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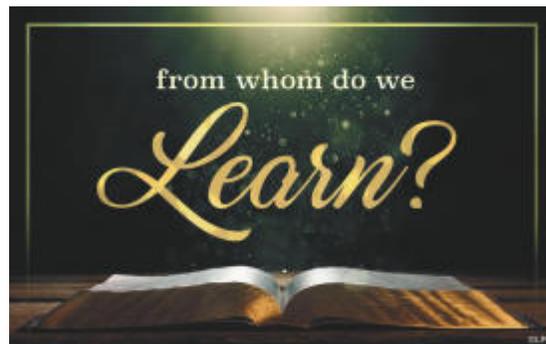
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Fifth Sunday of Easter ~ May 2, 2021

“Spiraling out of control,” is a phrase that can easily describe the current display of human existence. In addition to the violence, unrest, uneasiness and turmoil that are common elements of our daily news, other essential pieces are misplaced or missing. Many lack an objective center around which to order and structure their lives or a clear set of definable goals or mores to act as guideposts and life directives. It appears that “feelings” have become a “new god” and traditional structures and ideals set aside. It is almost as if history only shows that we got this whole thing wrong and many are determined to finally set things right. The real truth, however, is that while wrongs and errors are certainly a part of our often-checkered past, it is hardly the case that all was wrong. It is not our task to rewrite the history of our lives, but to learn from mistakes that were made, and preserve the perennial wisdom at the root of our successes. Learning is an essential part of being human.



The question becomes, however, from whom do we learn? Some have such a hard time placing God in that position, but that is precisely where God needs to be. God is the Master Teacher from whom all of humanity learns and gets its cues. It is in and through this relationship with the Gardener of Life that we are fashioned and pruned into the people we are intended to be and can be. It is only in God that we are able to find our best selves. Sadly, many think that religion too, as well as history in general, has also gotten all this wrong. Yet, our resurrection faith tells us differently. We are reminded, today especially, that we are meant to remain in Christ as Christ remains in us. We are also reminded that Jesus, the Incarnate God, is the vine upon which we grow, the branches that flow from the source of God’s life.

Giving up our will to God’s can be a painful endeavor. It is not easy to set our own desires and wants aside and allow God to step in and direct and guide our growth. But this is the only way to prevent deadly weeds from overtaking us and bringing us to a place of self-destruction. God’s commandments are the very guideposts and benchmarks we need, yet many seek to remove them from all public view because they appear to limit self-expression and suppress what is considered by many to be “human freedom.” They are the only way we can find freedom, however. And, until we learn this fundamental lesson, we will continue to spiral out of control, never really knowing who we are, what our potential can be or how life really can be lived. We will not know peace. ©LPi

Welcome back to Mass at Christ the King!

IMPORTANT UPDATE - PLEASE READ!!!

After consultation with the Diocesan Restoration Advisory Council regarding the recent United States Supreme Court and Ninth Circuit rulings, Bishop Thomas and the Council have mandated the following revised protocols for **immediate implementation**:

The maximum number of people that may be in one room at a time is now limited to 35% of fire code capacity. However, you must maintain the six (6) feet of social distancing between congregants that are not of the same household.

This means we can accommodate 266 people in the church.

We will continue to livestream our services online if you choose to stay home and take advantage of Bishop George Leo Thomas' special dispensation from attending Mass. This dispensation is currently in place until May 30, 2021. We are not taking reservations. **PLEASE NOTE:** Admittance is on a **first come, first serve** basis. Once Mass begins, doors are closed. There is no late entrance or re-entry to the church.

We thank you for your cooperation and we have done everything we can to facilitate a safe and welcoming experience for all who choose to attend.

It is still incumbent upon all pastors, principals, and pastoral leaders across the Diocese to ensure that our communities continue to observe the strict protocols listed above and these additional protocols that are currently in place, this includes:

- Limited congregational/choral singing
- No Communion from the Chalice
- No physical contact during the Sign of Peace
- Disinfecting between Masses

At communion time, we encourage you to receive communion in the hand. Please leave 6 feet between you and the next person while receiving communion. Please do not sit directly in front or behind other attendees. Please sit only where there is not a red sticker.

