

CHRIST THE KING CATHEDRAL



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OFFICE HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - Noon; 1:00-5:00 p.m. (weekdays) CLOSED WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAYS

MASSES: Saturday, 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, 8:00, 9:15, 11:00 a.m., and 5:30 p.m.

Nursery offered during 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. Mass. Age 35 mo. and under.

RECONCILIATION: Confession Saturday 3:30-5:00 p.m. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (children): A series of 2 instructions with parents and godparents is necessary before Christian Baptism. Parents need to be registered members of Christ the King. These classes can be taken even before the baby is born.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Please do not make plans or finalize wedding date before visiting with Father Ben Kasteel or Deacon Randy Canale. Attendance at Pre-Cana Classes AND Engaged Encounter Weekend required.

ANOINTING of the SICK: Following the 11:00 a.m. Mass each Sunday. Otherwise, please inform the parish office when someone in your family desires the anointing.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Meet the last Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Family Center.
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Vice-President

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Admin/Maintenance Jack Pope, 796-0173
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Email: eolarte@ctkcathedral.org

11:00 a.m. Sunday mornings

3 year old through Grade 12

YOUTH MINISTRY: 792-6198

COORDINATOR: Rose Donaldson - rdonaldson@ctkcathedral.org

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EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER:

Director, Katie Huey, 771-9654

MUSIC MINISTRY:

Chancel Choir

Celebration Choir

Organist

LIFE TEEN:

Sue Arnold, Director, 797-4367

Dr. Jackie Quitevis, 795-4297

Eduardo Alcayaga, 441-4499

Audrey Pekowski, 785-2528

ORGANIZATIONS and MINISTRIES

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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Lectors

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Perpetual Adoration 12:00 a.m. to 12:00 Midnight

9:15 a.m. RCIA Dismissal (MC Room)

11:00 a.m. CCE Classes: 3 year old-12 grade

11:00 a.m. Scripture Study (MC Room)

11:00 a.m. Old Testament Scripture Study (PFC)

2:00 p.m. Adult Confirmation Class #1 (PFC)

4:00 p.m. Life Night (JPYC)

5:30 p.m. LIFE TEEN MASS (Church)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4 (St. Thomas Aquinas)

Perpetual Adoration 12:00 a.m. to 12:00 Midnight

6:00 p.m. Social Ministries (MC Room)

7:00 p.m. Women's Spirituality (Parlor)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5 (St. Agatha)

Perpetual Adoration 12:00 a.m. to 12:00 Midnight

5:15 p.m. School Board Meeting (Library)

6:30 p.m. 7-Steps Program (MC Room)

7:00 p.m. Life Teen Core (JPYC)

7:30 p.m. Celebration Choir Rehearsal (Church)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6 ASH WEDNESDAY

Day of Fast & Abstinence

Perpetual Adoration 12:00 a.m. to 12:00 Midnight

***** PARISH OFFICE CLOSED *****

9:00 a.m. Rosary (Parlor)

7:00 p.m. Men's Spirituality (MC Room)

7:00 p.m. Catechumenate #7 (PFC)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Perpetual Adoration 12:00 a.m. to 12:00 Midnight

7:00 p.m. Cursillo Group (PFC)

7:00 p.m. Catholic Come Home Lenten Program (PFC)

7:00 p.m. Life Teen Band Rehearsal (Church)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8 Day of Abstinence

(St. Jerome Emiliani & St. Josephine Bakhita)

Perpetual Adoration 12:00 a.m. to 12:00 Midnight

12:00 noon AA Meeting (Rm off Kitch)

7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Church)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

3:30-5:00 p.m. Confessions (Church)

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

101st St & Frankford Ave

Consecration and Dedication

Sunday, February 3, at 3:00 p.m.

Bishop Plácido Rodríguez

will be the main celebrant.

