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PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Thursday

9:15am - noon & 1:00pm - 5:00pm Friday 9:15am- noon Other times by appointment

Website: www.christourlight.org

SUNDAY EUCHARIST Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm Sunday: (English) 8:00am

Sunday: (Spanish) 1:00pm

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST First Saturday 9am

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30am Tuesday 6:00pm (English)

Thursday 6:00pm (Spanish)

ROSARY PRAYED IN COMMON

Tuesday & Thursday: 5:40pm Wednesday & Friday: 8:10am Saturday: 5:15pm

Sunday: 7:15am & 12:15pm

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

Tuesday, Thursday and 2nd & 4th Saturdays 5:00-5:45pm and by appointment 936-825-3920

RECONCILIACION/CONFESIONES

Los Martes, jueves y el segundo y cuarto sábado a las 5:00-5:45pm y por cita 936-825-3920

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time: November 17, 2019

Christ Our Light Catholic Church • Navasota, Texas

November 16 & 17, 2019

Under the Patronage of St. Patrick and Our Lady of Guadalupe

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTION

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

No Mass

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

6:00 PM Steve Marino †

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

8:30 AM John Sauer †

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21 8:30 AM

Holy Souls in Purgatory

10:00 AM Torres & Rangel Families @ Golden Creek

No 6:00 PM Spanish Mass

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

8:30 AM Smith Family, Living & Deceased

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

6:00 PM Vigil Joe Pasket †

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

8:00 AM Henry Wisnoski † 1:00 PM* People of the Parish

*Spanish

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

5:00 PM Spanish Legion of Mary, CH Cry room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH

6:00 PM Spanish Choir Practice, CH

7:00 PM Lector Class, CH

7:00 PM Finance Council Meeting, SPH

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

6:00 PM Religious Education, PK-5th grades

6:00 PM RCIC, SPCC

7:30 PM Choir Practice, CH

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

12:00 AM English Legion of Mary, CH Cry room

Liturgy& Music Practice & Work Time, CH 2:00 PM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

2:00 PM Liturgy & Music Practice & Work Time, CH

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

8:30 AM Altar Society Bake Sale @ Navasota

Wal-Mart

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

No CCE Faith Formation Holiday



ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers this past weekend were in Memory of Virginia Imhoff Carver. The parish thanks the family.

E-Mail Addresses for the Parish

To e-mail Fr. Elias...fr.eli@christourlight.org To e-mail Nelda: nelda@christourlight.org To e-mail RE Board: reboard@christourlight.org Christ Our Light web-site: www.christourlight.org

BULLETIN DEADLINE TUESDAY 12:00 NOON

Announcements and or articles are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office, or faxed to 825-7612 or emailed nelda@christourlight.org.

Events, meeting etc. for the Parish Calendar are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office in advance.

AFTER MASS WEEKLY PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deadline Tuesday, 12:00 Noon. Announcements are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office. The Pastor reserves the right to pick and choose which announcements are made in this forum as there is a need to keep these to a minimum.

Todos los anuncios deben ser presentados por escrito en la oficina de la parroquia no mas tarde que los martes al mediodía. El Pastor decidirá si las noticias son de importancia para ser pronuncia das.

PARISH REGISTRATION

To our new parishioner, we welcome you to Christ Our Light Parish. Please register at the parish office or ask one of the Hospitality Ministers to help you. parishioners moving out of the parish or changing your address or phone number, please notify the parish office, 825-3920.



Sacrament of Baptism Schedule

English Baptism Class Schedule for 2019: 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM Jan. 11, April 11th, July 11th and Oct. 10th., 2020 PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER AT LEAST 1 WEEK PRIOR TO CLASS. To register please contact Deacon Grant Holt at 936-825-6448 or Lucy Coronilla at 936-419-9296.

Spanish Baptism Class Schedule for 2019: 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM, Jan. 26th, April 26th, July 26th and Oct. 25th. For Information, call Rosa Torres at 936-419-8974

ALL DOCUMENTS AND FORMS must be completed and turned in before Baptism Date. SCHEDULED Baptism will be celebrated once a month at 12 noon every 3rd Saturday following completion of the baptismal classes the prior month and Fr. Elie has been informed in advance. The Sacrament of Baptism is a communal celebration. Therefore, private baptisms are not celebrated here.

