Gwen, for your commitment and service that have benefitted the lives of so many! We love you!

At our recent meeting of the Pleasant Hill pastors, we had a great conversation with one of our police officers from Pleasant Hill Police Dept. who wanted to work with us on the homeless population of our city. I was amazed and inspired by their willingness to be compassionate and helpful. We pastors promised to supply them with some of the necessities of life that our homeless brothers and sisters lack such as clothing, masks and food vouchers. I was very honored to pass on 25 McDonald gift cards (a full meal) and a few Safeway cards (\$25) that they could distribute wisely as they move around the city. We plan to give them more cards during the coming holiday season, as a way of expressing our own gratitude for God’s blessings in our lives. I am also grateful to you for supporting Addison, one of our CTK students in her efforts to bring joy to the homeless by donating warm winter wear - new or gently used beanies, scarves, and mittens.

This weekend we celebrate the **Feast of Christ the King**, our parish feast. I would like to invite you all to participate in this celebration, in-person or online, and receive Jesus in Holy Communion. In one of his homilies, Pope Francis stated, “The Christ of God, the Chosen One, the King” (Lk 23:35,37) appears without power or glory: he is on the cross, where he seems more to be conquered than conqueror. His kingship is paradoxical: his throne is the cross; his crown is made of thorns; he has no sceptre, but a reed is put into his hand; he does not have luxurious clothing, but is stripped of his tunic; he wears no shiny rings on his fingers, but his hands are pierced with nails; he has no treasure, but is sold for thirty pieces of silver.” With the sole power of love, which is the nature of God, his very life, He brought salvation and peace to our broken world. As we celebrate Jesus as the King, we are called to follow his way of tangible love. We must ask ourselves today, a time of hardship and pain for so many: “What does love ask of me, where is it urging me to go? What answer am I giving Jesus with my life?”

I don’t know what the future holds for us with the pandemic on the rise everywhere. **The State response to the COVID 19 Spike has returned Contra Costa county to Purple Tier**, which has come with additional restrictions. The changes will include moving our worship services to outdoors only. I embrace this change responsibly so that our faith communities can be safe and healthy while worshipping God outdoors. Feel free to stay in your cars and listen to the mass on FM 106.7 (CTK). Regardless of the weather, we will continue to offer services. You just have to decide where you place yourselves – inside your cars or outdoors. We will offer communion safely either outdoors or in the parish Hall or vestibule of the church one person at a time.

I have had some of the **most powerful times of worship preaching in a chapel** with no people. Preaching without a congregation became an undistracted offering to God without the temptation to respond to what I’m seeing in the pew. I have heard some of you who attend mass online say similar feelings of how you are able to worship God without the noise and distractions of a normal community. **I do miss our community very much.** I hope and pray we can continue with our Sunday worship and I earnestly look forward to making Christmas special for all of us.

Fr. Paulson

Feast of Christ The King November 22, 2020

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

Ezekiel was an Old Testament prophet who ministered to the Jewish people exiled in Babylon. In this passage, Ezekiel uses a popular biblical image of God, that of a shepherd who cares for the sheep. Ezekiel reminds the people that the role of the shepherd is also to exercise good judgement.

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

In his first letter to the Corinthians, Paul addresses problems his converts in the community are experiencing. Some members had questioned the bodily resurrection of Jesus and our own resurrection as well. This passage is Paul's response.

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 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.

CTK Mass Schedule Highlights

Feast of Christ the King will be celebrated Nov. 21/22 at all Masses. Join us for a special celebration of our feast day with banners and a trumpet player! Our school children will celebrate all week long with spirit week. This feast is a fitting way to send us into Advent.

Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated at 9 am on Thursday, November 26. Bring your table bread and wine to mass for a special blessing. If you as a family or individual plan to attend our Thanksgiving Day Mass on Thursday November 26 at 9 am ... and would like to participate in the liturgy in a simple way ... please contact Sr. Dominic at this time.

We will hold our weekly Thursday Mass honoring Our Mother of Perpetual Help at 6pm outdoors due to new county restrictions.

St. Stephen Updates

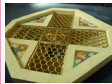
After moving back into the church last weekend, we are now having to go back outside since the county has fallen back to purple, banning inside church services.

Thanksgiving Day Mass will be at 9:30 am. Bring the bread and wine for your holiday meal to be blessed but keep it with you and hold it up during the blessing.

Our 2021 offering envelope boxes are ready to be picked up in the church. Ask an usher for your box as you leave Mass on Sundays. We also still have a few Advent Blue Books remaining that you can pick up for your Advent reflections. If you are not yet ready to attend Mass in person, you can contact the St. Stephen office and arrange a time to pick up your envelopes or Advent Blue Books.

This Sunday's 2nd collection is for the Campaign for Human Development. Please support CCHD during its 50th anniversary year while it raises funds to support local grassroots organizations that are empowering low-income people to lift themselves out of poverty.

Next Sunday's 2nd collection will be our 5th Sunday St. Vincent de Paul Collection. With all 2nd collections, please make sure your check is clearly marked in the subject line. Or better yet, take advantage of the on-line giving.



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).

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.



Calling All Women!

Magnificat SOTI, a Ministry for Catholic Women
invite all to a ZOOM Event!

Saturday, December 5th - 9:30 am

Please join us for a morning of Praise, Prayer, and Inspiration from the coziness of your own home!

Our speaker Dr. Cynthia Hunt will share with us her story of how her life as a physician, international speaker, and accomplished pianist has been transfigured through the continued love and mercy of our Lord. Cynthia has served the Church for the last 12 years in the Exorcist and Deliverance Ministry as a psychiatric consultant and is a secular Carmelite. She is a wife and the mother of three children.

For more information: <https://magnificat-ministry.net/ca-walnut-creekhe>

Email Magnificatsotirsyp@gmail.com for reservations or call Kim Sullivan at 925-683-8220 for any questions.

Our second collection today supports the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)** celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. CCHD is a program of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops which funds local grassroots organizations that are empowering low-income people to lift themselves out of poverty.

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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