MASSES and SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday, Feb 4, 2 Samuel 15:13-14, 30: 16:5-13, Mk 5:1-20

6:55 a.m. + Mark Streit by Sally Lokey

8:15 a.m. + Mary Ann Mehta by Alma Woods

Tues, Feb 5, 2 Sam 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3, Mk 5:21-43

6:55 a.m. Communion Service

8:15 a.m. + Murphy Family by Metzler Family

*Wednesday, February 6, Joel 2:12-18, Psalm 51,
2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2, Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18*

6:55 a.m. Special Intention Elleta Nolte by Tricia Vowels

8:15 a.m. Special Intention by Dr. & Mrs. Hal Green

5:30 p.m. + Fred Ortiz

7:30 p.m. + Phero Toan by Ruc & Doanh Tran

Thursday, February 7, Deuteronomy 30:15-20, Lk 9:22-25

6:55 a.m. + Fred Raef by Burdette & Pearl Berres

8:15 a.m. Spec Int John Gaschen by James & Tamara McNally

Friday, February 8, Isaiah 58:1-9a, Matthew 9:14-15

6:55 a.m. + Dottie Paikowski by Bill & Jeanette Hardin

8:15 a.m. + Bruce Lokey by Sally Lokey

Saturday, February 9, Isaiah 58:9b-14, Luke 5:27-32

8:00 a.m. + Gertrude Swenson by Keneal Swenson, Jr.

5:30 p.m. Spec Int Msgr. Ben by Paul & Mary Lou Mosser

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, GENESIS 2:7-0; 3:1-7,

PSALM 51, ROMANS 5:12-19, MATTHEW 4:1-11

8:00 a.m. + John Stoebenau by Daughters

9:15 a.m. + Deceased Family Members by Polly Ahrens

11:00 a.m. + Mary Phillips by Dr. & Mrs. Benny Phillips

5:30 p.m. + Lou Carlson by Randy & Cindy Canale

SPECIAL REQUEST FOR PRAYERS for this week are:

Donna Engleman, Barry Donaldson,

+ Fred Ortiz; + Mark Streit, nephew of Sally Lokey

Our Prayer Line has the complete list of prayer requests.

ARE YOU AN ADULT ROMAN CATHOLIC WHO

HAS NEVER BEEN CONFIRMED?

We will begin offering for adults 18 years of age and older an opportunity to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you were baptized Roman Catholic **and have received your First Communion** but were never admitted to the Sacrament of Confirmation, please call Pat in the parish office, 792-6168, ext. 221 to pre-register or for more information. Sessions begin **TODAY:** Sunday, Feb. 3, at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Family Center; please bring a Bible.

**CONFUSED CATHOLIC? INACTIVE CATHOLIC
ALIENATED CATHOLIC? A Lenten Invitation**

If you have been away from the church, or are drifting away from it; if you have been hurt by the church or are confused or angry because of some church experience, please consider the invitation to come and talk with us. Perhaps this Lent can be a time for a renewal of your faith journey. We will meet beginning Thursday, February 7, at 7:00 p.m. (continuing for 6 Thursday evenings) in the Parish Family Center.

Contact Charlotte Amato

792-6168, ext. 218; camato@ctkcathedral.org

FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

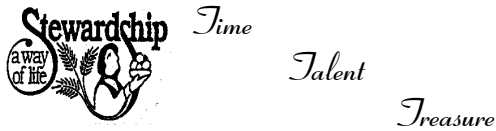
RETURN GIFTS & OFFERINGS

January 27, 2008

Envelopes	\$16,157.25
† Gift-Direct	295.00
30 Children Envelopes + Cash	217.44
Plate	1,310.47
TOTAL	\$17,980.16
Miscellaneous	374.08
TOTAL	\$18,354.24
Black Bag	\$ 1,041.33
353 Identifiable Donors	
Building Fund	\$ 40.00

Average Needed Each Week: \$18,350.00

Please remember CTK in your Will.



FLOWERS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY:

In Memory of:



- Daniel Hyacinthe by Dr. Micheline Hyacinthe
- Maria & Jose Flores by Jesse & Mary Flores
- Arthur Grant by Gerry & Sharon Grant
- Our Grandparents, by Page Tumlinson & Jay House
- Jack Thomas by Ann Thomas
- James Skipper by Elizabeth White
- Lou Carlson by Jackie Piercy
- Betty Scruggs by Jackie Piercy

In Honor of:

- Jeff & Latha Tucker Family by Becky King
- Scott & June Stockwell Family by Becky King
- Msgr. Ben Kasteel by Joe, Gloria, Favian & Gabriel Barron
- Ray & Georgia Decker by Wade & Marietta Decker

If you would like to offer the flowers in the sanctuary for the month of February place your offering in an envelope marked *February* or use the envelope in your offertory envelope packet and place it in the collection basket. **Your offering will be printed in the month that your envelope is received, unless otherwise designated.. Donation is \$25.**

Discover how an engineer, a psychologist, and a theologian analyzed a pot-bellied stove.

