

# 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.

### Season of Creation "little things"

When I was a kid and my dad would fill our car with gas, he would often use the gas station's squeegee to clean the splattered bugs off the windshield. I can't remember the last time I had to do that. Why no more bugs?

Better windshields? I wish. Over the past 20 years there has been a 75% drop in the flying insect population. No one is sure why this is happening, but it is likely related to pesticides, climate, and loss of habitat.

This is alarming. These are pollinators and are the base of the food chain for many species. We do not know how this bodes for the future of plant and animal life, but it can't be good.

Sometimes we can't fully see what we can't see. Another example of this is microplastics. Plastics do not go away. They just keep breaking down, getting smaller and smaller until we can't see them anymore.

Microplastics are everywhere. They are in bottled and tap water, beverages including beer, and in much of the fish and meat that we eat. A recent study in the UK reported that the average person unknowingly consumes the equivalent

of a credit card's worth of plastic every week!

There is no head of the beast to slay in this environmental struggle. Every time I drive my car or cut my lawn I am sending a bit more of those little carbon dioxide molecules skyward. Death by a trillion cuts. It weighs heavily.



It is easy to give into despair. Given the scale of the planet's problems, anything that we individually try to do may seem inconsequential and useless. Why should we even bother to recycle or compost if there are mountains upon mountains of landfills, and garbage patches in the ocean so big that they are mistaken for islands?

Are the little things that we do to live sustainable lives like repurposing, going solar, eating less meat, growing our own produce, using a clothes line, taking shorter showers, or using bicycles and public transportation to get around even worth doing? Could these things possibly make a difference?

Charles Eisenstein, author of *Sacred Economics*, says yes. In fact, he says that this is the only way real change is possible. People who benefit from the economic system that is destroying our planet hold tremendous power and can never be beaten at their own game. Attempting to use force against such entrenched powers is destined to fail.

Eisenstein believes, alternatively, that the small things our hearts prompt us to do expand "morphogenetic fields" that influence how people behave and even think, including those persons we never come in contact with, as well as future generations.

The good things that we do — even the ones no one else knows about — have an energy of their own. Their effects ripple through space and time, adding to other such acts, expanding fields of hope, collectively changing the course of history.

In today's Gospel, Jesus says that the simple act of giving someone a cup of water in his name will be rewarded. God will take little things like this — acts of love and hope in the midst of overwhelming avarice and indifference — and make something beautiful out of them, something that will transform the world.

Kevin Gordon

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**Little Scholars - Christ the King Campus**

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**Parish Council Elected Members:**

Joe Fitzgerald.....Council Chair  
Rachel Conner, Stacie Harris, Mark Barkey, Suzie Groenenboom, Jerry Randall, Sheila Fenbert, Nicky Marcot, Gary Beaman

**Commissions**

Maureen Northrup.....Christian Service  
Carole Ann Beaman.....Worship  
Ron Hildebrandt.....Stewardship  
Michelle Lewis.....Faith Formation  
Dcn. Joe Urbiel.....Finance Council  
Lois Phillips.....Evangelization  
Bob Bruttell & Ron Eady.....Inclusion

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

**Other Sacraments**

**Reconciliation**.....By Appointment

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

**PRAYER & WORSHIP**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday September 26, 2021

10:45am Vern Fahrenkrug

By Friends

For all victims of covid

*Monday ~ No Mass*

Tuesday 9am at SS/OLGH

Wednesday CHRIST THE KING

8:30am Paul & Dorothy Sullivan

By Friends at Christ the King

Thursday 9am at SS/OLGH

Friday CHRIST THE KING

8:30am Ron Johnson &

Catherine Trainor

By Friends of Marge

*Saturday ~ No Mass*

Sunday October 3, 2021

10:45am John Jost

By Dave & andi Kovach

Alex Roberge

By Dennis & Evelyn Goudreau

**FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY**

**9/26 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Nm 11:25-29, Jas 5:1-6, Mk 9:38-43, 45,47-48

**Mon 9/27** Zec 8:1-8, Lk 9:46-50

**Tue 9/28** Zec 8:20-23, Lk 9:51-56

**Wed 9/29** Dn 7:9-14, Jn 1:47-51

**Thu 9/30** Neh 8:1-6, Lk 10:1-12

**Fri 10/1** Bar 1:15-22, Lk 10:13-16

**Sat 10/2** Bar 4:5-12, 27-29, Mt

18:1-5,10

**10/3 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Gn 2:18-24, Heb 2:9-11, Mt 10:2-16

**OUR LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

For NEXT Sunday October 3

**Lectors:** Rita Neal & Aisha Harris

**Servers: Liturgy of the Word for Children:** None at this time

**Serving at the Table of the Lord:**

Nicole Evans

**Ministers of Service:**

Mary Beth Seefelt

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Sun 9/26 10:45am Mass**

Tues 9/28 9am Mass SS/OLGH

Wed 9/29 8:30m Mass CK

Thu 9/30 9am Mass SS/OLGH

Fri 10/1 8:30am Mass CK

**Sun 10/3 10:45am Mass**



**Congratulations to our new Parish Council members**

- 1. Angela Webb
- 2. Paulette Washington
- 3. Judy Bruttell

Alternates

- 1. Diane Griffith
- 2. Kevin Gordon

Thank you for your willingness to serve.

