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THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS



Jesus said to Nicodemus: "No one has gone up to heaven except the one who has come down from heaven, the Son of Man." For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. - Jn 3:13, 17

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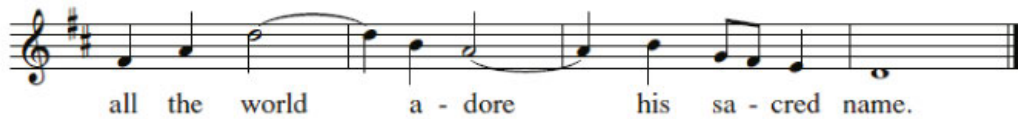
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THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS—WORSHIP AID

Lift High the Cross



1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where the Mas - ter trod, our
2. Led on their way by this tri - um-phant sign, the
3. Each new - born fol - l'wer of the Cru - ci - fied bears
4. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo-rious tree, your
5. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be: praise



King vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
 on the brow the seal of him who died.
 death has bought us life e - ter - nal - ly.
 to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Text: 1 Corinthians 1:18; George W. Kitchin, 1827-1912, and Michael R. Newbolt, 1874-1956, alt.
 Tune: CRUCIFER, 10 10 with refrain; Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875-1947
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The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only-begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

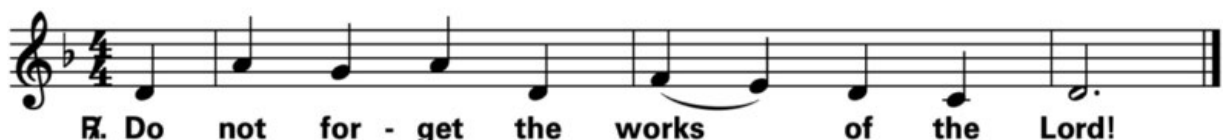
First Reading: Numbers 21:4b-9

With their patience worn out by the journey, the people complained against God and Moses, “Why have you brought us up from Egypt to die in this desert, where there is no food or water? We are disgusted with this wretched food!”

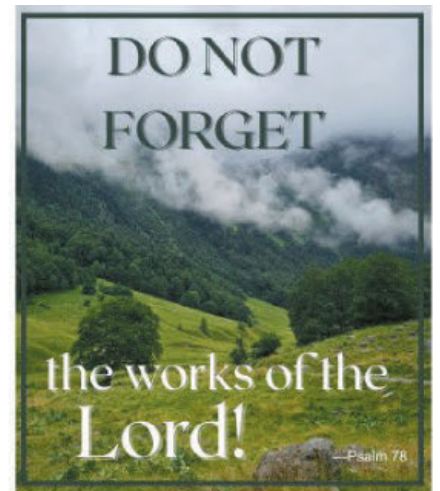
In punishment the LORD sent among the people saraph serpents, which bit the people so that many of them died. Then the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned in complaining against the LORD and you. Pray the LORD to take the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people, and the LORD said to Moses, “Make a saraph and mount it on a pole, and if any who have been bitten look at it, they will live.” Moses accordingly made a bronze serpent and mounted it on a pole, and whenever anyone who had been bitten by a serpent looked at the bronze serpent, he lived.

The word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Responsorial Psalm: 78



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Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Brothers and sisters: Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel: John 3:13-17

Jesus said to Nicodemus: “No one has gone up to heaven except the one who has come down from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.”

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

[Bow] *and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

O BREATHE ON ME, O BREATH OF GOD

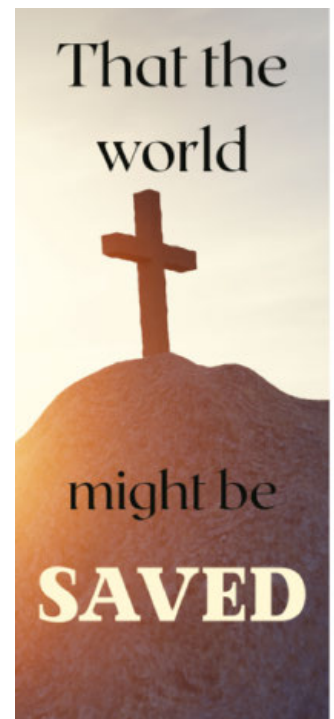
ST. COLUMBA

1. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, Fill
2. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, Un -
3. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, My
4. O breathe on me, O Breath of God, So

1. me with life a - new, That I may love the
2. til my heart is pure; Un - til my will is
3. will to yours in - cline, Un - til this self - ish
4. I shall nev - er die, But live with you the

1. things you love, And do what you would do.
2. one with yours, To do and to en - dure.
3. part of me Glows with your fire di - vine.
4. per - fect life For all e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: CM; Edwin Hatch, 1835–1889, alt. Music: trad. Irish.



WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH

Mass of Renewal
Curtis Stephan



UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT

Bob Hurd

Refrain

Un-less a grain of wheat fall to the ground and die, it re -
mains a sin - gle grain. But if it die

Verses

it will yield a rich har - vest. 1. In his own bod -
2. Do not draw back

1. y, by his own wounds, he brought your
2. now, do not be shy. Turn not a -

1. sins to the cross, and suf-fer'd for you;
2. way - from him who paid the price.

1. pour'd out his life - blood up-on the tree,
2. Come to his ta - ble, sit by his side.

to Refrain

1. pour'd out his life - blood for you and for me.
2. There he a-waits you: the Lord — of Life.

Text: Based on John 12:24 and George Herbert's *Love Bade Me Welcome*, adapted by Bob Hurd.
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I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

(Come and Follow Me)

Steve Angrisano and Tom Booth

Refrain 1

I am the Bread of Life, I am the hope in night, I am the door wide
o - pen, I am the shep - herd's might, I am the truth and light, I
am the way and life, I Am Who Am and I am for you: Come and fol - low me.

Refrain 2

I am bread for the world, hope for the hope - less. Come to me, and know that I'll al -
- ways be there with my arms o - pen wide. I
Am Who Am and I am for you: Come and fol - low me.

Bridge: I give my heart to those in sorrow, I come to those who are in need; Hope for today and for tomorrow,
Light for all who want to see.

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TAKE UP OUR CROSS

Curtis Stephan, Sarah Hart, and Marc Byrd

Verse 1

1. Behold the wood that bears our name;
behold the nails that hold our sin.

The tree from which salvation blooms;
the death by which we're born again.

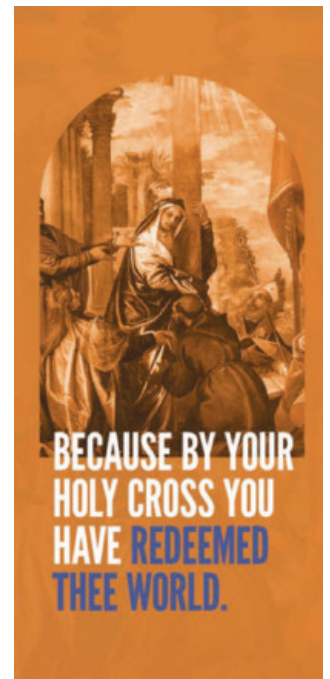
Refrain

We take up our cross and fol - low him; we lay down our lives
that we might live. We car-ry the hope of Christ with - in;
we take up our cross and fol - low him.

Verse 2

2. We embrace the sacrifice,
and walk the path we cannot see.

The burdens of this world made light;
by blood and thorn we are redeemed.



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LITURGICAL LIFE

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

SATURDAY	September 13—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 4:00 pm † Angelo Cilenti, Sr. (Jim & Craig)
SUNDAY	September 14—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 9:00 am The people of Christ the King Parish 11:00 am † Shawn R. Neville (Sandy & Jeffrey Witte)
MONDAY	September 15—Our Lady of Sorrows 8:00 am † Frank Calandra, Jr. (Karl A. “Tony” Calandra)
WEDNESDAY	September 17—Weekday in Ordinary Time 8:00 am † Edward Divers (Divers Family)
FRIDAY	September 19—Weekday in Ordinary Time 8:00 am † Malone Family (John & Patricia Conte)
SATURDAY	September 20—25TH Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 pm † Jeff Marmarella (Family)
SUNDAY	September 21—25TH Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am † Pam Golla (Jim Morrissey) 11:00 am † Loraine Murphey (Linda Suggs, sister)

SAINT MARY CHURCH

SUNDAY	September 14—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 11:30 am † Pat Markelewicz (Jim & Marlene Stack)
SATURDAY	September 20—25TH Sunday in Ordinary Time 2:00 pm Wedding of Bridget Synan & Christopher Cavlovich
SUNDAY	September 21—25TH Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:30 am † Marion & Marjorie Gerardi (Maryanna & Family)