Find out at our Website: www.ctkcathedral.org!



Blessed are those who are what they are and do what they do for the sake of the kingdom! The Gospel today assures good stewards that their sacrifice and their service on behalf of the kingdom will be rewarded!

VOCATION AWARENESS VIEW

Blest are they who take a good look at the beatitudes. These are the gifts of spiritual leaders. Encourage them where ever you see them growing. -Vocations Committee

MOM and ME

If you have small children (newborn to pre-school) you might be interested in joining the Mom & Me Group. We meet every Friday at 10:00 a.m. with activities for all age groups. February 8 meet at the nursery for a Valentine Party and make Valentine cards at 8:30 a.m. Call Kim Sipowicz, 799-1824.

ADORERS NEEDED

Jesus is asking us, "Could you not watch ONE HOUR with me?". We currently have hours in need of adorers. If you can help in any way, please contact or E-mail Lyle or Nancy Fetterly, 798-7158, or E-mail nanfett@sbcglobal.net

WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION

Our next general meeting will be Wednesday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the church parlor. See you at Mass on Ash Wednesday, February 6th!

The annual luncheon and fashion show will be held at LakeRidge Country Club on Saturday, April 5, at 11:00 a.m. Fashions will be provided by Malouf's.

CTK Girls Scholarship Available

CTK Women's Organization will again offer scholarships to graduating senior girls who are members of CTK parish. Application forms are available from any Women's Org member or at the parish office. For more information, contact Grace Laski, 793-2163, scholarship committee chairperson.

SUNDAY MORNING SCRIPTURE STUDIES

If you have students in CCE class at 11:00 this would be an opportunity to study "your" Catholic faith and a great Lenten Opportunity for your journey through Lent!

We are now be offering 2 Scripture study groups on Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m. Currently a group meets in the Parish Family MC Room studying the Scripture Reading for the Sunday readings, using Living the Good News. Questions? Please contact Jeanette Hardin at 797-4550.

A study of the Old Testament at 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Family Center Room off the Kitchen. This study group will be facilitated by Sarah Conway. Sarah holds her degree in Religious Studies and philosophy from Benedictine College. Questions? Contact Sarah at 368-9073 or Email sarah.c.conway@gmail.com.

MAJOR UPCOMING EVENTS.....

- Feb. 1 Homecoming Basketball Game
- Feb. 6 Ash Wed Masses: 6:55 & 8:15 a.m. 5:30 & 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 10 Diocesan Rite of Election
- Feb.19-22, 3:00-9:00pm Prayer Path Labyrinth (PFC)
- April 19, 2008 Super Auction
- June 9 through 13 Bible Festival
- June 20-21, 2008 All Class Alumni Reunion
- June 21, 2008 25th Anniversary Mass of Lubbock Diocese



Come Join Us In The
John-Paul Youth Center
For information about any of the following,
please call Rose Donaldson at

792-6198 or E-mail rdonaldson@ctkcathedral.org

PARENTS: Drop off and pick up at the JPYC, unless otherwise noted.

Dogs & Frogs (3-4th) & EDGE (5-8th): Wednesday, February 6, No Activities - Ash Wednesday. Attend Mass and prepare for Lent.

Prayer for the week: *Heavenly Father, as we prepare for this season of Lent, may we reflect on what is important in our lives. Help us to make the changes necessary to live in Your grace. Help us to overcome the roadblocks in our mind, heart and will so that we can be the gift of life for others. Amen.*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: There are real issues in our lives that need real people to guide us on the right path. Jesus is real and ready to receive you. "Lord, I'm not worthy to receive You, but only say the word and I shall be healed." He is ready in the Blessed Sacrament to receive you.

Reflection: What is important, noticeable, noble or powerful in the eyes of men is often not so in the eyes of God.

Thought for the day: Jesus said to his disciples, "When you pray, go to your inter room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you". (Matthew 6:5)

Sanctuary-LIFE TEEN Band: Contact Rose, 792-6198, or Audrey, 785-2528, for additional information or to check the band's schedule.

LIFE TEEN MASS: The First Sunday of each month at 5:30 p.m. The next Life Teen Mass is TODAY, February 3. Please make every effort to attend and support Youth Ministry. We would like for all of us to sit together, so please come early.