When Mass is finished, please go directly to your cars so the church can be prepared and disinfected for the next Liturgy. Please refrain from congregating in the entrance way or outside for your safety and the safety of all parishioners.

We thank you for your cooperation and patience during this unprecedented time. We are doing everything we can to keep everyone safe and we ask that you do the same for yourself and others as well.

As we slowly make strides forward to get back to normal congregation it is incumbent that we all take up the cross to do our part during these difficult times.

We ask that people at risk, especially those 65 and older or those with underlying health issues, please continue to stay at home and watch the Mass online. The only Masses which will be live-streamed are Saturdays at 4:00pm and the 1:30 (Spanish) Mass on Sundays. These Masses are being live-streamed on our Facebook page and on YouTube. You can stay home and watch the daily Masses and your preferred weekend Mass.

Facebook: <https://facebook.com/ctklv>

YouTube: <https://bit.ly/ctk-live>



Today's Readings

First Reading:

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. (Acts 9:26)

Psalm:

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people. (Psalm 22)

Second Reading:

And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. (1 John 3:23)

Gospel:

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." (John 15:5)

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MASS TIMES

SATURDAY:

4:00 pm

SUNDAY:

7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am,
1:30 pm (Misa en Español)
3:30 pm

WEEKDAYS:

Mon - Sat ~ 8:30 am

HOLY DAYS

To be announced

CHRIST'S FOLLOWERS HAVE TO TALK THE TALK AND WALK THE WALK

We all know that our Catholic faith is not a comfortable faith. It does not say to us: "Hey, you're OK, don't worry about how you live your life; just enjoy yourself." That message comes from popular culture, not from Jesus Christ. It is a comfortable message, but it is false. You see, comfortable is not always good. The comfortable thing to do when the Titanic hit the iceberg was to roll over and go back to sleep, or just to keep on dancing. It was uncomfortable to get out the lifeboats, help load them, and evacuate the ship. And yet, the uncomfortable thing was the better thing; it was the right thing. Jesus loves us too much to wink at us and let us waltz away our lives in superficiality, meaninglessness, self-indulgence, and comfortable immorality. And so, he makes it clear that we who claim to be his followers have to do two things. We must talk the talk, but we also must walk the walk.

We must look like good Catholics - by praying, coming to Mass, being involved in our faith, and speaking up for Christ's truth. But we also must make a daily effort to live like good Catholics: to study Church teaching when we don't understand it, to go out of our way to help others, to resist temptation and carry our crosses with elegance, to be faithful to Catholic morality and to our life-mission, even if it means enduring discomforts like hardship, ridicule, and persecution. This is what today's Second Reading means when it says: *"Children, let us love one another not in word or speech, but in deed and truth... [W]e should believe in... Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us."* In other words, Christ's followers are called to talk the talk, and also to walk the walk. We find a beautiful and powerful representation of this truth in the sacraments.

Every sacrament has two parts, like two sides to a coin. The first part is known as the matter, or the material. In baptism, for example, the matter is water, sprinkled, poured, or flowing. For the Eucharist, the matter is unleavened bread and simple wine. The second part of the sacrament is known as the form. This is the words that indicate what the material is being used for, and when the words are pronounced over the material, grace is truly given. So, for example, when the priest says, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit," the water becomes the sanctified vehicle by which the baptized person is cleansed not just physically, but spiritually, from original sin, and really given new birth in Christ. And during Mass when the priest says the words of consecration over the bread and wine ("this is my

body which will be given up for you" and "this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant"), then the substance of the bread and wine change (this is called "transubstantiation"), and Jesus becomes truly present under their appearances, in order to nourish us - **not just symbolically, but really - with his very own divine life.** If you have the matter without the form or the form without the matter, nothing happens. Only together do they make the sacrament, the sacred sign, given by Christ, to grant us grace.