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday—September 14		
Numbers 21:4b-9	Philippians 2:6-11	John 3:13-17
Monday—September 15		
1 Timothy 2:1-8		John 19:25-27
Tuesday—September 16		
1 Timothy 3:1-13		Luke 7:11-17
Wednesday—September 17		
1 Timothy 3:14-16		Luke 7:31-35
Thursday—September 18		
1 Timothy 4:12-16		Luke 7:36-50
Friday—September 19		
1 Timothy 6:2c-12		Luke 8:1-3
Saturday—September 20		
1 Timothy 6:13-16		Luke 8:4-15
Sunday—September 21		
Amos 8:4-7	1 Timothy 2:1-8	Luke 16:1-13

SAINT SCHOLASTICA CHURCH

SATURDAY	September 13—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 5:00 pm † Peter Koppel (May Koppel)
SUNDAY	September 14—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 9:30 am † Mary Cray Sheedy (Maureen O’Brien)
TUESDAY	September 16—SS. Cornelius & Cyprian 10:00 am † Shawn Neville (Diane S. Hupp, friend)
WEDNESDAY	September 17—Weekday in Ordinary Time 10:00 am † James Sr. & Yvonne Davidson (Renee Davidson)
THURSDAY	September 18—Weekday in Ordinary Time 10:00 am † Louis & Gertrude Panza (Family)
SATURDAY	September 20—25TH Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 pm † John R. “Jack” Schafer (Family)
SUNDAY	September 21—25TH Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 am The people of Christ the King Parish

SAINT EDWARD CHURCH

SUNDAY	September 14—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 8:00 am † Albert Biernesser (Marie & Family)
FRIDAY	September 19—Weekday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am † Michael Zatawski (Favo-Zatawski Family)
SUNDAY	September 21—25TH Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 am † Rose Tedesco (Lawrence John)

MADONNA OF JERUSALEM CHURCH

TUESDAY	September 16—SS. Cornelius & Cyprian 9:00 am † Dino Cozza (Vinicia Schiavone)
THURSDAY	September 18—Weekday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am † Helen Follweiler (Debbie & Brian McTiernan)

REST IN PEACE

Paul Rice • September 4, 2025
Vincent Ranalli • September 4, 2025

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Emily Jane Juran • September 7, 2025

TABERNACLE VIGIL CANDLE

Week of September 14

St. Joseph Church: † Patricia Dolan (Curilla Family)

A LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

The Child in Church

The late great humorist Erma Bombeck told the story of what happened to her in church one Sunday. . . .

I was intent on a small child who was turning around and smiling at everyone. He wasn't gurgling, spitting, humming, kicking, tearing the hymnals, or rummaging through his mother's handbag. He was just smiling.

Finally, his mother jerked him about and in a stage whisper that could be heard in a little theater off Broadway said, "Stop that grinning! You're in church!" With that, she gave him a belt and, as the tears rolled down his cheek, she added, "That's better," and returned to her prayers.

We sing, make a joyful noise unto the Lord while our faces reflect the sadness of one who has just buried a rich aunt who left everything to her pregnant hamster.

Suddenly I was angry. It occurred to me the entire world is in tears, and if you're not, then you'd better get with it. I wanted to grab this child with the tear-stained face close to me and tell him about my God, the happy God, the smiling God, the God who had to have a sense of humor to have created the likes of us.

I wanted to tell him that our God is an understanding God, who understands little children who turn around and smile in church, and even curious little children who rummage through their mother's handbags. I wanted to tell that little child that I too have taken a few lumps for daring to smile in an otherwise solemn religious setting.

By tradition, I suppose, one wears faith with the solemnity of a mourner, the mask of tragedy. What a fool, I thought, this woman sitting next to the only sign of hope—the only miracle—left in our civilization. If that child couldn't smile in church, where was there left to go?

"Man can live about forty days without food, about three days without water, about eight minutes without air . . . but for only one second without hope."

