

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.

My Thoughts & Reflections

By Nicole Evans

As I write this reflection we are in the week of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary so my current feelings are on The Blessed Mother and what she has meant to me as a young catholic school girl and now as a mother of an only son.

As a small child I always had a fascination with Mary. Beginning with the ultimate honor of being chosen to birth Jesus, from her saying, "Yes!" no matter her fears or reservations, to seeing the reverence and honor given to her at the annual May Crowning; I honestly looked up to her and wanted to be like her. I was not yet able to fully grasp the mothering aspect of her life, but just the words that were used to describe her such as *blest, full of grace, chosen, gentle and peaceful* made me draw near to her early on.

Then when I finally became a mom to a baby boy on the day the world celebrated Jesus' birth, that kind of sealed the deal. Mary was definitely a friend in my head, a role model and a true source of inspiration in my life, not only as a mother but mainly as a virtuous unwavering woman.

Now as a mother witnessing her son as well as the family who lost their son go through a most traumatic experience, I have really studied her actions more than ever before. I'd like to be clear in my comparison that I realize the suffering of Mary and Jesus was through no fault of their own, they were perfect and without sin. Though Eddie and I are far from that, I believe that our God is a loving and forgiving God and loves us just the same.

I truly appreciate how many people have complemented me on how I have handled this tragedy. They have used the very words used to describe Mother Mary: *graceful, strong and full of faith*. Though this is unexpected and unknown territory I am thankful she is my example and a constant light in this storm. I will continue to look to her faithfulness even as I fear the unknown for my son and our family.



Even with all that was to happen to them Jesus and Mary were so blessed. This is how I have chosen to look at my life as well. We mothers/parents are rearing our children in such perilous times. Outside influences are too numerous to count. So many things are going on around us, the pandemic, death, illnesses, job uncertainty, extreme weather conditions, national dis-

asters to name just a few. But if you were able to open your eyes and get out of bed today, you should still count yourself as blessed and highly favored.

Today's Readings are worthy of much thought as well. As I read them for the third time I began to question a lot of things.

The Second Reading may sound "outdated" to some, but Paul's instructions for married men and women could help save many marriages today.

While so many things are swirling around us and out of our control it may be a good time to ask ourselves how committed to our faith are we?

Has the pandemic caused us to take a break from not only "outside" but our spiritual lives as well? Even before the pandemic did we notice a lack of focus on what is truly important? Have other things, people and social events taken precedence over worship, prayer and time spent with God and family? Is it a coincidence that the less time we teach our children about the Lord, loving one another and putting others first, we seem to have more killings, less tolerance, and so much more hatred?

The First Reading is an awesome and much needed reminder how we must live out our faith, "**For it was the Lord, our God, who brought us and our fathers up out of the land of Egypt, out of slavery. He performed those great miracles before our very eyes and protected us along our entire journey and among the peoples through whom we passed. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.**"

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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.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday August 22, 2021

10:45am David Harbowy

By Dave & andi Kovach

Theresa & Bruno Damaren

By Chad & Ann Witcher

**Monday ~ Saturday No Mass
At Christ the King**

Tuesday 9am at SS/OLGH

Thursday 9am at SS/OLGH

Sunday August 29, 2021

10:45am Joseph Tuan Sy Do

By Do Family

OUR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

For NEXT Sunday AUGUST 29

Lectors: Michele Rochester & Shirley Carne

Servers/Liturgy of the Word for Children

Serving at the Table of the Lord:

Jean Krystyniak

Ministers of Service:

Nicole Evans

FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY

8/22 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jos 24:1-2a,15-17,18b Ps 34:2-3,16-21

Eph 5:21-32 Jn 6:60-69

Mon 8/23 1 Thes 1:1-10, Mt 23:13-22

Thur 8/24 Rv 21:9b-14, Jn 1:45-51

Wed 8/25 1 Thes 2:9-13, Mt 23:27-32

Thu 8/26 1Thes 3:7-13, Mt 24:42-51

Fri 8/27 1 Thes 4:1-8, Mt 25:1-13

Sat 8/28 1 Thes 4:9-11, Mt 25:14-30

8/29 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 4:1-8, Jas 1:17-27, Mk 7:1-23

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun 8/22 10:45am Mass

Fundraising Barbeque

Chicken or Rib Dinner \$15.00

Sunday, August 22 12-3p.m.

Hot dogs & cold drinks can be purchased.

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Tue 8/24 9am Mass SS/OLGH

Thu 8/26 9am Mass SS/OLGH

Sun 8/29 10:45am Mass

No Coffee Hour



THE WISDOM OF POPE FRANCIS

Christ's cross is a powerful symbol of God's love for

humanity and not just a decoration or trinket. Christians often hang a crucifix on the wall or wear one around their necks, it should be used as a sign of our desire to be united with Christ and not reduced to a superstitious object or an ornamental necklace. Each time we fix our gaze on the image of

Christ crucified, let us contemplate that he, as the true servant of the Lord, has accomplished his mission, giving life, spilling his blood for the forgiveness of sins.

The disciples do not understand the need for Christ to suffer and die because their faith is still immature and too closely tied to the mentality of this world. They think of too earthly a victory, and therefore they do not understand the language of the cross.

Peter's reaction — "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you" — showed that he has faith, he believes in Jesus, he believes — he wants to follow him, but does not accept that his glory will pass through the Passion.

For Peter and the other disciples — but for us as well — the cross is a stumbling block, a 'hindrance,' whereas Jesus considers the 'hindrance' escaping the cross, which would mean avoiding the Father's will, the mission that the Father has entrusted to him for our salvation.

Nevertheless, Jesus tells Peter, "Get behind me, Satan," which indicates that the temptation to flee is typical of the evil spirit, it is typical of the devil to make us stray from the cross, from the cross of Jesus.

In calling his disciples to deny themselves and take up their cross, Jesus also calls on all Christians to experience a reversal of mentality and of values and to bear daily tribulations with faith and responsibility.

The life of Christians is always a struggle. The Bible says that the life of Christians is a military undertaking: fighting against the evil spirit, fighting against evil.

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If so, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) classes will begin in the Fall.

Please contact the Parish Rectory if you are interested at 313-532-1211. If no one is available leave your name, and contact information. Someone will be sure to get back to you. Thank you!

If you'd like to drop Fr. Joshua a line or two his new address is:



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**St. Paul of the Cross
Passionist Retreat Center
Wednesday, September 15
10am-2pm**

When our life journey is touched by death and the grief that follows, we can turn to Mary for both solace and inspiration. Mary's life journey was touched by sadness, sorrow and grief, yet she encountered God's presence and grace in the journey. Can we allow Mary to accompany us and point to hope and new life?

Join us for a few hours in a peaceful setting where you can feel the love of God as you process your grief. This day retreat will include a grief workshop, time for communal and personal prayer, a hot meal, and Sacramental Anointing.

Questions? Contact Cathy at (313)286-2802 cadamk@stpaulretreat.org or register online
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**Join Us
Under the Tent**
Saturday, September 25, 2021

3pm School Tours
4:30pm Mass

5:30-7pm
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This person needs to qualify under Protecting God's Children, be available generally during day hours. Position is part time at 19 hours per week; starting pay at \$15.00 per hour for the right person. (High School or GED diploma required.)

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