

Christ the King THE BROADCAST



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20800 Grand River Avenue Detroit, Michigan 48219

PARISH MISSION

We are Christ the King Parish, a richly diverse Christian Community in Northwest Detroit. We are on a journey of Discipleship with Jesus, seeking conversion, reconciliation and renewal. We reach out in welcome to all the people within our neighborhood, proclaiming the good News of Christ the King, building community, celebrating together, serving one another's needs and the needs of all our neighbors.

Reflections

by Nicole Evans

A few weeks ago we said so long for now to our beloved Assistant Pastor Fr. Joshua Peters. I think I can speak for all when I say it was such a bittersweet moment. I was quite pleased to serve with him on the altar that Sunday. His love of the Lord, his energy, his words, his example... I plan to carry them with me for a very long time.

Before I began to read the announcements I thanked him for, "helping me to remain joyful during the storm," and for the constant reminder to give God praise and glory even while experiencing the most difficult moments in our lives.

When Fr. Joshua first came to Christ the King, Fr. Clore wanted him to meet and talk with my son Eddie about the tragedy that had happened a few months before. I honestly didn't think it was a good idea as he was new to the parish and didn't know Eddie at all. I wondered what he could possibly say and if this discussion could possibly send Eddie into a darker place.

Even though I was hesitant, I brought Eddie to the rectory because Fr. Clore's wisdom always beats out my uncertainties. As they went into Fr. Joshua's new office and closed the doors I had all types of knots in my stomach. Then suddenly from behind those doors I began to hear animated conversation and laughter. Minutes turned into a few hours and my broken son emerged with a slight twinkle in his eye. This does not negate the effects of the discussions he had already had with Fr. Clore,

Deacon Joe and even all of you.

Ed grew up here with everyone, and thankfully so many of you know his heart. However, Eddie and I didn't know Fr. Joshua from a can of paint. Even though he was clergy, I didn't know him well enough to trust him with Eddie's feelings and all that was going on.

Needless to say my fears were in vain. Fr. Joshua came with a Jesuit connection and a youthful presence that Eddie could really relate to. More than anything his faith was on fire and that was just what Eddie needed to see and hear. That despite the horrible chain of events that had happened that New Year's Day, God was still with him.

I tell this story because it reminds me of what's going on with the Families of Parishes. Whenever I hear those three words, "Family of Parishes", I get that same uneasy feeling I had when Eddie first met with Fr. Joshua.

We, like most parishes are comprised of many longtime parishioners, traditions and customs. It is quite scary for me to know so much change is on the horizon. New clergy, new ways of doing things, staff changes and a shift in focus with our ministries. What will happen to us? Our school? Will we be able to maintain our unique identity? Will parishioners choose to leave instead of adapt?

In addition, these changes are being brought to light in the midst of us trying to find our way out of the pandemic and all the changes it has brought to our doorstep.

But as we all know change is inevitable. What is the point in having fear and complaining when it won't change one single solitary thing?

Again I am reminded to be grateful joyful and optimistic in the midst of this change. First and foremost I am praising God that we even have a church home to have these discussions about. Many churches have not reopened since Covid hit and sadly will never reopen. And aren't we ever so blessed that Fr. Clore along with Deacons Joe and Chris are here with us to assist, advise and advocate for us? They are strong people of God, very intelligent and outspoken.

Also, there is strength in numbers and let's be honest our number of active parishioners has dwindled with each year, even before the pandemic. Scandals within the Catholic Church, relocations, age, death and a shift in family priorities have truly taken a toll on our parish. I am hoping by expanding our "family" we will be blessed with more time, treasure and talent that we simply do not have, that the changes in various ministries known as Mission Direct, will breathe new life, membership and activism in our parish. It is time!

Finally, it is my sincere prayer that Christ the King Parish & School, St Christine & St Vincent dePaul, St Vincent Sarah Fisher & Siena Literacy Center will always be Beacons of Light in this community

no matter what changes come our way. And in the words of Fr. Joshua Peters,

"Let the Church Say AMEN!"



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St. Vincent dePaul.....313-535-7272

Liturgy Schedule

Sunday.....10:45am

Wednesday and Friday.....8:30am

Family Religious Education

Contact Deacon Joe for more information.