**THE WISDOM OF POPE FRANCIS**



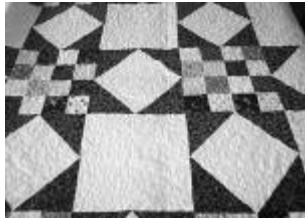
Saint Francis of Assisi bears witness to the need to respect all that God has created and as he created it, without manipulating and destroying creation; rather to help it grow,

to become more beautiful and more like what God created it to be. And above all, Saint Francis witnesses to respect for everyone, he testifies that each of us is called to protect our neighbor, that the human person is at the center of creation, at the place where God – our creator – willed that we should be. Not at the mercy of the idols we have created!

We human beings are not only the beneficiaries but also the stewards of other creatures. Thanks to our bodies, God has joined us so closely to the world around us that we can feel the desertification of the soil almost as a physical ailment, and the extinction of a species as a painful disfigurement. Let us not leave in our wake a swath of destruction and death which will affect our own lives and those of future generations.

## EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *St. Vincent DePaul*



#### *Feast of Christ the King Raffle*

Quilt Donated by Paulette Washburn

**Drawing on the Feast of Christ the King  
Sunday November 21 after 10:45am Mass**

**Tickets 1 for \$5.00 ~ 3 for \$10.00**

*Need not be present to win!*

As you probably know, the St. Vincent dePaul Committee normally sponsors a yearly Pancake Breakfast to help with the expenses of assisting the needy in our neighborhood. Because of Covid, we are unable to have a breakfast this year. In order to help fill that gap, Paulette has graciously donated this beautiful quilt so that we can have a raffle. We ask you to support our work by purchasing a Quilt Raffle ticket. It is a real piece of art that will go great in any home or make a beautiful gift. Thank you for supporting our ministry—and Good Luck! Tickets are available Now!

### CSA Update



People have asked how we did with our 2021 CSA campaign. I am happy to share this report with you.

Our goal this year was	\$24,603.00
We have pledges of	26,105.00
Amount paid so far	22,820.00

#### **We are \$1,783.00 shy of our goal!**

As you can see, if you made a pledge, it is very important that you make your payments. If you have not yet made a donation to the CSA this year, please take a minute and make a pledge or donation today.

Thank you to everyone who participated in this important campaign.



Perhaps you have attended a Catholic Church as a guest. Perhaps you have questions. This is the time to speak up. Every Fall, Christ the King offers the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for adults). This is a series of classes that will walk you through what the Catholic Faith is all about. You will look at Scripture, Traditions, the Sacraments and more.

If you decide that you would like to become a member, you can ask to be Baptized. If not, you will have gained a much better understanding of what Catholics believe and why.

If this looks like something you or someone you know might like to do, please leave your name and phone number in the parish office and we will get back to you with the day and time details.

#### *Think About It*



**Bottle/Can Returns!**

#### **Don't Forget!**

When you return your bottles and cans to the store, bring the money to church and put it in our "Tuition Assist" jug. Help our kids with this painless way to donate!

#### **Last Call To Bid on our Football Monkey**



Our football monkey is back and he is holding 2 tickets to the University of Michigan vs Northwestern game on October 23, 2021.

The face value of the tickets is \$70.00 each. We are happy to offer our monkey (and tickets) to the highest bidder. If you would like to make an offer, call the office at

313-532-1211



#### **September 26 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

In today's gospel Jesus tells his disciples: "Anyone who gives you a drink of water because you belong to Christ will not, I assure you, go without his reward." On September 27, the Church will celebrate the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are on the front line in laboring for the poor, they are among the first to know their real needs.

**Christ the King Conference #201  
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#### **Baptismal Blessings!**

May God Bless you on  
your very special day,

#### **Irelynn Marie Navyac**



#### **Daughter of Joe & McKenzie Younger Sister of Adalynn**

#### **Thank You!**

A HUGE thank you shout out to everyone who purchased tickets for our 2nd Annual Super Raffle. We are so grateful for your support!

We will publish the names of our winners in next Sunday's Broadcast.



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