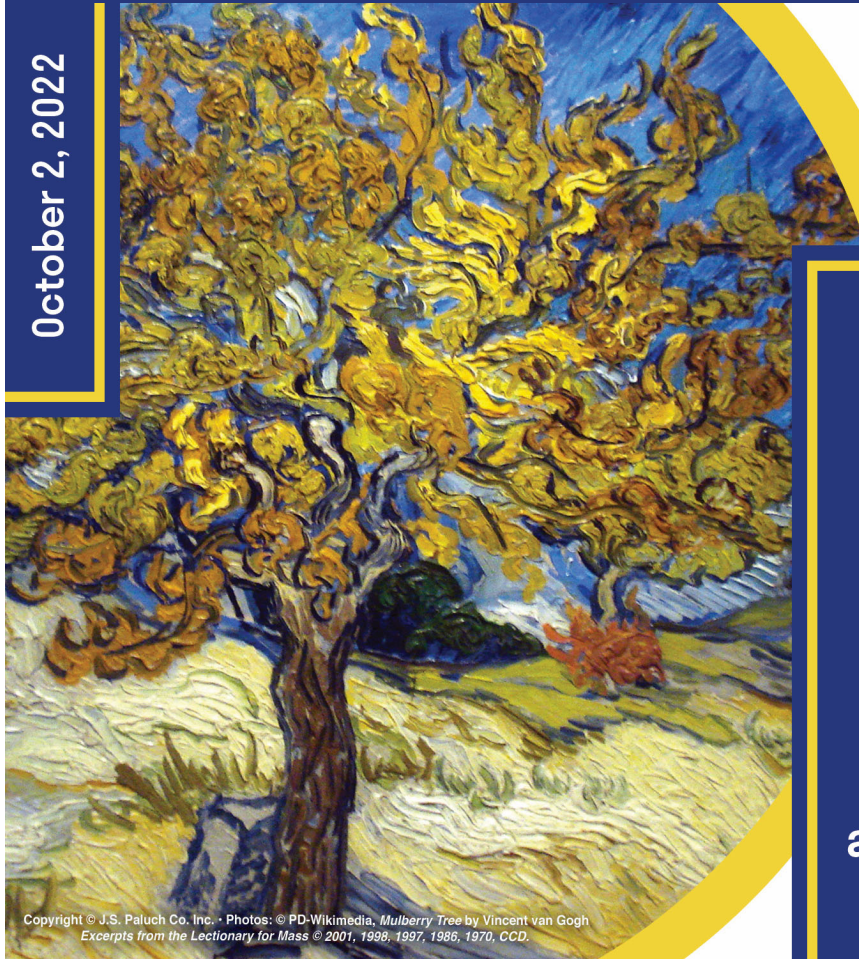


Christ the King and St. Stephen Parishes

Christ the King Church
195A Brandon Road
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523
925-682-2486
ctkph.org

St. Stephen Church
1101 Keaveny Court
Walnut Creek, CA 94597
925-274-1341
saintstephenparish.org

October 2, 2022



TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“If you have faith
the size of a
mustard seed,
you would say to
this mulberry tree,
‘Be uprooted and
planted in the sea,’
and it would obey you.”

Luke 17:6

Copyright © J.S. Paluch Co. Inc. • Photos: © PD-Wikimedia, Mulberry Tree by Vincent van Gogh
Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass © 2001, 1998, 1997, 1986, 1970, CCD.

Daily Mass Monday-Saturday

9am (Also Livestreamed)

Thursday

5:40pm Rosary, 6pm Mass
(Also Livestreamed)

Every First Friday

5pm to 6pm Exposition
6pm Mass

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday

4pm Vigil
(Also Livestreamed)

Sunday

7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, & 4pm
(10:30am – Also Livestreamed)

St. Stephen Mass Times

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:30am

Private Confessions

Saturday 3pm to 3:30pm
In the church

Drive-Thru Communion

11:30am to 12 noon
In front of the church

Livestream Links

Can be found at ctkph.org

“TO HEAR THE GOSPEL AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE.”

Dear Christ the King Community,

As we approach October we sense and realize the transformation in our seasons and lives. Autumn is a time for reflection, change, and renewal. As Catholic Christians in the month of October, we honor and show gratitude to Mary our Holy Mother for her protection and grace in the praying of the Most Holy Rosary.