Becoming Catholic

Adults, Children, Youth: If you are interested in becoming a member of the Catholic faith or learning more about the Catholic Church, the Adult Catechumenate will prepare you for this decision. Please call the Parish Office if you would like more information.

Infants: Baptism is the public celebration of the beginning of life in the Church. At the celebration of Baptism, parents publicly affirm their decision to raise their child in the faith of the church. To make arrangements for your infant to be baptized, please contact the Parish Office. Pre-Baptismal classes for parents and godparents are necessary, held as arranged with families.

Holy Eucharist and Confirmation Preparation

Call the Parish Office.....313-532-1211

Please let an usher know if you would like to receive Communion at your pew.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday July 11, 2021

10:45am

By Helen Voldeck
John Voldeck

*Monday, Wednesday & Friday
No Mass at Christ the King*

*For the summer, weekday Mass
will be on Tuesday and Thursday
at 9am at St. Suzanne/Our
Lady Gate of Heaven*

Tuesday 9am at SS/OLGH

Thursday 9am at SS/OLGH

Saturday ~ No Mass

Sunday July 18, 2021

10:45am Int. of Gary Witt

By Bonello Family

OUR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

For NEXT Sunday, July 18

Lectors: Rick & Karen Seefelt

Serving at the Table of the Lord:

Nicole Evans

Ministers of Service:

Caroline Horton



Many older people around the world suffered and continue to suffer physically, emotionally and spiritually because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

But the Christian call to share the Gospel is as pertinent now for all of them as it ever was.

Think about it: what is our vocation today, at our age? To preserve our roots, to pass on the faith to the young and to care for the little ones. Never forget this.

It makes no difference how old you are, whether you still work or not, whether you are alone or have a family, whether you became a grandmother or grandfather at a young age or later, whether you are still independent or need assistance.

There is no retirement age from the work of proclaiming the Gospel and handing down traditions to your grandchildren. You just need to set out and undertake something new.

I know many older people might wonder how they could be called to something new when their "energy is running out" or they cannot even leave the residence where they live. They may even ask, "Isn't my solitude already a sufficiently heavy burden?"

You are needed in order to help build, in fraternity and social friendship, the world of tomorrow: the world in which we, together with our children and grandchildren, will live once the storm has subsided.

A better future must be built on the pillars of dreams, memory and prayer, pillars that even the frailest among us can help erect with God's help.

While it is true that the energy and enthusiasm of the young is needed to help set the global society on a new path, our dreams of justice, of peace, of solidarity can make it possible for our young people to have new visions. You need to show that it is possible to emerge renewed from an experience of hardship. I am sure that you have had more than one such experience: in your life you have faced any number of troubles and yet were able to pull through. Use those experiences to learn how to pull through now.

While many people, young and old, act as if the reminiscences of the elderly are boring, without memory, however, we will never be able to build; without a foundation, we can never build a house. Never. And the foundation of life is memory.

Many older people have had the experience of war or of needing to emigrate.

Sharing the painful memory of war is important for helping the young to learn the value of peace.

I also think of my own grandparents, and those among you who had to emigrate and know how hard it is to leave everything behind, as so many people continue to do today, in hope of a future. Some of those people may even now be at our side, caring for us. These kinds of memory can help to build a more humane and welcoming world.

FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY

7/11 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 7:7-12-15, Eph 1:3-14, Mk 6:7-13

Mon 7/12 Ex 1:8-22, Mt 10:34-11:1

Tue 7/13 Ex 2:1-15a, Mt 11:20-24

Wed 7/14 Ex 3:1-12, Mt 11:25-27

Thu 7/15 Ex 3:13-20, Mt 11:28-30

Fri 7/16 Ex 11:10-12:14, Mt 12:1-8

Sat 7/17 x 12:37-42, Mt 12:14-21

7/18 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6, Eph 2:13-18, Mk 6:30-34

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun 7/11 10:45am Mass

Garage Sale after Mass

Mon ~ Saturday

11am — 5pm Garage Sale

Tue 7/12 9am Mass SS/OLGH

Thu 7/14 9am Mass SS/OLGH

7/14 OFFICE CLOSED

Staff is away for a

planning retreat

Sun 7/18 10:45am Mass

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Please Join Us

Thursday July 22 at 6:30pm

We are going out on a limb and saying Yes! Let's plan some Festival activities! As you all know, we have our **Super Raffle Drawing on Saturday, September 25 at 7pm**. We are proposing to have some activities—probably outdoors—to make the day special. We hope to offer some fun things for kids, some kind of food, perhaps a tent, beer etc. What do you think? Come to a planning meeting on **Thursday, July 22 at 6:30pm** and help us make these decisions.