As Christians, we are called to be like living sacraments in the world, acting like followers of Christ on the outside, but also truly striving to follow him in our hearts, even when no one else is looking. Jesus is like a good coach: he never lets us get comfortable, because he knows we are still capable of improving as human beings and as Catholics. He loves us too much to let us be a couch/pew potato. And yet, he also knows that constant growth in the Christian virtues is hard work. And so he gives us a secret ingredient to insure that we never run out of spiritual gas: **prayer.**

Prayer is a great privilege. The Lord of the universe, our Creator and Redeemer, is online 24/7, always watching over us and listening for when we call out to him. Whenever we send him a message, he reads it right away and answers by sending an attachment of grace into our hearts. Daily, personal prayer is the bridge that turns our Catholic talk into a powerful Catholic walk. Daily, personal prayer is the heart of our relationship with Christ, a bridge that links our knowledge of Jesus with our day-to-day actions. Jesus passionately wants us to become mature men and women of prayer.

This is what he means when he says in today's Gospel: "I am the vine and you are the branches... Remain in me... because without me you can do nothing." Today, let's ask ourselves what we can do to improve our prayer life this week: Maybe it's taking a few minutes to pray a decade or two of the Rosary while we're driving to work, Maybe it's getting up ten minutes earlier so as to be able to spend some quiet time alone with God before the hustle and bustle sweeps us away. During this Mass, Jesus, the vine, will renew his commitment to us in the sacrifice of the Eucharist. When he does, let's renew our commitment to be faithful branches, by making prayer a real priority.

Blessings,
Fr. Shawn

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday, May 3: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]; John 14:6-14

Tuesday, May 4: Acts 14:19-28; Psalm 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]; John 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 5: Acts 15:1-6; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]; John 15:1-8

Thursday, May 6: Acts 15:7-21; Psalm 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]; John 15:9-11

Friday, May 7: Acts 15:22-31; Psalm 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]; John 15:12-17

Saturday, May 8: Acts 16:1-10; Psalm 100:1b-2, 3, 5; John 15:18-21

Sunday, May 9: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

Prayer List

Join us in Community Prayer for parishioners and their family members who are seriously ill. If you or your immediate family member is seriously ill and would like to be added to our prayer list please e-mail the name to sandrag@ctkccnv.org or call the office at 871-1904.

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Manuel S. Alba
Lorena Aldama & Family
Aurora M. Ascano
Cameron Austin
Maria Flores Bachiller
Lito Balmaceda
Juan & Kelly Barrajas
Helen Bernardo
Theresa Boucher
Anthony Brasich
Norma Brewer
Ruperto Calimlim
Toni Campton
Cora Castañeda
Richard DeBiase
Felipe De la Rosa Jr.
Marites De la Rosa
Marlon Delossantos
Clara & Perdo Donaire
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Arlene Guthmann
Barbara Hart
Alberta Herrod
Dennis Hook
Cheryl Jajko
Renato & Juris Judalena
Dean Koch
Teri & Pete Lehner
Lynda Manalaysay
Arsenio & Dennis Miguel
Fr. Tom Montelaro
Bernadette Morley
Stoney & Ilamae Neumayer
Romeo & Marilou Pulido
Eileen Rodgers
Morita Ronco
Moret Sabanal
Maria Siniscalchi & Family
Emy & Amy Tirona
Fr. Mario Tizziani
Giuseppe Tomassetti
Alice Ubando
Krystal Vigliante
Barbara Vivero
Pat Watson
Kitkat S Wenceslao
Earlyn Yuzon
Todd Zenter

A NEW RESOURCE FOR CHRIST THE KING

Formed.org from Augustine Institute. Formed.org is an embracing, exciting website with Catholic content for faith formation, including movies, audios, and books. This information is also available in Spanish. Formed.org is a digital streaming service that CTK is offering to all its parishioners. Please take the time to sign up.

To register for FORMED.org:

1. Go to <https://formed.org/signup>; and enter our zip code, 89118 and select Christ the King from the dropdown menu
2. Register with your name and email address
3. It will either take you directly to the website or check your email.

UN NUEVO RECURSO PARA CHRIST THE KING

Formed.org del Instituto Agustín. Formed.org es un sitio web emocionante con contenido católico para la formación de la fe, que incluye películas, audios y libros. Esta información también está disponible en español. Formed .org es un servicio de transmisión digital que CTK ofrece a todos sus feligreses. Por favor, tómese el tiempo para registrarse.

