



CHURCH OF
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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



Church of Christ the King

Before I Forget



Our call as Christians is to have “hearts without borders.”

When I heard that a suicide bomber killed 13 U.S. service members and a hundred Afghans last Thursday outside the Kabul airport, I stopped whatever I was doing to pray for those who died and their families. And, I remembered another bombing. About five years ago, one summer afternoon, a car bomb exploded in a commercial district of Baghdad. Ten people were killed and many more were injured. Unfortunately, such destruction is not unusual in the Iraqi capital. But, the reason I remember this particular bombing was something unusual happened that afternoon. As the police and medical personnel were cordoning off the area, a man appeared in a black suit, his long hair combed back. He unfolded a small chair and sat down. Then, in the midst of smoke and rubble, he began to play his cello.

The man was Karim Wasfi. He was the conductor of the Iraqi National Symphony Orchestra. He said, “There are many people in Iraq who would turn every facet of our lives into a war zone. But I choose to turn every corner that I can into a spot of civility, beauty, and compassion.” As Mr. Wasfi played his cello, people stopped and began to listen. Many cried, and some prayed. This image of beautiful music being performed in a scene of destruction captures at least in part the ministry of Jesus.

During his life, Jesus walked the cities of Galilee looking for those who were suffering and in need. In the gospel for this week, Jesus opens the ears of a man who is deaf. Jesus’ mission was to bring the presence of God’s love into the lives of people that were wounded by disease and hopelessness. Now, unlike Jesus, you and I cannot open the ears of the deaf or make the blind see. But, like Mr. Wasfi, we can choose to bring goodness and beauty into situations that are marked by loss and despair.

We are not always able to protect our children from the influence of peer pressure. We cannot assure that they will avoid being bullied in their relationships. However, we can make sure that they know that they are people of great value and have a dignity that no one can take away. We cannot eradicate poverty or unemployment in our society. But, we can choose to place ourselves in those settings where we meet the poor and unemployed, listen to their stories, and share stories of our own. We cannot protect the people we love from the pain of sickness or the fear of dying. But, we can sit at their bedside, remembering the good times, and showing them our love.

Like the musician playing the cello in a scene of devastation, we can choose to bring beauty and goodness to situations of suffering and to people without hope. And, every time we take a stand for dignity and love, we not only help others, we also take up Jesus’ mission to manifest God’s love to the world.

Forward together and no one left behind,
Fr. Bill

CTK NEWS

AFGHAN REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT The CTK Racial Justice group

The CTK Racial Justice group encourages parishioners to help welcome to Minnesota possibly 300 refugees from Afghanistan in the next six months. About 35 Afghani refugees are already in Minnesota with another 30 expected by the end of September.

Christ the King has partnered with a number of organizations who are helping to resettle these refugees, including Arrive Ministries in Richfield: <https://arriveministries.org/get-involved/>; International Institute of Minnesota: <https://iimn.org/afghanistan/>; and Minnesota Council of Churches: <http://www.mnchurches.org/what-we-do/refugee-services>.

The new refugees will need help finding housing, furnishings, employment, social support, and learning English. The easiest way to offer support is through cash contributions, but the organizations are also in need of volunteers and donations of goods from parishioners to help welcome to Minnesota possibly 300 refugees from Afghanistan in the next six months.

FOOD SHELF WEEKEND REMINDER— SEPTEMBER 4 AND 5

SCHOOL IS STARTING, THINK HEALTHY SNACKS, PAPER GOODS

Experience Vis! Join Us for an Open House!

In grades 9-12, Visitation School offers an all-girls education designed for girls just like you. We empower our students to become their best selves, to become leaders in and out of the classroom and to make a difference in our world. At our Open House, meet current students, learn about an all-girls education, see teachers in action and tour our beautiful campus.

Register for the September 28 or November 16 Open Houses at visitation.net/openhouse21

CTK Racial Justice Discussion:

The book club discussion of *The Sum of Us* is rescheduled to Sunday, September 26 after the 9:30 Mass.

The Sum of Us, by Heather McGhee, one of today's most insightful and influential thinkers, offers a powerful exploration of inequality and the lesson that generations of Americans have failed to learn: Racism has a cost for everyone—not just for people of color – it is not a zero sum game. This is the story of how public goods in this country—from parks and pools to functioning schools—have become private luxuries; of how unions collapsed, wages stagnated, and inequality increased; and of how this country, unique among the world's advanced economies, has thwarted universal healthcare. Please consider joining us for this important discussion.

Readings for the week of September 5, 2021

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37
Monday: Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9 [8]/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 [9]/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/Mt 1:1-16, [6]/Lk 6:27-38
Thursday: Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [6]/Lk 6:27-38
Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5]/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a, 6-7 [2]/Lk 6:43-49
Next Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

CTK Prayer Corner



Anna Bertel, Brent Blackey; Marcia Carlson, Joanne & Walter Dick, Nancy Dornbach; Gretchen Fitzgerald, Mary Forsman, Chuck Gorman, Mark Goodwin, Mary Ann Hansen, Dan Ivory, Steve Kean, Tomi Kean, Anna Kinney, Mary Koby, Mary Lee, Eleanor Lundberg, Dolores Lutz, Jerry Murtaugh, David Podgorak, Stephanie Quinn, 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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 — OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, September 7

9:15 am Mass

Wednesday, September 8

9:15 am School Mass

7:00 pm Lector Training

Thursday, September 9

9:15 am Mass

Friday, September 10

9:15 am Mass

Saturday, September 11

1:30 pm 2021 Confirmation Retreat

3:30 pm Reconciliation

4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, September 12

9:30 am Mass

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Faith Formation and Discipleship



**Children's Liturgy of the Word
and CTK Nursery begin
Sunday, September 12 at
the 9:30 Mass.**

No prior registration required.

