

CHRIST THE KING COMMUNITY

199 Brandon Road, Pleasant Hill, CA

925-682-2486

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Daily Masses:

Monday-Friday, 8:00 am

Saturday Masses:

8:00 am & 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses:

7 am, 8 am, 9:15 am,

10:45 am 12:15 pm

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 3:30 pm to
4:30 pm

Parish Office: 682-2486
www.ckph.org

Religious Ed: 686-1017
www.religioeducation.org

Youth Ministry: 676-0979
www.ckym.org

School: 685-1109
www.ckschool.org



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 01/25

- Catholic Schools Week
- School Open House
- No CLOW
- No RE classes
- Youth Group 7 pm Church
- Confirmation 11-1:30 parish hall
- Pancake breakfast 8 am

Monday, 01/26

- Bible Study A & B, 8:30-10:30 am
- RE Older Sacraments A/B 4:00 pm

Tuesday, 01/27

- Legion of Mary, Min.Ctr; 8:30am
- RE Grades 1-3 school

Tuesday, 01/27-continued

- Grades 4-5; parish hall
- RE Grades 7/8; 7 pm Parish Hall
- Rosary & Perpetual Help, Church 7pm
- Spanish Prayer, Church, 7:30pm

Wednesday 01/28

- RE Grades 1-3 school
- Grades 4-5; parish hall
- RE Grade 6; 7 pm parish hall

Thursday, 01/29

- RE Grades 1-3; School
- Grades 4-5; Parish Hall
- Centering Prayer; Min Ctr 10:00 am
- RCIA Min Ctr -Chapel, 7pm

Friday, 01/30

- Garden Café, Ministry Ctr 7:30am

Saturday, 01/31

- Men's Fellowship Chapel 7:30am
- CYO Crab Feed Gym 6pm

Sunday, 02/01

- Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:15
- 3 yr olds Rm D 9:15 mass
- PreK; parish hall 9:15 mass
- K; school 9:15 mass
- RE Older Sacs RE office 10:30
- Youth Group 7 pm Church

To Hear the Gospel and Make a Difference

Dear Friends,

While Fr. Paulson is away, this would be a good time for yours truly to sing his praises. Both Fr. Brian Timoney and I have often remarked amongst ourselves at what a good administrator his is and how pastoral and kind he is as well. Personally, it is amazing to watch him in action - how he makes decisions (most of the time in a collaborative way) and how he takes things in stride, letting go of trivial concerns. Not easily done by most of us....One needs a big heart and strong shoulders as well as a deep-rooted spirituality and prayer life. Fr. Paulson is gifted with those wonderful qualities and we are truly blessed to have him as our pastor.

I write this letter on January 8th, which is Fr. Brian Joyce's birthday. That leads me to reflect on how smoothly our transition has taken place between our two pastors, a transition which normally takes some time at any given parish when there is a leadership change. This transition has gone well mostly because of everyone's openness and willingness - and for this we thank God!

As a parish we are making great strides in hearing the Good News and making a difference in our world. Are we perfect at it? No, we are not. No one is perfect - no priest or pastor is perfect and no parishioner or fellow Christian is perfect. Only God is perfect! However, we are all in this together and we need each other's help.

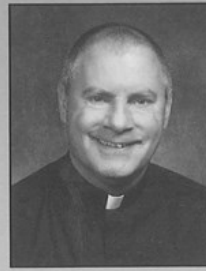
And soas we are now back in Ordinary Time and as we prepare for Ash Wednesday and Lent, perhaps we can reflect on what it really means to be Church, what it means to be a parish and what it means to support one another in healthy and fruitful ways. Maybe there might be a forgotten parishioner who has never been thanked for his or her ministry or a new parishioner no one says hello to and is made to feel unwelcomed - Maybe, just maybe, we can make a difference in their lives and make their day. THANK YOU...

....WELCOME...These are words we cannot ever say often enough.

Lastly, it is comforting to know we are not saints but, at least, we are willing to grow along spiritual lines!

In God's love and mine,

Fr. Vince



Rev. Vincent Cotter

Reflections on Sunday Readings:

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The Book of Jonah is only two pages long and tells a parable about a man called by God to preach repentance to the pagan city of Nineveh. Jonah's first response was to sail as fast as he could in the other direction. After his adventures with a large fish, God called him a second time. Today's passage picks it up from there.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

In this section of the first letter to the Corinthians, Paul responds to written questions they had sent to him. Some questions had to do with how we, who believe in the next life, should relate to the things of this life. Paul expected that Jesus would return in glory soon, and his advice is basically this: We should not hold on too tightly to the things of this world.

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Next weekend there is a second collection for Catholic Education.

Thank you for your generous support.