Hal Lindsey

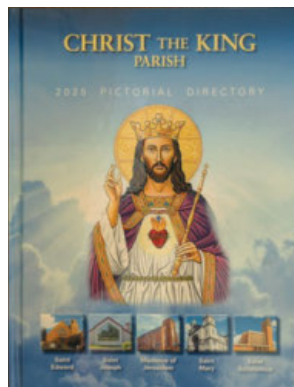


Prayers for Pope Leo XIV: The mantle of leadership of the universal Catholic Church was laid on the shoulders of Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost on May 8, 2025, at the tender young age of 69 years. His 70TH birthday is on Sunday, September 14TH, the feast day of the Exaltation of the Cross. As a disciple of Jesus Christ, Pope Leo is called to carry his cross.

May the Lord be his strength as he lives the Gospel and urges all of us to do the same.

Catechetical Sunday: To teach the faith . . . to learn the faith . . . to know the faith . . . to live the faith. It is all the basis of catechesis. Young children, teen-agers, young adults, and those well along in life—all must be engaged in a lifetime of faith formation.

The theme for this catechetical year is: *"Always be ready to give an explanation . . . for a reason for your hope"* (1 Peter 3:15). The catechists of Christ the King Parish will be in attendance at the 11:00 o'clock Mass next Sunday, September 21, in Saint Joseph Church. All parents and their children and teen-agers who are part of the **Family Faith Formation Program** are encouraged to attend. An informal presentation will follow in the social hall after the Mass.



The **2025 Parish Pictorial Directory** arrived on August 8, 2025. We have been distributing it every weekend since. There are 509 individual photos in the directory; 427 of the directories have been picked up. Hopefully the remaining 82 will soon find their owners. This past week phone calls were made to them as a reminder.

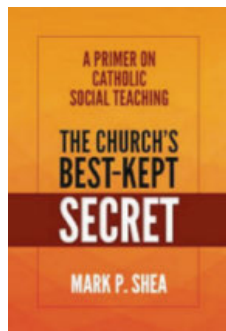
At our request, the company who assembled the directory for Christ the King Parish (Universal Church Directories) did an overrun of 100 copies. If you are interested in having a **2025 Parish Pictorial Directory**, you are welcome to have one for a \$10 donation. You may get your directory in the vestibule of church after Mass or at the administrative office of the parish located at Saint Joseph Church.

Weekly Mass Attendance: The number of people in attendance at Saturday/Sunday Mass during the summer weeks often dips due to time away for vacation and other travel plans. It's a healthy thing to change the routine of life and get away for relaxation and play. Hopefully, many parishioners of Christ the King Parish were able to do so.

Now that the school year has resumed and the hottest days of summer are behind us, everyone is encouraged *to rediscover, reconnect and recommit to all that is good and holy*. To that end, an active participation in the weekly celebration of Mass and the Holy Eucharist must be of first importance. No excuses, no reason for missing. A spiritual routine of prayer before the Lord and in the presence of the faith community is definitely good for the soul. And it is especially important for our young people, who need to learn the necessity of going to Mass every week. They will learn that best from the good example of their parents.

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

The annual Bishop's Education Fund collection will be taken up this weekend, September 13-14. Since the fund was established in 1995, more than \$26.8 million has been raised. In the past 30 years, approximately \$27 million in assistance has been given to over 55,000 children from nearly every parish in the diocese. Many students in our Diocese want a Catholic school education, but a number of those students can only do so with financial assistance. The Bishop's Education Fund makes such assistance available.



The Church's Best-Kept Secret is a short primer which lays out the basics of Catholic social teaching in an accessible way. Writing in everyday language for the non-scholar, Mark Shea concisely describes the roots of Catholic social teaching in Scripture and Tradition and gives simple, practical examples of how it works in ordinary life. Our online study of Shea's book will meet via Zoom on six

Thursday evenings, September 18 to October 23, from 7:30 to 8:45. Whether you are conservative or liberal in politics and economics, this book is likely to challenge your thinking. Register via Flocknote at <https://ctkpgph.flocknote.com/signup/224512>, or use the QR code. Note that you will be responsible for obtaining your own copy of the book, which is available online as a paperback, e-book, or audiobook from Audible. The price varies. There is no cost for the sessions themselves. Join us and get in on the secret!



Tennis Shoe Recycling: The Fox Chapel Garden Club is collecting used sneakers and putting them to good use via the NIKE Reuse-A-Shoe program. Look for collection boxes in the church entrances now through September 25. Your old sneakers will be recycled and used to build tennis courts, playgrounds, and running tracks. Gently used sneakers will be donated to Second Harvest and The Free Store. Cleats cannot be accepted.

