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Christ the King Church

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 4pm Vigil
(4pm Mass is also livestreamed)

Sunday

7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, & 4pm
(10:30am Mass is also livestreamed)

Confessions
Saturday 3pm to 3:30pm

Office Hours
Monday - Friday 9am to 5pm

9am Daily Mass Schedule

St. Stephen
Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Christ the King
Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday

St. Stephen Church

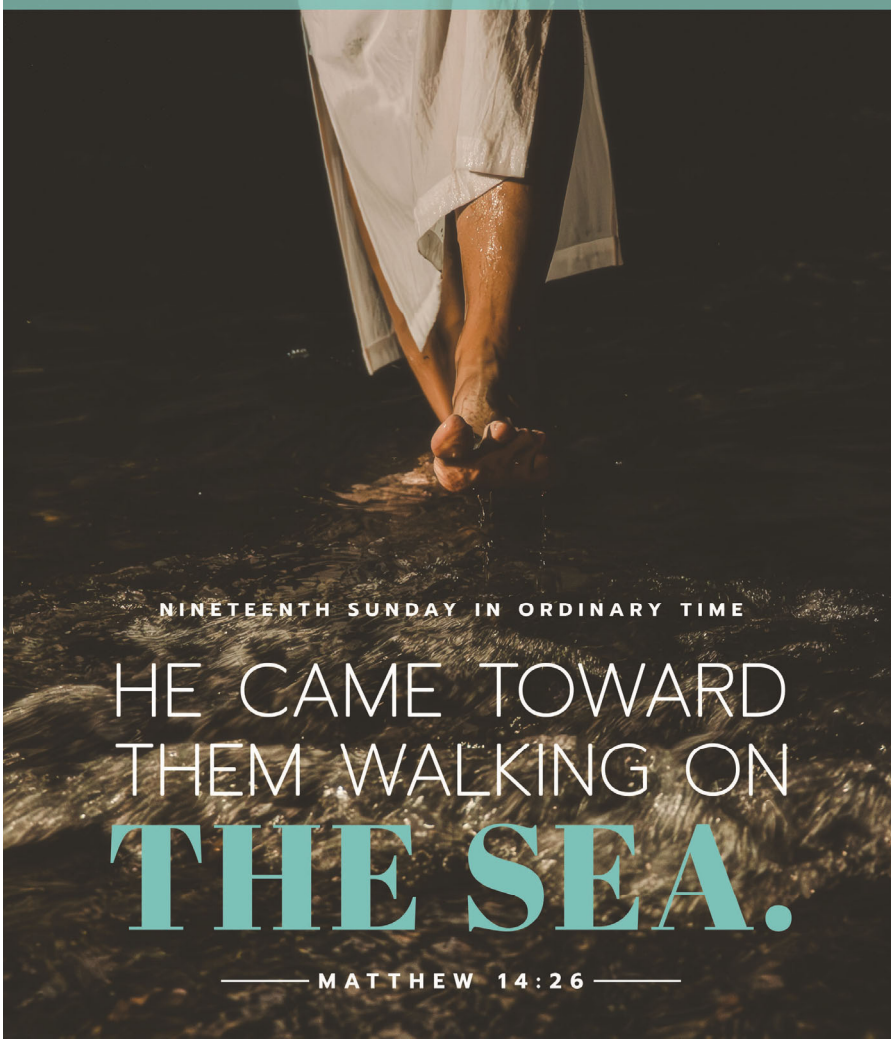
Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 5pm Vigil
Sunday: 9:30am

Confessions
Saturday Before the 5pm Mass

Office Hours
Monday & Wednesday 11am to 2pm

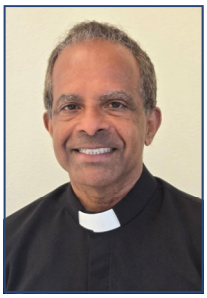
SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2026



Mission Statement

To hear the gospel and make a difference.

To live and love in Christ.