Para registrarse en Formed.org:

1. Vaya a <https://formed.org/signup> e ingrese nuestro código postal 89118 y haga clic en Christ the King.
2. Regístrese con su nombre y correo electrónico.
3. Lo llevará directamente al sitio web o revise su correo electrónico.



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1. Using a browser (not the mobile app) go to: <https://www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/account/communityrewards/>
2. Sign into your digital account or choose "create an account" and fill in the information.
3. Link your Rewards Card to your organization: Enter your organization's number **BW661** or at least three (3) letters of your organization's name and click 'search', select the organization and choose 'save'

Then every time you shop at Smith's with your Rewards Card, Smith's donates 0.5% of your total order to Christ the King.

Christ the King will be participating in the Baby Bottle Campaign to raise funds for Women's Resource Medical Centers of Southern Nevada, a faith based, non-profit, charitable organization that provides life affirming services to women who are vulnerable to an abortion decision. Please take a bottle home with you after mass the weekend of May 15 & 16 and provide financial assistance by filling the bottle with change, cash or checks to help support the work and mission and return the weekend of June 5 and 6.

OUTREACH

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Our next Blood Drive
Sunday, May 2
TODAY

from 8:30 am until 1:30 pm

Walk-ins Welcome!
Bring photo ID & face cover.
All donors will receive a voucher for a complimentary admission to



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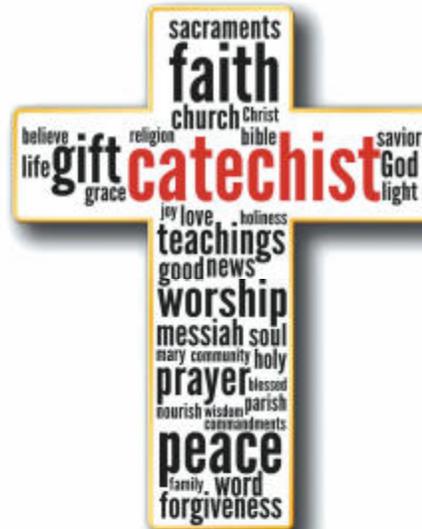
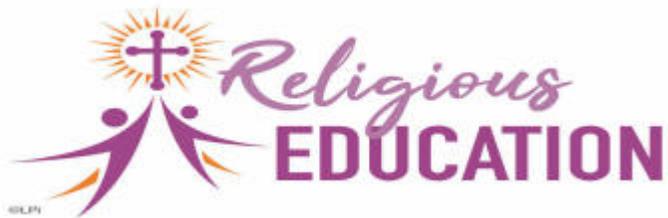


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church team





ATTENTION PARENTS
of First Communion 1st year

Registration begins May 1. Please go to www.ctlv.org to check requirements for next year 2021-2022.

***Last day of class is May 4.**

ATTENTION PARENTS
for Confirmation II

There will be a confirmation rehearsal on Saturday, May 29, at 10:30am in the Community Center.

***Last day of class is May 2.**

ATTENTION ALL CATECHIST!!!

We will have a meeting Saturday, June 5, at 11am in Room 1. Please call the Faith Formation Office to RSVP.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

How will Confirmation change you?
Are you ready to be engaged, and absorb the faith?

This confirmation program will run in the summer. We are currently taking names of people who are interested and once we have enough people we can set a date. Please contact Maria Oswald for more information at mariao@ctkccnv.org or (702) 871-1904 ext. 288

**Catechists and Assistants
Needed For Faith Formation**

Would you like to take part in the great privilege of forming the hearts and minds of future generations in the Catholic faith? Our parish Faith Formation Program relies on the dedicated and generous service of volunteers who serve as parish catechists and assistants. If you would like to serve our CTK parish community by helping to hand-on the Catholic faith to children in grades kindergarten through high school, become a volunteer catechist or assistant today! Parish Faith Formation classes are currently held on Sundays and Wednesdays — September through May, once a week.

The ministry of catechist is one of the oldest ministries of the Church. A “catechist” is one who teaches the principles of Christian dogma, discipline, and ethics to prepare people for participation in Christian life. The word “catechesis” means to echo or to resound, an appropriate meaning for what a catechist does in passing of the faith tradition to the children of our parish.

