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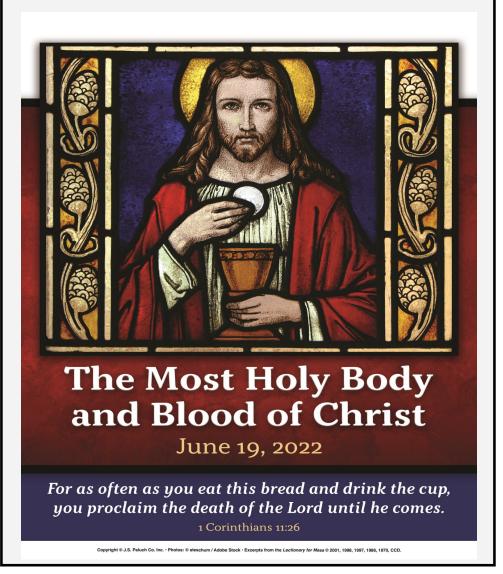
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## WELCOME

#### **RECONCILIATION & HOLY HOUR**

#### Reconciliation

Saturday: 2:30pm (CC) Saturday: 3:30pm (INC)

#### Holy Hour

Saturday: 8am-9am (CC)
Daily & Saturday Vigil
Masses also live-streamed
on Facebook (CC)

#### Daily Rosary for Peace

8:45am (INC)

#### Sacrament of the Sick

We are happy and honored to visit the sick or homebound.

Call (860) 529-2545 to contact a priest.

#### <u>SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM</u>

After 10:15am Sunday Mass (CC)
After 10:30am Sunday Mass (INC)
Pre–registration required. Call rectory office.

#### **WEDDINGS**

Call the Parish Office at least 6 months prior.

#### **PARISH REGISTRATION**

Available on church website.

#### **CANDLE INTENTIONS JUNE 19—JUNE 25**

#### SANCTUARY CANDLE #1 (CC)

Burns this week in memory of Jeffrey David Burnosky, requested by his family.



Burns this week in memory of Joseph Pasquaretta, (10th Anniversary), requested by his wife and family.

#### BLESSED VIRGIN 7-DAY CANDLE #1 (CC)

Burns this week in memory of Charlotte Ravenelle, requested by Rita.

#### BLESSED VIRGIN 7-DAY CANDLE #2 (CC)

Burns this week in memory of James & Mary Sweeney, requested by the family.



#### **CANDLE INTENTIONS JUNE 20—JUNE 26**

#### SANCTUARY CANDLE (INC)

Burns in memory of James C. Sanders and Frederick J. Sanders Sr.

#### BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (INC)

Burns in memory of Joe Salvatore.

#### CHRIST THE KING PARISH ACTIVITIES

On June 1, 2022 our merger into one faith community from Incarnation & Christ the King in Wethersfield became effective.

As of Monday, June 6th the office for Christ the King Parish is located at the Corpus Christi Campus, 84 Somerset St., Wethersfield, CT. All business will be conducted from that rectory office.

<u>CHOIR PRACTICE</u>—Tuesdays, 6:30pm, Choir Loft, Corpus Christi Church. Practice continues through June.

FRIDAY ROSARY ON THE GREEN: Every Friday, 12noon. Meet on Broad Street Green.

<u>Bulletin announcements</u> should be emailed to ahsaharek@cox.net. Deadline is Monday for the following weekend edition.

#### CHRIST THE KING WEEKLY FOOD DRIVE

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them all on Father's Day!

#### **BAPTISMS**

CHRIST THE KING PARISH

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## WORD TO THE FAITHFUL

## Pastor's Corner – June 12, 2022

#### Pastor's Corner - June 19, 2022

As I write this column a full week before you are reading it, we remain 'in limbo' regarding the legal merging of our parishes. As we prepare for that day - in the very near future - we have begun the process of merging our parish offices in order to better and more efficiently serve your needs.

The Christ the King Parish Office is now located at 84 Somerset St, Wethersfield. That is also the new mailing address. It is located on the campus next to Corpus Christi Church, and the easiest access is to use the door from the small (south) church parking lot. There is a bell to the left of the door. All parish business will take place through this office.

