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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



24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FOLLOW

“Whoever wishes to
come after me must deny
himself, take up his cross,
and follow me.” - Mk 8:34b

Church of Christ the King

Before I Forget



- **Jesus cannot be understood without taking into account that the Christ must suffer and die, in order to rise again.**

Nobody wants to fail. None of us tries to make mistakes. All of us are embarrassed when we mess up. But, mess up we do. Failing is a part of living, and all of us can fail in a variety of ways. We can fail in our relationships: hurting our marriage, our children, our friends. We can fail in our jobs, taking on more than we can handle, cutting corners that lead to disaster, betraying the trust that others place in us. We can fail ourselves: giving into apathy and self-pity, nurturing a private selfishness, trading in on our good name.

There are many ways to fail. The question is not whether we will make a mistake, but how we will respond when we do. Here is where the experience of Peter can help when we do. In Sunday's Gospel, among the villages Caesarea Philippi, Peter makes a serious mistake. Buoyed up with pride at his ability to realize that Jesus is the Messiah, he pushes off from that shaky foundation and challenges Jesus. He corrects the Lord where Jesus announces his upcoming passion and death. Peter oversteps his bounds, reveals his ignorance, and betrays the trust that Jesus had placed in him. Jesus reacts strongly, pushing Peter aside and calling him "Satan." This failure of Peter foreshadows an even greater failure, when, during the passion, Peter three times denies Christ. There is no doubt that Peter was a good person, that Peter had great intentions and a big heart. But there is also no doubt that Peter made big mistakes. Peter is like us, and his experience in Mark's Gospel (8:27-35) points to two truths we need to remember when we fail.

The first truth is this: God does not reject us when we fail. Peter's mistakes may have surprised and discouraged Peter, but they did not surprise or discourage God. God knew who Peter would be from the moment of creation. Nevertheless, God chose to create Peter and called him to lead the church. God relates in the same way to us. Our mistakes do not surprise God. God loves us in spite of them. No matter what we have done, God still calls us to be daughters and sons, agents of God's Kingdom. God's love for us is constant. It is everlasting.

The second truth is this: when we fail, we are called to face our mistake and move on. Jesus says in the gospel, "Those who wish to be my disciples must take up their cross and follow me." Normally, when we think of a cross, we image it as some burden which life places on our shoulders. But, crosses can also be the burdens we place on our own shoulders. Our mistakes and failures are our crosses. What are we to do with them? We are not supposed to deny them or excuse them. We are not called to put them down and bury them. We carry our failures as crosses and move forward with the help of Christ.

It is not a question of whether we make mistakes but how we shall respond when we do. Peter shows us the way. I am sure he never forgot those foolish words he spoke at Caesarea Philippi or Christ's stinging rebuke. I know he always remembered the three times he denied Christ before the cock crowed. He took up those mistakes and moved forward as a disciple. We can do the same. No matter what we have done, we can take up our failures and follow after Christ. We need not fear that those mistakes will crush us, because God never stops loving us, and the love of God is the most powerful force in creation.

Not only does God's love allow us to take up the cross of our failure and move forward, God's love can make that cross light.

St. Peter, pray for us!

Forward together and no one left behind,
Fr. Bill

CTK NEWS

SOCIAL JUSTICE SURVEY RESULTS ARE IN

THANK YOU to the 107 CTK'ers who responded to the survey! Engagement in the survey gives guidance to direct the focus on issues that matter most to CTK.

TOP 3 ISSUES : Hunger and Food Insecurity, 54%; 2) Housing Insecurity, 49%; 3) Racial Justice, 43%. The next three issues dropped to around 25% - Gun Violence, Access to Health Care, and Voting Rights.

Highest familiarity with long-time programs based on food and housing security - Thanksgiving Baskets and Families Moving Forward. Next several in order are Meals on Wheels, Loaves & Fishes, Easy Chairs Tough Topics, Social Justice Team, Legislative Advocacy, and Anti-Racism Team.

Top 3 focus areas on racial justice issues: 1) Closing the Education Gap; 2) Access to Fair and Equitable Housing; 3) Increasing Employment/Economic Opportunities. These were followed by Reshaping the Criminal Justice System, Diversity/Inclusion Training, and Reparations.

Outreach/Action was identified as the most important way for CTK to promote racial justice, followed by Adult Education, Youth Education/Tools for Families, and Integration into Liturgy/Liturgical Space.

Interest is highest for personal learning via a newsletter, education, and interactive forums, trailed by outreach/action.

AFGHAN REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT The CTK Racial Justice group

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.

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. Please consider joining us for this important discussion.

Readings for the week of September 12, 2021

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [1Cor 11:26b]/Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38, [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17, 18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2]/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

CTK Prayer Corner

Anna Bertel, Brent Blackey; 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



We extend our sympathy to our parishioners, Dolores Lutz and Jesse Lutz on the death of Daniel Lutz, son of Dolores and father of Jesse. Peace eternal be his forever.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Tuesday, September 14

9:15 am Mass
7:00 pm CCS School Board Mtg

Wednesday, September 15

9:15 am School Mass

Thursday, September 16

9:15 am Mass

Friday, September 17

9:15 am Mass

Saturday, September 18

3:30 pm Reconciliation
4:30 pm Welcome Back Mass
Wine and Cheese

Sunday, September 19

9:30 am Welcome Back Mass
Children's Liturgy of the Word
Coffee/Light Brunch

Faith Formation and Discipleship



Children's Liturgy of the Word begins this Sunday, September 12, 9:30 Mass. No prior registration required.

No Nursery at this time.



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.

Discussion is centered on these topics:

- 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 to-

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A Blessing for Grandparents

Lord God almighty, bless our grandparents with long life, happiness, and health. May they remain constant in your love and be living signs of your presence to their children and grandchildren.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



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)

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>

WELCOME BACK WEEKEND



**JOIN US
IN CELEBRATING
A WELCOME BACK WEEKEND.**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
WINE AND CHEESE AFTER THE 4:30 MASS**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
LIGHT BRUNCH AFTER 9:30 MASS**

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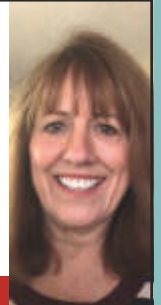
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