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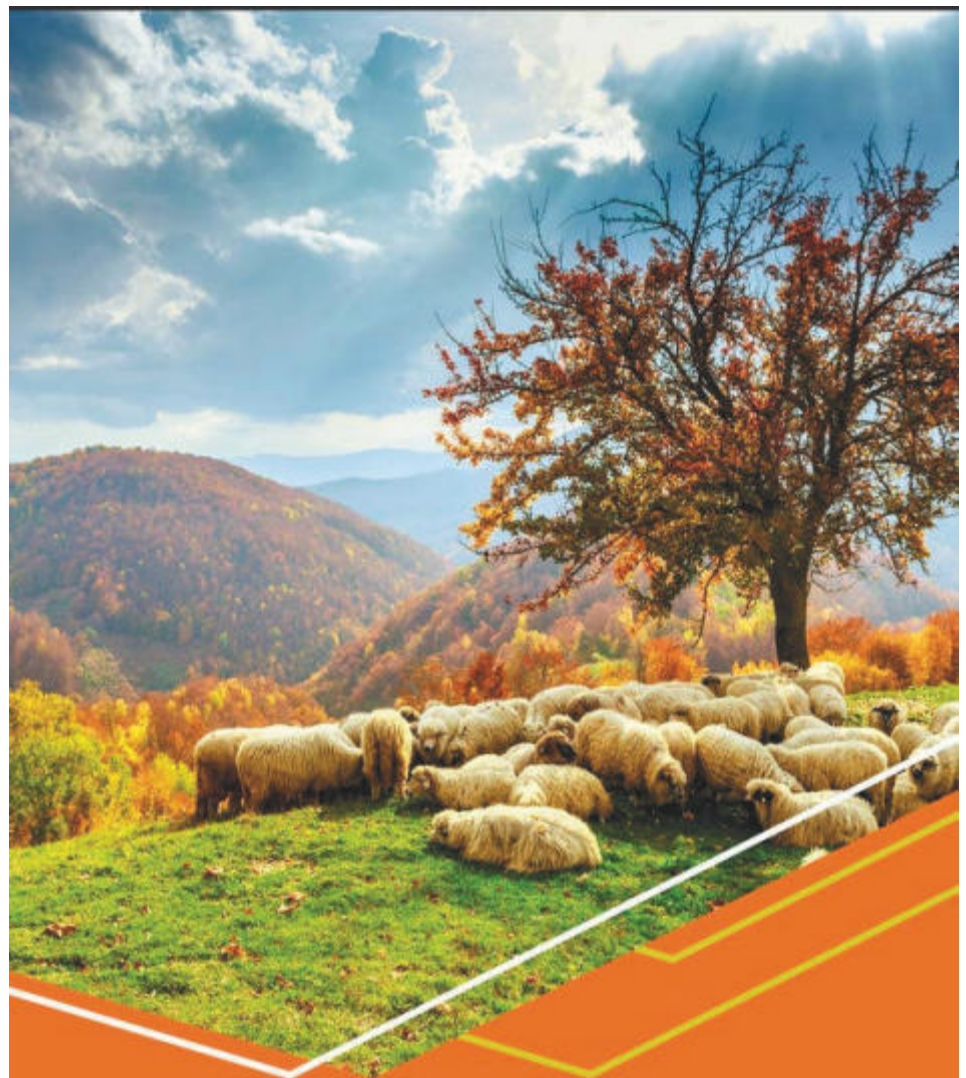
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PARISH LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

Sunday Eucharist 4:30 pm . Saturday, 9:30 am Sunday.
Weekday Mass 9:15 am, Tuesday—Friday
Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:30 pm or by Appointment



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. - Mk 6:34

Church of Christ the King

Before I Forget



Do you have a picture in your home that gives you comfort every time you look at it? There are so many beautiful pictures of nature, which speak to the heart; many of them produce a calmness within us. Whether it's a beautiful picture of a single follower, or a peaceful beach at sunset or perhaps a valley lush with vegetation, these are some pictures that seem to speak directly to our hearts. They bring peace to us.

