



CHRIST THE KING
CATHOLIC CHURCH
to be known, loved, and sent

SABBATH MASSES
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Saturday:

- ◆ 5 p.m.

Sunday:

- ◆ 8 a.m.
- ◆ 10 a.m.
- ◆ 5 p.m.

DAILY MASSES
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Monday - Friday:

- ◆ 12:10 p.m.

Saturday:

- ◆ 8:15 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday:

- ◆ 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Sunday:

- ◆ 30 minutes before the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Mass

WATCH MASS ON-LINE

Monday - Friday:

- ◆ 11:00 a.m. premiere

Sunday:

- ◆ 8:00 a.m. premiere

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18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied. - Mt 14:19c-20

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Want to become a parishioner?

Stay tuned for the next New Parishioner Orientation. Coffee and donuts will be served.

Bulletin Submissions

Due by end of day Thursday the week prior. Email a brief description to ctkparish@ctkomaha.org.



From Fr. Cook

The Sunday 12 Noon Mass: Our Archbishop has asked all of us priests and parishes to reevaluate what we have been doing in parishes and His Excellency has specifically asked us to discover ways to reclaim Sunday as the Lord's Day. As a Catholic Church, we have, at times, fallen into ruts: like any institution, we might do certain things because, well, that's just what we do. It's our culture. Now is the time to analyze our situation and to put out into the deep, to tackle and implement what promises to be fruitful and to let go of habits or expectations that, frankly, have not yielded holiness, discipleship, or growth through evangelization. How can we make for a better worship experience and center our lives and activities around Sunday?

Couple the Archbishop's commission to reexamine what we have been doing with the reality of the dramatically declining number of priests—over the next 5 years we will lose 20% of our currently active priests; the incredible seating-capacity within our spacious church; the preference to have a more vital experience of worship; and the modest numbers of those attending Mass here at Christ the King before the pandemic and even less now during it, and we should take a second look at our Sunday Masses.

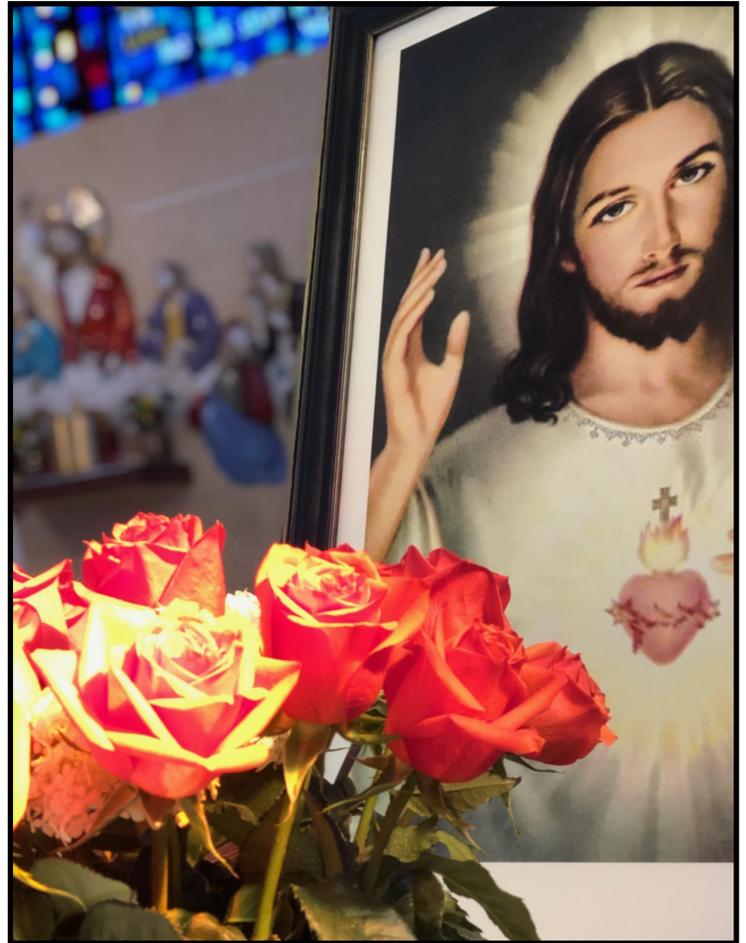
Before the pandemic, we had around a total of 1,050 people attending Mass at Christ the King on a given weekend. Keep in mind that that total is the sum of 5 different Sabbath Masses and that our enormous church, which can hold 1,058 people, could accommodate that entire number of people in just one Mass! That weekend sum, in turn, has changed as a result of coronavirus: the average weekend attendance now stands at 490 people—less than half of our pre-covid numbers.

