



Christ The Bread of Life Parish

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January 10, 2021

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." - Mk 1:7-8

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Ascension Campus
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass



PARISH HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

Sacrament of Baptism & Sacrament of Marriage
(6 months in advance).
Contact: Griselle Cirio

Sacrament of the Sick
Please call the Office:
203-288-1652



Office Hours:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
and Friday
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Closed: Thursdays

Blessed Sacrament Campus

Saturday
4:00p.m.

Sunday
10:00 a.m.

12:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Weekday Masses -
Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri - 8a.m.

Confessions 3:00PM—2nd & 4th Saturday

Sunday Mass will be Live-Streamed on our
Facebook page and our
Website: www.christthebreadoflife.org

AFFINITY MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

Christ the Bread of Life Parish has been enrolled in a fundraising program being offered by TD Bank. This is an easy way for our parish to raise money with no cost to anyone.

TD Bank will make an annual contribution to our church based on the activity of parishioners who bank there. The more members who bank with TD Bank the more money our church will earn. THERE IS NO COST INVOLVED.

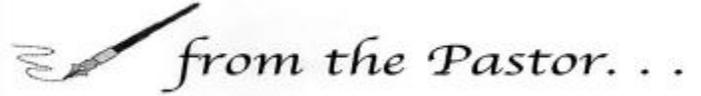
Every parishioner who has a checking account at TD will raise 10.00 for our parish. If you open a new checking account at TD Bank we receive 50.00.

If you have a Savings, CD or Money Market that also will help us receive a cash reward.

Next time you visit the bank just tell them you are a Christ the Bread of Life parishioner. INFORMATION REGARDING PARTICIPATING ACCOUNTS IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL. The more who participate, the more chance of our parish receiving a yearly contribution from TD Bank. The bank will inform us of the total donations we will receive.

We received a check from TD Bank in the amount of \$817.68 from the fundraising program. Many thanks to all the parishioners who have opened various accounts at the bank,

CHRIST THE BREAD OF LIFE
January 3, 2021
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Thank you for your generosity. God Bless You!



My dear parishioners,

Happy New Year to you once more. I am delighted that you are reading this now; it means to me that you are fine and, as in American popular parlance, "hanging in there." Someone says what matters to him is not living a long life, instead just sleeping every night and waking up every morning. Borrowing from that thought, we will ask that we don't want this year to be perfect, but at least by all standards, better than 2020 for us. In any case, we cannot but be grateful to God for life and the countless blessings we already enjoy as life is replete with inadequacies and curveballs.

In line with that, I wish to give my unalloyed appreciation to you all for your outpouring of love and kindness demonstrated in the many Christmas cards you sent me. I don't know where to begin to send out a personal thank you note to you. It prompts me to visualize the enormous work of writing and sending out Christmas cards and making sure your recipients (including me) received them on time. The beautiful messages in your cards are heartening. Thank you. More so, I thank you for your generous donations to assist me in bringing smiles and tears of joy to various faces in my community and beyond. Although I did not travel after Christmas, I have continued reaching out directly to poverty-stricken families and through my proxy (Sister Coronata). I received a few heart-melting text messages and phone calls in appreciation. One person said, "...thanks for putting a great smile on my face and the entire faces of my household" These echoes of gratitude and thanks to God would not have been possible without you. A little over ten years ago, in Nigeria, people gave money and gifts to their priests, but today they now go to their priests for economic support. Thank you once more for reaching out to people you don't know who have been abandoned by their government. My prayer for you this year is that, like Jesus, at his baptism (today), God will be well pleased with you and with the people you love.

Thank you, thank you, and thank you.
Fr. Kelechi

ONGOING EVENTS

Saturday

Light of Christ Men's Prayer Grp. - 7:30-9:30 AM, Parish Ctr LR

Food Pantry - 9:30 -10:30 AM - 2nd & 4th of month- BSC

Confessions - 2nd & 4th Saturday of each month, 3:00PM- at BSC



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

We need history. We need it in order to understand ourselves, personally and collectively. The pieces of our histories may not have always been the most positive, honest, exemplary, dignified, proud and best moments of our lives, but they are ours. We have to acknowledge, remember, accept, and often heal them. We cannot forget them or pretend that they never existed. As horrible as the atrocities of events like Auschwitz, brutal injustices committed throughout the human journey, or personal painful experiences in our own stories, we need to remember. These times when humanity in general or people in particular have lost their way are times that need to be reconciled and redeemed.

If we lose the memories, we will make the same mistakes again. The human soul needs a strong sense of affirmation, direction, and clear purpose. Without these essentials, we will easily run amuck and repeat the sins of our past. God's voice throughout history has spoken precisely about this! We are reminded through the voices and example of many prophets and witnesses not to make the same mistakes again, come back to center, discover the purpose given to us by God, maintain a sense of proper direction, seek healing for wounds and be reconciled to our Creator.