This weekend we have one such picture. But, this picture doesn't hang on a wall. It is a picture made up of words. We call it the twenty-third psalm. It gives us a wonderful picture of our relationship to our Lord as one who is caring for us in every possible way. In a way, it's too bad that many people associate this psalm only with funeral services. We tend to think of it as only applying to the life after this one. But it is almost certain that the author of the psalm was thinking mainly about the Lord as our shepherd in this present life.

Every one of us needs the kind of shepherding that the Lord promises to us. Fear, anxiety, everyday worries, and troubles of all shapes and sizes constantly make their way into our lives. We need to know that we are not walking through the darkness alone. The Lord wants us to know that he is always with us, watching over us, caring for us, giving us guidance.

But in order to experience the Lord as our shepherd, we need to open ourselves to the Lord as the sheep accept the care of the shepherd. Most of us have to admit that we don't always bring our concerns to the Lord, and that we immediately take them back again. We don't trust the Lord enough to really completely surrender our fears and worries. If we can get to a point where we believe every word of the twenty-third psalm, we will have a life that is filled with the gift of peace even though our problems will not magically disappear. We don't want to be without a guide and a leader in our lives. That's quite a dangerous, and really even foolish, way to live. Yet so many of us do just that. We live in the illusion that we are in charge of our lives. We need to allow the Lord to be a shepherd to us. When we are making big decisions about which way to go in life, we need to allow ourselves to be lead into those decisions which are right for us, instead of just doing what we want to do ourselves. In fact, any decision should first be put into the hands of God in order for us to make that decision in the right spirit.

Walter Brueggemann in his book, *"The Message of the Psalms"* begins his commentary on Psalm 23 with these words: "It is almost pretentious to comment on this psalm. The grip it has on biblical spirituality is deep and genuine... It is, of course, a psalm of confidence. It recounts in detail by means of rich metaphors a life lived in trustful receptivity of God's gifts. It is God's companionship that transforms every situation. It does not mean that there are no deathly valleys, no enemies, but they are not capable of hurt. Psalm 23 know that evil is present in the world, but it is not feared. Confidence in God is the source of a life of peace and joy."

Imagine you knew a person who was always giving gifts to people. They would show up at the most unexpected moment with exactly the right gift that a person needed. If someone was fixing his car and needed a tool that he didn't have, they would magically show up with that very tool. If a woman was looking for the perfect outfit, they would arrive with that outfit wrapped up in a beautiful box. If a student wanted a new laptop, there once again, they would be there, glad to give that new laptop to the student.

Now God doesn't give us gifts like that. God gives us gifts that are much more valuable than a new tool, or outfit, or laptop. Our Good Shepherd gives us trust, confidence, joy, love, forgiveness, hope, compassion. If we really need some spiritual gift to continue our journey through a valley filled with darkness, the Lord will bring that gift to us. But, the Lord will never force a gift on us. We must be ready standing with open hands and open hearts – ready to receive what we need from the Giver of all good gifts.

In the Gospel this weekend, we hear: Jesus had compassion on them for they were like sheep without a shepherd. May you and I allow the Lord to enter our lives as the Lord wishes, carrying special gifts for each of us.

Forward together and no one left behind, Fr. Bill



Christ the King is recognized as a vibrant friendly parish. One thing that keeps us folks coming is how we celebrate and feel welcomed.

The Liturgy is one way we all celebrate our priesthood. And it takes a lot of people to make it happen. It is an opportunity to use our gifts. We can never have too many volunteers in celebration.

Please consider these ministries:

- Lector Eucharistic Minister,
- Sacristan, Acolyte (no age limit)
- Cross Bearer, Greeter, Usher.
- Choir Member Cantor
- Instrumentalist Dance
- Training is provided for all ministries.

Sign up on the website: www.ckmpls.org, under **GET INVOLVED at the top of the home page** or contact Moya Mathews, Director of Liturgy and Music, mmmathews@ckmpls.org, 612-920-5030, ext 12.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Tuesday, July 20

9:15 am Mass

Wednesday, July 21

9:15 am Mass

Thursday, July 22

9:15 am Mass

Friday, July 23

9:15 am Mass

Saturday, July 24

Mission Cooperation Weekend

10:00 am Baptism : Blair & Mara Anderson

3:30 pm Reconciliation

4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, July 25

Mission Cooperation Weekend

9:30 am Mass

4:00 pm Baptism: James Connelly



The Archdiocesan Synod kicks into high gear this fall and your input is needed to help Archbishop Hebda chart the course for this local Church.