Adult Initiation Update: We are pleased to announce that Bryce Hensor was received into the full communion of the Catholic Church at Saint Joseph Church last Sunday. Bryce, baptized in the Presbyterian Church, works for the USGA, and spent the last couple of years preparing for the U.S. Open at Oakmont last summer. Now, he and his fiancée, Annie Barie, are looking forward to their wedding later this month in Pinehurst, NC. They have bought a home in Verona. Please pray for Bryce and welcome him into our Catholic community! If you know someone who may be interested in becoming a Catholic Christian, please invite her or him to come to our Sunday liturgy with you. If they would like more information, encourage them to contact Andrew Bechman on



Bryce (left) and his sponsor, Rob Barie

the parish staff. We will be happy to help them become more acquainted with the life of the Catholic community and to discern whether they are being called to join us.

Parishioner is seeking a caregiver/companion to assist with care of elderly husband. Good hourly wage and negotiable hours. Ability to drive to appointments is required. Interested male or female, please contact Kathy at 724-980-9943.

Christ the King Respect Life: *The Pennsylvania March for Life* will be held in Harrisburg on Monday, September 22. Join our bus, leaving from Saint Scholastica, to show your support for all human life, from conception to natural death. There are plenty of seats available. For information on speakers and the program go to pafamily.org, click on events. For information on the bus, call Cathy at 412-551-3204 or email respectlife@christthekingpgh.org. *The 40Days for Life* kickoff is on Tuesday, September 23; the Vigil runs from Sept. 24 - Nov. 2. We will have 2 parish shifts TBA. Please come and pray for the babies in danger of abortion and their moms. Go to the Respect Life tab on the parish website to see a video with pictures from last spring's Vigil. *Our next meeting* is Thursday, September 18, at 7:30 pm in the Saint Scholastica social hall.



From September 24 through November 2, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life—40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned

Parenthood, 933 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, and to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Nikki Bruni, nbruni@40daysforlifepgh.com.

The Kick-off Mass will be held at Divine Mercy Parish, Epiphany Church, on Tuesday, September 23, at 6:00 pm followed by a candle-lit Eucharistic Procession to Planned Parenthood. All are welcome to participate! There will be a Diaper Drive to benefit local pregnancy centers. Please bring diapers to the front of the church before Mass.

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRIST THE KING PARISH
YOUTH MINISTRY
**ANNUAL
COLOR WARS**
SEPTEMBER 27TH
5-7 PM
SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH
MIDDLE SCHOOL-BRING A DESSERT
HIGH SCHOOL-BRING A SIDE DISH

Around the Diocese . . .

Faith Formation for little ones is possible with Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

Very young children are in a sensitive period in developing their relationship with God. Sessions at the CGS Apostolate Center begin with toddlers and their parent/caregiver on Thursday 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Level 1 atrium is for children ages 3-5 on Tuesday 4:00-6:00pm or Thursday 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Sessions start the week of September 16/18th at the CGS Apostolate Center, 827 2nd St. Verona, PA 15147. for questions: 412-828-7715, ceciliam@cgsapostolatecenter.org or <https://cgsapostolatecenter.org>.

Annulment Information Sessions: Join Fr. Michael Sedor, Judicial Vicar, and Mr. Jay Conzemius, Tribunal Moderator to learn about the annulments process. After the presentation an opportunity to ask questions and/or to start the process will be made available. Go to <https://diopitt.org/annulments> for dates and locations.

The Story of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Early in the fourth century, Saint Helena, mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine, went to Jerusalem in search of the holy places of Christ's life. She razed the second-century Temple of Aphrodite, which tradition held was built over the Savior's tomb, and her son built the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher on that spot. During the excavation, workers found three crosses. Legend has it that the one on which Jesus died was identified when its touch healed a dying woman. To this day, the Eastern Churches, Catholic and Orthodox alike, celebrate the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on the September anniversary of the basilica's dedication.

Today, Crosses are ubiquitous, adorning our walls as decorations and our bodies as jewelry. But for the earliest Christians, the Cross was the instrument of brutal, humiliating torture, and no one would adorn themselves with a cross willingly. Jesus took on the Cross to save the human race. Today's feast celebrates this great mystery in the life of Christ: not even the instrument of the most painful death, the Cross, has final power over God!