Baptism is so incredibly important for the salvation of humankind, not only eternally but here and now. Our existence depends upon it. It gives us the affirmation we need from God by gifting us with the same intimate relationship Jesus had with the Father. We are blessed with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Baptism calls us to remember, accept, and deal with the sins and inequities of our past regardless of how hurtful and serious. We consciously choose to turn away from them and put on the new life of Christ. To do this well, we must look hard and long at our sins and failings, listen to what they are saying and learn from them. If we ignore the past, collectively or personally, or pretend that it never happened, we will never grow. We will surely die.

People need to hear the message, lived and spoken, delivered by the baptized members of the Body of Christ. It is an essential message of hope that is layered with visions of justice, peace, reconciliation, redemption, blessing, and healing. It is a message that helps us remember what has gone before, the graces and the sins, and bring ourselves by God's help where we need to be. We are called to do much more than sit home behind our closed doors. We have a message to deliver. Are we ready to do so?

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MIS QUERIDOS PARROQUIANOS

Feliz Año Nuevo una vez más. Estoy muy satisfecho que ustedes están leyendo de mi parte ahora; eso quiere decir que están bien y como un dicho popular dice, ustedes están "hanging in there." Alguien dijo que lo que le importa a él no es el vivir una larga vida, al contrario, dormir toda la noche y despertar cada mañana. Tomando prestado de este pensamiento, queremos pedir que no queremos que este año sea perfecto así como hasta ahora vemos pero mejor para el año 2021 que está por venir. En todo caso, no podemos ser más que agradecidos con Dios por la vida y las tantas bendiciones que recibimos y disfrutamos en nuestras vidas venciendo todas las insuficiencias y desvíos.

A tono con esto, deseo dar mi más pura apreciación a todos ustedes por su abundante amor y bondad demostrada en todas las tarjetas de Navidad que me entregaron. No sé cómo comenzar a enviar una nota personal a cada uno de ustedes. Esto me lleva a visualizar el trabajo enorme de escribir y enviar tarjetas de Navidad y asegurarse de que los resipientes (incluyéndome a mí) las reciban a tiempo. Los hermosos mensajes en sus tarjetas son alentadores. Gracias. Sobre todo, les doy las gracias por sus generosos donativos para ayudarme a llevarle sonrisas y lágrimas de alegría a muchas caras de mi comunidad y muchos más. Aunque yo no viajé después de la Navidad, yo he continuado apoyando a muchas familias azotadas por la pobreza a través de mi colabora la Hermana Coronata. Recibí muchos mensajes de texto que me derritieron el corazón y llamadas en apreciación a nuestra ayuda. Una persona dijo: "Gracias por haberme hecho sonreír al igual que a todas las caras de toda mi familia." Estos ecos de gratitud y gracias a Dios no hubiesen sido posibles sin ustedes. Un poco más de hace diez años, en Nigeria, la gente le daba regalos y dinero a sus sacerdotes para apoyarlos económicamente, pero hoy en día la gente va a los sacerdotes buscando ayuda económica. Gracias una vez más por apoyar a personas que ustedes ni siquiera conocen y que han sido abandonadas por el gobierno. Mi oración para ustedes en este nuevo año es que, como Jesús, en su bautismo (hoy), Dios se sienta más que feliz con ustedes y con la familia que ustedes aman.

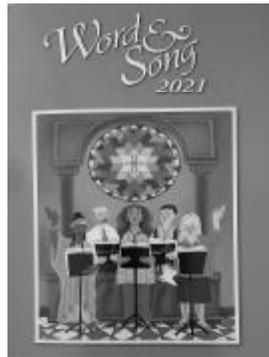
Gracias, gracias y gracias.

Fr. Kelechi



2021 MISSALETTES

The 2021 Word and Song missalettes have arrived. As we are still unable to place them in pews due to the pandemic, we will be selling them at cost for \$5.00. The 2021 books will be placed on a table at the entrance to both Campuses with a box for your donations.



PRAYER CORNER

Pray for the health and well-being of the following parishioners:

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| <i>Evelyn Antonina</i> | <i>Joesph Langella</i> |
| <i>Nora Aneto</i> | <i>Peter Langella</i> |
| <i>Michael Brandi</i> | <i>Vimal Lobo</i> |
| <i>Olivia Caldarella</i> | <i>Sharyn Lockwood</i> |
| <i>Phyllis Caliendo</i> | <i>Mary Malick</i> |
| <i>Peter Carbine</i> | <i>Vivian Orié</i> |
| <i>Betty Ciarlelli</i> | <i>John Pesenti</i> |
| <i>Lynne Cohen</i> | <i>Regina Perez</i> |
| <i>Vincent Colonna</i> | <i>Francis Pupello</i> |
| <i>Pasquale Cassella</i> | <i>Diane Siwek Persico</i> |
| <i>Sandra D'Andrea</i> | <i>Barbara Reiber</i> |
| <i>Barbara DeNicola</i> | <i>Ralph Riccio</i> |
| <i>Marilyn Erff</i> | <i>Earl Sargeant</i> |
| <i>Dolores Fortuna</i> | <i>Maria Salamone</i> |
| <i>Pam Gershman</i> | <i>Luca Small</i> |
| <i>Anita Greenberg</i> | <i>Gil Spencer</i> |
| <i>Rev. Paul Halavatch</i> | <i>Thomas Tracy</i> |
| <i>Jerry Hunt</i> | <i>Keith Van Ness</i> |
| <i>Mary Jane Landino</i> | <i>Maureen Van Ness</i> |
| <i>Michael Landino</i> | <i>Belisario Veloza</i> |
| | <i>Nicholas Vitale</i> |
| | <i>Ron Waite</i> |
| | <i>Allen Williams</i> |

Please pray for the men and women in the medical field, 1st responders, and all those risking their lives in the midst of the Coronavirus:

Dr. Alexis Cordone, Nurses: Mary Allen, Stephanie Barrett, Michele D'Andrea Card, Jessica D'Andrea, Elizabeth Quintin DiLullo, Nyra Faris, Claire Julianelle, Alissa Mansfield, Samantha Neville, Marilu O'Connell, Hope Perfetto, Rebecca Rogers, Megan Ryan, Florecita Santos, Amy Sherer, Pina Violano, Officer Kyle Davis.

If you would like to have a name added, please call Valerie at the Parish Center.

If there is a member of our Parish Family who is ill, hospitalized, or in need of prayers or if you would like to add a name to our Prayer List, call: Val, our Parish Secretary, (203-288-1652) to place their names in the weekly bulletin.

Military Prayer List

Please pray for all those brave men and women serving in our Military, especially:

Estephania Maria Bernal Portillo (Marines) Hillary A. Robinson (Navy), Leslie Raymond (Navy), Jermain Malavet (Army), Commander David Ertel (Air Force)

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 9, Christmas Weekday	4:00p.m.	Dora DiBenedetto by daughter
Sunday, January 10, Baptism of the Lord	8:30a.m.	ASC Bishop Gregory Ochiagha RIP by Parish
	10:00a.m.	BSC Helen Rogers by Richard Rogers
	12:00p.m.	BSC All Parishioners living and deceased
Monday, January 11, Weekday	8:00a.m.	BSC in honor of St. Augustine by Quintin family
Tuesday, January 12, Weekday	8:00a.m.	BSC Fr. John Paul Ezeonyido RIP by Parish
Wednesday, January 13, Christmas Weekday	8:00 a.m.	BSC Luz Nunez RIP by Parish
Thursday January 14, Weekday	8:00a.m.	BSC NO MASS
Friday, January 15, Weekday	10:00a.m.	BSC James & Ellen Bontempo & Victor & Rose Quintin by Quintin family
Saturday, January 16, Weekday	4:00p.m.	BSC Pelligrino DeNisi (11 Year Anniversary) by wife, Antoinette
Sunday, January 17, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 a.m.	ASC All Parishioners living and deceased
	10:00a.m.	BSC Elizabeth Rogers by Richard Rogers
	12:00p.m.	BSC Santuccio Ferrucci (5th year Anniversary) by wife and family
(Sunday Mass will be live streamed on our Facebook page and our website, christthebreadoflife.org)		

Schedule of Televised and Streaming Masses

In addition to live streaming our own Mass on Facebook, Sunday at 10a.m., our website has the link to Facebook to watch our daily Mass, www.christthebreadoflife.org. You may also watch Mass on the following:

ORTV The television Mass is broadcast seven days a week at 10:00 AM on WCCT-TV (WB20) and WCTX-TV (MyTV9). It can also be seen Saturday and Sunday at 5:00 AM on WCCT-TV. The Mass can also be found streaming live at these times on <http://www.ortv.org/streaming/streaming.htm>.

EWTN The Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) is available from many local cable providers, including Comcast Digital, Frontier Fios, Cox Communications, and Cablevision. The daily Mass is televised at 12:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 12:00 PM, and 7:00 PM. Various prayers and devotions are offered at different hours of the day.



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THANK YOU

Alltown Fresh, sometimes referred to as a mini-Whole Foods, brought 67 prepared meals to our Food Pantry on Dec. 26th. We are so grateful and hope you will shop at their market next to the Mobile station at 1941Dixwell Ave.

We also were able to distribute turkeys and the fixings on Dec.19. We are always in need of jar pasta sauce, cold and hot cereals, pancake mix and syrup, beans and rice, canned vegetables, jams and jellies, detergents, and coffee.

We plan to relocate the pantry to the Youth Group Center so we will not have to negotiate stairs. Please watch for bulletin notices for help with the move once the area is ready with shelves and a partition.

Thanks to all who donate monies and nonperishable items.



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