To be a catechist, you must:

- ♥ be a practicing Catholic
- ♥ be in communion with the Church
- ♥ complete a ministry application
- ♥ be fingerprinted and complete the CMG Connect online
- ♥ continue your own faith formation and not afraid to learn

Religious Ed Office Hours

Saturday & Sunday - 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Mon, Tues, Wed - 8:00 am to 1:00 pm
Thursday & Friday - Closed

For more information contact the faith formation office at (702) 871-1904 #288 or email mariao@ctkccnv.org

Inspirations Gift Shop

Our goal is to provide you with quality religious articles that enhance your faith and nurture your spirit. The Inspirations Gift Shop is here to serve the needs of our parishioners and the surrounding community. We do this through you, our loyal supporters, who patronize the Gift Shop and through the help of the many volunteers who generously donate their time, efforts, and talents in the service of our Lord through this ministry. Thank you so very much. We appreciate all of you. The Shop is located in the Gathering Space of the Church.

**Stop by to see all of our
First Communion and
Confirmation Gifts.**

**Cards, crosses,
rosaries, jewelry,
picture frames
and
more.**



HOURS OF OPERATION:

**Monday ~ Friday:
after morning Mass
(if we have volunteers)
or by appointment**

**Saturday and Sunday
after all Masses
(if we have volunteers)**

*If you would like to volunteer please
see Pam in the Gift Shop or call the
office at (702) 871-1904.*

WEEKLY COLLECTION

April 24/25

WEEKLY GOAL:	\$15,000
Total Collected: (includes e-tithing)	\$12,170
OVER/SHORT:	\$ 2,830
DEBT REDUCTION	\$ 1,138

Strengthening One Another in the Faith CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL 2021

Hello CTK,

As you know, the Catholic Stewardship Appeal begins in February of every year. Each parish is assessed according to their financial ability based on their Sunday Collection (Ordinary Income). Last year our diocesan assessment was \$112,106.00. A total of 407 families and individuals pledged \$123,973.80 (prior to the start of the pandemic). I would like to thank them for their generosity. Even with all the problems that 2020 brought CTK still managed to contribute \$115,848—that is 103% of our goal—thank you so much! Our Diocese continues to grow as does the need to continue essential ministries. This year's CSA goal is \$116,592. My friends it is my hope that we can surpass our goal. Anything that goes over the goal of the parish is rebated back to CTK. With this rebate (depending on the amount) we can do things like redo our courtyard, create more handicap parking and fence the parish grounds.

I would ask that all our parishioners prayerfully consider making a pledge. Pledge amounts may be given as a one time donation or in ten installments, and you can choose to receive monthly, quarterly, or semiannual reminders. Credit cards are also accepted. Pledges made by our parish community help us to renew our commitment to one another, and will enable us to continue the key aspects of Jesus' ministry. If we can get 407 families to donate \$287 we make our goal. If we can get 3,000 people to donate \$100 we could easily surpass our goal. Perhaps you can give more than this amount, perhaps less. Whatever you are able to give, know that we are humbled by your expression of support for the work of Christ.

Please add in your prayers that CTK will have a successful CSA in 2021. Thank you all for your support.

Fr. Shawn

The following is the report as of April 18, 2021.

PARISH GOAL for 2021: \$116,592.00
PLEDGES: \$60,147.30 (52%)
CASH RECEIVED: \$42,214.30
PARTICIPATION: 122 families

***Christ the King is now available
on your mobile device!***

Install the WeConnect Parish App through the Apple or the Android app stores. Look under the parishes listed to connect with Christ the King. Through the app, you're able to access the daily readings, the church website, the weekly bulletins, give online, and much more.



LOOKING for MORE

Are you or someone you know interested in the Catholic Faith?

Are you baptized but have not received First Communion or Confirmation?

Do you or someone you know seek to be baptized in the Catholic Faith?

Then Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for you!!

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process in which participants “undergo...conversion as they study the Gospel, profess faith in Jesus and the Catholic Church, and receive the sacraments” (USCCB).

RCIA class is on Mondays at 6pm – 8pm in English & Wednesdays at 6:30pm – 8pm in Spanish.

If you have any questions please contact the faith formation office at (702) 871-1904 ext. 288



BUSCANDO por MAS

¿Está usted o alguien que conoce interesado en la fe católica?