FALL ADULT FAITH FORMATION

**WE ARE USING THE TIMES WE HAVE FOR SCRIPTURE STUDY
AND RICHARD ROHR FOR THE SYNOD 2021 DISCUSSIONS. AS
DIRECTED BY THE ARCHDIOCESE...**

SYNOD 2021—DISCUSSION GROUPS

Wednesday, September 29: 10 am—Noon

Saturday, September 25, 9:30-11:30 am

Tuesday, September 28, 6-8 pm

through November 10, 10 am—Noon

Friday, September 24 through October 20,
10 am—Noon

Classes are for 6 weeks.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SYNOD SMALL GROUPS THIS FALL

Be part of the Synod process that will shape our local Church. In small groups this fall, our parish will:

- Pray for God's guidance on how we can more vigorously proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ!
- Learn the Church's wisdom on the Synod focus area topics.
- Discuss your perspective and ideas with other parishioners.
- Respond with your feedback on Archdiocesan priorities to proclaim the Good News in our culture today.

Registration is appreciated but not required.
Terri Hunt, thunt@ctkmpls.org.

Saint John's Abbey Guesthouse Collegeville, MN

Day Retreat – September 29, 2021
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

An Introduction to a Celtic Way of Prayer
Presented by David Keller and Emily Wilmer

Cost: \$50 includes lunch.

To learn more: <http://www.abbeyguesthouse.org>
or call 320-363-3929.



Exploring the Journey of Becoming: A Look at the Relationship of Faith and Imagination; Dr. Larry Fraher, Ph.D.

Often relegated to the realm of childhood and fantasy, the imagination gets a bad rap. The last thought most may consider is the impact of the imagination upon the experience of faith. But there are great connections to be discovered. This Theology Day will examine these connections and explore thought about the imagination and its role in the human experience of faith, the relationship of Christ to each of us and to all of us, and how, by employing the imagination, we engage the journey of becoming.

Friday, September 17, 10:00 am to noon – Webinar

To Register: Online: CollegevilleMN.com/theologyday |
email: theologyday@cbsju.edu | **Call:** 320-363-3560 (be prepared to leave a detailed message)

Theology Day is a chance for people in our communities who are seeking a deeper understanding of their faith and its place in their everyday lives to learn from and interact with the theologians of Saint John's School of Theology and Seminary. It offers a chance for these scholars to gain insights and grow in their faith, as well.

There is no fee for Theology Day, but registration is required. Free-will offerings and gifts to support the mission of the School of Theology and Seminary are gratefully accepted.



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.

Liturgical Ministry

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION ENDS WITH HOSPITALITY...LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD PEOPLE TO HELP WITH BEING THERE TO SET UP THE SERVING TABLE, MAKE COFFEE AND LEMONADE AND BE CHRIST FOR EACH OTHER...CONTACT JERRY JOSEPHSON, JOSEPHSON.JERRY@GMAIL.COM, 612-920-4185. TRAINING IS PROVIDED, AND YOU CAN'T BEAT THE BEST PART—MEETING CTK FOLK.



BECOME A MINISTER OF GOD'S WORD AT LITURGY

We will hold a training session for all lectors, both veterans and novices, on Wednesday, September 8, 7-8:30 pm in church. Training is required even for "expert" public speakers.

The lector proclaims the Word of God in the liturgical assembly. The role is open to faith-filled persons of any age who can proclaim God's Word with understanding, conviction, and clarity.

Please contact Moya McGinn Mathews, Director of Liturgy and Music, if you are interested, willing, or have any questions or concerns. mmmathews@ctkmpls.org



CALLING ALL SINGERS!

WHO IS READY FOR IN-PERSON CHOIR EXPERIENCES?

The first rehearsal of the Christ the King choir will be on Wednesday, September 15, 7-8:30 pm, followed by a rehearsal on Sunday, September 19 at 8:30 AM in preparation for the 9:30 AM Mass that day.

The ongoing choir schedule will develop according to the interest and availability of singers. During the academic program year, we will probably be rehearsing some Wednesday evenings and most Sunday mornings for one hour prior to the 9:30 AM beginning that middle week of September.

If you want to sing with the ensemble, please contact Moya (mmmathews@ctkmpls.org) at least three days prior to a rehearsal or liturgy and she will send you electronic copies of the music needed for the event.

Because of the current situation with Covid cases locally and the spread of the Delta variant, for the sake of the health of all the singers and of the public health, **all participants in the choir must be vaccinated.** Vaccination is on the honor system. We trust that no one would be untruthful about vaccination status to sing in a church choir.

Please contact Moya McGinn Mathews, Director of Liturgy and Music, if you are interested, willing, or have any questions or concerns.

Ushers are needed for both the Saturday 4:30 PM Mass and the 9:30 AM Mass.

Male and female, young and old, can help take up the collection at either weekend liturgy.

Please contact Moya (mmmathews@ctkmpls.org) to volunteer. Thanks

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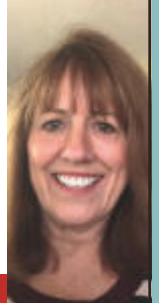
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