Scout Sunday, February 8th. All Scouts and Scouters are welcome to help us celebrate Scout Sunday February 8th during the 9:15 Mass by attending in uniform. If your Scout has earned their Religious Emblem and would like to receive their Emblem at this Mass, please contact Laura Birnbaumer at 256-6390. We are also looking for Scouts to serve as ushers or lectors. If you are interested, please contact Laura.



Trip to Ireland—2015 Sister Joanne is planning another trip to Ireland beginning July 20, 2015—July 31, 2015. For the past 20 years she has been leading groups to Europe and invites you to join her this year. The trip includes flying into Dublin, traveling to Kildare, Kilkenny, Cork, Killarney, Adare and ending in Limerick. If you wish more information, contact Sr. Joanne at 246-1125 or 989-3862.

Women's Retreat is coming! It will take place at the beautiful Villa Maria del Mar Retreat Center in Santa Cruz on March 6th, 7th, and 8th. Registrations will be taken beginning next week. Watch the bulletin for more information!



Save the Date! Knights of Columbus annual St. Patrick's Day celebration at CTK will be

held on Saturday, March 14th at 5:30. Tickets go on sale 2/21-2/22. More information to follow.

Christ the King has a weekly **Rosary and Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.** The group meets Tuesdays at 7pm in the vestibule room in church. For details, contact Shirley Rodrigues at 925-957-0488.

Divorced & Separated Ministry. Christ the King & St. John Vianney Parishes have commenced a bi-monthly grief ministry group for those grieving the death of their marriage. The next meeting is Feb. 3, at Mullen Commons, St. John Vianney beginning at 7:30 p.m. Please let your divorced/separated friends know. Fr. Padraig Greene and team will facilitate the meetings. For more information, contact St. John Vianney's at 939-7911.



Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest! All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2014-15 Knights Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held today, **Sunday, January 25th from 8am to 12pm at CTK Gym.** All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Council champion from each division advances to district competition. Last year more than 120,000 sharpshooters participated in over 3,600 local competitions.

John the Baptist said "I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit". Invite the Holy Spirit into your marriage. The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is February 20-22.** Early registration is highly recommended. For more information contact Mike & Jeanne at 925-672-2016.



Christ the King School Application Process for 2015-2016 School Year to begin.

Join us for Christ the King School's **Open House on Sunday, January 25th** after the 9:15 Mass. School applications will be available at open house and also on-line at www.ctkschool.org.

New CTK Job Transition Online Ministry! CTK's Job Networking Ministry was established in 2010. For five years, a team of dedicated volunteers has provided support to job seekers. Of the over 500 job seekers who attended the bi-monthly meetings, the vast majority have found jobs. Given the improved job market, we are **discontinuing bi-monthly general meetings** effective January 2015. CTK will continue to offer a "virtual" job transition service via our parish website and our continued alliance with the **Career Actions Network (CAN).** The parish will continue to sponsor, for now, the monthly \$5.00 CAN subscription fee for job seekers (for both current subscribers and new job seekers). We will update you when the new **CTK Job Transition Online Ministry** is available.

"Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together" The parish council and several ministry leaders met Saturday morning to discuss potential leadership for our upcoming capital campaign. Sixty people were suggested and will be contacted in the next few days about joining the Leadership Team of about 35 people. Please consider this opportunity if you are approached!

Did you get your raffle tickets? Our school auction, **A Night in Havana,** is selling raffle tickets after the 9:15 mass. Win free tuition or \$5000.00 cash! Visit the table outside or call CTK school at 685-1109 for more information.



Enjoy a **pancake breakfast** after mass! Knights of Columbus will be serving pancake breakfast from 8am to 11 am, January 25, in the gym.



Friends of Christ the King School,
This week we join the nation in celebrating Catholic Schools Week. This week honors the longstanding tradition of excellence in Catholic Schools. We at **Christ the King** are using this week to share our new Student Learning Expectations with the community. Student learning expectations are qualities we work to impart within Christ the King graduates. These are not academic curriculum but more character education goals set with the end result being a well-rounded CTK alumni.

The Student Learning Expectations form the acronym L.E.A.D.

Students graduating from Christ the King Catholic School are:

Lifelong Learners who:

- Demonstrate strong academic skills
- Continually seek knowledge
- Apply critical thinking and problem solving
- Set goals and meet challenges with independence and perseverance

Effective Communicators who:

- Collaborate with and listen to the ideas of others
- Speak and write clearly
- Use technology to learn, create, and share ideas

Active Persons of Faith who:

- Understand Catholic traditions and Gospel Values
- Serve those in need
- Celebrate cultural, ethnic, and religious differences

Dependable Citizens who:

- Respect the rights and opinions of others
- Accept accountability for choices
- Care for all God's creations

Peace,
Christopher J. Caban
Principal, CTK