Total Number of Those at Masses over a Weekend

- 2018: 1,014
- 2019: 1,090
- 2020 (Average total since reopening 5/31): 490

Granted, many are still waiting to return to church because of the illness but the virus doesn't appear to be going away anytime soon. Even if everyone does return and, God willing, in even greater numbers than before, our church could accommodate them five times over.

In light of all of this, I have decided that we are not going to reinstate the 12 noon Sunday Mass. We will offer 4 Sabbath Masses moving forward: the Saturday Vigil Mass at 5 p.m. and Masses at 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Sundays. We will make use of the



On the First Friday of every month we recall the Sacred Heart of Jesus

available time after the 10 a.m. Sunday Masses to alternate between more community events, e.g., Coffee with the King, pancake breakfasts, small groups, etc., and our new method of Religious Education called Family of Faith—I am so excited about this new manner in which parents are equipped and empowered to, in turn, form their own children in the Faith.

In regards to Mass intentions: Since there is no longer a 12 noon Sunday Mass, we have moved those intentions to the private 7 p.m. Saturday evening Mass that is recorded and broadcast for the parishioners at home on Sunday mornings. However, we will not be able to sustain this solution forever. At some point we will need to reschedule any remaining Mass Intentions that would have occurred at the Sunday 12 noon time. I regret this inconvenience but Gretchen Mack will be happy to do what she can to assure that a Mass is still offered for your intentions.

I know this will be a significant change for all those who preferred Sunday Mass at 12 noon. I don't make this alteration lightly or on a whim. I foresee the time in another year or two when we will only have one priest serving at Christ the King. The new schedule of 4 Masses will work with that eventual reality but, more

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importantly, I firmly believe that this change will allow us to offer more faith and community-building opportunities on Sundays and enhance the actual experience of our worship with vitality and greater crowds in our sizable church. It will prepare us and launch us for and into the future.

Confessions: In addition to individual appointments with our priests, the pre-covid times for the sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturdays and Sundays are back in effect and in the confessional rooms in the church: Saturdays, 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sundays, 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. These will be the regular times henceforth.

Reopening Congregation Numbers: To satisfy any curiosity and to help you plan the best experience for yourself and according to your health circumstances, here are the attendance numbers at our recently reopened Sabbath Masses.

- Sat. 5 p.m.: **77** (7/18); **51** (7/25) - AVERAGE: **64**
- 8 a.m.: **103** (5/31); **147** (6/7); **130** (6/14); **150** (6/21); **147** (6/28); **102** (7/5); **103** (7/26) - AVERAGE: **126**
- 10 a.m.: **208** (5/31); **172** (6/7); **168** (6/14); **235** (6/21); **207** (6/28); **169** (7/5); **200** (7/26) - AVERAGE: **194**
- 5 p.m.: **89** (5/31); **85** (6/7); **106** (6/14); **94** (6/21); **101** (6/28); **136** (7/5); **131** (7/26) - AVERAGE: **106**

Congratulations! We offer our many congratulations to Naala Sorrell and to her family as she receives the Sacrament of Confirmation today during our 5 p.m. Sunday Mass. Naala has shown such exceptional faith, steadfast determination and a great desire to receive the fullness of the Spirit. Please encourage her when you see her.

Sound & Vision: The broken power cells in each of our church array speakers were finally repaired and returned to us and installed on July 7th. As a result, we can now move forward with a survey of our acoustics and create a detailed plan for enhanced sound clarity and filming equipment in the church. David Hosbach, president of DSH Audio Visual, will be coming in person to conduct acoustical tests on the weekend of Aug. 15 & 16—it is the soonest he can come.



The Transfiguration by Raphael

Thursday, August 6th, is the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, when Jesus shone in His Divinity and was accompanied by the prophets Elijah and Moses

DSH Audio Visions is a nationally-known independent audio and video design consulting firm with whom I have worked before; I can attest to the quality of their abilities. They are especially good with lively liturgical spaces, like ours, where clear speech is difficult to achieve and they do an excellent job blending and balancing the needs of the spoken word and sacred music, both acoustically performed and technological-reinforced. Lastly, it's imperative to David and his crew that efforts to improve sound clarity and to capture video respect and preserve the integrity of our church's unique architectural beauty.

