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# THE HERALD

November 7, 2021—32th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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



*We Remember*

## Necrology Listing for Christ the King Church November 2, 2020—November 2, 2021

**Sheila Woodbeck + December 31, 2020**

**Leonard “Larry” Kean + March 7, 2021**

**Mary Ann Lavoie + March 21, 2021**

**Delores Karen Ricke + April 6, 2021**

**Dolores Harrington + June 9, 2021**

**Esther Ann Olson + June 28, 2021**

**Marie Kolcun + July 31, 2021**

**Laura “Faye” Preston + August 3, 2021**

**Mary Cahill + October 3, 2021**

**Thomas John “TJ” Carter + October 9, 2021**

# Church of Christ the King

## Before I Forget

What do you call an atheist in a casket? Someone who is all dressed up with no place to go. I know it's a bad joke, but I couldn't resist.

During the month of November, we are asked to reflect upon the connection between this world and the next. The image of the grain of wheat that Jesus talks about in the Gospel can help us symbolize the connection. The grain of wheat has a great potential inside itself – it can grow, flourish, and become much more than it is right now.

But that will not happen if it is not first buried in the earth. Once the grain is planted, then and only then does it have a chance to bring forth fruit. What if the grain of wheat said to the farmer, "I'm afraid. I don't want to be planted in the earth. I'm afraid of what will happen to me; what if I don't grow?" If the farmer paid attention to the grain of wheat and did not plant it, then nothing would happen. No new life would come about.

So many of us live in fear of losing our lives, either physically through death or symbolically through putting aside what is not giving us life. The real meaning of life often escapes us when we are under the illusion that we are living life to its fullness. Jesus is calling us to let go, to stop clinging to life out of fear of losing something that we think we have gained, whether that consists in material things or status and prestige.

Selfishness, that false love of self that prevents us from sacrificing ourselves, ends up destroying us. The only standard of perfection is still the imitation of Christ.

Our prayers in the funeral liturgy see new life in Christ as God's promise that enables the Christian to face death with faith and hope. Our belief in purgatory (a state of being, not a place) tells us that even though we may die not having reached perfection, there still remains for us the hope that after death we can continue to move towards wholeness and perfection. And so, purgatory is that opportunity for us to complete our journey; it is there that we will come to see ourselves in the clearest possible light.

We will have an unclouded vision of ourselves, and at the same time come to experience how much God loves us. Through this experience, we will see how much harm our sins of self-centeredness have caused, and be moved to a deep repentance. Purgatory is essentially the experience we need in order to fully enjoy God's love for us and our love for God. It will remove any obstacles to the enjoyment of that love and so enable us to be truly one with God forever.

When we are trying to love someone else in this life, we sometimes come to an awareness of our own imperfections and how much more we could love that other person or persons. This awareness can be both hopeful and yet painful. On the hopeful side, at least we know that there are some things about ourselves that need changing. Because of this knowledge, we are then capable of working on those aspects that are less than loving. On the painful side, we sometimes come to realize how our rough edges and lack of love have hurt people who love us very much. If we use that painful knowledge to grow in love, that is a real form of purification.

Thinking about purgatory can be an incentive for us to do the necessary work of purification while we are still alive. This work can take many forms – reconciliation, restitution, really any act that can make right what we have done wrong, as far as that is possible.

One aspect of this purification is making amends. Making amends is not just asking for forgiveness – although that is a necessary first step. Making amends means changing our behavior. If we have been unkind to a person, making amends calls us to be especially kind to that person. Our behavior will show more than many words could say.

The Risen Christ is our hope. Christ has in his own body, lived out the parable of the grain of wheat. He has died and now risen with a new and wonderful life. May we never let go of the hope we have in Christ.

Forward together and no one left behind,

*Fr. Bill*



# November 7, 2021 —

## **CHRISTMAS LITURGY SCHEDULE – YOUR INPUT REQUESTED!**

With disruption to routines, traditions, and continued concerns related to COVID, we want to hear from you regarding the upcoming Christmas Liturgy schedule.