Please come and share your thoughts! Let's figure out how we can have a good time while keeping everyone safe. **We need YOU!**

Everyone is welcome. We will plan to meet in the rectory dining room.



It's time for Christmas in July!

At this time of year we collect items needed to help out at the parish, the Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry. Since paper products cannot be purchased with a food assist card, we decided to collect these few things that are taken for granted by most of us but out of reach for many.

Please consider making a donation of one or more of the following products:

- Toilet paper**
- Paper towel**
- Napkins/paper plates**
- Feminine Hygiene Products**

You can leave your donation under the Christmas Tree in Church.

**The Garage Sale
Is OPEN!**
11am—5pm Weekdays
After Mass on Sunday



Christ the King Youth All High School and those soon to be High School Students



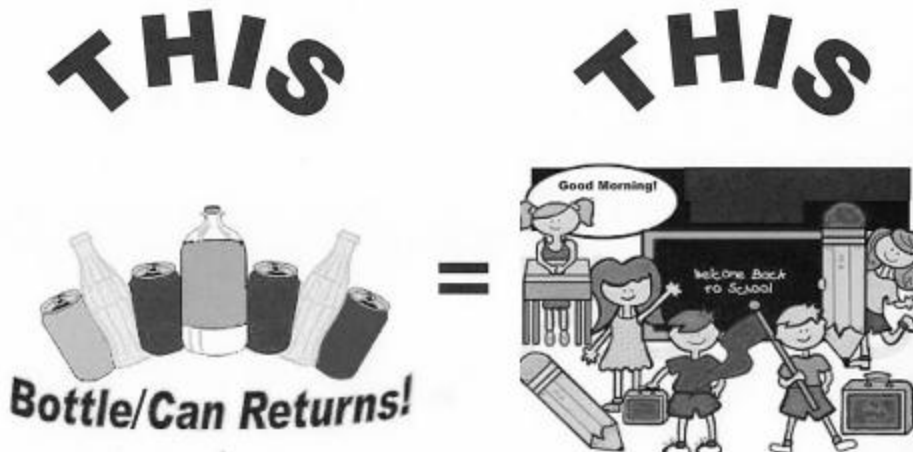
Where do we go from here? After a year-plus of COVID, let's get back together

Sunday, July

18th at 6pm to check in with each other, grill up some food, talk and pray, and send our seniors (Ashley, Josh and Patricia) off the college in style!

[Drop a text or email to Deacon Joe (248-910-0490 / deaconjoeurbiel@gmail.com)

to let us know you are coming and if you can bring any food/snacks to share.]



When you take your empties back to the store, save your deposit return and bring it to church. Place it in the jug in church, and we will see if in ONE year's time we can pay for tuition for one student (or more!)

If you happen to not have bottles and cans to return, you are still welcome to make a donation to our "Tuition Assist Jug." We will have the jug in Church every Sunday!



Hello from Elvira !

It's been well over a year since longtime parishioner Elvira Flores has attended Mass here at Christ the King. Due to the pandemic and several health concerns she has had to quarantine at home and limit all activity to doctors visits and check ups.

Her message to our family parish is a "heartfelt thank you to those who have been praying for me. I am doing better though I still have pains in my arm and leg."

She thinks of everyone who she used to see weekly and also misses fellowship during Mass, at Bible Study and during coffee hour.

We'd like to thank Elvira for her ministry of sanitizing and filling the Holy Water Fonts before Mass every Sunday. Her smiling face and dedication to our parish is truly missed.

If you'd like to send Elvira a card or letter she'd love to hear from her parish family:

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