THE BROADCAST

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20800 Grand River Avenue Detroit, Michigan 48219

PARISH MISSION

We are Christ the King Parish, a richly diverse Christian Community in Northwest Detroit. We are on a journey of Discipleship with Jesus, seeking conversion, reconciliation and renewal. We reach out in welcome to all the people within our neighborhood, proclaiming the good News of Christ the King, building community, celebrating together, serving one another's needs and the needs of all our neighbors.



Several years ago attended seminar on religious experience where a woman shared this story: A few vears before this incident occurred her life had been rather settled. She had been happily married, her children were grown and on their own, and she and her husband were

running a successful business together. Then it all fell apart. Her husband, a recovering alcoholic, began to drink. Within two years, they had lost everything, including each other. Their business went bankrupt, they lost their house, and their marriage fell apart. She moved to a new city and took a new job, but the pain of what she had lost lingered and she found herself constantly depressed and joyless as she sought to sink new roots, meet new people, and begin over again in mid-life.

Her frustration culminated one evening when, having worked late, she was driving home and stopped for a red light. While waiting for the light to change she was hit from behind by a drunken driver. (The irony wasn't lost on her.) Her car was badly damaged and she, suffering from whiplash and a series of cuts and bruises, was taken to hospital by ambulance. After several hours of x-rays, examinations, and medical treatment, near midnight, she was released, to be driven home by a policeman. As they drove up to her townhouse she noticed that the front door was wide open. Getting out of the car she realized that her home had been ransacked and vandalized. It was the last straw: All that penned up frustration, anger, loss, and grief finally burst, she lost control, began to scream hysterically, and ran across the lawn shouting curses at God and life in general – the policeman chasing her.

As she recalled this, she told us that she remembered exactly what was running through her mind as she ran across that lawn at midnight, hysterical, cursing, a policeman giving chase. Her anger and her questions were about God: "Where is God in all of this? Why is God letting this happen? Why is God asleep?" Then, just as she heard her own curses as an answer, suddenly, in one instant, everything became calm. She ceased running, stopped shouting, because she felt inside of herself a flood of calm and a peace such as she had never experienced in her life before. No magic lights went on, no divine voices were heard, and she made no claims of "miracle" afterwards, but, for one second she realized that, no matter the storm, no matter the loss, and no matter death itself, God is still in charge of this universe. One second of realization was all it took. Calm returned. She sent the policeman home and began cleaning up her house. She has essentially remained in that calm since.

The Synoptic gospels record the story of Jesus calming the waters during a storm on the lake. As Mark has it: With the coming of evening that same day, Jesus said to them, "Let us cross over to the other side". And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were

breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on a cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, "Master do you not care? We are going down!" And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Quiet now! Be calm!" And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, "Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?" They were filled with awe and said to one another: "Who can this be? Even the wind and sea obey him." (Mark 4, 35-41).

The parallel between these two stories is clear. The deeper lessons contained within them though are perhaps less obvious, at least during the more stormy moments in our lives. In essence, both stories tell us that God is still in charge of this universe, every counterindication notwithstanding. The first Christian creeds had only one line: Jesus is Lord! Ultimately that says enough, says it all. God still rules, even in death and darkness. But, as these stories also make clear, during the stormy moments of life, when our very souls are in fear of drowning, it will seem like God is asleep, comfortable, his head on cushion. But, and this is the real challenge of these stories, calm is only a second of realization away. What calms the storm in life is not that all of our problems suddenly disappear but that, within them, we realize that, because God is still in charge, all will be well - whiplash, bruises, ransacked houses, alcoholic spouses, lost houses, lost jobs, loneliness, and the shadow of death itself notwithstanding. All will be well because, even asleep with his head on a cushion, God is still lord. Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI

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Liturgy Schedule

Study
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Wednesdays: 8:40am Mass during the school year

Becoming Catholic

Adults, Children, Youth: If you are interested in becoming a member of the Catholic faith or learning more about the Catholic Church, the Adult Catechumenate will prepare you for this decision. Please call the Parish Office if you would like more information.

Infants: At the celebration of Baptism, parents publicly affirm their decision to raised their child in the faith of the church. To make arrangements for your infant to be baptized, please contact the Parish Office. Pre-Baptismal classes for parents and godparents are necessary, held as arranged with families.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday June 23, 2024 10:45am Fr. Nick Reiman, SJ By andi Kovach

 $Monday \& Tuesday \sim No Mass$

Wednesday CHRIST THE KING 8:40am Manuel Riveas By Sophia Kaza Thursday 9am at SS/OLGH Friday & Saturday $\sim No\ Mass$ Sunday June 30, 2024 10:45am Maureen Northrup By Her Christ the King Family

Don't forget to check the Coffee Hour Schedule in Koelzer Hall to see if there is a Sunday that you can sponsor!

WORDS OF HENRI NOLLWEN



Over the years, I have come to realize that the greatest trap in our life is not success, popularity, or power,

but self-rejection. Success, popularity, and power can indeed present a great temptation, but their seductive quality often comes from the way they are part of the much larger temptation to selfrejection. When we have come to believe in the voices that call us worthless and unlovable, then success, popularity, and power are easily perceived as attractive solutions. The real trap, however, is self-rejection. As soon as someone accuses me or criticizes me, as soon as I am rejected, left alone, or abandoned, I find myself thinking, "Well, that proves once again that I am a nobody." ... [My dark side says,] I am no good... I deserve to be pushed aside, forgotten, rejected, and abandoned. Selfrejection is the greatest enemy of the spiritual life because it contradicts the sacred voice that calls us the "Beloved." Being the Beloved constitutes the core truth of our existence.