The feast of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary is celebrated each year on October 7th and in Latin comes from the word rosarium or “crown of roses”. Pope Pius V first introduced this feast day and Saint Dominic was given the Rosary as a form of prayer. Church history reveals that the Rosary originally mirrored in numeration the 150 Psalms and included the reciting of the Lord’s Prayer with beads known as the crown and eventually shifted to exchanging 150 (Hail Marys) in place of the (Our Fathers).

My grandfather and great-grandmother recited the rosary daily and really modeled the unspoken aspects of faith while growing up. Sadly, as a child my fourth-grade teacher Ms. Daly eventually died of a long-term illness. That year, I would often pray for Ms. Daly at the side chapel at Saint Joseph’s Church in Pinole, California. Also, praying for her well-being and recovery while attending weekly confession at Saint Callistus Church in El Sobrante, California.

It was at Saint Callistus Church whereby I would stop at the statue of Mary and prayer to her quietly and reverently. The beautiful/loving/peaceful statue of Mary in the back of Saint Callistus Church resides in my heart today. It is there where I became a Marian follower for life, and I have never let go of her hand, compassionate heart, and spirit that is full of grace.



This past summer Demi Marquez (**photo left**), a respected parent, and our school’s fundraising and scrip coordinator visited the holy site of Our Lady of Medjugorje on July 25th with her husband Roy and son Mason. Mary has appeared there from 1984 until today to six children who are now adults. Primarily, on the 2nd and 25th of each month.

I would like to share with you Mary’s most recent message on September 25, 2022, as given through Marija one of the six children that she first appeared to: “Dear children! Pray that the Holy Spirit may enlighten you that you be joyful seekers of God and witnesses of love without bounds. I am with you, little children, and, anew, I am calling all of you: take courage and bear witness to the good works that God is doing in and through you. Be joyful in God. Do good to your neighbor so that it will be good for you on earth and pray for peace, which is threatened because satan wants war and peacelessness. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

May we always embrace Mary’s loving arms, beautiful light, and graceful place in God’s holy and eternal plan. As we celebrate the Holy Rosary, we look forward to following the life of Christ through the Gospel readings this month and focusing on the teachings and parables of Jesus and what it means for each of us to be a follower of Christ. In addition, our school community’s Blessing of the Animals is planned for the afternoon of October 4th.

Further, this month’s liturgical feast days are St. Thérèse (October 1), Guardian Angels (October 2), St. Faustina (October 5), St. Bruno (October 6), Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7), St. Callistus I (October 14), St. Teresa of Jesus (October 15), St. Hedwig and St. Margaret Mary (October 16), St. Ignatius of Antioch (October 17), St. Isaac Jogues, St. John de Brébeuf and Companions (October 19), St. Paul of the Cross (October 20), St. John Paul II (October 22), St. Anthony Mary Claret (October 24) and Saints Simon and Jude (October 28).

Let’s close with an amazing quote from Saint Therese of Lisieux whose feast day begins our month of October, “Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest things right and doing it all for love.”

Abundant blessings to you and your loved ones.

*Mr. Joseph M. Silveira Ed.D.
Principal, CTK School*

CTK UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Oct. 3	Mon.	9am	Peter Tuy
Oct. 4	Tues.	9am	Aurea Yap Geronimo (<i>Birthday Blessings</i>)
Oct. 5	Wed.	9am	Janie Posadas Reyes†
Oct. 6	Thurs.	9am	Alwin Amalraj
Oct. 7	Fri.	9am	Quyen Nguyen† Christian Cavin Anicoche†
Oct. 8	Sat.	9am	Ester Banson Parungao† Encarnacion Acuna Estepa † Larry Menzhuber †
Oct. 8 & Oct. 9	Week- end	All- Masses	John Robert Keating † Abellardo Herrera† Amando Vasquez † Rocco Costanza † Dinh Tran † Maggie Fustan †

FAMILY CHOIR



New Musical Opportunity - CTK Family Choir

Do you enjoy singing? Would you love to share the joy of singing with your children, grandchildren, or other kids in your extended family?

We are looking to launch a Family Choir at CTK later this fall, to sing at our 9:00am mass on selected weekends. The Family Choir is open to all children and their families (children must come with an adult), and will feature fun and learnable music that the whole family can enjoy. No formal musical training necessary - just a love of music and the ability to attend rehearsal one evening per week.

