

# 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.

## Hope

Who would have imagined that we would welcome 2022 still in the midst of this pandemic, and surrounded by so many of the same issues that were with us at the beginning of 2021? God, did we not hope that so much of this would be behind us by now? Yet, on this Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord our hope is renewed by the promise of a Redeemer who comes not just for a few, but for all who are seeking light and truth and justice, to reestablish and reaffirm love and life for all.

The prophets of old found hope in signs and wonders worked by a God above all other gods. The Magi searched and found hope in a star that looked like no other. And we follow our Savior Jesus, one like us in all ways but sin, in a path of righteousness and peace filled with hope not just for us, but for all humanity and all of creation!

If there is anything we have learned in the past couple of years, we are not really in control like we may have thought at one time. However, at the same time, we all have such an important role to play in bringing about the Reign of God because, during these times of challenge and isolation and tragedy for so many, we learned how inter-connected and reliant we really are on each other. We are not in this alone. No! We are the Body of Christ filled with constant hope just as much as those Magi

were as they worshipped the child Jesus, our Lord and King!

As we embark on another year as Church, as parish, as Detroiters, as Americans... as spouse, as parent, as sibling, as friend... I pray for the grace of hope to guide us in ways that fulfill the promise given us at Christmas - peace and joy for all people of good will. And we will stay hopeful throughout the year if we realize that we are not in control, yet there is so much we can do and accomplish.

The late Bishop Ken Untener of Saginaw wrote a reflection about the future that is not ours to know. I lean on these words frequently when I get discouraged, when I think things can never change for the better. Perhaps, it may help you as well to keep this handy to lift you up in hope as we journey through 2022.

*Peace and all good.*  
Deacon Joe



## Prophets of a Future Not Our Own

*It helps, now and then, to step back and take a long view.*

*The kingdom is not only beyond our efforts, it is even beyond our vision.*

*We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work. Nothing we do is complete, which is a way of saying that the Kingdom always lies beyond us.*

*No statement says all that could be said.*

*No prayer fully expresses our faith.*

*No confession brings perfection.*

*No pastoral visit brings wholeness.*

*No program accomplishes the Church's mission.*

*No set of goals and objectives includes everything.*

*This is what we are about.*

*We plant the seeds that one day will grow.*

*We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise.*

*We lay foundations that will need further development.*

*We provide yeast that produces far beyond our capabilities.*

*We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that.*

*This enables us to do something, and to do it very well.*

*It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest.*

*We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker.*

*We are workers, not master builders; ministers, not messiahs.*

*We are prophets of a future not our own.*

Ken Untener (1979)

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Washburn, Judy Bruttell

**Commissions**

Maureen Northrup.....Christian Service

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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

**Other Sacraments**

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

**Anointing of the sick**.....313-532-1211

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

**PRAYER & WORSHIP**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday January 2, 2022

10:45am Alex Roberge

By Friends

Fiorentina & Antonio D'Amore

By Guy & Carol Piccirilli

*Monday ~ No Mass*

Tuesday 9am at SS/OLGH

Wednesday CHRIST THE KING

8:30am Stewart Kirchner

By Christ the King Staff

Thursday 9am at SS/OLGH

Friday CHRIST THE KING

8:30am Gerry "Coach" LaBelle

By Former Players

*Saturday ~ No Mass*

Sunday January 9, 2022

10:45am Joseph Tuan Sy Do

By Dave & andi Kovach

John Stewart

By Fenbert Family

**FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY**

**1/2/22 Sun Feast of the Epiphany**

Is 60:1-6, Eph 3:2-3a,5-6, Mt 2:1-12

Mon 1/3 1 Jn 3:22-4:6, Mt 4:12-25

Tue 1/4 1 Jn 4:7-10, Mk 6:34-44

Wed 1/5 1 Jn 4:7-10, Mk 6:45-52

Thu 1/6 1 Jn 4:19-5:4, Lk 4:14-22a

Fri 1/7 1 Jn 5:5-13, Lk 5:12-16

Sat 1/8 1 Jn 5:14-21, Jn 3:22-30

**1/9 Baptism of the Lord**

Is 42:1-7, Acts 10:34-38, Lk 3:15-22

**OUR LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

For NEXT Sunday January 9, 2022

**Lectors:** Tom Tomala & Mary Beth Seefelt

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

**Ministers of Service:**  
Leon Tupper

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Sun 1/2 10:45am Mass

Mon 1/3 7pm Intercessory Prayer Zoom

Tue 1/4 9am Mass at SS/OLGH

Wed 1/5 8:30am Mass at CK

Thu 1/6 9am Mass at SS/OLGH

6:30pm Stewardship/Finance Meeting

Fri 1/7 8:30am Mass at CK

Sun 1/9 10:45am Mass

**Don't Forget!**

As you do your holiday clean up, take your bottles back to the store and bring the cash to drop into our "Tuition Assist" Jug. Every penny counts!



**THE WISDOM OF POPE FRANCIS**

We are called to rediscover the educational value of the family

unit. Families must be founded on the love that always regenerates relationships, opening up horizons of hope. I want to emphasize the importance in the family of prayer, affection, forgiveness, tenderness, and adherence to the will of God.

In this way, the family opens itself to the joy that God gives to all those who know how to give joyfully.

A happy home is also outgoing: it finds the spiritual energy to be open to the outside world, to others, to the service of brothers and sisters, to collaboration in building an ever new and better world, especially by the example of daily life.