We will know more after his visit and I will keep in constant communication with you along every step of the way.

From Fr. Cook

Senior Gifts: This has been a unique year for our Christ the King high school graduates with the coronavirus pandemic. So many ceremonies did not occur as usual and many did not have their graduation parties as planned. As we do every year, we are giving our graduating seniors a special gift from the parish—a blessed crucifix that will remind them of Jesus' sacrifice, redemption and love for us. A very special thank you to Ann Grummert, who has graciously volunteered for the second year in a row to deliver these gifts to our seniors. Thank you for sacrificing hours of your time for this important endeavor, Ann! May our brothers and sisters grow in faith, wisdom and friendship as they embark upon this next step.

Gratitude: My many thanks to the humble and hidden souls who add so much beauty to our church's interior and exterior: Patsy Hawkins makes such lovely floral bouquets to adorn the tabernacle and to enliven the sanctuary on solemnities, and the statues of Mary and Joseph; Lynn Bailey has created such exquisite, long-term arrangements for the sanctuary, including gentle pastels for the Easter Season and vibrant colors now during summer; Rebecca Hazel helps to plan out many of our ideas; and Nancy Curbich has been planting and nourishing the many stunning perennials and annuals throughout the campus. Thanks for using your gifts to brighten up our day, our world, and our worship!

Global Leadership Summit: Last year in August many of our Christ the King parishioners and members of our parish team attended the Global Leadership Summit, hosted by the Archdiocese. The Global Leadership Summit, or GLS henceforth, brings together some of the finest minds in business, charity, faith, and the public arena to address key areas of leadership. The event is broadcast live with satellite locations throughout the country and world.

There is an old adage in our Church: "Grace builds on nature." What does that mean? It means that God elevates, perfects, and completes our human nature but we still need to form and develop that same human nature. God can do amazing things with us but not without us. We need to build ourselves up through intellectual, physical, psychological and human formation. There is much to be learned from the experience and insights of proven leaders throughout the



The loving service of parishioners beautifies our campus

world and we always want to serve you better by becoming better people and better leaders.

I received so many graces from attending GLS last year that I wanted to share it with you. My parish Senior Leadership Team hosted various "leadership" nights in the parish last fall to show these same inspirational talks. Later this week, our Parish Center, will serve as the host site for the 2020 event. While the Archdiocese is officially hosting the summit this year, we are considering, under the leadership of parishioner Gregg McMullen, hosting it ourselves next year for all of our teachers, parish team and parishioners. Please say a prayer that it once again stirs up hearts that we might serve others as Christ does.

Marriage Anniversary Celebrations:

Archbishop Lucas invites you to attend the annual Mass honoring marriage on Sept. 20th in Omaha at the Cathedral. This event honors couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60, or more years of marriage. There will be a rosary at 1:30 p.m., and Mass at 2 p.m. Registration is limited to the first 50 couples. Couples who are not able to attend in person can still request to be included in the program by completing the registration form. Please visit <https://archomaha.org/familylife/> for more information.

Pastor's Birthday

Fr. Cook turns 47 this Friday, August 7th.
Please say a prayer for him and wish him well.

Sunday Mass Readings for Today

FIRST READING (Is 55:1-3)

Thus says the LORD: All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat; Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk!

Why spend your money for what is not bread; your wages for what fails to satisfy? Heed me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare.

Come to me heedfully, listen, that you may have life. I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, the benefits assured to David.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18)

R. (cf. 16) The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
The LORD is good to all
and compassionate toward all his works.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

The eyes of all look hopefully to you,
and you give them their food in due season;
you open your hand
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

The LORD is just in all his ways
and holy in all his works.
The LORD is near to all who call upon him,
to all who call upon him in truth.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

SECOND READING (Rom 8:35, 37-39)

Brothers and sisters: What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword? No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us.

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GOSPEL (Mt 14:13-21)

When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns.

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick.