If you'd like to learn more, please e-mail Jennifer Bennett at jenniferbennett1011@gmail.com.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



Blessing of the Animals Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi Tuesday, October 4th 2:30pm on the large lawn

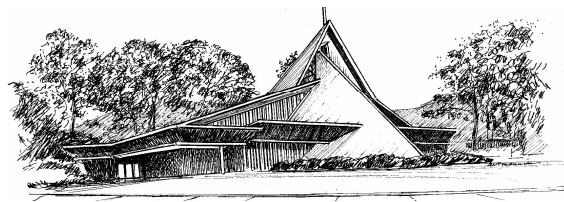
Join us at Christ the King church on the lawn for the Blessing of the Animals on the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi. Please bring your pets on a leash or in a cage.

ST. STEPHEN CORNER "To Live and to Love in Christ"

St. Stephen Church - Mass Times

Monday - Friday - 8am

Saturday - 5pm and Sunday - 9:30am



SS UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Oct. 1	Sat.	5:00pm	Raymond Chocholek †
Oct. 2	Sun.	9:30am	Jim Vranesh †
Oct. 4	Tue.	8:00am	Margaret Stark †
Oct. 8	Sat.	5:00pm	St. Stephen Parishioners
Oct. 9	Sun.	9:30am	Jim Vranesh †

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

Signups continue after both Masses this weekend for the Women's Retreat being held here at St. Stephen on Saturday October 15. Tickets are also available in our office.

Our repaving project has been rescheduled for October 10-14. During that time, our office will be closed and there will be no morning Mass here at St. Stephen. You are invited to join CTK during that week for their 9:00 am morning Mass - either in person or live-streamed.

Volunteer Opportunity - Art & Environment:
Have a talent for flower arranging? It actually isn't that difficult. We could use a couple of more people to arrange the flowers, usually on a Friday or Saturday morning. Arranging isn't your thing, but you have an eye as to what looks good together?

Purchase the flowers on Friday mornings for the weekend. You will be reimbursed. Or, be part of our committee and come up with ideas to help create the right environment for our special liturgies. Contact our office if you would like to help with this committee.

**Office hours - Monday & Wednesday
11 am - 2 pm**

THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL:

REFLECTIONS ON CREATIVITY, BEAUTY, AND PRAYER A ONE DAY BIBLE STUDY RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Sponsored by the Women of
Christ the King and St. Stephen Parishes

Retreat Director: Toinette M. Eugene, Ph.D.

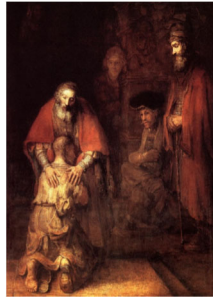
Date: Saturday, October 15, 2022

Time: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Place: St. Stephen Parish Hall
1101 Keaveny Court, Walnut Creek

Tickets will be sold this weekend -
Oct. 1/2

Or by calling the parish office.



Registration for this year's Christ the King Monsignor Wade Golf Tournament is now open!

Join us on Friday, Oct. 21 at Boundary Oak Golf Course in Walnut Creek for our annual scramble, which raises money for the Father Declan Emergency Fund, a tuition assistance program established to assist Christ the King school families should a need arise during the school year. The proceeds also support our school enrichment programs such as community science workshops, foreign language enrichment programs, technology education and more.

Sponsorships are still available; your donation is not only a great marketing opportunity for your business, it is a valuable investment in our community

Visit www.ctkgolf.org for more details.

JOIN US FOR CTK/ST. STEPHEN MEN'S RETREAT

COMING HOME TO CHURCH
MEN SHARING THEIR FAITH AND HOPE
DURING CHALLENGING TIMES

OCTOBER 22, 2022
9 AM TO 3:30 PM
CTK'S PARISH HALL

RETREAT LEADER: FATHER PAULSON

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

SOCIAL HOUR WILL FOLLOW THE RETREAT

SIGN UP BY GOING TO OUR WEBSITE AT CTKPH.ORG



First Friday

Join us this Friday, October 7, for our
Monthly First Friday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
(A time for quiet reflection and prayer)
Followed by Mass

Exposition at 5 pm followed by
Benediction at 5:45pm
Mass at 6pm

Upcoming Second Collections

Oct. 2 - Catholic Education

Oct. 9 - Catholic Voice

Oct. 23 - World Mission Sunday

Oct. 30 - St. Vincent De Paul

IT'S PASTA TIME

JOIN THE **DIABLO VALLEY LIONS CLUB** **5pm to 7pm**

Saturday November 5th

\$20.00 Per Person, (Youths) 12 and under \$10.00 Per Person
"Dine in or take-out" options are please specify your choice.
Location: Christ the King Church 199 Brandon Road, Pleasant Hill

*Meal includes Fusilli pasta, with beef meatballs
& meat sauce with ground beef and pork.
Parmesan cheese salad, rolls and butter plus cookies*

Location: Christ the King's Parish Hall
Dine In or Take Out

Please pay in advance by October 15th.

