

Christ Child Catholic Church
*Dedicated to Growth in Christ and to the
Challenges of Loving Service*

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**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
July 10, 2016

Operation Smile

I was reading sometime back about Dr. William Magee Jr., a plastic surgeon in Norfolk, Va. In 1981, Dr. Magee traveled to the Philippines to operate on children with cleft lips and other facial deformities. Unfortunately, there were so many children with this deformity, a deformity that can render it impossible for them to speak or eat, that hundreds had to be turned away. This caused Dr. Magee and his wife to found an organization called Operation Smile. Operation Smile sends volunteer doctors to perform reconstructive facial surgery for children worldwide. "It wasn't a strategic plan," said Magee. "It was just a matter of emotion and passion to make sure children didn't have to live this way." The group, which already has treated 50,000 children worldwide, also trains doctors in other nations to perform the procedure. Magee hopes to use satellite technology in the future, so he can teach a greater number

of medical professionals the necessary technique. (The Associated Press.) Dr. Magee didn't have to do that. He could have justified himself. "What's in it for me? There are so many children in my own city whose parents or whose insurance company could pay for this surgery. I'm a busy doctor here. I don't have to go halfway around the world and minister to indigent children. Not my problem." I doubt if Dr. Magee even wondered if this act of service would get him into Heaven. He simply saw a need and filled it. He became a Good Samaritan, encouraging fellow surgeons to become Good Samaritans.

A scribe asked Jesus a very basic religious question: "What should I do to inherit eternal life?" In answer to the question, Jesus directed the Scribe's attention to the Sacred Scriptures. The Scriptural answer is "love God and express it by loving your neighbor." However, to the scribe, the word "neighbor" meant another scribe or Pharisee – never a Samaritan or a Gentile. Hence, the scribe insisted on a clarification of the word "neighbor." So Jesus told him the parable of the Good Samaritan. The parable clearly indicates that a "neighbor" is anyone who needs help. Thus, the correct approach is not to ask the question "Who is my neighbor?" but rather to ask, "Am I a good neighbor to others?"

The first reading, taken from the Book of Deuteronomy, reminds us that God not only gives us His Commandments in Holy Scriptures, but that they are also written in our hearts so that we may obey them and inherit eternal life with God.

In the second reading, St. Paul reminds the Colossians, and us, that just as Christ Jesus is the "visible image of the invisible God," so

our neighbors are the visible image of Christ living in our midst. Jesus, the Heavenly Good Samaritan, gave us a final commandment during the Last supper, "Love one another as I have loved you," because the invisible God dwells in every human being.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By request or appointment
BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS
Call the office for an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick

Celebrated biannually at Mass or individually call,
for an appointment

For Pregnancy Support:

Birthright 241-8444 or 800-550-4900

Prayer Group in the Parish

Every Tuesday at 8:15 am. All Women
And All Men.

MASS INTENTIONS July 9 - 15

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Don & Gail Hanley

Sunday 10:00 a.m. + Cecily Olsen

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Gina Boisvert

Thursday 8:00 a.m. Sundaran Family

Friday 8:00 a.m. Don & Gail Hanley

Whoever exalts himself will be humbled.

Pride sets subtle snares. Whenever we imagine that we are in control of life – our own or someone else's – we have fallen prey to the ancient whisper in the Garden: "You shall be like gods." Mortality is the enduring reminder that we become like God not by our own power but by the power of the cross.

Stewardship of Treasure
Report Sunday July 2 & 3, 2016

Total Plate	\$ 869.00
EFT	\$ 554.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,423.00

Thank you for your support and generosity.
God bless you!

**6th ANNUAL PARISH HARVEST PARTY
& DANCE**
**LIVE BAND, FOOD, & DRINKS,
DANCING!**

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2016
STARS AT 6 O'CLOCK to 10 PM
Information: Don Boisvert
408.828.2035

Men's Club

**This Wednesday July 13th at 6:30 p.m. in the
Community Center.**
**Dinner and we have very good support for
one another.**
Please come, we need you!!!

Women's Club/Prayer Group

We meet the 4th Wednesday of each month from
7-8:30 pm. **July 27nd!**
Our focus is social and spiritual at the same time.
Please contact Ruth McCormick
ruthmcc@flash.net

PARENTS...

Please continue to help your children to continue
in union with **JESUS CHRIST** in the Eucharist.
Every Sunday...

You Can Help Your Marriage

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry
with each other? Do you argue... or have you
just stopped talking to each other? Does talking
about it only make it worse? **Retrouaille** helps
couples through difficult times in their marriage.
For confidential information about or to register
for the program beginning with a weekend on
Sept. 23-25, 2016 call 831-479-1260 or email:
Monterey@RetroCA. Or visit the web site at
www.HelpOurMarrige.com

May the GOD of peace be with us all.