

March 31, 2019

Fourth Sunday
of

Lent

Whoever is in Christ
is a new creation:
the old things have passed away;
behold, new things have come.

2 Corinthians 5:17

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Week At A Glance	Upcoming Mass Intentions	Schedule of Masses
<p>Sunday, 3/31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RE 3 yr., Pre-K, K, 9:15 am/No No CLOW Confirmation, 6 pm <p>Monday, 4/1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No RE Grades 1 - 5 & Older Sac. <p>Tuesday, 4/2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No RE Grades 1 - 5 & Grades 7/8 Perpetual Help/Rosary Church 7 pm ctkAlive!, Parish Hall 7 pm <p>Wednesday, 4/3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No RE Grades 1 - 5 & Grade 6 <p>Thursday, 4/4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Youth Group <p>Friday, 4/5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ctkAlive!, Parish Hall 9 am Stations of the Cross, 6:30 pm <p>Saturday, 4/6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Fellowship, Knights 7:30 am <p>Sunday, 4/7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RE 3 yr., Pre-K, K, 9:15 am CLOW, 9:15 mass 	<p>4/1 8 am - Cathy Struempf †</p> <p>4/2 8 am - Juvenal Figueira †</p> <p>4/3 8 am - Fr. Peter Charankat †</p> <p>4/4 8 am - Paul Sbragia † J.P. Sbragia-Zoricic †</p> <p>4/5 8 am - Anne O'Malley</p> <p>6 pm - Eileen Radding †</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, 4/6</p> <p>8 am - Paul Bonjean †</p> <p>5 pm - Rocky & Elizabeth Peters †</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, 4/7</p> <p>7 am - Natalia Laurel †</p> <p>8 am - Anne Ianiro †</p> <p>9:15 am - Ruth Werry †</p> <p>10:45 am - John B. Crabtree †</p> <p>12:15 pm - Maximilo Vergana †</p> <p>6 pm - Patricia Benigno Villarente †</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Monday - Friday, 8:00 am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday - 8:00 am, 5:00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday Masses: 7 am, 8 am, 9:15 am, 10:45 am, 12:15 pm, 6 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Confessions: Saturday, 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm</p> <hr/> <p>Parish Office: 682-2486 www.ctkph.org</p> <p>Religious Education: 686-1017 www.ctkreligiouseducation.org</p> <p>Youth Ministry: 676-0979 www.ctkym.org</p> <p>CTK School: 685-1109 www.ctkschool.org</p> <p>Facebook: Christ the King Catholic Community of Pleasant Hill</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">St. Stephen Catholic Church 1101 Keaveny Ct, Walnut Creek 925-274-1341</p>

Dear Friends,

I would like to invite you all to a Community Impact Forum - an evening conversation with local community leaders about the homelessness in our community. Come to listen, learn and share concerns and our common values. Ken Carlson - Mayor of Pleasant Hill, will moderate the discussion. A couple of weeks ago a number of CTK staff and parishioners attended a precursor meeting to help plan the Forum that will take place on April 10th at 7.00pm at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 3051 Putnam Blvd, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.



One of the things discussed that evening was: How we THINK about homeless matters!

How can you tell if a person is homeless? Is it the way they dress? The way they stand or sit? Where they hang out? What do you think about when you see a homeless person? Are you concerned about their well-being? Are you scared? Both?

There are of course many ways to think about street poor, and it is important to consider that how we think about the problem has a big effect on what we do about it. On the one hand, if we view homeless sympathetically as victims of a bad family life who now live in extreme poverty, we may want to respond by doing what we can to ensure that their basic survival needs are met, that they be protected and given help to get back on their feet.

On the other hand, we may think of the homeless as scary, dangerous and delinquent; as petty criminals who threaten pedestrians, tourists and car drivers in the downtown areas of our cities. We might think that in such cases these people are bad (or more generously, troubled), who leave home for fairly insignificant reasons, and get involved in irresponsible activities once on the street, thereby putting public health and safety at risk. The solution in this case is to either arrest them or pack them up and send them home.

The differences between these two perspectives is vast, and so are the outcomes of such thinking. We discussed a number of other ideas. I hope we can attend this Forum and learn to be of assistance to the most vulnerable in our midst.

Bishop's Appeal:

Bishop Michael C. Barber has chosen *Rebuild My Church* as the theme for the 2019 Bishop's Appeal. While he was here celebrating Mass and blessing our Ministry Center, he preached on the importance of fulfilling our obligation to the multiple needs of the diocese through Bishop's appeal. Last year CTK exceeded our goal, and the diocese refunded us \$17500.00. We will be holding a second collection on the weekend of April 28th, and more information will be given to you as we approach the date. Meanwhile, the diocese has already started mailing out letters to parishioners. I would encourage you to give generously.

I am not sure if we have fully moved into the Ministry Center yet as you read this bulletin. I am grateful for your understanding and patience. Transitions are not easy. Our city is yet to give us occupancy certification, as there are still some things to be resolved. But we are on the way.. Thank you. Our staff is awesome.

Fr. Paulson

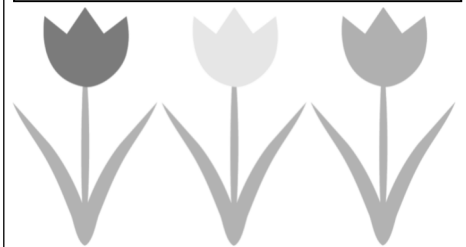
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First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

After Moses died, God selected Joshua to lead the Israelites. In this reading, Joshua and the Israelites have just crossed the Jordan River and now at long last are in the Promised Land.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Some members of the Corinthian community found it hard to accept Paul's teachings. They challenged his credentials and sincerity as an apostle because he was not an eyewitness to the earthly life of Jesus. In this passage, Paul defends his ministry as an apostle.