LIFE NIGHT (9-12th): TODAY, Sunday, Feb. 3, at 4:00 p.m. Mardi Gras party. Bring snacks to share.

XLT Praise and Worship: LIFE NIGHT February 17 at 4:00 p.m. Join Life Teen for an hour of Praise & Worship with Sanctuary. **Everyone is invited** to come and worship the Lord.

LIFE TEEN CORE: Must be 19 years and older to be considered for this ministry. Background check and Safe Environment Training required.

Scheduled Meeting: Monday, Feb. 4, 6:00 p.m. JPYC, Fundraiser planning is now underway for summer trips. We need all parents to attend to plan for you and your student.

Youth Ministry Core: Needs you to prepare the hearts of the young, so that the Lord can plant seeds of faith. Please consider helping the Dogs & Frogs and Edge Ministries. All current leaders will be moving up with their children. We need to start training leaders for next year's Ministry.

Parents for LIFE: We continue to pray for this intention until the seeds of Parents for LIFE are planted. Interested in getting involved with Parents for Life? This ministry is for the parents

by the parents. Contact Rose for details.

CTK Website - Check it out: www.ctkcathedral.org

Seek and you shall find! The first student who finds the word "linked" within this bulletin will receive a \$15 scholarship towards their summer youth trip plans. Call 792-6198 and leave the information or see Rose at Mass.

Upcoming Events: Footsteps in Faith **February 23 & 24.** Saturday, **March 1,** Groom, Texas, Stations of the Cross. Anyone and everyone is welcome to these events. Reserve your seat today, space is limited.

"Praying in the Spirit" - Praise & Worship Service: Thursday, February 28, at 7:00 p.m. Please join us for an hour of Praise & Worship, Scripture, Testimonies, Adoration, Healing, Prayer and Worshipping God. Singing His praise is praying twice.

Labyrinth Prayer Path Experience: Please make plans to attend the Prayer Path Labyrinth on February 18 through 22 at the PFC from 3:00-9:00 p.m. This is the perfect Lenten experience to help you connect with God where he lives: in your heart, mind and body. Morning schedule is also available for those who want to experience the Labyrinth during the morning hours. Contact Rose for details.

CUB SCOUTS PACK 513: CTK Cub Scout Pack 513 is open to all members of the parish. You do not have to attend CTK school to be a member of Pack 513; we welcome all. If you are in 1-5th grade, call Scout Master Charles Leatherwood 795-2203 to find out when we have our next meeting.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 513: Do you like hiking, fishing, camping, bicycling, campfire cooking, rock climbing, rappelling, back packing? If you like any of these you need to join Boy Scout Troop 513. We are accepting new members. We meet every Monday at 7:15 in the school cafeteria. For information, please call Jim Ambrose, 780-7617(H), 543-8450(C) jimatroop513@sbcglobal.net or Richard Schepler at 790-0160

EXPERIENCING TURMOIL IN YOUR LIFE?

In today's fast and changing society, many problems arise causing stress, discomfort, and emotional distress. Through the Family Outreach Ministry Office we are prepared to assist parishioners to deal with these problems that have become an obstacle to successful living. **Programs include:**

- Pastoral counseling for individuals, couples, families and children
- Assistance in times of crisis (emotional, spiritual and financial)
- Parenting skills training
- Stress Management
- Assistance in dealing with life changes such as illness, disability, loss of a job, divorce, separation, loss of a loved one, etc.

For more information contact Charlotte Amato, 792-6168, ext 218 or camato@ctkcathedral.org.

FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

HOW does ONE MEET with a SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR?

You and your spiritual director will decide on a mutually available time for meeting, usually once a month. At Christ the King, one would request entering the Spiritual Direction program by calling Charlotte Amato, Parish Family Outreach Ministry, to schedule the first meeting, 792-6168, ext. 218, Email camato@ctkcathedral.org. As the program coordinator, Charlotte would then give full explanation of the program and connect the directee with an appropriate director for the individual's situation and needs. After three or four sessions, there will be the opportunity to evaluate the relationship.



ADOPT-A-STUDENT

Success as accepted by societal standards is not required by Christ of his followers. Only *faithfulness* to the *Word* is required in our daily decisions and activities. God has entrusted to us the gifts of time, health, talent and treasure. Using *today* to honor God is the best preparation as we work for the kingdom. Your gift of gratitude to an adopted student will give the daily academic and religious education which will strengthen the future of the child. Thank You.

