The Church of Christ the King *Medford, MN*

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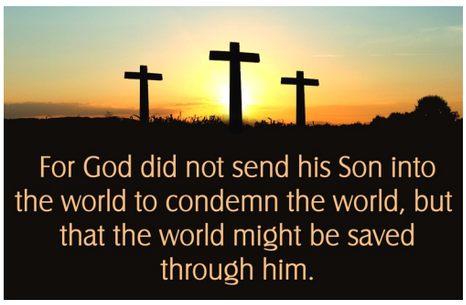

4th Sunday of Lent
March 14, 2021

Christ the King Mass Schedule:
Saturday 5:30pm, Third Sunday of Month 9am, Monday & Friday 9am

St. Joseph Weekend Mass Schedule:
Saturday 4:00pm*, Sunday 8:00 and 10:00am
*** Saturday 4pm mass livestreamed on Facebook:**
https://www.facebook.com/StJosephParishOwatonna/

NOTE: Christ the King Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Tuesday, March 16th at 5:30pm.

Parish Staff:
Pastor: Fr. Jim Starasinich ..... (507)451-4845
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Fr. Starasinich is available most Mondays & Fridays at 9:30am at Christ the King Rectory and upon request
Parish Administrator: Al Christenson ..... (507)451-4845
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Parish Office:
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Phone: (507)451-4845
Hours: 9:00am-4:00pm Mon-Thurs; 9:00am-3:00pm Fri
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Christ the King Website: https://christthekingmedfordmn.org/

Parish Council:
Christ the King Trustees: Martha Arnold, Mike Wencl
Council Members: Kim Huxford, Tony Durand, Judy Brady, LaVonne Cervenka, Shirley Jeno, Matt Skalicky

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ: 3/14/2021

Fr. Emil Kapaun was the son of Czech immigrants who settled in Pilsen, Kansas. He served as a chaplain in the U.S. Army during World War II and Korea. He was taken prisoner in Korea and died in a POW camp near the Yalu River on May 23, 1951. His place of burial was unknown. "Father Kapaun's body lies in a common, unmarked grave somewhere near the 'hospital' where his valiant and saintly soul met his divine Commander-in Chief in eternal embrace." (Words of tribute by Bishop William R. Arnold from the 1953 Annual Report (November) of the Catholic Military Ordinariate in New York City.) He received the Medal of Honor posthumously in 2013 for his heroic service in Korea. On March 4 of this year, his remains were identified after being exhumed at the National Cemetery of the Pacific in Hawaii, also known as the "Punchbowl". The remains of unidentified soldiers from the Korean War were reinterred in Hawaii during the 1950's and also the 1990's, from their original graves in Korea. Fr. Kapaun's cause for sainthood was delayed last year in Rome due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Diocese of Wichita, Kansas and the relatives of Fr. Kapaun are awestruck by this news, as they will soon have the beloved chaplain's remains brought home. We await news of his hopeful beatification in the near future. **In tribute to his inspiring life, we will show at St. Joseph's Parish in Owatonna the *The Miracle of Fr. Kapaun* at 1:00 PM today (Sunday, March 14) followed by an episode of *The Chosen* in Naz Hall.**

Palm Sunday will show *The Passion of the Christ* at St. Joseph's at 1:30 PM in Naz Hall.

Pope Francis' historic visit to Iraq last week was a great blessing not only for that nation but for the world. He has shown us that we need to go forward with our lives, taking the necessary precautions but as Christians to give witness to the Gospel and continue the all-important mission of being ambassadors for Christ. The Holy Father stated that "what touched me most was the testimony of a mother in Qaraqosh… a woman who lost her son in the first Islamic State bombings, and she said a word: 'forgiveness.' I was moved." Pope Francis added: "I forgive. This is a word we have lost. We know how to insult big time. We know how to condemn in a big way … But to forgive, to forgive one's enemies. **This is the pure Gospel**. This hit me in Qaraqosh." (As quoted in CNA article March 8.)
Today's Gospel contains one famous line: John 3:16. "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."

This week we welcome Bishop Quinn to Owatonna for St. Joseph's Parish feast day, the Solemnity of St. Joseph, during the Year of St. Joseph! Friday, March 19, join us for Mass at 6:30 PM.
St. Joseph, pray for us!!!