Checks written to Diablo Valley Lions Club. Send to:
Jack Murphy (Treasurer) 8 Ardmore Ct., Pleasant Hill 94523

Or pay with PayPal dvlcwalnutcreek@gmail.com
And your RSVP to Purplelady4321@aol.com

VIRTUS®
Protecting God's
Children

Safe Environment
Protecting God's Children
Do you volunteer
at CTK?

Diocesan policy requires Safe Environment training every three years for every adult engaged in ministry. If you have trained on Virtus you will be notified by email when to recertify. **If you are involved in ministry in any way at CTK and have not trained, please go online to www.virtus.org and follow the instructions for Safe Environment training.** For more information contact Helen Christian in the parish office at 925-682-2486.

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

PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY OF PLEASANT HILL
Amybeth Harmon, D.D.S.
Diplomate, American Board of Pediatric Dentistry
First checkup at first birthday
phkidsdentist.com
2710 Pleasant Hill Road, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523 (925) 947-1188

catholicmatch®
California
CatholicMatch.com/myCA

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

Advanced Eyecare Optometry
ROBERT TURCIOS JR., O.D.
PARISHIONER
Comprehensive Eye Exams
LASIK Consultation
Fashion Eyewear Boutique
Contact Lenses
(925) 676-8365
advancedoptometry.net
395 Civic Drive, Suite G,
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

PLEASANT HILL COLLISION
(925) 939-1160 • 939-1280 FAX
All Insurance Claims Welcome
• Autobody • Refinishing • Frame • Glass
1581 Oak Park Blvd., Pleasant Hill

Protecting **Seniors** Nationwide
Medical Alert System
\$29.95/Mo. billed quarterly
• One Free Month
• No Long-Term Contract
• Price Guarantee
• Easy Self Installation
Call Today! Toll Free 1.877.801.8608

Get this weekly bulletin delivered by email - for FREE!
Sign up here:
www.jspaluch.com/subscribe
Courtesy of J.S. Paluch Company, Inc.

See Your Ad in **COLOR**
Call J.S. Paluch Today!
1.800.231.0805

If You Live Alone You Need MDMedAlert!
✓ Ambulance 24 Hour Protection at HOME and AWAY!
✓ Police ✓ Fire FREE Shipping
✓ Friends/Family FREE Activation Solutions as Low as
NO Long Term Contracts **\$19.95** a month
CALL NOW! **800.809.3352**
MDMedAlert Safe-Guarding America's Seniors Nationwide!
GPS Tracking w/Fall Detection Nationwide, No Land Line Needed
EASY Set-up, NO Contract
24/7 365 Monitoring in the USA

Life Matters
For more information go to www.usccb.org/respectlife

LOU AGGETTA INSURANCE
AUTO • HOMEOWNERS • LIFE • BUSINESS • HEALTH • LONG TERM CARE
VERY COMPETITIVE RATES • MANY COMPANIES
2637 Pleasant Hill Rd. • Pleasant Hill • 945-6161
Denia Aggetta Shields, Parishioner

Diablo Valley
CREMATION & FUNERAL SERVICES
Cremation From \$1495
& Burial From \$1795

925-998-0303
www.DVCFS.com
Concord • Antioch • Pinole

Pleasant Hill Villa Home Care
Pleasant & Comfortable Home Atmosphere for the Elderly
We are Affordable, Flexible and Negotiable
Personalized & Family Oriented
Non-Medical Assistance Services
Various Services Available
Choose from our 3 locations
3021 Putnam Blvd.
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523
Call us now at (925) 949-8959
Ask for Glecly
Fac. Lic#079200569



Catholic Cruises and Tours and The Apostleship of the Sea of the United States of America
Take your FAITH ON A JOURNEY.
Call us today at 860-399-1785 or email eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com
www.CatholicCruisesandTours.com

Sunwise Clinical Research, LLC
The bright spot in clinical trials
Sunwise is seeking volunteers for the following studies:
• Adolescent Migraine
• Alzheimer's with Agitation & Depression Study
Volunteers will be compensated for their time.
If you are interested call or visit our website!
925-298-5147 www.sunclin.com
911 Moraga Rd., Suite 201, Lafayette, CA 94549