Adopt-A-Student Program, Rosalie Martin, chairperson

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Christ the King Cathedral is proud to announce the opening of our new ECDC. Katie Huey, the current Assistant Principal of CTK School, has been named the Center Director. With our mission, Beginning with the Word, the ECDC is committed to building a nurturing and safe environment for babies and toddlers. At this time we are taking inquiries for babies from 6-weeks old to toddlers at 35 months old. We will open age groups as the need arises. We have a projected opening of August 2008. If you would like more information on our new facility or would like to pre-register your child, please call Mrs. Huey at 771-9654. We look forward to this new opportunity to serve the babies and toddlers of CTK and the surrounding community.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

In just a few days, your Lenten journey will begin. Catholic Relief Services invites you to make this journey in solidarity with your global family, and Operation Rice Bowl makes this easy and enriching. It is a journey of prayer, fasting, learning and giving, all with an international flavor. To be Catholic means to be linked not just to our local communities, but also to our global community. Last year, the \$8 million offered by participants in Operation Rice Bowl made a huge difference to people all around the world. Together, we can induce tremendous change.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS FOR ALL PARENTS

Classes for all parents of CCE students and CTK students preparing for First Communion will be February 18 and 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the school library. Attendance is **mandatory** at one of these dates. Please bring with you a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate if your child was not baptized at CTK Cathedral. I must have a copy of the Baptismal Certificate in the parish office before March 30.

-Sister Evangeline Olarte, Director of Religious Education

AROUND THE DIOCESE

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICE Special Collection

This weekend, a special collection is being taken up in all the parishes of the Diocese of Lubbock to help Catholic Family Service in its mission to "serve the least among us". Your donation helps CFS empower people to improve their lives and the lives of their families. If you are unable to donate in today's special collection, you may send your gift directly to: Catholic Family Service, 102 Ave J, Lubbock, TX 79401. Thank you for your support of the many charitable works of Catholic Family Service!

FAT SUNDAY: The Lubbock Diocesan Cursillo Movement invite you to an afternoon of food and fun for all on Sunday, February 3, from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m. at the Christian Renewal Center, 4th & Toledo.

CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER and the local congregation of Latter-day Saints present Dr. Fred Woods on Friday, Feb. 8, 7:00 p.m. at Hanly Hall of St. Elizabeth Church, 2305 Main St. Dr. Woods will explore the interfaith relationship between Catholics, Protestants and Latter-day Saints, especially as it pertains to the work Father Damien and a Hawaiian Mormon names Jonathan Napela did with the patients at the leprosy settlement on the Hawaiian island of Molokai and will demonstrate how Kalaupapa serves as a model of what St. Augustine taught many years ago: "In the essentials unity; the non-essentials liberty; and in all things charity".

DIOCESAN RITE of ELECTION

Sunday, February 10, Christ the King Cathedral, 3:00 p.m.

followed by a reception in the gymnasium
Those preparing to be received into the church by Baptism or Profession of Faith are presented to the Bishop for election to the Easter Sacraments. Everyone is invited to attend.

SILVER JUBILEE BIBLICAL CONFERENCE

Foot Steps in Faith will host "**Jesus and The End Times**" February 23 and 24, 2008, at Holy Spirit Church, 101st & Frankford. Deepen your faith hear nationally renowned speakers, Dr. Brant Pitre, David Currie and Michael Barber teach in laymen's terms on the subject of the END TIMES. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Also the Bishop's Gala is Friday night before with the speakers and a fun evening. You will find brochures for registering in the gathering space of the cathedral. Contact David Powell at 239-0804 or Gloria at 698-6400.



KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3008

Serve your church, community, family, and youth by becoming a Brother Knight. Contact Francisco Sotelo, 795-4710.