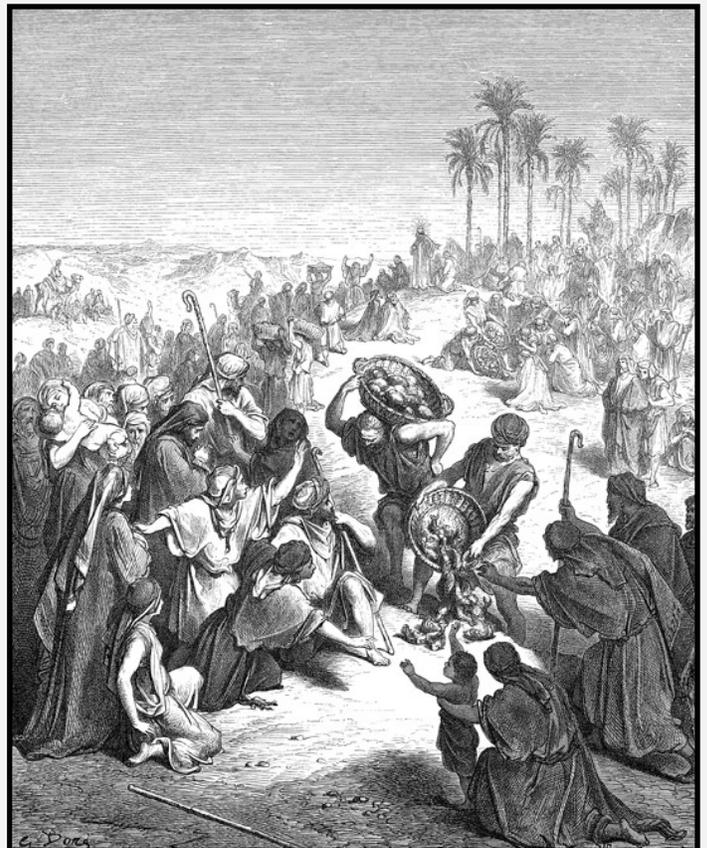
When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said, "This is a deserted place and it is already late; dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves."

Jesus said to them, "There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves."

But they said to him, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have here."

Then he said, "Bring them here to me," and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass.

Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over—twelve wicker baskets full. Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children.



Christ Feeding the Multitude by Gustave Doré

This Week's Readings & Observances

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2ND, 2020

- SUN 8/4** Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/
Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21
- MON 8/5** Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102
[68b]/Mt 14:22-36
- TUES 8/6** Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21,
29 and 22-23 [17]/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2,
10-14
- WED 8/7** Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt
15:21-28
- THRS 8/8** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a, 9a]/2
Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9
- FRI 8/9** Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab,
39abcd, 41 [39c]/Mt 16:24-28
- SAT 8/10** Hb 1:12—2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [11b]/
Mt 17:14-20
- SUN 8/11** 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14
[8]/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2ND, 2020

- SUNDAY:** 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- MONDAY:**
- TUESDAY:** St. John Vianney, Priest
- WEDNESDAY:** The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary
Major
- THURSDAY:** The Transfiguration of the Lord
- FRIDAY:** St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions,
Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest
- SATURDAY:** St. Dominic, Priest
- NEXT SUNDAY:** 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

I HAVE
CALLED YOU
BY NAME,
AND YOU
ARE MINE.

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Mass Intentions

“†” indicates deceased “Intention of” indicates living.

August 3 - Monday

- 8:15 † Deceased Members of the Thomas Fraher Family
12:10 † John T. Langon

August 4 - Tuesday

- 8:15 † John Farrell
12:10 † Neal Grummert

August 5 - Wednesday

- 8:15 † Daniel Peters
12:10 † Eileen Hagerty Irvine

August 6 - Thursday

- 8:15 † Mary Patricia “Patty” McGuire
12:10 † Mary Claire Ringel

August 7 - Friday

- 8:15 † Buddy Kreifels
12:10 For those enrolled in the Masses of Perpetual
Memory at Christ the King Parish

August 8 - Saturday

- 8:15 † Andrew Abrahamsen

Masses for Sunday, August 9

- 5:00 † Charles Ancona
Intention for the Recorded Mass
† Colleen McNamara

August 9 - Sunday

Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

- 8:00 For the People
10:00 † Fran Ambrose
5:00 † Mary Udron

Prayer Intentions



The Micek Family, the Woodard Family and the Bertino Family.

This current list of prayer intentions will last for a month. If you or your loved one should need to be listed for a longer period of time, please contact the rectory.

Military

Let us pray for peace and for all service men and women; especially for those family members of our parishioners who are serving in the Armed Forces: *Andrew Armstrong, James Carl, Alex Dworak, Madelin L, Jonathan L, Joo Lee, Michael Maides, Wyatt Musgrave, Will Spellman, Jonathan Yerby, Harold Sorrell, Jamila Jahic, Nick Shanahan.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
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We have big and exciting news for the Religious Ed program next year. All families are warmly welcomed to join A Family of Faith next fall! The goals of this program are to encourage and equip you to live and teach your children in the Catholic Faith at home. With one adult meeting and one family meeting each month, this program will give you all the knowledge and tools you need to bring your children up in the Faith. Also, with the unknown that covid-19 brings, this program really gives us this opportunity to continue living and learning the faith at home. For more information, contact Christina Sanchez at (402) 391-3624.