Join a small group to discuss and give feedback on how to best form:

- Parishes that are in the service of evangelization
- Missionary disciples who know Jesus's love and respond to his call;
- Youth and young adults in and for a Church that is always young.

Watch for more information regarding specific dates and times for meetings.

Questions? Contact Terri Hunt at thunt@ckmpls.org or Jim Deshane at jdeshane@ckmpls.org.



Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume on **Sunday, September 12, 2021** at the 9:30 am Mass.

CTK RACIAL JUSTICE GROUP.



Online survey coming!
Social justice is a key part of Christ the King's mission. Because of this, the CTK Racial Justice and Social Justice groups believe it crucial that all parishioners have an opportunity to have input into the direction these teams are taking.

We are interested in hearing from you about what areas of social and racial justice you think our parish should be focusing our time and talents on in the next year.

Please watch your emails in the next week for the link to the five minute online survey. Your response is important to us. Questions? **Contact Meg Barrett at barrettmego48@gmail.com or 952-484-3841.** If you know of someone without access to a computer, we can have one mailed.



Carondelet Catholic School is still accepting applications for Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 8! Learn more about your parish school by contacting Megan Hower, Director of Enrollment at (612) 590-1940.

CTK Prayer Corner



Anna Bertel, Brent Blackey; Joanne & Walter Dick, Nancy Dornbach; Mary Forsman Chuck Gorman, Mary Ann Hansen, Dan Ivory, Steve Kean, Tomi Kean, Anna Kinney, Mary Koby. Jane Kostik Mary Lee, Dolores Lutz, Jerry Murtaugh David Podgorak, Ed & Gae Skager, Lydia Spanier, Angie Tucker, Pat Urick, Diane Wielinski

If you would like prayers said for you, a family member ill or in need of prayer, please contact Jim DeShane at 612-920-5030, ext. 19.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Are you or anyone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or becoming Catholic? Were you baptized, but never confirmed? If so, RCIA is for you!

RCIA Ministry at CTK is designed to fit the needs and background of those participating in the program, wherever you are on your faith journey. Classes will run November through April.

If interested, contact Terri Hunt, Director of Faith Formation, at thunt@ctkmpls.org.

2021 MISSIONARY COOPERATION PLAN

This year the Archdiocese welcomed 57 mission groups to our parishes. They represent foreign and domestic mission dioceses, religious congregations and lay mission organizations from five continents.

We are very happy to welcome to Christ the King next weekend, July 24 & 25, the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of Christ, based in West Africa. They are an Apostolic Missionary Institute founded in 1937 by an Irish missionary to Nigeria, Archbishop Charles Heerey, CSSp, the first Archbishop of Nigeria. The sisters carry out diverse apostolic work to uplift the status of women, to promote Christian education in schools, to provide healthcare for the sick, to engage in social and pastoral activities and other works of charity in keeping with their charism of compassion.

The Religious Institute is structured in nine(9) regions spanning fifteen(15) countries in three(3) continents. One of the important injunction of our Founder was “ They are to be missionaries”. By the grace of God, our sisters are currently serving the people of God in many dioceses in Nigeria, Ghana, Kenya, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Republic of Benin, Tchad Republic, Cameroon, Italy, England, Germany, Ireland, Scotland, Canada and USA. Formation houses are in Nigeria, Kenya and Ghana.

The Sisters presenting will be Sister Maria Chikwado Agba and Sister Maureen Jovita Nwajiobi. They work here in Minneapolis.

A Special Second Collection will be taken for this Mission. Checks can be made to Christ the

Psalm 23

**The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures, he gives me repose.**

**Beside restful waters he leads, he refreshes my soul.
He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.**

**Even though I walk in the dark valley
With your rod and staff that give me courage.**

**You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.**

**Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life;
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.**

(The New American Bible)

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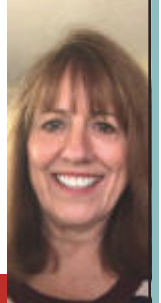
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