

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11th 2020



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

SABBATH MASSES

Saturday:

- ♦ 5 p.m.

Sunday:

- ♦ 8 a.m.
- ♦ 10 a.m.
- ♦ 5 p.m.

DAILY MASSES

Monday - Friday:

- ♦ 12:10 p.m.
- ♦ 8:15 a.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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28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come to the feast." - Mt 22:4bc

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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.

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From Fr. Cook

Parish Leaders' Summit: On January 8th of this year, I called a first-time summit for the members of all of our parish's councils, committees, boards, and officers of key apostolates and groups to unite and harness their collective talents and strengths for the sake of our parish mission. At that meeting, we announced a theme for the whole parish and all her various efforts and groups: **The Year of Hospitality**. Then Covid struck.

With businesses shut down, remote learning for students, and even our houses of worship emptied, the world took a phenomenal spin. Yet, in the midst of the hardship, the actual practice of hospitality remained and grew as people found creative ways to reach out to senior citizens through FaceTime and glass windows, parishioners called one another, and many learned for the first time how to Zoom in order to conduct meetings.

As a parish, we called our most vulnerable, offered liturgies on-line and conducted safe events to bring hope and community in the midst of isolation. I am proud to say that our students are back in school, our councils, boards and committees have resumed their good work (if they even ever stopped), and our church is reopened for worship.

As we cautiously and incrementally move back to greater normality, we are resuming our previous discussion and the further development of hospitality in our entire parish by launching our second **Christ the King Parish Leaders' Summit on Wed., Oct. 21, in our Parish Center**. I recently sent out invitation emails or physical letters to all those currently serving as members in these parish groups with details about the meeting and how to register. There will be ample

room for social distancing for all of our parish leaders to safely attend.

While this summit is composed of formal representatives from the parish, **EVERYONE in our parish is a leader!** Using our gifts, personalities and connections, each one of us can accompany, teach and bring out the best in another person. That's what a leader does and that's what we're all called to do as Christians. Please pray for a fruitful meeting, and for the grace for each one of us to take the lead by growing daily in the virtue of hospitality.

Reopening Congregation Numbers: To help you plan the best experience for yourself, here are the attendance totals and trends of our Sabbath Masses over the last 5 weeks:

- **Sat. 5 p.m.:** 92 (8/22); 75 (9/5); 84 (9/12); 88 (9/26); 81 (10/3) - **AVERAGE: 84**
- **Sun. 8 a.m.:** 161 (8/23); 136 (9/6); 154 (9/13); 154 (9/27); 150 (10/4) - **AVERAGE: 151**
- **Sun. 10 a.m.:** 254 (8/23); 218 (9/6); 238 (9/13); 233 (9/27); 216 (10/4) - **AVERAGE: 232**
- **Sun. 5 p.m.:** 114 (8/23); 121 (9/6); 119 (9/13); 133 (9/27); 120 (10/4) - **AVERAGE: 121**

Fr. Boyd Away on Retreat: Please pray for Fr. Boyd while he is on his annual retreat. He is away Oct. 5-13 on a silent retreat with the Institute for Priestly Formation (IPF).



2020-2021 Members of the Christ the King Pastoral Council

FIRST ROW: Matt Moore (Vice-pres.), Christine French, Jan Braun, Kay Abrahamsen, Joe Gronewold (Sec.), Scott DiLorenzo, Ted Franco;

SECOND ROW: Jamie Peters (Pres.), Melissa Wallich, Jennifer Vasko (P. Club Rep.) - *[members momentarily removed their masks for the photo]*

NOT PICTURED: John Pflug, Scott Strunc, Colleen White

From Fr. Cook

Fall Festival Delay: At the end of September we customarily celebrate our annual Fall Festival that benefits the works of our Parents' Club. Because of the unpredictability of Covid-related health measures, we could not carry it out at its normal time this year but we hope to offer something in the spring of next year. Thanks to everyone who has recently and generously given underwriting support to the Parents' Club—even without the festival—so that the club can still help our school.