Do you have a natural gift of welcoming others? Do you appreciate seeing a smile when you arrive? Share your gift of hospitality! Make this your ministry.

Please go to www.ctkomaha.org/volunteer, and click on the Church Greeter Volunteer button.



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Parish Team

Other Information

Pastor: Fr. Damien Cook

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Benjamin Boyd

Permanent Deacon: Jon Fulcher

Permanent Deacon: Randy Park

Parish Receptionist:

Madeline Jarosik - ext. 200

Business/Finance Director:

Rick Kucirek - ext. 212

Bookkeeper:

Mary Drake - ext. 201

Mass Intentions Coordinator:

Gretchen Mack - ext. 202

Stewardship & Mission

Development Coordinator:

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Rebecca Pietramale-Hazel - ext. 207

Director of Sacred Music &

Liturgical Ministries:

Laura Rau - ext. 210

Facilities Maintenance Supervisor:

Eric Brink - ext. 221

Technology Administrator:

Brandon Odom - ext. 313

Principal of Christ the King School:

Chris Segrell - 402-391-0977

Director of Religious Education &

Sacramental Life:

Christina Sanchez - 402-391-3624

Athletic Director:

Tod Kellen - 402-392-1052

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Registered parishioners please, call 402-391-3624 at least six months in advance to start marriage instructions. Wedding dates are set at the initial meeting with your Priest/Deacon.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Especially before your baby's birth, please sign up and take our baptismal class by calling 402-391-3624.

Sacrament of Holy Orders:

Those discerning a call to the priesthood should contact the parish priest or Rev. Andrew Roza, Vocations Director: 402-558-3100.

Anointing of the Sick:

A healing sacrament for the aged, children seven and over, the seriously or terminally ill. Call the Rectory (402-391-3606).

Parish Support

Budgeted for the week ending July 26th*	\$29,500
Support received	\$29,714
Variance-positive/(negative)	\$214

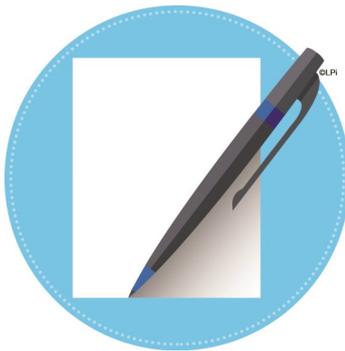
(Through June 30th, 2020)

*Includes Online Giving from the parish website of \$2,155.

*Includes giving by Automatic Withdrawal of \$7,876 on 30th.

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Room Requests



As we begin to open our doors to be used for meetings, gatherings and worship we wanted to remind everyone of the protocols that go with requesting a space on campus.

For any gathering at Christ the King Church we ask you to fill out a request form for a room and give it to our Parish Receptionist. This ensures we have all the needed information when scheduling your event. This also fosters full communication between both parties.

For a form, please visit our website at ctkomaha.org and under the **New Here?** tab you will find another tab labeled **Parish Center**. On this page you will find the link to the needed form. This form can be filled out online and sent to jarosikm@ctkomaha.org or it can be printed, scanned and sent to the same email address above. If you decide to fill it out by hand the form can be slipped underneath the rectory door as our office is still "visit by appointment only" due to COVID-19.

If you have any questions please call our rectory at 402-391-3606 to speak with our receptionist. We appreciate the understanding and help in making our parish more efficient and communicative!

Flock Note



Stay up-to-date with everything that is happening at Christ the King by joining our Flocknote email/text group. Simply go to ctkomaha.org/flocknote, enter in your name, email address, and phone number. You'll receive an email inviting you to our Flocknote group.

