

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

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TWELTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
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Do We Believe in Jesus?

The first Christian generations preserved the memory of this Gospel episode as a story of vital importance for Jesus' followers. Their intuition was certain. They knew that Jesus' Church ought to listen over and over again to the question that Jesus one day made to his disciples in the neighborhood of Caesarea Philippi: "**And you, who do you, say that I am?**"

If we allow our faith in Jesus to be extinguished in our Christian communities, we will lose our identity. We won't get it right when we try living with creative audacity the mission that Jesus entrusted to us; we won't dare to confront the present moment, open to the newness of his Spirit; we'll suffocate ourselves in our mediocrity. Our times aren't easy. If we don't turn to Jesus more truthfully, and faithfully, disorientation will go on paralyzing us; our grandiose words will keep on losing their credibility. Jesus is the key, the foundation and the font of all that we are, say, and do.

Who is Jesus for us Christians today?

We confess, as Peter does, that Jesus is **<the Messiah of God,>** the one sent by the Father. That's certain: God has loved the world so much that God has given us Jesus. Do we Christians know how to welcome, care for, enjoy and celebrate this great gift of God? Is Jesus the center of our celebrations, meetings and gatherings?

We confess him also as **<Son of God.>** He can teach us to know God better, to trust more in the Father's goodness, to listen more faithfully to God's call to build a more fraternal and just world for all. Are we discovering in our communities the true face of God incarnate in Jesus? Do we know how to announce it and communicate it as great news for everyone?

We call Jesus **<Savior>** because he has power to humanize our lives, free us as persons and lead human history toward its true and definitive salvation. Is this the hope that breathes among us? Is this the peace that spreads from our communities?

We confess Jesus as our only **<Lord.>** We don't want to have other lords or submit ourselves to false idols. But does Jesus really occupy the center of our lives? Do we give him absolute primacy in our communities? Do we put him above all and above everyone else? Are we of Jesus? Is he the one who breathes in us and makes us alive?

The great task of Christians today is to join forces and open paths to reaffirm all the more Jesus' centrality in his Church. Everything else flows from that.

King of all nations hears us.
For peace among all nations, families, and individuals, and a growth of harmony and love.

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 men.

MASS INTENTIONS June 18 - 24

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Schaner Family

Sunday 10:00 a.m. Sundaran Family

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Sundaran Family

Thursday 8:00 a.m. + Pat Johnson

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Men's Club Meeting

July meeting will be at 6:30 p.m, Wednesday July 13th. Drinks and dinner in the Community Center. We have very good support for one another. Every man welcome!

**YOU'RE SOMEONE VERY SPECIAL
A GOOD MAN
IS ONE WHOSE WARMTH, WISDOM,
AND HUMOR HAVE EARNED HIM
THE RESPECT OF HIS FRIENDS
AND FAMILY.....
SOMEONE WHO MAKES THIS
WORLD A BETTER PLACE IN
WHICH TO LIVE.**

**HOPE YOU HAVE A WONDERFUL
FATHER'S DAY.**

Sunday & Saturday June 11 & 12, 2016

Plate Collection \$ 1,266.00

EFT \$ 565.00

Total \$1,831.00

**Thank you and May God reward your
generosity!**

Women's Club/Prayer Group

We meet the 4th **Wednesday** of each month from 7 – 8:30 pm. This month's meeting is **June 22nd!** Our focus is social and spiritual at the same time.

Please contact Ruth McCormick

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ROSARY

We pray the Rosary together every Saturday at 4:30 PM. Please come to pray for the families and our Country!

**Welcome Fr. George Berendt, and help
these missionaries working in 17
countries proclaiming the Good News
among non-Christians.**

Father Berendt, from the Pontifical Institute for Foreign Missions, is a PIME Missionary priest and will present the mission appeal at the Saturday and Sunday masses on behalf of his order. His topic will be "Crossing Cultures and Transforming Lives Through the Gospel." I know I can count on parishioners to be very supportive.

Walk beside Jesus

Thinking that God is love does us so much good, because it teaches us to love, to give ourselves to others as Jesus gave himself to us and walks with us. Jesus walks beside us on the road through life.

Reflection: Where can Jesus walk beside you this week? How can you walk beside him? How can you be his hands and feet?

Pope Francis