Sick Relatives & Friends

PRAY for THE CONTINUING RECOVERY OR COMFORT OF

the infirmed and homebound

members of our community. Jack Baker, Jo Ann Clepper, Frank Crouch, Gilbert Druckhammer, Liz Johnson, Juanita King, Mary Ann Knowles, Leslie Mills, Leon Nowak, Victor Ostiguin, Leona Pasket, Angelina Peterson, Wallace Peterson, Lucila Rivera, Josh Sechelski, Dana Sowell, and Krysten Sowell, Jessie Valadez, III, Crystal Winkler.

<u>Call the parish office</u> when a member of our community has a need to be remembered in prayer, 825-3920.

Also, if you have added a name to the prayer list, please call to let us know when to remove the name from the list. Thank you.

New Memorial Candles

The new Candle Stands are electrical. Anyone wanting to light a candle may do so by pressing the red button and give an offering. The candle will burn for 12 hours. Memorial Candles burning for one year are \$150.00 each. Come by the parish office to schedule and pay your offering of \$150.00 for your Memorial candle.

YOUR PARISH SUPPORT SU APOYO PARROQUIAL



TRESASURE YOU HAVE SHARED:

GIFTS FOR GOD — YOUR TITHE RESPONDS

November 09 & 10, 2019

(82) Offertory Envelopes/Loose Checksand On Live Giving3,134.00Loose Cash1,012.00Children63.00Total4,209.00

II Collection, Maintenance Fund 1,166.00

DIOCESAN SERVICE FUND - 2019

Goal: \$24,940.00

Pledged: \$21,308.67

Paid: \$18,939.20

Total Registered Families: 651

Number of Participant: 71

Percent Paid: 75.94%

Paid Over (Under) Goal: (\$6,000.80)

Pledged Over (Under) Goal: (\$3,631.33)

In Our Prayers

We remember in prayer our friends and loved ones in active military duty, both in and out of harms way, in the service of their our country. Pray for peace in the world and for our leaders.

SSG Jorge Aguilar, Jr., Alexander Cortez, Jesus Cortez, SFC Antinia Franco, 1SG Jason Malek, Antonio Magallon, Jose Rene Milan Christopher Munoz, Javier Salinas, Sgt. Kevin Seigler, SSgt Allen Thane

OUR HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

General Intention — Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East: That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.



P.E.R.A. (Perpetual Eucharistic Reparative Adoration)

We are inviting and highly encouraging everyone to sign-up for our "P.E.R.A." (Perpetual Eucharistic Reparative Adoration). We are asking everyone to devote ONE HOUR (at least) a WEEK adoring God in the Blessed Sacrament—that is, only asking 168 parishioners to make adoration of God everyday, 24/7! We do this as a Parish Community in response to the teaching of St. John Paul II:

The "Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to make amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease."

(Dominicae cenae, 3) Please call Mary Rangel @ 936-419-9024.

THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND Web site is FORMED.ORG The Parish Code to access the website is

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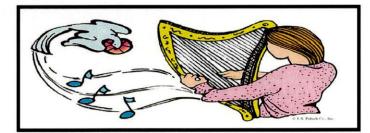
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Then register to create an account.

NOTE: Do not use Mozilla Firefox browser.

1. Visit our church at: www.flocknote.com/ christourlightchurch

2. Text SPOLG to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates.



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Every 1st weekend of the month (Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses) blessing of all who have a birth-day or Wedding Anniversary during the month.



PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS to the Priesthood and Religious Life especially in our Archdiocese.

ParishSOFT Giving

SIGN UP NOW

Sign Up for Christ Our Light Online Giving Now

Christ Our Light now accepts online giving. Parish Soft is out parish's online giving program. Enroll at the link the below. It is secure and easy to use. You will be able to use Parish Soft for normal tithing and special collections throughout the year. Apps are available, so your cell phones/tablets can be used for online giving.

https://giving.parishsoft.com/dl?uid=chri510191



Engage in civil dialogue. Join Civilize It: Dignity beyond the debate

As Catholics, we have a long tradition of engagement in the political process as a means of putting our faith into action. Today, however, vitriolic rhetoric fills the public square. Join fellow Catholics in calling for all people to honor each other's dignity by engaging in respectful dialogue. Take the pledge and find helpful resources at Civlizelt.org.