Welcome to Our Church House

Pope Benedict XVI's second Encyclical "Spe Salvi" (Faith in Progress) is dedicated to the theme of Christian hope. In his introduction Pope Benedict states that "Christian faith, redemption - salvation - is not simply a given. A distinguishing mark of Christians is the fact that they have a future: ...they know... that their life will not end in emptiness. The Gospel is not merely a communication of things that can be known - it is one that makes things happen and is life-changing". The Pope identifies three "settings" for learning and practicing hope: the first is identified as "Prayer as a school of hope: When no one listens to me anymore, God still listens to me . . .When there is no longer anyone to help me...He can help me". The second "setting" identified by Pope Benedict is: "action for learning hope: Hope is in a Christian sense is always hope for others as well. It is an active hope in which we struggle...towards a brighter and more humane world. My own life and history in general...are held firm by the indestructible power of Love - I always continue to hope". The third "setting" of learning and practicing hope is suffering. The Pope states: "Certainly we must do whatever we can do to reduce suffering, it is not by side-stepping or fleeing from suffering that we are healed, but rather by our capacity for accepting it, maturing through it and finding meaning through that union with Christ who suffered with infinite love. A society unable to accept its suffering members...are a cruel and inhuman society". Finally the fourth "setting" in the Encyclical: "There is a resurrection of the flesh. There is justice. There is an 'undoing' of past suffering, a reputation that sets things aright. The question of justice constitutes the essential argument, or in any case the strongest argument, in favor of faith in eternal life. The injustice of history should be the final work...God is justice and creates justice...and in His justice there is also grace...Grace does not cancel out justice...Evildoers, in the end, do not sit at table at the eternal banquet beside their victims without distinction as nothing had happened." The Pope recalls that Jesus "did not bring a message of social revolution...He brought something totally different...an encounter with the living God...an encounter with a hope stronger than the suffering of slavery, a hope which therefore transformed life and the world from within...even if external structures remained unaltered".

-Latha Tucker, Communications, 783-0668

CHRIST THE KING CATHEDRAL SCHOOL NEWS

This past Friday we concluded our week-long celebration of Catholic Schools Week with special recognition of the teachers, staff, administrators and volunteers who work hard every day to "light the way" for our students. This wonderful celebration week kicked off last Sunday with a special mass at 11:00 followed by a brisket sandwich sale by the 2008 senior class. During Monday's morning prayer service, the faculty, staff and students recognized some of the people who serve our community (police officers, firemen, postal workers, doctors and nurses) and Mayor David Miller presented a proclamation from the city for CTK. Students on the first semester honor roll and those with exemplary citizenship received recognition on Tuesday morning while the students also thanked their parents for their support of the school. Wednesday brought the annual Science Fair with 4th-12th graders presenting some fabulous science projects. Thursday many students and even some teachers participated in a talent show followed by an afternoon of fun and the digging up of the time capsule buried during Catholic Schools Week in January 2000. Bishop Rodriguez presided over a concluding Mass for CTK and Slaton's St. Joseph School on Friday morning followed by a homecoming pep rally before students were dismissed at noon for a well-deserved break. Many former students and alumni joined current students for homecoming basketball games on Friday night to conclude the week of festivities and then the Home & School Association showed their appreciation of teachers and staff with a special dinner on Saturday night. Msgr. Ben, Mrs. Wanjura, the staff and students wish to thank all of the families, parishioners, other friends of CTK and volunteers who made our week special. With this support, our school will continue growing and succeeding at its mission of providing students with strong academic and athletic programs enabling children to achieve their full potential in a faith-filled journey. -Christine Wanjura, Principal

LENTEN REGULATIONS: **Fasting** binds all Catholics who have completed their 18th birthday through those who have completed their 59th year, unless prevented by poor health. On days of fast, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's own needs. Eating solid food between meals is not allowed, although fluids may be taken. **Abstinence** binds all Catholics who have completed their 14th birthday, unless prevented by poor health. On days of abstinence, the consumption of meat is not allowed. The Church strongly encourages the observance of Friday abstinence, but failure to do so is not regarded as sinful. However, failure to observe any penitential days at all or a substantial number of such days must be considered serious.

By the threefold discipline of fasting, almsgiving and prayer the Church keeps Lent from Ash Wednesday until the evening of Holy Thursday. From its earliest days, the Church has urged the baptized and the catechumens to observe the threefold discipline of fasting, almsgiving and prayer as a preparation for the celebration of Easter. During Lent, the Church encourages attendance at daily Mass, reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, self-imposed times of fasting and personal prayer and generosity to local, national and worldwide programs of sharing. For more information on the penitential practices of the Catholic Church see the document of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops: www.usccb.org/dpp/penitential.htm.