God Love You!!! *Fr. Jim Starasinich*

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2021 LENT—Christ the King Church

- **REP Living Stations:** Wednesday, Mar. 17 at 7pm **&** Saturday, Mar. 20 after 5:30pm mass
- **Stations of the Cross:** Wednesday, **Mar. 24** at 7:30pm
- **Feast of St. Joseph Mass:** 6:30pm on Friday, **Mar. 19** (at St. Joseph Church)
- **Stations of the Cross & Reconciliation:** Friday, **Mar. 26**, 7 & 7:30pm
- **Sacrament of Reconciliation (additional times):** 11am-12pm, Saturday, Apr. 3

Mon. Mar 15, 2021 **9am Mass** *Mary Ann & Myron Turner*
Fri. Mar 19, 2021 **9am Mass** *Bev Hertel*
Sat. Mar 20, 2021 **5:30pm Mass** *Parishioners*
Sun. Mar 21, 2021 **9am Mass** *Henry & Rita Maas, Lynette Maas & Pam Kay*

Mass Intentions

Catholic daughters are again collecting Friendship Bag Items throughout Lent to distribute to deserving non-profits like Ruth's House, Crisis Resource Center, Hospitality House, Dorothy Day, Steele County Transitional Housing, Hope Center, etc. You will find bags at both entrances of the church. You can fill them with items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, washcloths, hand towels, shampoo, conditioner, hand sanitizer, kleenex, lotions, razors, deodorant, soap, or other small items.

Celebrate the Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 1, 2021 ***Mass of the Lord's Supper***
5pm Christ the King, Medford
7pm St. Joseph Parish

Good Friday, April 2, 2021 ***Passion of the Lord***
12:10pm St. Joseph Parish
3pm Christ the King, Medford

Holy Saturday, April 3, 2021 ***Easter Vigil***
8:30pm St. Joseph Parish

Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021 ***Resurrection of the Lord***
8 & 10am St. Joseph Parish
9am Christ the King, Medford

Please keep the following in your prayers:
Elizabeth Sammon, Luella Heim, Dave Arnold, Barbara Steinbauer, Ann Willette, Jean Larson, Carolyn Willette, Kris Maas, Lawrence Giefer, Don Schultz, Mary Jean Malecha, Jim Thibodeau, Fr. Ed Mountain, Fr. Robert Herman, Tammy Pumper, Merle Gostomczik, and all who are ill. Please call the St. Joseph office to add to this list.

Lenten Shrimp Dinners every Friday in Lent at the Owatonna KC Hall

EVERYONE WELCOME: Owatonna KC Council 945 will offer Lenten Shrimp Dinners at the Owatonna KC Hall every Friday in Lent. Serving upstairs, downstairs, and takeout from 5:30-7:30pm Dinner includes jumbo shrimp, potatoes, coleslaw, bun, coffee or milk – all for the low price of $12!

Happy Birthday! March 15-21 Paul Gillis, Deb Smith, Judy Wiersma, Alexis Anderson, Sebashan Timm, Holly Larson

March 14: Fourth Sunday of Lent

In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works: reaching out to others, acting in justice and charity.

Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Thank you for your continued support of SVdP St. Michael Conference in Owatonna. This past week at Vincent's Table, 88 hot meals were prepared and distributed to those driving-up. The SVdP number is: 507-676-5508.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

March is the 101st birthday of the National Council of Catholic Women.

Thank you to all of our CCW members and parish families who have helped the CCW thru their service. We are grateful for all you do for our parish community.

This year of changes comes with this advice: don't ignore or be afraid of change, educate yourself about it, know it is needed, look to others for support, and relish the new perspective.

Let us renew our covenant to be God's hands and feet in this world. We know that in Him there is comfort, love, justice, and a chance to begin anew.

Religious Education News:

Join us for our
Living Stations of the Cross
Wednesday, March 17th, 7:00pm
Saturday, March 20th, after 5:30pm

Catholics at the Capitol, April 15
On Mission for Life and Dignity!

Join Catholics from across MN either virtually or in-person at the Cathedral of St. Paul for this incredible day of prayer, education, and advocacy.

You'll be formed in the faith through Mass & keynote speakers, informed on critical issues impacting life and dignity in our state, and sent on mission to the Capitol to pray for our state and elected officials.

The next day, on April 16, you will get to meet virtually with your legislators to advocate on the issues you learned about during the event.

Visit catholicsatthecapitol.org to learn more and secure your spot. Together, we can protect life and dignity.

Patriotic Rosary for the Healing of Our Nation
Monday evenings, 6:30-7:30pm
St. Joseph Church, Owatonna, MN
Mar 15, Mar 22 & Mar 29

2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal
Share the Light of Hope.

Your generosity to the Catholic Ministries Appeal from year to year is so greatly appreciated! You are making a difference in our Catholic community through faith-enriching ministries that take place throughout each year. Your gift makes a direct impact in supporting these ministries that are leading people closer to Christ.

Thank you for your generosity!

To give online, visit
www.catholicfsmn.org

Christ the King Church
✝ Stations of The Cross ✝.

*Wed Mar17-Living Stations 7pm *
(*Sat Mar 20-Living Stations - after Mass)
* Wed Mar 24 -7:30-8:00 pm*
(Stations of The Cross will be led by Laity or Rel.Ed Students.)

Living Stations of The Cross will be performed by Rel. Ed Students

With Heartfelt *Sympathy*

Fr. Edward Mountain
March 8, 2021

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.