Dear Friends,

One of the greatest joys of our parish is welcoming those who are discovering the Catholic faith for the first time or returning to it after many years away. Every year, through the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), men and women begin a journey that leads them to encounter Jesus Christ and become fully united with his Church. Their stories are often inspiring, reminding us that God continues to call people to himself.

The remarkable growth of OCIA in many parishes in the past few years is the result of several factors working together, but at its heart is the work of the Holy Spirit awakening a spiritual hunger in people's hearts. In a world where many find that success, possessions, and pleasure do not satisfy their deepest longing for meaning, truth, and hope, they begin searching for God. Yet most people do not come to the Catholic Church simply because they see an advertisement or a bulletin announcement. They come because someone—a spouse, friend, neighbor, coworker, or parishioner—personally invites them and accompanies them on their journey.



This personal invitation, supported by the authentic witness of joyful Catholics, a welcoming parish community, beautiful liturgy, and faithful catechesis, often becomes the catalyst for conversion. OCIA therefore flourishes not merely because of a well-organized program but because it is the fruit of evangelization. When parishioners recognize that, through Baptism, they are all called to be missionary disciples who share the joy of the Gospel, they become God's instruments in leading others to Christ. As St. Paul reminds us, "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth" (1 Corinthians 3:6). Our role is to sow the seed, extend the invitation, and accompany those who seek; God is the one who brings about the harvest.

That simple invitation can change a person's life. If we are honest, however, many Catholics have not always seen themselves as evangelizers. We have often assumed that sharing the faith is the work of priests, deacons, religious, or missionaries. We may hesitate because we feel we don't know enough, or we worry that we might say the wrong thing.

Think for a moment about the people in your own life.

Is there someone who has drifted away from the Church?
Someone who has never been baptized?
Someone married to a Catholic who has quietly wondered about the faith?
Someone searching for meaning, healing, or hope?
Perhaps God has placed that person in your life for a reason.

Sometimes we underestimate the power of a simple invitation. Many people who are now faithful Catholics can trace their journey back to one conversation, one welcome, one invitation to attend Mass, or one person who cared enough to walk with them.

Pope Francis often reminded us that the Church is called to go out and meet people where they are. We are not meant to keep the treasure of our faith to ourselves. The joy of the Gospel naturally seeks to be shared.

As we prepare for our next OCIA journey, I invite you to become part of this mission. If someone comes to mind, consider inviting them to learn more about the Catholic faith. Tell them they do not need to make any commitment simply by attending an OCIA session. They are welcome to come, ask questions, listen, and explore. They will be received with warmth, respect, and friendship.

Our parish will provide the catechists, sponsors, and formation. What we cannot provide without you is the personal invitation that opens the door.

Who knows? Your invitation may be the one that changes someone's life forever. You can email OCIA@ctkph.org for more information. We have an information night on August 19, 2026 at 7.00pm in the Ministry Center.

May the Holy Spirit guide us, give us courage, and fill our hearts with the joy of sharing the Gospel.

~Fr. Paulson

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Upcoming Mass Intentions

Aug. 10	Mon.	9:00am	Steve Paris † Dino Miguel
Aug. 11	Tues.	9:00am	Siluvai Santiago † Marita Sablay Julia Marie Sablay
Aug. 12	Weds.	9:00am	Honey O'Leary † Ricardo Felipe
Aug. 13	Thurs.	9:00am	Augusto V. Ebalo † Lucky Dias †
Aug. 14	Fri.	9:00am	Joan Croft †
Aug. 15	Sat.	9:00am	Clyde Miles †
Aug. 15	Sat.	4:00pm	Harry McElroy † Maria Maily † Amy Decena †
Aug. 15	Sat.	5:00pm SS	Rich Stewart †
Aug. 16	Sun.	7:30am	Jack Cardoza †
Aug. 16	Sun.	9:00am	Jed Carnaje †
Aug. 16	Sun	9:30am SS	Lauro Sevilla
Aug. 16	Sun.	10:30am	Nina Raymundo † Pablo Aquino † Claro Caraoa †
Aug. 16	Sun.	4:00pm	Joseph Go-Alcantara †



Need Prayer?

