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SEPTEMBER 27, 2026 | TWENTY SIXTH 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

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

Congratulations!



Fr. Brian Timoney
70 years
of Priestly Ministry

Fr. Gerry Moran
55 years
of Priestly Ministry



Sr. Dominic Bonnici, OP
50 years
as a professed Dominican Sister



Fr. Paulson Mundanmani
35 years
of Priestly Ministry



Fr. Lee Chompoochan
20 years
of Priestly Ministry

Our Mission Statements

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

An Important Update on Winter Nights Family Shelter



Dear Friends,

I want to share an important update about Winter Nights Family Shelter, one of the most meaningful outreach ministries in which Christ the King-St. Stephen Parish has participated.

For more than two decades, Winter Nights has brought together faith communities throughout Contra Costa County to provide unhoused families with safe shelter, meals, hospitality, and hope during the coldest and wettest months of the year. Last year alone, our parish hosted Winter Nights families for five weeks between the Christ the King and St. Stephen facilities. Many of you volunteered, prepared meals, stayed overnight, donated supplies, and welcomed these families with extraordinary generosity.

Recently, we learned that the Board of Winter Nights Family Shelter, the nonprofit organization that has coordinated this ministry, voted to cease operations. This decision was made by the organization's board and not by the participating faith communities. The news has brought understandable sadness, concern, and many questions, especially because of the ministry's long history and the families who would have depended upon it during the coming winter.

I want to make certain that our parishioners receive accurate information. At this time, no final plan has been developed to replace the existing organization, and many practical, legal, financial, and staffing questions still need to be answered. However, the faith communities that have sustained this ministry are not simply walking away.

I am working with other pastors, faith leaders, congregations, and community partners to explore a responsible path forward. Our parish team has already met to prepare for these conversations, and I am consulting with people who have experience in nonprofit leadership, homelessness services, finances, and program administration.



Faith communities welcoming families with dignity, safety, and hope.

Among the possibilities being considered is whether an established local organization might be able to carry the program for at least one year or house it as a separate program. We are also examining whether the participating faith communities could help provide the funding necessary for a director and essential staff. These are possibilities only; no decision has yet been made.

The next stakeholder meeting will take place on Thursday, September 24, at 1:00 p.m. at Christ the King. Pastors, representatives of participating congregations, and community partners will gather to review what we know, ask necessary questions, and begin discerning what may be possible.

This is not the appropriate time for speculation, blame, or premature promises. It is a time for careful listening, honest communication, prayerful discernment, and responsible planning. Our first concern must remain the children and families who need safety, dignity, and stability.

Please pray for the families affected by this decision, for the staff and volunteers who have served this ministry, and for all those participating in the discernment process. I will continue to keep you informed as reliable information becomes available and as a clearer plan begins to emerge.

With gratitude and hope,

Fr. Paulson Mundanmani

Pastor, Christ the King-St. Stephen Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

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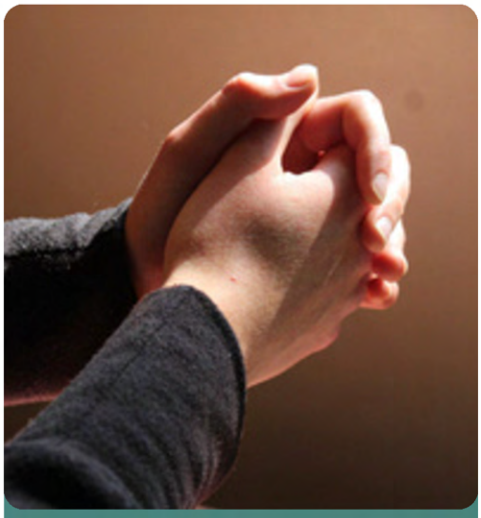
Monday, September 28
9:00am | Sara Alvarez ✝
9:00am | Kathryn & Walt Draper ✝
Tuesday, September 29
9:00am | Allora MacMahon ✝
Wednesday, September 30
9am | Reler James Brown ✝
9am | Ed & Emilie Naccarato ✝
9am | Aurora Ortiz ✝
9am | Edmunda Espinoza ✝
Thursday, October 1
9:00am | Tess Dunn
9:00am | Chris & Neal Veterana
Friday, October 2
9:00am | Quyen Nguyen ✝
9:00am | Ernest Glenn Santos
Saturday, October 3
9:00am | Charles Prola ✝
4:00pm | Gwen Watson ✝
5:00pm | (SS) Margaret Stark ✝
Sunday, October 4
7:30am | Jack Cardoza ✝
9:00am | Intentions of all our clergy
9:30am | (SS) Elias Sevilla ✝
10:30am | Amando Vasquez ✝
10:30am | Dinh Tran ✝
10:30am | Louis E. Calabro ✝
4:00pm | Marlene Moeller ✝