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CTK Men's Retreat April 12-14: **"Welcome Back Cotter"**. Fr. Vince will be our retreat master. San Damiano Retreat Center, Danville. Contact peteobrien7@gmail.com for more information.

Join us for **Stations of the Cross**, every Friday during lent at 6:30 pm.

"Let the little children come to Me." First Friday Mass, April 5, 2019 at 6 pm. **Children's Holy Hour** will be from **4 pm to 5 pm** in the main church, right before the regular First Friday adoration from 5 pm to 6 pm. Prayer, song and silence in front of the Blessed Sacrament will be led in a **Holy Hour designed for kids**. All are welcome!

Hello Parishioners, It's that time of year again! **Winter Nights**, the two week mobile family shelter, will be held from **April 22nd through May 6th** in our gym. This is an amazing opportunity for you to engage in works of mercy with our parish community. There are two ways you can help; by donating specific goods to our food pantry and by giving your time and volunteering for the program! The sign ups are live now on our website, ctkph.org on the top of the homepage. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Mario or Rick Grand-Lejano at winternights@ctkph.org. Thank you for your support and generosity!

Pittsburg Community Theatre presents, **"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat"**, the musical reimagining of the bible story of Joseph and his brothers. April 5 - 21, Call 427-1611 for tickets.

St. Francis of Assisi Church invites you to celebrate **Divine Mercy Sunday with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung, followed by a bilingual Mass. Please join us on Sunday, April 28 at 3 pm at 860 Oak Grove Rd., in Concord.

Spring

Have you lost someone you love? Are you looking for support? Our **Grief Ministry** offers a supportive and welcoming space for those experiencing the pain that comes with the death of a loved one. We gather to remember, share and to learn tools that can help you begin to live with your grieving heart. There are two drop-in sessions each month: The **first Saturday of each month at 9:30 am** held at Queen of Heaven Chapel at 1965 Reliez Valley Road in Lafayette and the **third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm** at Christ the King Parish Hall. To register or for more information, please call Donna Bradshaw at 510-381-3615.

Contra Costa Interfaith Housing is looking for volunteers to bring their talents to **CCIH Summer Camp** either at Concord or Pittsburg site. The kids range in age from 5 to 14 years old and every year they have a blast because of the creativity of volunteers! Just 2 hours per day for 1 week. Can you teach dance appreciation? No-cook cooking? Theater? We are only limited by your imagination. Talk to us! 925-448-2004.

Walking on Holy Ground with your Dominican Sisters, a two-part series, will be held April 28 and May 5, 2-4 pm both days, at the Dominican Center - 43326 Mission Circle (entrance off Mission Tierra) in Fremont. A free will offering will be taken. Register by April 25 at 510-933-6360.

Parish Prayer Line: We have a team of parishioners available to pray for you. Send confidential prayer requests to: prayerline@ctkph.org. Then, please let us know when to begin thank you's to our God for answered prayers.

All are invited to the **Chrism Mass, celebrated April 11 at 6:30 pm at Cathedral of Christ the Light**. This liturgy, celebrated by Bishop Barber, unites the diocese in recalling the gifts of the priesthood and the Eucharist. The Oil of the Sick and the Oil of the Catechumens are blessed and the Sacred Chrism is consecrated at this time. These holy oils impact the lives of those who are preparing to enter into the Church, those who are ill, and all preparing for confirmation and holy orders. In a sign of unity and fidelity the priests of the diocese celebrate the Mass with our bishop and recommit themselves to their priestly ministry.

Do you have young children? Are you hoping to grow in your faith as a family? Are you looking to connect with other families and serve your community? If so, join us for Young Families Ministry, small groups that meet once a month to promote social connection, faith development, family support and service within CTK. Email us at **YoungFamiliesCTK@gmail.com**.

LifeShift Retreat on Work and the Christian Journey. An opportunity to reflect on life and faith while considering new career, work, and/or retirement possibilities. Participants will clarify life/work goals and address the fears of transition. San Damiano Retreat April 5-7. Presenters: Jim Briggs and Tom Bachhuber. 925-837-9141 to register.

This weekend's second collection supports our **St. Vincent de Paul** ministry here at Christ the King. This collection is taken up every 5th Sunday of the month. Thank you so much for your continued support.

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Lenten Opportunities

Stations of the Cross ~
Fridays at 6:30 pm

Parish Reconciliation Services

Saturday, April 6 at 3:30 pm

Monday, April 8 at 7:00 pm

St. Stephen Church

Monday, April 1 at 5 pm

Holy Week

Palm Sunday ~ April 14

Holy Thursday ~ April 18 at 7:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
in gym ~ 8:30 pm - 10 pm

Good Friday ~ April 19

12 pm ~ Taize Prayer around the Cross

1 pm ~ Stations of the Cross

1:40 pm ~ Preaching on the Passion of Jesus

2:00 pm ~ Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

5:00 pm ~ Taize Prayer around the Cross

6 pm ~ Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Easter Vigil ~ April 20 at 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday ~ Masses: 7 am, 8 am,
9:15 am, 10:45 am, 12:15 pm

Outdoor Masses: 9:15 am and 10:45 am

No 6 pm Mass

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