Ernie's
PLUMBING & SEWER SERVICE
Since 1965
925-228-5242
www.erniesplumbingandsewer.com
Lic# 802333

Plumbing • Trenchless Sewer Replacement
Drain Maintenance & Septic Service • Water Heaters



Oakmont
Memorial Park & Mortuary
COA #673 FD #875

ONE PARISH
Grow in your faith, find a Mass, and connect with your Catholic Community with OneParish!
Download Our Free App or Visit
<https://www.oneparish.com>



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

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

HENNESSY PAINTING
Quality Workmanship • Clean & Courteous
Joe Hennessy, Parishioner
(925) 689-3418 Lic. #608348

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



OUR EMPHASIS IS ON CARING AND PERSONALIZED SERVICE.
Investment Management • Financial Planning • Retirement Planning
Portfolio Reviews • Retirement Income Strategies • Long-Term Care
Frank X. Aceves, Jr., CFP®
CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ | President | Wealth Advisor | LPL Registered Representative
Parishioner since 1996
925.357.8320 Ext. 103 www.oakwmm.net
Frank X. Aceves, Jr. is a Registered Representative with, and offers securities through, LPL Financial, Member FINRA/SIPC. Investment advice offered through Strategic Wealth Advisors Group, A Registered Investment Advisor. Oak Wealth Management, LLC and Strategic Wealth Advisors Group are separate entities from LPL Financial.

Ernie's
PLUMBING & SEWER SERVICE
Since 1965
925-228-5242
www.erniesplumbingandsewer.com
Lic# 802333

Plumbing • Trenchless Sewer Replacement
Drain Maintenance & Septic Service • Water Heaters



Oakmont
Memorial Park & Mortuary
COA #673 FD #875
Start planning today
• Cemetery • Family Estates
• Cremations • Funerals
Call (925) 935-3311 to schedule a PARK TOUR!
Mention this ad and receive a **Promotional Discount!**
Flexible Financing Terms available!
= **Hablamos Espanol** =
2099 Reliez Valley Rd., Lafayette, CA 94549

Linda Bachini
REALTOR
DRE # 02098856
916-300-8240
lbachini.realtyone@gmail.com
1150 Sunset Blvd. #150, Rocklin, CA 95765



QUIMET BROS. FD1006
CONCORD FUNERAL CHAPEL
Serving Concord and the surrounding area since 1958
Cremation and Burial Services
4125 Clayton Road, Concord, CA 94521
925-682-4242 • www.ouimetbrothers.com



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

OAK PARK HILLS Chapel
Funerals and Cremations
925-934-6500
www.OakParkHillsChapel.com
"Serving Catholic Families Since 1961"

Oak Park Hills Chapel
Funerals and Cremations
925-934-6500
www.OakParkHillsChapel.com
"Serving Catholic Families Since 1961"

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



FINDaPARISH.com
Check It Out Today!

Judy Mullen Olvera
Realtor, Windermere Diablo Realty
BRE Lic. #01332121 **(925) 323-3628**
Top Performer, Trusted Partner and 20 Years Experience



The Most Complete Online National Directory of Catholic Parishes

RKL BUILDERS Building Relationships
RON LUCIDO General Contractor Parishioner
Kitchens, Baths, Additions, New Homes, Windows, Doors, Trim
RESIDENTIAL - COMMERCIAL
Cell 510-453-6547 Phone/Fax 925-685-2031
We do Handyman & Plumbing repairs too
RKLBuilders.com Over 30 Yrs. Exp! • Lic# 1012424

Judy Mullen Olvera
Realtor, Windermere Diablo Realty
BRE Lic. #01332121 **(925) 323-3628**
Top Performer, Trusted Partner and 20 Years Experience



The Most Complete Online National Directory of Catholic Parishes

RKL BUILDERS Building Relationships
RON LUCIDO General Contractor Parishioner
Kitchens, Baths, Additions, New Homes, Windows, Doors, Trim
RESIDENTIAL - COMMERCIAL
Cell 510-453-6547 Phone/Fax 925-685-2031
We do Handyman & Plumbing repairs too
RKLBuilders.com Over 30 Yrs. Exp! • Lic# 1012424

JACK'S RESTAURANT & BAR
BREAKFAST • LUNCH • DINNER • DRINKS
60 Crescent Drive | Pleasant Hill, CA 94523 | (925) 849-6195
ILOVEJACKS.COM