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 17, 2019

Sing praise to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and melodious song.

—Psalm 98:5

MONTHLY REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASSES

Refreshment will be served after Masses the first Sunday of each month. The refreshments and service will be provided by the following:

Altar Society—January and July
Pastoral Council—February and October
Finance Council—March and September
R.E. Board—April and August
Stewardship—May and November
Choir—June and December

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time — "...Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us." 2 Thessalonians 3:9 Most people who live a grateful and generous lifestyle don't go around bragging about it. But through their actions and words, others do take notice. They notice because of the joy and peace that results and other people desire this in their own life. Know that the way you live your life may be the only interaction others have with our Catholic faith.

33ºdomingo de Tiempo Ordinario — "...Más bien, queríamos presentarnos como un modelo para ti, para que pudieras imitarnos". 2 Tesalonicenses 3:9

La mayoría de las personas que viven un estilo de vida agradecido y generoso no se jactan de ello. Pero a través de sus acciones y palabras, otros se dan cuenta. Se dan cuenta de la alegría y la paz que resultan y otras personas desean esto en su propia vida. Sepa que la forma en que vive su vida puede ser la única interacción que otros tienen con nuestra fe católica.



On Thanksgiving Day, November 28, parishioners of Christ Our Light will be preparing and delivering meals to those in need. If you would like to help this year,

please bring your cooked food items to the kitchen and/or Narthex of the church by 8:30. Mass will begin at 9:00 on Thanksgiving Day and as soon as mass is over we will begin to prepare the plates. We need your help preparing and delivering the plates of food. Signup sheets are in the narthex of the church. See you on Thanksgiving Day and thank you for your help!

IGNITE: Our Faith, Our Mission

Summary Report November 07, 2019
Parish Goal: \$208,632.00
Total Pledged to Date: \$98,153.00
Paid—Undesignated \$26,945.02 12.92%
Paid Over/(Under) Goal (\$110,479.00)
% of Parish Goal Pledged 47.05%
Number of Participation 36

"Moving Forward Together in Faith" Program

Within the next couple of weeks you will receive a Summary Report detailing the results of our "Moving Forward Together in Faith" Program. Several weeks ago we began this program and we are beginning to see signs that our Sunday offertory collections are growing through the generosity of many, many parishioners. Thank you very much to all who have chosen to participate in this very important program. Your generosity shows you willingness as faithful stewards to be a part of the ongoing missions of Christ Our Light Catholic Church.

"Gratia Plena is a nonprofit organization that provides mental and spiritual health services for mental illnesses, addictions, and marriage/family problems. All counselors are Catholic an provide services in a way that is faithful to teachings, values and traditions of the Church. Their closest office is near The Woodlands, but counselors are also availinformation, their website able video session. For more see at www.gratiaplenacounseling.org (832)532-0129, email incall or fo@gratiaplenacounseling.org."

Father & Son Retreat "Called to be Saints"

December 6, 2019 @ 5:30 PM—December 8, 2019 @ 5:30 PM
This retreat weekend is designed to foster a time for fathers and their sons (6th-8th Grade) to grow in their relationship with one another and with God. Incudes: 2 Nights Lodging - 5 Meals - T-Shirt & Activities. Register by November 17 to receive a Retreat T-Shirt! Speaker & Retreat Master: Cooper Ray As seen at Steubenville Youth Conference! At: Christian Renewal Center, 1515 Hughes Rd, Dickinson, 281-337-1312 or www.retreatcentercrc.org.





Christ Cur Light Catholic Church

Altar Society

Saturday, Nov. 23

8:30 am — until?

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Homemade cakes, cookies, pies, kolaches, etc.

DIGNITY BEYOND THE DEBATE

2020

Civil Dialogue: A response to Jesus' call to love our neighbor

Jesus uses the parable of the Good Samaritan to answer a question that is both searing and simple: "Who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10: 29). Our familiarity with this parable makes it easy for us now to identify as "neighbor" those on the margins of our society such as those experiencing homelessness or poverty. But how often do we see our neighbor in the person who disagrees with us?

