THE BROADCAST John 13:3-15

JANUARY 16, 2022

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.

The Best Wine is Served

Today Isaiah proclaims, "Nations shall behold your vindication!" God will restore his people and all the surrounding nations will call them by a new name: no longer "Desolate," but now "God's Delight!" No longer "Forsaken," but now "God's Beloved!" They shall have a whole new identity!

Martin Luther King Jr. became a similar prophet to his People. They will no longer be called "Slave," but now "Freeborn!" No longer "Despised," but now "Brother and Sister!"

King's father was Rev. Michael King, a Baptist minister. In 1934, Rev. King joined a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. On their way back they went through Germany to recognize Martin Luther, where they witnessed the rise of Hitler's Nazi party. The Baptist Alliance issued a resolution: "This Congress condemns as a violation of the law of God the Heavenly Father, all racial animosity, and every form of oppression or unfair discrimination toward Jews, colored people, or subject races in any part of the world." From then on, Rev. Michael King began referring to himself as Martin Luther King Sr., and his son as Martin Luther King Jr.

As a high school junior, Martin Luther King Jr. won First Prize in an oratorical contest: "Black America still wears chains. The finest negro is at the mercy of the meanest white man." On the ride home, he and his teacher were ordered by the bus driver to stand so white passengers could sit down. King recalled later, "That was the angriest I have ever been in my life."

When Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat (she later said, "I thought of Emmett Till. I just could not step back!), King led the Montgomery bus boycott throughout 1956. This led the U.S. Supreme Court to declare that segregating public facilities is unconstitutional.

In April 1963, King planned a campaign against racial segregation and economic injustice in Birmingham, Alabama. King was arrested and jailed – his 13th arrest out of 29. Many White clergymen felt his arrest was disgracing the ministry. He wrote the *Letter from Birmingham Jail*: "We know that freedom is never voluntarily given by the oppressor; it must be demanded by the oppressed. You should all be here in jail with me!"

King helped plan the March on Washington, August 28, 1963. More than a quarter of a million people of diverse ethnicities attended. They demanded the end of racial segregation in public schools and in employment; protection from police brutality; a \$2 minimum wage (equivalent to \$18 in 2022). President Kennedy and Attorney General Robert Kennedy enlisted other church leaders and Walter Reuther of the UAW to help make it happen. The most memorable part of the event was King's "I Have a Dream" speech. (He had earlier delivered the speech in Detroit, when he marched on Woodward Avenue with Walter Reuther and Reverend C. L. Franklin.)

I say to you today, my friends, even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal.'

I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

I have a dream that one day, down in Alabama, with its vicious racists, right there in Alabama, little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers. I have a dream today.

On March 14, 1968, he came to Michigan where he delivered a speech outlining "The Other America" at Grosse Pointe High School. In this talk he showed how America could correct its division into two economic classes, providing a decent living for *all* of our citizens, if we stopped wasting money on things like warfare. He was assassinated three weeks later.

Martin Luther King's last sermon was on April 3, 1968, the night before he died. "Well, I don't know what will happen now. We've got some difficult days ahead. But it really doesn't matter with me now. because I've been to the mountaintop. Like anybody, I would like to live a long life; longevity has its place. But I'm not concerned about that now. I just want to do God's will. And I've seen the Promised Land. I may not get there with you. But I want you to know tonight, that we, as a people, will get to the Promised Land. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord!"

Fr. Clore

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Wednesday and Friday.....8:30am **Family Religious Education**

Liturgy Schedule

......10:45am

Contact Deacon Joe for more information.

Sunday..

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 raised 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 Confirmatio	n Preparation
Call the Parish Office	313-532-1211
Other Sacraments	
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Marriage Call the parish office; 6	

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

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday January 16, 2022 10:45am Tonino & Loreta D'Amore Guy & Carol Piccirilli Bv

Special Intention

N.E. By

 $Monday \sim No\ Mass$ Tuesday 9am at SS/OLGH

Wednesday CHRIST THE KING 8:30am Marge Rosiewicz BvLen Rosiewicz Thursday 9am at SS/OLGH Friday CHRIST THE KING 8:30am Mary Hughes, Marie Cavanaugh & Laura Grutza By Christ the King Staff $Saturday \sim No\ Mass$ Sunday January 23, 2022

10:45am Carolina & Francesco Pelino Guy & Carol Piccirilli

THE WISDOM OF POPE FRANCIS



First: Jesus. . . . If we forge ahead with our own arrangements, with other things, with beautiful things but without Jesus we make

no headway, it does not work. Jesus is more important. . . . The second word is: prayer. Looking at the face of God, but above all . . . realizing that he is also looking at us. . . . Finally, witness: faith can only be communicated through witness, and that means love. Not with our own ideas but with the Gospel, lived out in our own lives and brought to life within us by the Holy Spirit. . . . It's not so much about speaking, but rather speaking with our whole lives: living consistently, the very consistency of our lives! This consistency means living Christianity as an encounter with Jesus that brings me to others. not just as a social label. In terms of society, this is how we are, we are Christians closed in on ourselves. No, not this! Witness is what counts!

FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY 1/16 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 62:1-5, 1 Cor 12:4-11, Jn 2:1-11 Mon 1/17 1, Sm 15:16-23, Mk 2:18-22 Tue 1/18 1 Sm 16:1-13. Mk 2:23-28 Wed 1/19 1 Sm 17:32-33,37, 40-51 Thu 1/20 1 Sm 18:6-9,19:1-7, Mk 3:7-12 Fri 1/21 1 Sm 24:3-21, Mk 3:13-19 Sat 1/22 2 Sm 1:1-19. Mk 3:20-21 1/23 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Neh 8:2-10. 1 Cor 12:12-30. Lk 1:1-

OUR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

For NEXT Sunday Jan. 23

Lectors: Rick & Karen Seefelt

Serving at the Table of the Lord: Michelle Lewis

Minister of Service: Johnny Swift

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun 1/16 10:45am Mass Monday

Martin Luther King Day Parish Office Closed



Tues 1/18 9am Mass SS/ **OLGH**

6pm RCIA Wed 1/19 8:30am Mass Thu 1/20 9am Mass SS/OLGH Fri 1/21 8:30am Mass Sat 1/22 10am Liturgy Planning Sun 1/23 10:45am Mass

Please don't forget!

Now that the bulk of our holiday celebrating is over, please take your returnable bottles and cans back to the store and bring the money here to Christ the King and place it in our Tuition Assist Jug. Every penny that we collect in the jug will go to help with tuition assistance for youngsters in our school. It's starting to add up! We will count it just before the end of the school vear. I know it Bottle/Can Returns: will help!

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Amazing Peace: A Christmas Poem

By Dr. Maya Angelou

Thunder rumbles in the mountain passes

And lightning rattles the eaves of our houses.

Flood waters await us in our avenues.

Snow falls upon snow, falls upon snow to avalanche

Over unprotected villages.

The sky slips low and grey and threatening.

We question ourselves.

What have we done to so affront nature?

We worry God.

Are you there? Are you there really?

Does the covenant you made with us still hold?

Into this climate of fear and apprehension, Christmas enters,

Streaming lights of joy, ringing bells of hope

And singing carols of forgiveness high up in the bright air.

The world is encouraged to come away from rancor,

Come the way of friendship.

It is the Glad Season.

Thunder ebbs to silence and lightning sleeps guietly in the corner.

Flood waters recede into memory.

Snow becomes a yielding cushion to aid us

As we make our way to higher ground.

Hope is born again in the faces of children

It rides on the shoulders of our aged as they walk into their sunsets.

Hope spreads around the earth. Brightening all things,

Even hate which crouches breeding in dark corridors.

In our joy, we think we hear a whisper.

At first it is too soft. Then only half heard.

We listen carefully as it gathers strength.

We hear a sweetness.

The word is Peace.

It is loud now. It is louder.

Louder than the explosion of bombs.

We tremble at the sound. We are thrilled by its presence.

It is what we have hungered for.

Not just the absence of war. But, true Peace.

A harmony of spirit, a comfort of courtesies.

Security for our beloveds and their beloveds.

We clap hands and welcome the Peace of Christmas.

We beckon this good season to wait a while with us.

We, Baptist and Buddhist, Methodist and Muslim, say come. Peace.

Come and fill us and our world with your majesty.

We, the Jew and the Jainist, the Catholic and the Confucian,

Implore you, to stay a while with us.

So we may learn by your shimmering light

How to look beyond complexion and see community.

It is Christmas time, a halting of hate time.

On this platform of peace, we can create a language

To translate ourselves to ourselves and to each other.

At this Holy Instant, we celebrate the Birth of Jesus Christ

Into the great religions of the world.

We jubilate the precious advent of trust.

We shout with glorious tongues at the coming of hope.

All the earth's tribes loosen their voices

To celebrate the promise of Peace.

We, Angels and Mortal's, Believers and Non-Believers,

Look heavenward and speak the word aloud.

Peace. We look at our world and speak the word aloud.

Peace. We look at each other, then into ourselves

And we say without shyness or apology or hesitation.

Peace, My Brother.

Peace, My Sister.

Peace, My Soul.



Blood Drive St. Scholastica Church 8201 W. Outer Drive

Monday, January 17, 2022 12 Noon to 6:00pm

Red Cross Your blood can help save lives! Come to give at this drive and get a Sickle Cell

Fighter T-Shirt while supplies last, and a \$20. Gift Card by email thanks to Amazon. Schedule an apt. online at

RedCrossBlood.org

Gesu Parish, Detroit Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Presentation



Tuesday, January 18, 2022, 7 - 8:30 PM

Making Dr. King's Dream Real Environmental Justice: Detroit Style Speaker: Theresa Landrum

This year the Beloved Community at Gesu and the Gesu Green Team sponsor this annual event



Theresa Landrum, a community organizer and activist, has fought for environmental justice for over twenty years. The part of Detroit where she lives - area code 48217 is the most polluted zip code in Michigan. A life-long Detroiter, she serves as the Community Communications Liaison for the Original United Citizens of Southwest Detroit. Ms. Landrum is one of Detroit's most outspoken community activists and is a member of two boards under Governor Gretchen Whitmer, the Michigan PFAS Action Response Team (MPART), which helps to set PFAS standards for water in Michigan and the Michigan Advisory Council on Environmental Justice (MAC-EJ). Her focus on January 18th will be on the Detroit Climate Strategy.

We welcome this committed activist, who will lead a discussion on the issues of air, water and land pollution and how racism plays a part in environmental justice for impacted communities.

This is a Zoom presentation

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Next Saturday, January 22 10am in Koelzer Hall Liturgy Planning

Please sign up to plan one Sunday.
Wear a mask and bring your coffee.
We are unable to serve food at this time
Hope to see you there!
At Home With the Word is Available. \$8.00

I am collecting Oui Yogurt jars for a Kindergarten Easter project at Christ The King School. You can bring to Mass, and give them to me. Call me and I will pick up, or you can drop off at the school or parish office. Thank you. Diane 734 846 4565



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