The Parish phone number is 860.529.2545. Rose, Audrey, Margie, and Niki will all be working from this office. Once the merge is completed, the current Incarnation number will roll over to this number.

The ultimate plan is to eventually have the Parish Offices in what is now Incarnation rectory.

Please see next column

In fairness to Fr. Moran, we cannot begin renovating that building into offices until he has retired. But we are making plans, and looking at options.

The Building & Grounds Committees of both former parishes have merged, and we met a week ago to set goals and priorities for needed repairs and maintenance on all of our properties, including the conversion of the rectory at Incarnation into offices. The new (combined) Finance Council will now meet to address the funding of these projects. We are extremely fortunate to have so many competent people who have stepped forward to assist us with both finances and the building trades. Please join me in thanking them.

In addition to the church and rectory properties, our school campus has been included in the one, three, and five year plans as well.

I thank all who are assisting in this transition. They have been most helpful. And I ask for your ongoing patience and understanding as we try our very best to make this happen as seamlessly as possible.



Christ the King Parish will not begin accepting 2023 Masses, Sanctuary & Blessed Virgin Mary Candles until August of 2022.

Corpus Christi still has some 2022 candles/Masses available. Incarnation still has 2022 candles.
Call (860) 529-2545.



Building a new Parish from Incarnation & Christ the King......Q: Where can I find updated merger information?

A: The Transition Team has a Communication Committee. They are sharing info. via the bulletin, websites, Facebook, (http://www.facebook.com/CTKParishCT), email and announcements at Mass. Questions? Email incarnation.ctk@gmail.com.

## OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

### SATURDAY, June 18 Vigil The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

4:00pm (CC) Anna Kukielka, requested by Niki

5:00pm (INC) Salvatore & Antonina Tarascio

#### SUNDAY, June 19 The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

8:00am (CC) Francesca Scalise, (2nd Anniversary) requested by her family

8:30am (INC) Helen Hand

10:15am (CC) Richard Cavanaugh, (10th Anniversary) requested by his wife Rose

10:30am (INC) James C. Sanders and Frederick J. Sanders, Sr.

## MONDAY, June 20 (Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time)

7:30am (CC) Antoinette and Pietro Arienzale (74th Anniversary)

9:00am (INC) Deceased members of the Lepore Family

#### TUESDAY, June 21 Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

7:30am (CC) Intention available

9:00am (INC) Marie & Anthony Mandile

#### WEDNESDAY, June 22 St. Paulinus of Nola; Bishop, Saints ,John Fisher, Bishop and Thomas More, Martyrs

7:30am (CC) Mary Brislin, requested by the family

9:00am (INC) Deceased members of the DiLorenza & Alasso Families

## THURSDAY, June 23 The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

7:30am (CC) Salvatore & Giuseppina and Pasquale Cannata

9:00am (INC) Reverend Nicholas J. Cesaro

## FRIDAY, June 24 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:30am (CC) Jeffrey David Burnosky, (7th Anniversary) requested by his parents

9:00am (INC) For all our parishioners

# SATURDAY, June 25 The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30am (CC) Joseph Klojzy, requested by his family

#### SATURDAY, June 25 Vigil—13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm (CC) John & Rose Cascio, requested by the family

5:00pm (INC) Edward & Ann Coughlin & Eddie Coughlin & Joseph W. Cunningham, Jr.

#### SUNDAY, June 26 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am (CC) Carmela Patrizi, requested by her family

8:30am (INC) Deceased members of the Santos, Gaspar & Loura Families

10:15 (CC) John P. Brett, requested by his wife & family

10:30am (INC) Donato Gaetani

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Christ the King Parish:

Online registration for 2022-2023
Religious Education will be up and running at the end of June.

Our Program includes:

ELEMENTARY GRADES K-6 &
MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL



GRADES 7-9.

The Second collection next weekend will be the **Peter's Pence Collection**.

#### Please note:

In the near future the weekly & online financial information from Christ the King Parish

will be available.