We will be exploring an array of options to determine the optimal schedule taking both parishioner preferences and the capacity of church resources into account.

Please take the survey (link below) **no later than November 12<sup>th</sup>**.

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CTK\\_Xmas](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CTK_Xmas)



For many years we have been donating Thanksgiving baskets to Ascension parish for families in need.

Each basket contains a family sized turkey dinner. **Sign up for your basket** in the Gathering Space after Mass starting **November 7th, 13th & 14th**.

At that time you will receive the shopping list and the 18 gallon bin in which all the food must be packed. Fellow members of Christ the King will be in the Gathering Space for sign ups. Drop off day will be Saturday **November 20 between 8:00 and 10:00 am**. We also need drivers to help transport the bins to Ascension on the 20th.

If you are not comfortable returning to in-person Mass, you can still participate. You can write a check for \$80—just write Thanksgiving baskets in the notation space; cash donations of any amount are also welcome.

These donations are used to purchase gift cards to give to individuals & families where a basket is impractical. Depending on where you shop the cost of the food can vary from \$60 to \$80

If you have any questions call Angela Lee at 952-920-4001 or email at [angelaliffriglee@gmail.com](mailto:angelaliffriglee@gmail.com)

**AND**

This weekend is Food Shelf Weekend, November 6-7. Bring some extra special items to help make this month special.

**Please bring paper bags to use for packing the \$10 bags.**



## **Readings for week of November 7**

<b>Sunday:</b>	1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44
<b>Monday:</b>	Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/Lk 17:1-6
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19
<b>Thursday:</b>	Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 [89a]/Lk 17:20-25
<b>Friday:</b>	Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37
<b>Saturday:</b>	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

### **Monday, November 8**

7:00 pm Troop 0089

### **Tuesday, November 9**

9:15 am Mass

7:00 pm CCS School Board

### **Wednesday, November 10**

9:15 am School Mass

10:00 am Synod Discussion

6:30 pm Faith Formation

### **Thursday, November 11**

9:15 am Prayer Service

### **Friday, November 12**

9:15 am Mass

10:00 am Richard Rohr Discussion

Christmas Surveys Due

### **Saturday, November 13**

9:00 am Benedictine Oblates

3:30 pm Reconciliation

4:30 pm Mass

### **Sunday, November 14**

9:30 am Mass

Children's Liturgy of the Word

10:30 am Hospitality

# Faith Formation and Discipleship

## THE RICHARD ROHR STUDY GROUP GATHERS

A group of parishioners read and share thoughts about Fr. Richard Rohr's daily meditations. We take a deeper look at Jesus born then and now, Christ and creation, and Christ alive in the world today.



We will meet at 10 am for 1-1 1/2 hours in the library.  
Here are the dates:

NOVEMBER 5,  
NOVEMBER 12  
NOVEMBER 19  
DECEMBER 3  
DECEMBER 10  
DECEMBER 17.

ALL ARE WELCOME. EACH SESSION IS A SEPARATE DISCUSSION, SO IF YOU CAN'T MAKE THEM ALL, IT IS OKAY.

## 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. Jean Lee Mary Lee, Eleanor Lundberg, Dolores Lutz, Jerry Murtaugh. David Podgorak, Jean Sarrazin Ed & Gae Skager, Lydia Spanier, Pat Urick, Diane Wielinski

## Faith FORMATION GLP

### AN ADVENT RETREAT AT CTK

As you do all your other preparations this holiday season do you want to prepare yourself for Christ's coming?

If you are thinking about this, consider joining us for an **Ignation Advent Retreat** during the four weeks of Advent. You will be provided with prayer material created by Susan Stabile, a spiritual director in the Ignation tradition and a former member of CTK with which to pray and journal, and invited to meet weekly after Liturgy each Sunday morning from 10:30 am – 12:00 pm to share the fruits of your prayer in a small group facilitated by Denise D'Aurora, an Ignatian Associate and parishioner.