¿Está bautizado pero no ha recibido la Primera Comunión ni la Confirmación?

¿Usted o alguien que conoce busca ser bautizado en la fe católica?

¡¡Entonces el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos es para ti !!

El RICA (Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos) es un proceso en el que los participantes “pasan por ... conversión mientras estudian el Evangelio, profesan fe en Jesús y la Iglesia Católica, y reciben los sacramentos”(USCCB).

La clase de RCIA es los lunes de 6:00 pm a 8:00 pm en inglés y los miércoles de 6:30 pm a 8:00 pm en español.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con la oficina de formación en la fe al 702-871-1904 ext. 288



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May 1

† Judge & Rosalind Finley
† Miguel Alfredo Navarrete

May 2

† Manuel Abary
† Jo Anne Shoosmith
† Gary Meninger
People of the Parish
† Reynaldo Abellanosa

May 3

† Edmund & Catherine Pickering

May 4

† Noemi and Leonie Ballon

May 5

† William & Catherine Newton

May 6

† Minda Ramirez

May 7

† Filemon & Angeles Tumang

May 8

Merle Berryman
† Adelaida & Ramon Crisostomo

May 9

† Francisca Cardenas
Mother's Day Novena
† Beato Lerum
Patino Romero
People of the Parish

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

FIRST READING: Luke tells us how the conversion of Saul (Paul) and the acceptance by the disciples of him helped facilitate peace in the Church throughout Judea, Galilee, and Samaria. What do you think is needed to bring about peace in our Church today?

SECOND READING: John teaches his community that believing in Jesus and loving one another is the heart of God's commandment. How would you assess yourself in following this two-fold command?

GOSPEL: Using the metaphor of a vine and branches, Jesus urges his disciples to “remain in me” in order to bear good fruit and thereby glorify God. What would be some examples of “good fruit” that you have produced? ©LPi



ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary has two scholarships available. We are seeking eligible candidates. Each scholarship is \$500. One is awarded to a qualifying male and one to a qualifying female. For information and to receive a scholarship application, contact Luanne Wagner at LWTeach22@gmail.com

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Anyone familiar with gardening knows that proper and timely pruning is essential. The health of the plant depends upon it. An unpruned tree can quickly produce suckers that zap many of the essential nutrients from its body. Pruning requires patience and vision. Studies reveal that plants often respond defensively to being pruned, displaying reactions that are similar to hurt or discomfort. Pruning is not easy but necessary. A hard lesson for us to learn is that we also need to be pruned. We become far healthier when we allow God to stretch, refine, and form us into the best version of ourselves. The fruit that then comes from our vines will be more abundant, nutritious, and robust. Left to our own devices we can easily find ourselves running amuck and spiraling out of control. Without a proper vision and trust in the Master Pruner, we will never find the contentment we desperately desire. Nor will the work of the Gospel stand a chance of succeeding.
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VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Cualquiera que esté familiarizado con la jardinería sabe que una poda adecuada y oportuna es esencial. La salud de la planta depende de ello. Un árbol sin podar puede producir rápidamente retoños que eliminan muchos de los nutrientes esenciales de su cuerpo. La poda requiere paciencia y visión. Los estudios revelan que las plantas a menudo responden a la defensiva al ser podadas, mostrando reacciones similares al dolor o malestar. La poda no es fácil pero necesaria. Una lección difícil de aprender para nosotros es que también necesitamos ser podados. Nos volvemos mucho más saludables cuando permitimos que Dios nos estire, refine y nos forme en la mejor versión de nosotros mismos. La fruta que luego provenga de nuestras cepas será más abundante, nutritiva y robusta. Dejados a nuestros propios medios, podemos encontrarnos fácilmente desenfrenados y fuera de control. Sin una visión adecuada y confianza en el maestro podador, nunca encontraremos la satisfacción que deseamos desesperadamente. Tampoco la obra del Evangelio tendrá posibilidades de éxito. ©LPi

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These include a Framed Team Jersey, seven Pucks, and a Stick. All official Golden Knights memorabilia are signed by the players and the jersey and stick include a certificate of authentication. Tickets are \$5 each or 6 for \$20. Stop by the gift shop to view the items and purchase your tickets. Tickets can also be purchased in the parish office during office hours.