We are so grateful to all who continue to support Christ the King Parish with your prayers and financial

Consider online giving! Sign up on our Parish website

#### 2022 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

As Catholics in the Archdiocese of Hartford we have a profound impact on our local communities not only in the spiritual realm, but intimately connected to it, the realm of social services, charities & outreach services performed by, or with help from, our Church.

Please support the A.A.A.

548 families/households have pledged \$219,235.00 towards our goal.

**2022 Theme is Stronger Together** 

**Christ the King Parish** 

Corpus Christi & Incarnation goal is \$321,000.00. Thank you!

#### **Social Action Committee News**

Thank you from Social Action to

All who participated in the homeless bag/assembly & to the commitment to work to erase the ongoing plight of homelessness Your participation in the SAC bag assembly has touched the lives of many living without shelter.

Homelessness is a year round problem & the heat of summer is often as bad as the frigid temps of winter. Our "summer " bags were 100% biodegradable & included deodorant, sunscreen, chapstick, socks, food/water.

On June 2nd 120 of these bags were delivered to shelters in Hartford and upon receiving them the men & women were like children at Christmas. Remaining bags will be given directly to homeless men/women in Middletown, New Britain & Bristol the week of June 6th through the Brian O'Connell Homeless Project.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith. protect our families, serve others and defend values in a busy changing world. Our local council, James J Gannon #4193 is always looking for Catholic men to join Knights of Columbus. Whether you become an individual member or a member of our council you will find that Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way. Go to KofC.org/joinus, enter your info. & our council number 4193 to start the process. For more info. about the Wethersfield Council – call Jeff Lojko at 860-965-8036.

Both Incarnation and Corpus Christi Churches offer Low Gluten Hosts for parishioners who need them. Please let the presider know prior to Mass of your request.

#### HAWKWING ORGANIZATION

Christ The King Social Action Committee, is or ganizing a special donation event this wkd. June 18th/19th. Please consider making a monetary donation to benefit the Hawkwing Organization.

Rochelle Ripley, has worked with love and passion for the Hawkwing organization for many years. It all started with a promise she made to her grandmother to help Native Americans. Hawkwing is a nonprofit organization and their main effort is to help the Lakota Indian tribe on the Chevenne River Sioux, in South Dakota. They have a high suicide rate in this reservation and are rampant in poverty with high struggles for survival due to unemployment and other aspects of low income and life events. Hawkwing, provides help and support through the grace and aide from our community. Hawkwing, has helped this reservation over many years with food and medical attention as well as education, housing, recreation center & more. Please make checks payable to the Social Action Committee and mark the envelope Hawkwing. If you wish you can mail donations to the rectory at 84 Somerset St., Wethersfield, CT 06109. Envelopes will be available. For information please contact: Ellie Ellegard (860) 830-1126.

2nd Annual Festival of Faith & Culture....July 17th, sponsored by The Archdiocese of Hartford from 2 -6pm, 467 South Quaker Lane, West Hartford. D.J., live music, traditional dancing & food. Ghana Africa, India, Syro Malabar & Hispanic flavor.

#### LEARN, GROW & SHARE—ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

#### Father's Day Musings

Today we celebrate Father's Day. On this day we fondly remember the love and the sacrifice of all fathers with gratitude and affection. A father is more than just a provider of bread to the family;

"Fatherhood is a lifetime responsibility with its challenges, sweetness and bitterness". Olowakeni.

"To be a father requires patience, love and giving up 'the all about me' attitude" Catherine Pulsifer. "Being a father is a blessing and a role not to be taken for granted" Derek Polen.

"Father, Dad, Papa, Papito, no matter what you call them, they influence our lives and they are the person we look up to" Catherine Pulsifer.

On this day, I am reminded of a movie called 'Lost in the desert'. It is about a rich family that had a son. The mother died when he was two years old. The widowed father dedicated his life taking care of his son who also had some health issues. The family doctor suggested that the son should be away to get well from the polluted atmosphere of a big city. So he sent his son on a charted plane to a far off place in the African forest resort.

Unfortunately, the pilot suffered a massive heart attack during the flight and somehow managed to crash-land the plane in a desert. Miraculously, the little boy survived the accident. Just before the plane exploded due to gas leakage, he managed to communicate the message to his father though the radio. He was all by himself in a desert, alone in the middle of nowhere, not knowing what to do and where to go. He was at the mercy of the scorching desert heat and ruthless wild animals.

