

Christ Child Catholic Church
*Dedicated to Growth Christ and to the
Challenges of loving service*
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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME
January 22, 2017

Describing the humble beginning of the public ministry of Jesus, today's Scripture readings teach us that Christ has brought us from darkness of sin into the Light by calling us to repentance and the acceptance of God's role.

Light and darkness

Terry Anderson, a journalist for the Associated Press, was seized and held hostage in Lebanon for seven years; blindfolded almost all of that time, Anderson described his experience in this way, "Deepest darkness, fumbling, uncertainties are frightening. More frightening is the darkness of the mind, when outside light makes no impression and inner lights go dim..."

In November of 1965, a power failure plunged seven northeastern U.S. states and Ontario, Canada, into a darkness which lasted for more than thirteen hours. About thirty million people living in eighty thousand square miles of territory were afflicted. In

1977, another, less severe, power failure darkened New York City for fifty-two minutes. Losses due to accidents and looting were in excess of one billion dollars. In the Holy Scriptures, light and darkness serve as symbols for good and evil. In today's first reading and in the Gospel, Jesus is presented as the One sent to remove the darkness of sin from the world. Through Isaiah, God promises that His people will see an end to the darkness of oppression and separation. Today's Gospel shows us how the prophecy of Isaiah was fulfilled in Jesus.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By request or appointment

Sacrament of Baptism and Marriages

Call the office for an appointment

Anointing of the Sick

Celebrated biannually at Mass or individually by appointment

For Pregnancy Support

Birthright 241-8444 or 800-550-4900

Prayer Group in the Parish

Every Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. all Women and All Men!

MASS INTENTIONS January 21 - 27

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Parker Family

Sunday 10:00 a.m. + Judith A. Hammond

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. + John Parker

Thursday 8:00 a.m. Parishioners

Friday 8:00 a.m. + Alba Luna Aramburo

Stewardship of Treasury

Report Sunday January 14 & 15, 2017

Total Plate \$ 844.00

EFT \$ 476.00

TOTAL \$1,320.00

**We Need Your Support, Thank you and God
bless you!**

**This month January 30 is the 10th
Anniversary of the installation of Bishop
Richard Garcia as Bishop of Monterey.
You may send him a card to 425 Church
Street Monterey, CA 93940 or P.O. Box
2048 Monterey, CA 93942.
Please pray for our Bishop!!!**

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?

We offer year-round sessions to explore the Catholic faith. For more information, call Fr. Eugenio, 408.353.2210 or eugenio.aramburo@yahoo.com

January 25

One Weapon

Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul

St. Paul has but one weapon; the message of Christ and the gift of his entire life for Christ and for others. It is precisely this readiness to lay him open, personally, to be consumed for the sake of the Gospel, to make himself all things to all people, unstintingly, that gives him credibility and builds up the Church.

Pope Francis

Would people know that you are a Christian by your daily example?

In what one area can you grow so that your daily life witnesses to your faith?

"Men's Club"

**On Wednesday February 8th at 6:30 p.m.
gather and Dinner at 7 pm.**

Community Center

**We support our faith and work for the
people of God.**

**We have very good support for one
another!**

Safety Message

Parents and Caregivers of children: When you and your children are attending Mass or any other events at the parish, please keep your child with you at all times. If your child needs to leave the building, he or she must be accompanied by an adult.

Women's Club/Prayer Group

Come join Christ Child's growing Women's Club. We meet the 4th Wednesday of each month from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Community Center, so our next meeting will be **January 25th**. Our focus is social and spiritual at the same time so that we can better serve the needs, get to know our faith and each other better. Please contact Ruth McCormick (ruthmcc@flash.net) to get on our email list or to ask any questions. If you'd like to bring a snack to share that's fine but not obligatory!!!

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

The 2017 Collection Envelopes are in the entrance of the Church. Please pick up your box if you had one last year.

I thank you for your support and generosity. God bless you, Fr. Eugenio

Reduce Reuse Recycle - Free cycle

A local on-line re-use group has been formed as part of the world wide Free Recycling Group – check it out at Keeping It Local -

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/95033free/>

You give something...you get something.

Christ Child Church – Financial Committee

Many thank you's for the many years you support the financials of the Parish. With you we develop the Parish to become more beautiful and safe. Many blessing and "gracias" to: Don Boisvert, Andrea Bruna, Joe Bruna, Nolan Cordle, Leah Duncan, Irene Miller, Caralie Olsen, Bridget Smith, Dave Roberts and Jack Schaefer.

God bless you and reward your work for us!