

NEWSLETTER

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News and Notes

Celebrate All Saints' Day Nov. 6

All Saints' Day is an important holiday in the Church Calendar. We not only remember our loved ones who have died, but we also celebrate our place in the unfolding history of the Gospel. This year, we are excited to mint three new saints: Laura, Dylan, & Kaitlynn Miller! They will be Baptized as part of our Sunday worship. Please join us as we celebrate as a community to welcome them into the Household of God!

College for Congregational Development Concludes

Fr. Charles Cornell will preach and celebrate the Nov. 13th Worship Service as Fr. Matt and Pat Heck conclude their two-year study at the College for Congregational Development at the Bishop's Ranch. Please keep them and all participants in your prayers as they travel.



Survey says...!?

What we learned from our Parish Survey, and where we go from here

Before I begin, I would like to thank everyone who took part in our Parish Survey. We had 26 completed surveys—which is a phenomenal response rate! Originally, we planned to incorporate the survey results into our Mutual Ministry Review (MMR), but with such a wealth of data, the survey actually became the focus of our time together.

For those of you who may not be familiar, the Mutual Ministry Review is a process where the Mission Committee and I evaluate our programs and establish goals in ministry for the next two years. In 2014, our MMR goals were: 1) Build St. Giles Hall, 2) Increase Sunday Attendance, and 3) Cultivate an Anglican/Episcopal Brand Identity.

Two years later, I am proud to say that we have met those goals. St. Giles' is proving to be a wonderful resource for our parish as well as for the wider community. Looking at Page 3, our attendance has risen 67% from last year. In 2014, our Average Sunday Attendance was 13—this year it is over 28!!! Lastly, as we have learned to express the beauty and tradition of the Anglican/Episcopal worship style, we have seen an increased awareness in the community.

Advent Decorating Nov. 20th

We are looking for volunteers to help decorate the sanctuary for the Advent and Christmas Season following the worship service on November 30th. Many hands make light work!

Organizational Meeting for Christmas Pageant Nov. 20th

Our Children's Christmas Pageant will be on Sunday December 18th. If you would like your child to be a part of this heart-warming service, please plan on attending a brief organizational meeting on November 20th after the service. The meeting is important so that we can get an accurate sense of how many children will be involved so we can ensure there are costumes and roles for each child!

During the meeting, a short movie and popcorn will be provided in St. Giles' to entertain Sunday School Students. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like your child to participate, please just let Fr. Matt or Kristy Warren know and we'll be happy to include them in the planning.

Survey Findings

Our Dean, Canon Mary Hauck+, led the Mission Committee on a two-day retreat to reflect on the survey data. What we found was incredibly encouraging!

Involvement-Almost everyone attends worship at least monthly.

Sermons-Quality preaching is essential.

Community-Christ the King is a welcoming parish which understands itself to be a "family" institution.

Children's Ministry-A considerable portion of our newer families are drawn to CTK by our Lego Sunday School and Children's Ministry.

Programs-Parishioners are interested in programs that develop our understanding of our faith and deepen our sense of discipleship.

A Sense of Pride-Nearly all of our respondents share that they would be willing to invite friends to worship.

As we looked at the responses, I was struck by the observation of a Mission Committee Member who said, "**ALL** of the responses are positive—there is an enthusiasm and joy about the parish right now."

I take a great deal of personal pride in that assessment, but the sense of pride and optimism we have at CTK is hardly an accident. In many ways, they are the fruits of the goals that we established two years ago.

Goal Setting

Recognizing the importance of how our past goals have shaped our current success, the Mission Committee will meet this month to establish our new goals for the next two years. Examining the survey data, there were several themes which started to develop and which very likely will form our forthcoming goals.

Discipleship-an overwhelming majority of respondents indicated a desire for growth. Not growth just in terms of the number of parishioners, but personal growth—a desire to grow deeper in faith with increased programs and resources.

Stewardship-Developing new programs for parishioners will require an expanded understanding of our resources.

Looking Ahead

In closing, it is clear that Christ the King is wonderfully positioned for an exciting future. I can't wait!

-Fr. Matt+

Prayer List

Birthdays:

Anniversaries:

The Hoovers

For those expecting a child:

In thanksgiving for newborns:

For those in the hospital:

Stephanie

Chris

Betty

For those in need of healing:

Linda

Chris

Margaret

Torrey

Klytia

Robin

Joseph

Betty

For those who have died:

For those in need:

For those who travel:

The Heck's

Special Concerns:

Christians in the Holy Land

Victims of Terrorism

For those about to be Baptized

Dylan, Kaitlynn, and Laura

Mellisa

CTK Mission Priorities

What should our goals be?

As Fr. Matt mentioned in his column, Christ the King's Mission Committee is working on developing a new set of ministry goals to guide the parish for the next two years. What are your goals for CTK? Where should we focus our energy in order to be better at sharing the Gospel with the community? Please share your goals with Fr. Matt or a member of the Mission Committee.

Weekly Attendance:

Here is a comparison of our September attendance reports from 2015 and 2016:

Monthly Attendance	Oct 2016	Previous Year
Week 1	25	22
Week 2	34	18
Week 3	28	24
Week 4	25	24
Week 5	29	
Year to Date	1190	709

Budget Update:

To help keep parishioners informed of our parish finances, we will be providing monthly updates in the parish newsletter and weekly bulletin announcements.

	Oct 2016	Monthly Budget	YTD +/- Budget
Plate Donations	\$253	\$150	-\$121
Pledges	\$2720	\$2700	-\$57
Totals	\$2973	\$2850	-\$178
Designated	\$70	\$0	

November Worship Schedule

Date	Reader	Chalice	Coffee	Sunday School	Lessons
November 6 All Saints' Day *Daylight Savings	McNett	Muñoz	Batson	Groh	Ecclesiasticus 44:1-10, 13-14; Psalm 149; Revelation 7:2-4, 9-17; Matthew 5:1-12
November 13 Pent. 26, Proper 28	Way	Way	Way	Crews	Malachi 4:1-2a; Psalm 98; II Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19
November 20 Christ the King Sunday	DeWolf	James	Muñoz	Stafford	Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 46; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43
November 27 Advent I (Year A Begins)	Gimbel	Gimbel	Warren	Pageant Rehearsal	Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:36-44

December Worship Schedule

Date	Reader	Chalice	Coffee	Sunday School	Lessons
December 4 Advent II	McNett	James	Batson	Pageant Rehearsal	Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12
December 11 Advent III	Muñoz	Muñoz	Muñoz	Pageant Rehearsal	Isaiah 35:1-10; Canticle 15; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11
December 18 Advent IV	Way	Way	Way		Children's Church and Christmas Pageant
December 24 Christmas Eve 5:30PM	TBA	DeWolf			Lessons and Carols with Communion
December 25 Christmas Day					Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-20