Henri Nouwen

Please let an usher know if you would like to receive Communion at your pew.

FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY

6/23 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time Jb 38:1-11, 2Cor 5:14-17, Mk 4:35-41

Mon 6/24 Nativity of John the Baptist Is 49:1-6, Acts 13:22-26, Lk 1:57-66.80

Tue 6/25 2Kgs 19:9b-36, Mt 7:6, 12-14 Wed 6/26 2 Kgs 22:8:13; 23:1-3, Mt 7:15-20

Thur 6/27 2 Kgs 24:8-17, Mt 7:21-29 Fri 6/28 2 Kgs 25:1-12, Mt 8:1-4 Sat 6/29 Sts. Peter & Paul Acts 12:1-11, 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18 **6/30 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24, 2 Cor 8:7-15, Mk 5:21-43

OUR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

For NEXT Sunday, June 30

Lectors: Luther & Kendall McCaskill

Minister of Service: Marcus Johnson

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun 6/23 10:45am Mass
Wed. 6/25 8:40am Mass
THE GARAGE SALE IS OPEN
11am to 5pm
Monday through Saturday
Until August 5

Donations accepted until July 1st

Monthly Sharing

Please remember that we try to share one or two items each month with those in need. Our School, Bakhita House, St. Christine etc. all benefit from these collections and all it takes is for you to remember to pick up one or two things when you do your own grocery shopping. Right now, we are collecting feminine products as there is always a need. Also, during the summer months there is a greater

need for breakfast cereals.

Many children eat breakfast and lunch at school, so when school is out for the summer, it is helpful to

families in need to be provided cereals. The cost of a box of cereal has gone up and some folks just can't afford it. Every box you donate will help!

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Black Catholic Women's Conference 2024 Saturday, August 26 9am to 4:30pm ALL ARE WELCOME

Sacred Heart Major Seminary 2701 Chicago Blvd.

Early Bird Registration Youth Track 12-18 years Reconciliation and Holy Mass Registration Coming Soon!

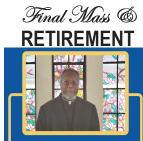


We enjoyed last year's Soup Contest so much, we thought we would do it again! The contest will be held on the day of our **Super Raffle Drawing**, **September 28.** of course to make this happen we need a little help.

Here is where you can assist:

- 1. We need 16 Soup Makers to sign up to bring a good size pot of soup. Check the board to make sure we aren't all making the same kind of soup!
- 2. We want to have a grand Drop Raffle like we did last year. This means we will need a variety of theme baskets to offer our guests.
- We will need a handful of helpers on the evening of Sept. 28.
 (50/50 Ticket Seller, Someone to watch over the children's raffle, someone to sell the Drop Raffle Tickets.)
- 4. Helpers for set up and clean up

Please give your name to andi if you are willing to help and be sure to sign up to bring soup!



Fr. Theodore K. Parker 52 Years of Service

Sunday, June 30, 2024 ~ 10:00 AM ~Final Mass~

-Final Mass- Please Join Us!
Reception & Program
in the Activity Hall

St. Charles Lwanga Parish Saturday, July 13, 2024 ~ 12PM ~Farewell on the Lawn ~ Outdoor Gathering & Celebration

Christ the King Fall Super Raffle

Super Raffle Tickets \$100.00 Each

Top Prize \$10,000.00

Second prize \$2,000 Third prize \$750 Fourth prize \$250

Only 300 TICKETS SOLD

If 180 tickets are not sold, the drawing reverts to a 50/50 raffle

Need not be present to win.

Tell your friends and family about our Raffle and ask them to buy a ticket. Most folks will enjoy taking a chance to win \$10,000,00!

Some folks don't realize that you can share a ticket! 10 people pay \$10.00 dollars or 5 people pay \$20.00 and share in any prize that might be won. We hope that offering to add names to a ticket will help make this raffle accessible to anyone who would like to participate.

Send in your order form or stop in the office. Let's make sure all 300 tickets get sold! Church Announcements

Please remember to send in your CSA donation

Send in your Raffle Ticket Order Form so we can mail you back your lucky ticket.

Please participate in the Garage Sale! Bring in your donations soon, tell your family and friends to come and most of all come and SHOP! There are lots of great treasures that will help to bring in money for our parish. Let's all do our part!

Hours Are:

Weekdays 11am to 5pm Saturdays 10am to 4pm Sundays Noon to 2pm

Please check out the Coffee Hour Schedule and see if there is a Sunday you can sponsor.

School Announcements

If you know of someone with children in grades K-8, please remind them that Christ the King has a great school.

Summer Hours—School Office

Mon-Thurs 8:30am to 1:30pm Until August 16

Regular hours resume Aug. 19 for the 24-25 School Year 7:30am to 4pm

The building is closed Mon July 1 to Fri July 5



Don't Forget!

Mike Jones is collecting Hot Dogs, Polish Sausage, buns Fresh fruit, beverages, cereal, desserts etc to help feed the home-

less and veterans on the 4th of July. Please plan to help Mike with this annual ministry.