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



Upcoming Second Collections

August 15 - Assumption of Mary
August 30 - St. Vincent de Paul
September 6 - Catholic Education

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Information Meeting for Medicare In CTK Parish Hall - Rooms A/B. Offered Thursdays at 10am August 13 or August 27

Are you turning 65? Or just want to know a little bit more about Medicare?
Want to review and compare plans?
Come and get all your questions answered.

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Solemnity of the

Assumption

of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

(not a Holy Day this year)

Join us for the

9am Mass

at CTK

Saturday, August 15

Healing Mass

Healing Mass

Saturday, August 22nd

10:00am Mass with the

Anointing of the Sick at CTK

SAVE THE DATE

Women's Retreat

Companions on the Journey

October 3



Saturday, October 3, 2026	9:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.	Kathy Roberts	St. Stephen Parish Hall

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Thank you!

A heartfelt thank you to our parish family for your extraordinary generosity in contributing **approximately $30,000 for the victims of the devastating earthquake in Venezuela.**

Your gift, which will be sent directly to Caritas Venezuela, is a beautiful witness of Christ's compassion. I am so proud of our parish and deeply grateful for your loving response to those in need.

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Picnic

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Sunday, August 23

11:30am to 1:30pm

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Cost is Free.

Please register using the QR code so we know how many are attending.

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for the 2026-2027 School Year.



Grades K-5



Junior High Program



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Register at **ctkph.org**

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Jubilee Celebration Dinner & Anniversary Recognition

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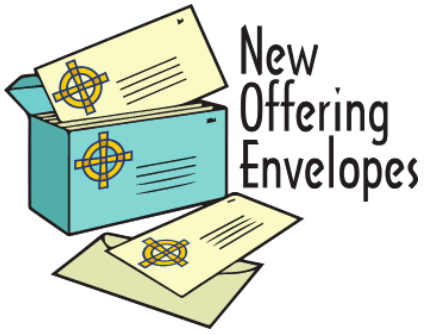
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Fr. Brian Timoney – 70 Years Priestly Ministry
Fr. Gerry Moran – 55 Years Priestly Ministry
Fr. Paulson Mundanmani – 35 Years Priestly Ministry
Fr. Lee Chompoochan – 20 Years Priestly Ministry

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

4pm – Mass of Thanksgiving at CTK Church
5pm – Welcome Reception | 6pm – Dinner
7pm – Program & Tributes | 7:30 – Continued Celebration

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CTK Gym
Dinner Tickets $25/Person
Scan QR code to purchase tickets
Or call the CTK office



Offertory Envelopes

Offertory Envelopes are now available In the vestibule of the church at Christ the King.

If you had requested envelopes, and do not see your name, please contact the parish office at CTK.



Interested in Becoming a

Catechist?

Sharing your faith with the next generation is one of the most rewarding ways to serve our parish.

Join us for a Catechist Information Night to learn what it means to be a catechist at Christ the King! No experience or commitment required, just come with questions! Pizza will be served – please RSVP for a headcount! We'll cover what the role looks like, the time commitment, and how we support you every step of the way.

CTK Parish Hall | Wed, Aug 19, 2026 @ 7:00 PM

SCAN TO RSVP

Italian Catholic Federation

Branch 442
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Christ the King

Join us for Afternoon Tea!

Saturday, August 29
No-host bar serving Prosecco, wine, soft drinks with raffle begin at 12pm
Tea Luncheon at 1pm

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Event Center
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Menu includes:

Scones, fruit, tea sandwiches, homemade lemon curd, clotted cream, a variety of desserts, and two varieties of tea.
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Please send in reservations by Thursday, August 20.
Contact Diana at (925) 519-4711 or dijoed@comcast.net

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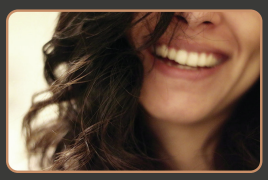
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