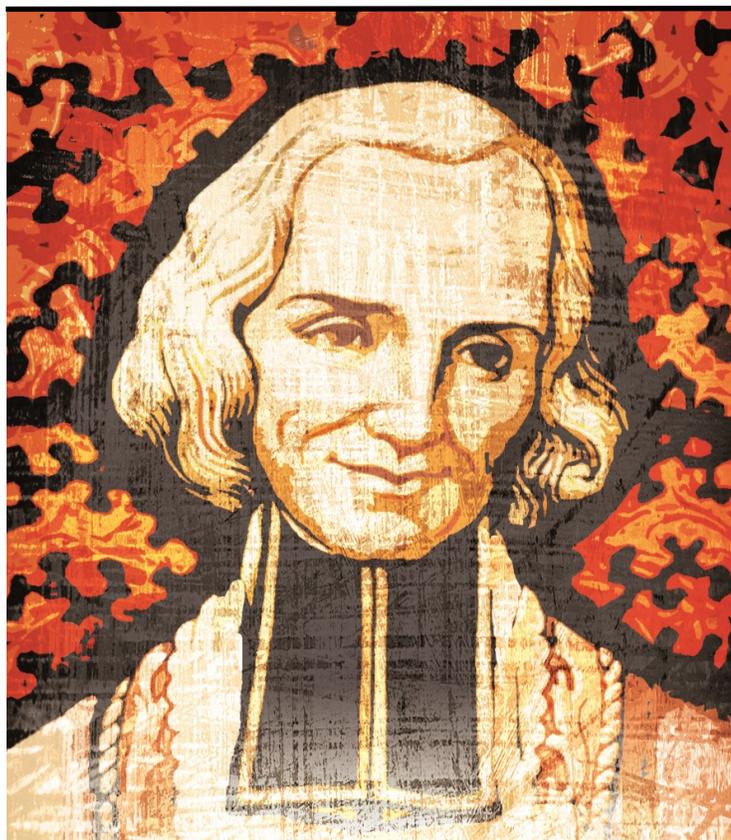
Group leaders at Christ the King can also use Flocknote to communicate with all of their members. If you are a group leader and are interested, please contact Brandon Odom, Technology Administrator, by email at odomb@ctkomaha.org.



Wanting to Become a Parishioner?

Interested in becoming a parishioner at Christ the King?
Go to ctkomaha.org/join and fill out an inquiry form.

WELCOME!



**ONLY AFTER THE LAST
JUDGMENT WILL MARY
GET ANY REST; FROM NOW
UNTIL THEN, SHE IS
MUCH TOO BUSY
WITH HER CHILDREN.**

— ST. JOHN VIANNEY

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YouTube Mass

Mass will continue to be offered on our YouTube channel, Christ the King Omaha, as well as the listed public Mass times until further notice.
You can tune in at youtube.com/user/CTKOmaha



Monday - Friday:

- ◆ 11:00 a.m. premiere

Sunday:

- ◆ 8:00 a.m. premiere

Be Not Afraid Holy Hour

Sunday, August 2, 2020

Theme:

The Parent's Mission: Passing on the Faith

Reflection:

Our Greatest Responsibility - Featuring Patty Schneier sharing 6 Principles: Example of personal prayer; deepen our relationship with the Lord through the Sacraments, especially through Confession and Mass; living the virtues; learning the faith; sharing our faith; and service beginning in the home and then to others (small random acts of kindness). This hour includes the recitation of the Rosary and availability of the Sacrament of Reconciliation when a Confessor is present.



Nocturnal Adoration

The next meeting for the Nocturnal Adoration Society will be the weekend of September 12th-13th.

All are welcome to attend any of the eight hours starting at 10:30 PM on Saturday night and continuing until 5:30am Sunday morning. This liturgy is very profound and we encourage all to join.

For more information please contact George Wanek, 402-391-1827

**ADORATION
OF THE EUCHARIST**





CATHOLIC
BUSINESS
GROUP
LEADING WITH FAITH

MONTHLY LUNCH MEETING

WHEN

Thurs., August 20, 2020
11:30am

WHERE

Champions Club

13800 Eagle Run Drive, Omaha, NE 68164

COST

FREE - FOR MEMBERS
\$ 20.00 - NON-MEMBERS

RSVP - ONLINE SEARCH FOR CATHOLIC BUSINESS GROUP OMAHA

MISSION

As Catholic men and women in the business world, we are called to live our faith at work, home and play, sharing the joy and peace received through Christ and a Christian Community.

FEATURED LUNCH SPEAKER

Eric Crawford,
Heart Ministry Center



TOPIC

CORE VALUES Guide
us in **LIFE & WORK...**

How examples of
God's compassion
and purpose have
established strong
Core Values in his
life and work!

ATTEND

Network & socialize
with like-minded
business leaders
in the Omaha metro
area.