Clerical Misconduct: It gives me no pleasure to print the official statement below from the Archdiocese but it must be done out of the paramount importance of protecting children and for healing and justice for the victims of any clerical abuse. Please pray for all those involved, both living and deceased. Come, Lord of justice and mercy.

From the Archdiocese of Omaha: In late September, the archdiocese concluded an investigation into allegations of sexual misconduct with minors against a deceased priest, Fr. Theodore "Ted" Richling, Jr. The investigation was in response to an allegation we received earlier this summer. Fr. Richling died in 2019.

The conclusion of the investigation led to the substantiation of multiple instances of sexual misconduct with minors. This matter has been referred to the Douglas County Attorney.

- Fr. Richling was assigned as Associate Pastor of Christ the King Parish in Omaha from 1978-1981.

The Archdiocese of Omaha remains committed to the protection of young people and vulnerable adults, the prevention of abuse, healing for victims of abuse and cooperating with civil authorities. Anyone concerned about the actions of a member of the clergy or any church worker should contact law enforcement.

Mary Beth Hanus, the Director of Victim Outreach and Prevention for the archdiocese, is available to meet with persons affected by misconduct and abuse by members of the Church. She can be reached at (402) 827-3798 or by email at mbhanus@archomaha.org.



Jennifer Heithoff, the Reading Specialist for Christ the King School, receives the prestigious Educator of the Year Award on Sept. 24, 2020



Fr. Boyd and Fr. Cook conduct the prayer service for the annual Blessing of the Animals on Sept. 26, 2020



The Espejo family & their dog win the raffle prize at the pet blessing

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Readings

FIRST READING (IS 25:6-10A)

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines. On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples, the web that is woven over all nations; he will destroy death forever.

The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face; the reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the LORD has spoken. On that day it will be said: "Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us!

This is the LORD for whom we looked; let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!" For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (PS 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6)

R. (6cd) I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul.

He guides me in right paths
for his name's sake.
Even though I walk in the dark valley
I fear no evil; for you are at my side
with your rod and your staff
that give me courage.

You spread the table before me
in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
for years to come.

SECOND READING (PHIL 4:12-14, 19-20)

Brothers and sisters: I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me. Still, it was kind of you to share in my distress.

My God will fully supply whatever you need, in ac-

cord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.
To our God and Father, glory forever and ever.
Amen.

GOSPEL (MT 22:1-14 OR 22:1-10)

Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come.

A second time he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast."' Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business. The rest laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them.

The king was enraged and sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.'

The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests."



The Marriage of Cana by Gustave Doré

This Week's Readings & Observances

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11th, 2020

- SUN 10/11** Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10
- MON 10/12** Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 [cf. 2]/Lk 11:29-32
- TUES 10/13** Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48 [41a]/Lk 11:37-41
- WED 10/14** Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Lk 11:42-46
- THRS 10/15** Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2a]/Lk 11:47-54
- FRI 10/16** Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13 [12]/Lk 12:1-7
- SAT 10/17** Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7 [7]/Lk 12:8-12
- SUN 10/18** Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 [7b]/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11th, 2020

- SUNDAY:** 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- MONDAY:** Columbus Day
- TUESDAY:**
- WEDNESDAY:** St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr
- THURSDAY:** St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
- FRIDAY:** St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin
- SATURDAY:** St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr
- NEXT SUNDAY:** 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday



Mass Intentions

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

October 12 - Monday

- 8:15 † Helen and James Bonebrake
12:10 Intentions of Gayle and Tom Heldridge

October 13 - Tuesday

- 8:15 † Father Ted Richling
12:10 † Fran Ambrose

October 14 - Wednesday

- 8:15 Intentions of James E. Schanbacher
12:10 † Renae VonTersch

October 15 - Thursday

- 8:15 Living and Deceased Members of the Mike Mooney Family
12:10 † Ramona Bennerfield

October 16 - Friday

- 8:15 † Deceased Members of the Thomas Fraher Family
12:10 † Daniel Manning

October 17 - Saturday

- 8:15 † Karen Uher

Masses for Sunday, October 18

- 5:00 For the People (Fr. Cook)
Living and Deceased Members of Catholic Daughters (Fr. Boyd - Private Mass)

October 18 - Sunday

Twenty-ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

- 8:00 † Vito Privitera
10:00 † Oral “Jim” Olson
5:00 Increase in Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Religious Life

Prayer Intentions



The Duran Family, the Olson Family and the Desmet Family.