Meanwhile the father did everything he could to find him, even spending his entire life savings, but in vain. He refused to give up hope.

In a last-ditch effort, along with a hired contingent of an army, he travelled to the desert and after a long search, found his son lying, half-buried in the sand with still some life left in him. At last, he found his only treasure in the entire world!! "No matter what challenges life throws at you, your father will always be there for you" Oswald Editorial Board. Remember the parable of the prodigal son!

"A truly rich man is one whose children run into his arms when his are empty" Unknown Author. "I cannot think of any need in childhood as strong as the need of a Father's protection" Sigmund Freud. "Blessed indeed is the man who hears many gentle voices call him father" Lydia M. Child.

A father is the beacon of hope with strong willpower to face all odds, only aiming at providing his children the best. Above all, he believes in his children.

Richard Williams is the father of the most celebrated U.S. Tennis Stars Venus and Serena. He had a dream for them and they did not disappoint him.

"My father used to say that it's never too late to do anything you want to do. And he said, 'You never know what you can accomplish until you try". Michael Jordan.

"Anyone can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a dad and that is why I call you dad, because, you are so special to me. You taught me the game and you taught me how to play it right" Wade Bogs

"If a country is to be corruption free and become a nation of beautiful minds, I strongly feel that there are three key social members who can make a difference. They are the Father, The Mother, and The Teacher" A.P.J. Kalam, Former president of India.

On this day, let us lift up our hearts in thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father for the gift of our earthly fathers. "Honor your father in action and word so that a blessing will come from him to you". Book of Sirach 3:8.

Happy Father's Day and God Bless you all!

Fr. Zack



THEN TAKING THE FIVE LOAVES
AND THE TWO FISH,
AND LOOKING UP TO HEAVEN,
HE SAID THE BLESSING OVER THEM,
BROKE THEM,
AND GAVE THEM TO THE DISCIPLES
TO SET BEFORE THE CROWD. LUKE 9:16

#### THE ABUNDANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

The crowd that followed Jesus to the deserted place was fed, body and spirit. Jesus wanted them to know that in his presence they would find care and compassion. He would not let them go hungry. Like Abram who encountered God in the bread and wine offered by Melchizedek, they experienced first-hand the abundance of God's love. These sacred meals prefigured the meal most profound, the supper shared by Jesus and his disciples on the night before he died, the feast in which we share in the Eucharist. Today we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On this day, we appreciate anew the great love of Jesus Christ for us and for the world and experience first-hand the presence of Christ in the sacred meal.

#### TAKEN, BLESSED, BROKEN, SHARED

We do it so often, we could take it for granted. Yet, the mystery of the Eucharist, our participation in, reception of, and being sent to live as Christ's Body and Blood is a gift beyond measure. In the desert with the crowd and on the night of the Last Supper, Jesus took bread, gave thanks, said a prayer of blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to those who hungered for physical and spiritual nourishment. Scripture scholars and theologians often remind us that we are to repeat Jesus' actions of taking, blessing, breaking, and giving—with our lives, resources, and gifts—so that others may know the love of Christ. As Eucharistic people, we are meant to be changed, to become more like the One whom we receive.

#### GIVE THEM SOME FOOD YOURSELVES

Notice that Jesus sent his disciples to give the crowd the food they needed. Jesus could have done this alone. We could say he didn't need the disciples to participate in the feeding of the great crowd. But Jesus did not act alone then, and Christ relies on us now, to feed those who hunger and thirst physically, spiritually, and emotionally. When we grow weary and want nothing more than to satisfy our selfish and self-centered impulses, it is good for us to remember who we are and whose we are. It is crucial that we hear in

the depths of our hearts, "Give them some food yourselves," and be ready to do so. On this solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, let us celebrate Christ's living presence with and for us and recognize our call to share that presence with others.

#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

Genesis 14:18–20 Psalm 110:1, 2, 3, 4 1 Corinthians 11:23–26 Luke 9:11b–17

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