Every family has its problems, and that at times, because we are human, because we are weak, we even fight within the family. I want to tell you one thing, If we fight in the family, never end the day without making peace. Once again, I tell you to say: "please," "thank you," and "I'm sorry." If these three words are present in the family, the family will be in good shape.

## EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

“What is an *omicron*?” you might ask.

A letter in the Greek alphabet. When the virus causing the current pandemic first emerged, the *species* was named Covid 19.

But very soon scientists began to notice that there was more than one variant of the virus. At first they gave the scientific names, such as B.1.1.529 or B.1.1.5231, etc. Obviously, no one except the scientists were going to be able to tell one from another. So they decided to give each variant an actual name, and they decided to use the Greek alphabet. So those first few variants were named:

**alpha,**  
**beta,**

**gamma.** They were all serious, and caused the initial spikes around the world. They seemed to be diminishing so we thought that Covid was going away. But then they noticed a new variant,

**delta,** which is turning out to be very serious.

**epsilon,**

**zeta,**

**eta,**

**theta,**

**iota,** and

**kappa** appeared briefly in some places, but soon washed out, and never heard from again.

**lambda** and

**mu** still exist, but they have not been increasing and we do not hear much about them.

**nu** was skipped because it sounds like “new.”

**xi** was skipped because it sounds like a Chinese place.

**omicron** is suddenly emerging now. It should be pronounced with a *short o* as in *not* (not *no*).

**pi** is next, which we know from high school math as 3.1416.

**rho,**

**sigma,**

**tau,**

**upsilon,** (pronounced like a German *u* with an umlaut over it)

**phi,**

**chi,**

**psi,**

**omega,** (pronounced with a *long o*, as in *no*, not *not*).

Hopefully the Covid 19 subsides before it gets to omega!

# ΑΩ

Congratulations!

Being baptized today is

**Aiden Nathan Pacer**



pictured here with big sister Logan.

Aiden is son of Nate Pacer and Anna Min and grandson of David & Susie Groenenboom.

God Bless you Aiden!

**What does the Feast of the Epiphany represent?**

Epiphany, also called Feast of the Epiphany, Theophany, or Three Kings' Day, (from Greek *epiphaneia*, “manifestation”), Christian holiday commemorating the first manifestation of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, represented by the Magi, and the manifestation of his divinity, as it occurred at his baptism in the Jordan.

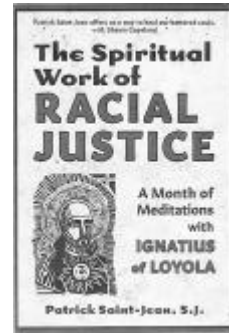


**What is the message of the Epiphany?**

The word “epiphany” itself means manifestation or revelation. In the Christian tradition, it is the story of the revelation of God and of God’s love in the child born in Bethlehem. The revelation is meant for all people, as symbolized by the arrival of the visitors from far, far away. The theme is clear.

**Please pray for the sick of our parish:**

Stephanie Webb	David Smith	Chet McLeod	Margery Holland
Mark Hafner	Marilyn Stewart	Manny Rivas	Chris McCall
Betty Erni	Jessie Bailey	Russell Johnson	Jason Boehm
Zachary Collins	Rita DeRaud	Suzanne Kennings	Ann Bergman
Robert Lothian	Damarian Johnson	Don Northrup	Ra’Mone Benjamin
Shirley Smith	Cynthia Morrison	Clarice Urbiel	Ninia Banks
Gaetano Picirilli	Duane Cook	Ruth Tomala	Sr. Kathleen Stafford
Bill Vanderwill	Jane McMahon	Braelyn Parks	Elvira Flores
Delores Skinner	Donna Redd	Judy Parsons	Mike Conway
Connie Turnley	Penny Randall	Norma Mekus	Valerie Carr
Beverly Leland	May Washington	Mary Price	Ellen Baron
Dan Neal	Bram DeRoos	Frank Colosimo	Rick Combs
Christele LaDouceur	Ike Quiney	Beryl Mandeville	Frank Urbiel
Maria McCall	Rudy Johnson	Jerry Anderson	Priscilla Brown
Doriann Pruet	Empress Crouse	Martha Cooney	Patricia Wofford
Patricia Baumgarten	Cindy Hampton	Cindy Jackson	Pete Washington
Kevin Kevney	Elizabeth Dalton	Vanessa Cummins	David Frey
Rodney Grillier	Deacon Joe Urbiel	Grace & Alexis Harris	Beth McCall



You might remember that Deacon Chris wrote about this book in his front page article a while ago. I started to look at it a bit, and it came to me that this might be a great way to

start the New Year. It contains a month of meditations with lessons of value. It is beautifully written and will help us to take advantage of the opportunity to continue the pursuit of racial justice as a necessary component of faith. Each meditation includes relevant history grounded in spiritual practices. It is refreshing and accessible to all.

For more than 150 year, legislation has led the people of the United States in a clever and deceitful, serpentine path from genocide to reservations, from enslavement to terrorism, from segregation to discrimination, and back again and again. Legislation may make the healing of our fractured racial-ethnic relations possible, but only love can heal us. This book offers us way to heal our battered souls and betrayed hearts, using reflection, journaling, and reading in openness, humility, and prayer to lead us to concrete acts of love for our neighbors. The author, Patrick Saint-Jean, coaches us along the road and uncovers the necessity of spirituality in the work of real racial justice.





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