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Christ the King Parish

2025-26 Family Faith Formation

Kicks off on
Catechetical Sunday, September 21!

Join us for 11:00 am Mass at Saint Joseph Church.
We will gather in the social hall after Mass
for a meet and greet and to pick up
your materials for the year.

If you have not yet registered, please go to:
ChristtheKingpgh.org/faith-formation

SOCIAL OUTREACH



Members of our community who are in need of short-term assistance can contact the CTK Saint Vincent de Paul Society at 412-254-4446 or svdp@ChristtheKingpgh.org.

Our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry welcomes recurring donations of non-perishable food items along with toiletries and paper products, which may be placed in the bins found in our church vestibules or brought in-person Tuesday mornings to Saint Mary Church in Sharpsburg (6th St. and Altmayer Way). Particular items needed include peanut butter, jelly, cereal, pasta sauce, and paper products. Volunteers are always needed and most welcome. You are invited to join us as we improve our community—come see how we sustain more than 100 families with food every month. We are also looking for volunteers to do home visits to assess need. Training will be provided. Call 412-781-2866 for details. Please follow us on Facebook at Sharpsburg Food Pantry and on the web at sharpsburgfoodpantry.org.

Christ the King Parish provides a hot meal for the women's shelter at Bethlehem Haven on the first Sunday of each month and the men's shelter at Community House on the fourth Saturday of each month. We are always looking for new volunteers to help by donating a portion of the meal. For details on how you can participate in this ministry, go to ChristtheKingpgh.org/shelter-meals.

The Aspinwall Homeless Ministry supports numerous homeless individuals and needy families throughout our region and they are always happy to accept donations of non-perishable food. They are particularly in need of cookies, canned vegetables, pudding cups, large bags of chips and other snacks, macaroni and cheese, Ritz crackers, Spam, canned red or black beans, tuna and chicken (foil packets or cans with pull tabs), and powdered or shelf-stable milk.

Please leave donations in plastic bags in the gray bins at the Saint Scholastica Church entrance. Donations of Giant Eagle gift cards are also welcome. They can be brought to the Saint Scholastica Church office.

ADDICTION RECOVERY MINISTRY

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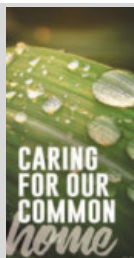
A.R.M. is sponsoring a Resource Fair on Saturday, September 20, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm which will feature speakers, recovery resources, and food. All are welcome.

In collaboration with the Diocese of Pittsburgh, A.R.M. is hosting a session of iThirst, a program that focuses on spirituality in the prevention, treatment, and aftercare of those suffering from substance use disorders and their families. This certification training will begin on Monday, September 15. For more information, please go to <https://www.addictionrecoveryministrypittsburgh.org>.

A.R.M. helps those suffering from addiction and homelessness monthly with 150 brown-bag lunches. If you wish to donate food, please contact Rosemarie at 412-378-9290 for more information.

Let's have fun for a good cause! Will you be the hunter - or one of the hunted? Join us Sunday, October 26, at 2:00pm for a Vampire-themed murder mystery dinner, just in time for Halloween! Cost is \$60 per person. Please call 412-378-9290 for reservations.

Creation Care Corner



All are invited to attend a meeting of the Creation Care Team on this Tuesday, September 16, at 7:30pm in the Saint Scholastica social hall. We will be discussing plans for the coming year.

We celebrate this Year of Hope and Season of Creation with the following prayer:

*Beloved Christ,
who spoke "Shalom" to frightened hearts,
stir us to compassionate action.
Inspire us to work for the end of conflict,
and for the full restoration of broken relationships—
with you, with the ecumenical community,
with the human family, and with all Creation.*

*Prince of Peace,
through your wounds, teach us to stand in solidarity
with the woundedness of others, of creation, and of the world.
Through your resurrection, make us people of hope—
with a vision of swords turned into ploughshares
and tears transformed into joy.
May we come together as one family,
to labor for your peace—
a shalom where all your people may dwell in safety,
and rest in quiet places. Amen.*