**Dates are November 21 – December 19.** Space is limited, so if interested please contact the Parish Office, [parishoffice@ctkmpls.org](mailto:parishoffice@ctkmpls.org), or 612-920-5030 to sign up. If you want more information, contact Denise at 952-457-0861 or [ddaurora@gmail.com](mailto:ddaurora@gmail.com).



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### Retreats at the Franciscan Spirituality Center

The theme this year is **DO NOT BE AFRAID.**

**Nov 5-9** Women's Weekend  
**Dec 3-5** Serenity Weekend  
**Dec 10-12** Men's Retreat

**Days of Prayer (Advent Thursdays)**  
**December 2, 9, 16**

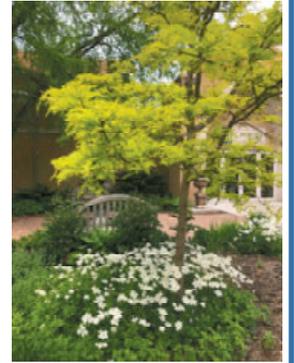
**Register for Retreats: Call 952-447-2182**  
**[www.FranciscanRetreats.net/register](http://www.FranciscanRetreats.net/register)**

# More Information

The gardens at Christ the King were prepared for winter by four members of the Common Grounds Ministry with the much appreciated help of 9 Carondelet eighth grade students and a parent volunteer, on Saturday, October 30th.

It was a mighty job but they were up to the task! The students were wonderful to work with and we were able to finish in two hours. We look forward to the possibility of having the students help next spring. Also to note, the students of Carondelet and their teachers have been very respectful of the gardens this fall by being careful not to disturb them during outdoor recess in the parking lot areas.

Although the garden is now resting for the winter, we will be back gardening in the spring, and we hope more parishioners will join our team. We will be offering coupons for a free workout. Why go to the gym when you can workout in the CTK garden for free!



**Carondelet**  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Carondelet Catholic School is seeking re-accreditation through MNSAA, our accreditation organization. We are seeking valuable input from all our stakeholders, especially parishioners from both our parishes. All parishioners are invited to share their thoughts through the following survey.

<https://forms.gle/ToyR5v5i33Uf6zJFA> We sincerely appreciate your input and your thoughts and prayers!

**Sunday, November 21.** The CTK Racial Justice discussion group invites all parishioners to join in an ongoing discussion on how our parish can become an anti-racist parish.

On Sunday, November 21, following the 9:30 Mass we will meet to discuss the upcoming event with author and photographer, John Nolter, partnerships with St. Joan of Arc parish, Minnesota Council of Churches, and Father Harry Bury's group, Twin Cities Non-Violent. Watch the bulletin for further details. Questions? Contact [MaryJaneMitchell@msn.com](mailto:MaryJaneMitchell@msn.com)

**AFGHANI CLOTHING DRIVE** — Of the near 13,000 Afghans living at Fort McCoy, 55% are male and 45% female, but almost 50% are age 18 or younger. While many Afghan guests are eager to return to a normal way of life, it will likely be several more months before all will be able to relocate.

The urgent need now is for winter clothing. All items must be new! You can help by checking online at: Target Registry, Walmart Registry, Team Rubicon Registry, Amazon Registry. You can also make donations at <https://cclse.org/afghanistan-refugee-assistance/>

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**Basketball Coaches Needed:** Carondelet Catholic School is looking for basketball coaches for the upcoming season. The schedule is somewhat flexible and includes 1-2 practices and games per week, starting the week of Nov. 15th. For more information, please contact Tony Subialka, Athletics Director at [tsubialka@carondelet-mpls.org](mailto:tsubialka@carondelet-mpls.org)

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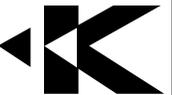
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