The drawings will be held on Sunday, June 20 ~ Father's Day



Parish Information

Book of Prayers: You are welcome to inscribe names of loved ones, living and deceased, as well as special intentions for inclusion in Masses and prayers in our Parish Book of Prayers, located as you enter the church.

Mass Intention: The suggested free will offering of each Mass intention is \$10 and will come with a card that has the name of your loved one and the date of the Mass. One intention per Mass is accepted unless two people share the same last name, husband and wife or father or mother, for example. For more information please come to the office to make your requests or call (702) 871-1904

Flowers Remembrance: The fresh flower arrangement at the altar are donated in remembrance of loved ones. If you would like to dedicate flowers, the offering is \$100. Your special intention will be printed in the bulletin. Please contact the Parish Office at (702) 871-1904 for details.

Prayer List: If you would like to add a name to our Prayer List, contact the parish office at (702) 871-1904 with the name of the person and how long you would like the person to remain on the list. If it is for an indefinite amount of time, please notify the parish office when you would like the name removed. Please note this list may not be in every bulletin.

Anointing of the Sick: If you need to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at home or in a hospital please call (702) 871-1904 and listen to the prompts. A priest will be notified and will contact you directly. The Sacrament is also offered communally within the Mass. Watch the bulletin for upcoming Anointing of the Sick Masses. **If you are calling after hours please call (702) 871-1904 and push #3.**

Holy Communion for the Sick: If you are homebound, please call the front office at (702) 871-1904 to coordinate a visit with an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. In case of hospitalization, inform the hospital staff that you are Catholic and would like to receive Communion (you may have to provide them with the number of the parish).

Funerals: In the event of a death of a loved one, please contact Ellen Lerum as soon as possible at (702) 871-1904. Please be aware that a Catholic Mass can only be celebrated within a Church and not at a mortuary.

Confession: Confessions are by appointment ONLY. Confessions in Spanish depends on the availability of a priest.

Baptism: Please contact parish office at (702) 871-1904, at least 3 months in advance to arrange for preparation program. Parents and Godparents must complete program before baptism can be scheduled.

Marriage: Contact the parish office 8-12 months in advance to speak with Ellen Lerum for details. For annulments call Ellen Lerum at (702) 871-1904

Quinceañera: Contact the Parish Office to speak with Ellen Lerum at (702) 871-1904

Other Sacramental questions:

First Communion • Reconciliation • Confirmation
Please call our Faith Formation Department
Maria Oswald (702) 871-1904

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Inquiry sessions for non-Catholics interested in earning more about the Catholic faith.
Mondays at 6:00 pm in Activity Center Room 1.
Call Maria Oswald (702) 871-1904

Welcome Home

A welcoming process for Catholics who have been away or for adults who need to be confirmed. Fr. Shawn will be teaching this class. Call Maria Oswald (702) 871-1904

Other Information

Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada (702) 385-2662
Emergency Assistance (702) 383-2291
Catholic Charities Adoption (702) 385-3351

GriefSHARE - Help and healing for those who have lost a loved one. Find a meeting near you ~ griefshare.org

Ministry to Homebound

Mel Kleinschmit (702) 871-1904

HELP & HEALING

Hospital Ministry (702) 871-1904

Inch for Life - Help available for unwanted pregnancies
Pro Life Office (702) 212-6472

Knights of Columbus - Al Wagner (702) 800-5965

Ladies Auxiliary - Digna Pena (702) 726-7040

Manna Cupboard Food Pantry (702) 871-1904

Marriage Encounter - Tom & Vickie (702) 379-2395

Project Rachel - Post Abortion Ministry (702) 737-1672

Retrouvaille - Help for troubled marriages (702) 812-8873

Southern Nevada Resource Center - Pro-Life counseling & ministry to the unwed mother (702) 366-1247

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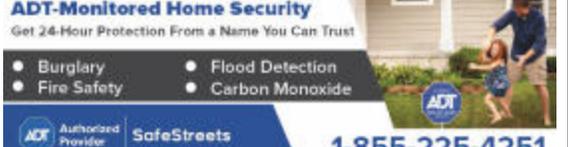
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