This current list of prayer intentions lasts 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.

Baby Bottle Drive

Christ the King parishioners, we have an opportunity to assist Essential Pregnancy Service (EPS)! EPS is sponsoring a baby bottle campaign the weekends of October 17, 18 through October 31, November 1.

Please consider participating by picking up a baby bottle the weekend of October 17, 18 and during the two week period filling it with your loose change and return the baby bottle on the weekend of October 31, November 1.

The mission of EPS is to support mothers and their unborn babies. Please prayerfully consider helping them.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Christ the King Knights of Columbus Council 5045 will be hosting a Parish Breakfast after the 8 and 10 o'clock Masses on Sunday October 11th.

Our menu will feature delicious pancakes, french toast, bacon, sausage, eggs and tater tots.

Adults can eat for \$8.00, children from 5-12 are \$5.00, under 5 are free and families of 4 or more are \$25.00. Proceeds to benefit the Madonna School.



Fall Festival Underwriting - LAST CALL!

All parish families should have received a letter requesting Fall Festival Underwriting donations. While the Fall Festival has been postponed, the Parents Club depends on the funds generated from the event to support projects at Christ the King School.

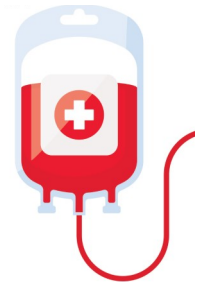


Many thanks to those who have generously responded already. Thanks to you, we've already raised **\$42,975!** We'd really like to reach our **GOAL of \$52,000**, and it is our hope to have **100% participation** from our school families. No amount is too small! Please prayerfully consider what you can do to help our wonderful school today.

You can go to ctkomaha.org/fallfestival to make a donation or send your check to the rectory at Christ the King Church, 654 S. 86th St., Omaha, NE 68114, attn: Lori Dvorak.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus and Red Cross will host the Third annual Bill Cihal Memorial Blood Drive on Sunday, October 18th from 7:30 AM until 1:30 PM. Bill was a lifelong blood donor, an active parishioner for 55 yrs and a loyal Knight for 32 yrs. With Covid limiting the number of blood drives your help is needed more than ever.



Encourage your family members, friends and neighbors to help out! The bloodmobile will be located in the North parking lot with registration in the North hallway. Here is a handy link to the sign up: <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time> or call Rob Anderson at 402.578.3804 for more information.

Parish Team

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:

Lori Dvorak - ext. 214

Parish Center Manager:

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:

Other Information

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Registered parishioners, 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

Parish Support

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| Budgeted for the week ending October 4th* | \$31,250 |
| Support received | \$28,255 |
| Variance-positive/(negative) | \$(2,995) |
| Fiscal Year 7/1/2020 — 6/30/2021 | |
| Year to date Budget Giving | \$400,250 |
| Year to date Support | \$374,692 |
| Variance—positive /(negative) | \$(25,558) |

(Through June 30th, 2021)

*Includes Online Giving from the parish website of \$1,428.

*Includes Automatic Withdrawal of \$4,927 on 1st.

World Missions Sunday



Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities.

Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Recently you received a letter from Archbishop Lucas inviting your support of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Please give prayerful consideration to your response. Our financial goal for this year's Annual Appeal is \$174,265 and our participation goal is 28%. Together, through the help of the Holy Spirit, we will create a culture of unity, evangelization, leadership and mercy.



Family of Faith & Sacraments Corner

October Community Meeting:

Sunday, October 18th, at 11:35 a.m.

(PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE!)

Location: TBD

November Adult Meeting:

Sunday, October 25th, at 11:15 a.m.