NEED PRAYER?

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

NEWS AND EVENTS

GIVE A LITTLE LOVE!
CTK/SS PARISH & SCHOOL

Baby Shower!

A parish-wide collection for babies and families in need



Please help our CTK St. Vincent de Paul Conference replenish the baby supplies for the Hillcrest Church/SVDP and Walking with Moms in Need Layette Programs!

DONATION DRIVE: **September 26th - October 4th, 2026**

WHAT TO DONATE

BABY CLOTHING
- New baby clothing (sizes 3, 6, 9, and 12 months only, please)
- Fleece sleep sacks
- Sleep n Play outfits (footed one-piece)
- Outfits (2 or 3 pieces)
- Sweaters, jackets, and zipped sweatshirts

DIAPERS & WIPES
- Disposable diapers, sizes 1-5
- Wipes (medium-size packets, approximately 80)

Bins will be in the back of the church at CTK and SS

EVERYDAY ITEMS
- Baby blankets (approximately 24 x 36 inches), burp cloths
- ABC 1-2-3 board books (small or medium size)
- Stuffed animals (new only), 12-20 inches
- Target or Amazon $25 gift cards

SECOND COLLECTIONS

September 27 – Hospitality

October 4 – Catholic Education

October 11 – The Catholic Voice

October 18 – World Mission Sunday

NEWS & EVENTS

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD IS BACK ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11 - 9AM MASS

Children will have the opportunity to join a special Children's Liturgy.

They will listen to the readings of the day in an interactive, child-friendly way so they can better understand God's Word and strengthen their faith.

CLOW Details
Time: 2nd & 4th Sundays
9:00am Mass
Ages: 4 years old - 4th Grade

No registration necessary.
Questions? Mea McGraw
mauld20@gmail.com



Staff Emails Have Changed

Our CTK-SS emails are now ending in ctkph.org

Please see the back page of the bulletin for new email changes



NEWS & EVENTS



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Join us every Friday in CTK's Ministry Center Chapel for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 3:00pm to 5:00 pm

All are welcome to come and spend quiet time in prayer and reflection.



Blessing of the Animals

Join us for a special celebration!

Bring your beloved pets for a blessing.

Please have your pets on a leash or in a cage.

Sunday, October 4
CTK Large Lawn, 11:45am
or
School Blessing
Thursday, October 1
CTK Large lawn, 2:40pm



"Rebuild My Church"
A Franciscan Jubilee Year - Day of Renewal

For Christ the King-St. Stephen Parishioners
Saturday, October 24 | 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

"*Go and rebuild my house, which as you see is falling into ruin.*"
— Christ to St. Francis of Assisi

In this Jubilee Year proclaimed by Pope Leo XIV, join fellow parishioners for a one-day Franciscan retreat — no overnight stay required. Through conferences, prayer, and Holy Mass, discover what it means to be living stones in the rebuilding of Christ's Church today.

The Day Includes:
- **Conferences on Franciscan spirituality and sacred noticing**
- **A Franciscan friar's personal testimony of Gospel living**
- **Small group reflection and fellowship**
- **Holy Mass with blessing and commissioning**

This program is offered on a complimentary basis. At its conclusion, participants will have an opportunity to make a voluntary goodwill offering in support of San Damiano Retreat Center.

Register at ctkph.org or call the CTK Parish Office.
We will take the first 110 parishioners who register.







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