PARISH INFORMATION

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Tuesday, September 16	1:00pm	Women's Bible Study	Saint Scholastica Social Hall
Tuesday, September 16	7:30pm	Creation Care Team Meeting	Saint Scholastica Social Hall
Thursday, September 18	7:30pm	Respect Life Meeting	Saint Scholastica Social Hall
Thursday, September 18	7:30pm	<i>The Church's Best-Kept Secret</i> Book Study	Abechman@ChristtheKingpgh.org for virtual link
Friday, September 19	6:00am	TMIY Men's Group	Saint Scholastica Social Hall
Sunday, September 21	11:00am-1:00pm	Catechetical Sunday-Faith Formation Kickoff	Saint Joseph Church



**September 14: Bishop's
Education Fund**
**October 5: Annual Parish
Appeal**



This past weekend we celebrated 100 years of excellence here at CDTCA. We had former students, parents, and staff visit both school buildings to see the many changes and talk about the "good old times"!

At 5:00 pm we had a wonderful Mass and afterwards went to the CDTCA gym and looked through old yearbooks, told amazing stories, and enjoyed light refreshments. Thank you to everyone who came and took part in this amazing day!



PARISH INFORMATION



DAILY MASSES—WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15

8:00 am	Saint Joseph Church	Fr. Bill Siple
	<i>Monday, Wednesday, Friday</i>	
9:00 am	Madonna Church	Fr. Dale DeNinno
	<i>Tuesday and Thursday</i>	
9:00 am	Saint Edward Church	Fr. Dale DeNinno
	<i>Friday</i>	
10:00 am	Saint Scholastica Church	Fr. Bill Siple
	<i>Tuesday and Thursday</i>	
10:00 am	Saint Scholastica Church	Fr. Dale DeNinno
	<i>Wednesday</i>	

SATURDAY VIGIL MASSES—SEPTEMBER 20

4:00 pm	Saint Joseph Church	Fr. Dale DeNinno
5:00 pm	Saint Scholastica Church	Fr. Bill Siple

SUNDAY MASSES—SEPTEMBER 21

8:00 am	Saint Edward Church	Fr. Bill Siple
9:00 am	Saint Joseph Church	Fr. Dale DeNinno
9:30 am	Saint Scholastica Church	Fr. Bill Siple
11:00 am	Saint Joseph Church	Fr. Dale DeNinno
11:30 am	Saint Mary Church	Fr. Bill Siple

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Thursday

6:30-7:00 pm Saint Scholastica Church

Every Friday

9:30-10:00 am Saint Edward Church

Every Saturday

11:30-Noon Saint Joseph Church

HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION

Thursday, October 2, 6:30 pm Saint Scholastica Church



Collection for September 6 & 7

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Our Prayer for Christ the King Parish



Heavenly Father,
our hearts are open to you
as we discover the mystery of your love
at work in our lives.
Help us to **rediscover** each day
the power of that same love
through the sacred gift of our Catholic faith.

Jesus our Lord,
in baptism we connect our lives with you as disciples.
Help us to **reconnect** each day and allow our faith life
to be nourished by your Word and Sacrament
through the prayer of our weekly attendance at Mass.

Holy Spirit,
breathe into us faith, hope and love
as we commit ourselves to a new and bold Pentecost.
Help us to **recommit** each day
through our energy and resources
to the life of our parish community.

Give us the grace
to **rediscover**, to **reconnect** and to **recommit**
to all that is good and holy.

SACRAMENTS & PASTORAL SERVICES

For information on **baptisms, weddings, funerals, Anointing of the Sick**, and **Christian Initiation**, please call the parish office at 412-963-8885 or go to christthekingpgh.org/sacraments.

To **register as a member** of Christ the King Parish, please call the parish office or go to ChristtheKingpgh.org/join-our-parish.

To **update your contact information** or let us know if you or a family member is homebound or has moved to a nursing home, please call the parish office or go to ChristtheKingpgh.org/contact-us.

To schedule a **Mass Intention or Tabernacle candle**, please call the parish office or download the form at ChristtheKingpgh.org/mass-intentions.

We believe that **faith formation** is a lifelong journey. Go to ChristtheKingpgh.org/grow for information on family and adult faith formation as well as our youth ministry program.

Get involved in parish life! Go to Christthekingpgh.org/share to find out about liturgical ministries, parish organizations, and volunteer opportunities. All staff and volunteers in the Diocese of Pittsburgh are required to obtain clearances and training to comply with the Safe Environment Policy.

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