Location: Parish Center

November Community Meeting:

Sunday, November 15th, at 11:15 a.m.

Location: Parish Center

December Adult Meeting:

Sunday, November 29th, at 11:15

Location: Parish Center



**SACRAMENT
INFORMATION**

First Communion Meeting

Wednesday, November 18, 2020
at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center

Please turn in the First Reconciliation and Communion Information form to Christina Sanchez by November 18

Confirmation

8th Grade Confirmation Retreat: October 19
(This retreat is for ALL of our Confirmandi to be confirmed on Nov 22)

I need the help of five adult women and three adult men to lead small groups, and help from ten high school girls and six high school boys for the confirmation retreat on Monday, October 19. We will also have an evening of training and adoration on Thursday, October 15. Please contact Christina Sanchez if God puts it on your heart to volunteer!

Confirmation Rehearsal

Saturday, November 21, at 9:30 am

Confirmation Masses

Sunday, November 22, 2020 at 12:00 pm

Sunday, November 22, 2020 at 2:30 pm

Eyes on Education

How do we do it?

With a lot of GREAT help!

Have you ever called the school to report a sick kiddo? Found yourself frantically searching for information on an event and called to ask? Did your Microsoft teams go on the fritz in 4th quarter? Are you guided by cones in the parking lot so our kids are safe? Does your child receive a warm lunch each day? Do your kids have textbooks, desks and chairs at school? Do you pick your kids up after 4p.m. daily and find them happy and homework finished? If you answered 'Yes!' to any or all of these questions, then your life has been touched by our AWESOME support staff!

When you walk in or call in to Christ the King Catholic School your first encounter is going to be with either Ms. Julie Travis or Mrs. Cheri Andrews. And 9 times out of 10 you are going to get what you need!

Mrs. Cheri Andrews is a parish member and all of her children are Christ the King graduates. If it happens at our school, chances are Mrs. Andrews put it on the calendar and emailed our families to let them know. This year she has added a layer to her days with special attention being paid to illness in families, who is being tested, and thinking through the implications of that information. Our families know, trust and love Mrs. Andrews.

Ms. Travis might be on the phone when you call, but that is only a fraction of all she does! Transcripts, student information cards, health cards, and lunch counts fill her mornings. Taking temps, washing playground scrapes and handing out those special tooth necklaces fill her days. This year we added temperature screening at the middle school entrance, a lunch duty, a recess duty and washing masks! Whew.

With remote learning options and classes taking place this year one guy we all lean on a bit more is Mr. Brandon Odom. He spends his summers updating all our technology and preparing for the school year ahead. He spends his school days answering panicked teacher emails and texts and racing in and out of classrooms to assist teachers and students. Even our students know if there is a problem, "Did you ask Mr. Odom?" is a good place to start. Social media, email and video communication and building a sound booth for recording are all tasks that keep Mr. Odom hopping.

Building a preschool, two new offices and maintaining our school seemed like big tasks for facilities director Mr. Eric Brink. We told him that after the summer of 2019 we were going to back off of him a bit. WRONG! Screening stations made from plexiglass, a laundry room for masks, storage space for teacher items moved to make more classroom space, ordering and hauling hand sanitizer and disinfectant solution, well, let's just say he didn't have a lighter load in the summer of 2020.





Last year Ms. Barbara Scamperino joined our team and took over the cafeteria. She jumped in and learned on the job, getting our kiddos their lunches and coordinating parent volunteers. It was a tough task, but she never wavered. We kept telling her that her second year would be so much easier! HA! This year she is not only directing food, but also traffic! Three lunch carts and a milk cart go rolling out to classrooms four times a day! Ms. Scamperino does it all with a smile!

Often times at the end of a long day at school Ms. Maureen Martin's face is the last one I see before leaving campus. I drag myself downstairs to get my kids and I'm always greeted with a smile. I bet you are too. When my kids were younger often times they didn't want to leave! Ms. Martin creates a fun and welcoming atmosphere for our kids. Disney tunes and dancing, homework help, outdoor play time, new games to play are all part of the extended care experience.