As Catholics, our strong tradition of social teaching compels us to be actively engaged in the building up of our communities. This is achieved by being involved in the political process—and yet today, many shy away from such involvement because our national and local conversations are filled with vitriol and harsh language, often directed at people themselves. When personal attacks replace honest debate, no one wins. This kind of attack, no matter the reason, only serves to further divide our communities.

What is needed is good, honest, civil dialogue. This means that we must treat everyone as worthy of being at the table, worthy of our respect, and worthy of being heard. In short, it means treating everyone as our neighbor.

We undermine our commitment to human life and dignity when we fail to see the dignity of those who have a different viewpoint. We must detach from the bitterness that surrounds us and seek a better path. A commitment to civil dialogue can help us make real and authentic human connections, which breaks down the barriers that divide us.

Engaging in civil dialogue can help our faith communities create a new space to model love for our neighbors and respect for the dignity of all.

Tips for Engaging in Civil Dialogue:

- 1. Listen first and seek to understand the whole picture.
- 2. Ask questions for clarification.
- 3. Use 'I' statements; pay attention to body language.
- 4. Listen to what feelings are present and pay attention to how you respond.
- 5. Summarize what you've heard and ask for feedback.



Civil dialogue can best be defined as the ability to enter meaningful conversation with people whose viewpoints may be different from our own, who have a different background or experiences, or who come to a different conclusion about the best way to promote the common good. We enter into



civil dialogue because we want to build a community that is rooted in understanding one another. God's love for each person requires us to remember that someone who disagrees with us is still a beloved child of God who deserves our love, respect, and care.

An important ingredient to civil dialogue is commitment to the truth. While respecting the dignity of all, we acknowledge that not all viewpoints are equally valid. We have the responsibility to speak truth with love. In addition, all who exercise their freedom of speech have an obligation to ensure that they come to conclusions based on data from credible and reputable sources, and that care is taken to avoid seeking the truth selectively, that is, only when it is convenient to us.

Civil dialogue is different than remaining silent in the face of disagreement. Listening to opposing views is a part of seeking clarity and can be a creative process. In civil dialogue, all are invited to bring and share their values, beliefs, and questions. We seek first to understand how our views on a topic are different and why. We ask questions to be sure we understand one another. In thinking critically about how we arrived at our own view points and listening to the experiences of others, we can sometimes arrive at new understanding and even find common ground.

Pope Francis has remarked, "Dialogue allows people to know and understand one another's needs. Above all, it is a sign of great respect, because it puts the person into a stance of listening, and into a condition of being receptive to the speaker's best viewpoints. Secondly, dialogue is an expression of charity because, while not ignoring differences, it can help us investigate and share the common good. Moreover, dialogue invites us to place ourselves before the other,

seeing him or her as a gift of God, and as someone who calls upon us and asks to be acknowledged." Just like any authentic human connection, the process of dialogue is complicated, often uncomfortable, and requires vulnerability and trust. We must rely on our faith in Christ who taught us that everyone is truly our neighbor. Promoting civil discourse is one way we can put this teaching into action.

Interested in learning more about civil dialogue or about how your community can engage in civil dialogue more often? Join USCCB's Civilize It Campaign to help promote dignity beyond the debate. A version of this campaign was first implemented by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and is a call for all people to civilize our conversations. Visit civilizeit.org for more information, to take the pledge, or plan an opportunity for civil dialogue in your community.

If you are part of a group looking to create an opportunity for civil dialogue in your community, it may be helpful to consider these questions:

- 1. Is our intention to facilitate greater understanding, or merely win a debate?
- 2. Whose voices are we including? Whose are missing? Who else should be invited to the conversation?
- 3. How can we remember our shared human dignity and deescalate the situation when we feel ourselves become tense?
- 4. What guidelines could the group set together that will keep the conversation centered on dialogue instead of debate, and honor the dignity of all people present?

¹ Pope Francis, Jubilee Audience at St. Peter's Square, October 22, 2016.

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