There is not a textbook, nor a piece of furniture in the school building, that Mrs. Sally Juliano doesn't have something to do with. If you're a teacher and you need: books, desks, tables, magazine or online subscriptions and much more, you need Mrs. Juliano. She knows the best place to get each item and she makes sure it gets here on time and in good order. Summer is her busiest time so she really does work her magic behind the scenes.

Last January as our preschool blossomed we added some much need help to care for our littlest learners. Ms. Ann Brammer joined us and lightened the load for our pre-K teachers. Before coming to Christ the King School Ms. Brammer worked with students at the Madonna school. She ends her days helping in the aftercare program and we are so glad to have her.

Our school community truly is special. While we often focus on the quality and caring teachers or our fantastic families, we couldn't manage a single day without those behind the scenes. Next time you call the school, send an email, see Mr. Brink setting out those cones, or any other daily task that makes our lives easier, say "Thank you!" We are blessed by those that help us every day in big and small ways.

Amy Becker , Assistant Principal of Christ the King School

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.

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, November 1st, 2020

Theme:

A Formula for Healing -
Consecration Novena

Reflection:

Reflect on the life of Pope John Paul II and his courage which is an example for our lives.

God sees in each of us the person that we can be in overcoming our weaknesses. This hour includes the recitation of the Rosary and availability of the Sacrament of Reconciliation when a Confessor is present.



Nocturnal Adoration

The Nocturnal Adoration Society hours for September are the weekend of November 7th-8th.

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.

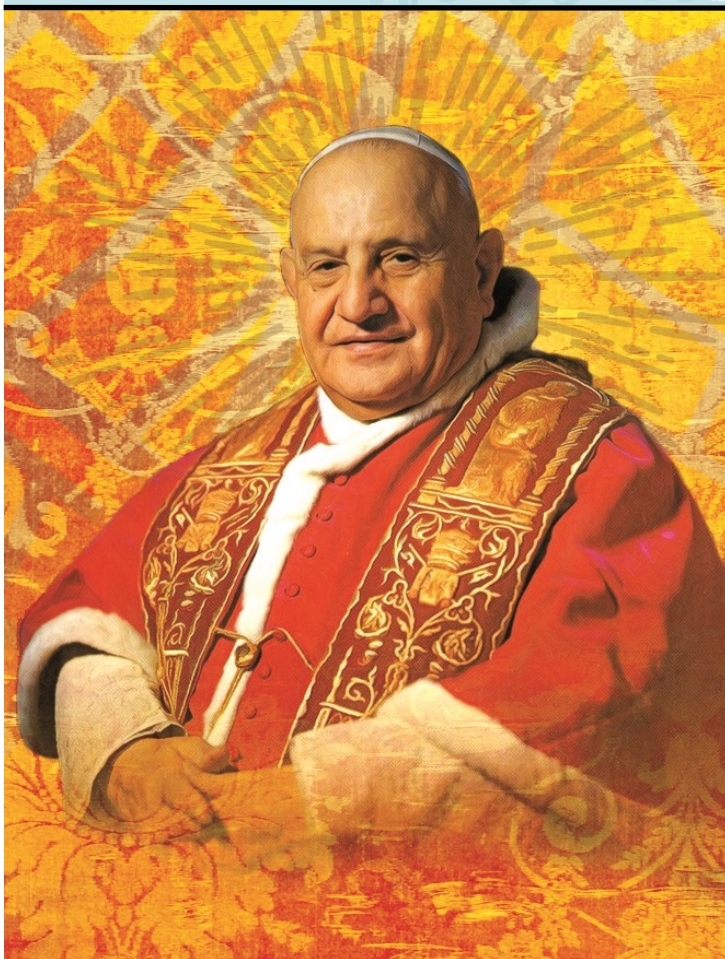
This liturgy is very profound and we encourage all to join.

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

**ADORATION
OF THE EUCHARIST**



WELCOME!



ST. JOHN XXIII

OCTOBER 11TH

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