

# The Broadcast

20800 Grand River Avenue

Detroit, Michigan 48219

**Christ the King Parish**

## OUR 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.

**December 11, 2016**

## Advent and Beyond

This year there was exactly nineteen days between Election Day 2016 and the first day of Advent. I never ever thought to make the connection between the two before but after this year's election I was looking forward to putting my mind and heart back in a peaceful loving place.

No matter who you voted for or how you felt about the process, I think we all walked away with a bad taste in our mouths, and concern for our nation's future. As I watched the coverage and listened to people's dialogue it became so much bigger than Republicans vs. Democrats, who won or who lost.

The news media, in addition to social media made me defensive, combative, confrontational and suspicious. To sum it all up, the months leading up to the election and the weeks after have left me emotionally spent. While I didn't live during the years of the Civil Rights Movement I was raised to know and understand everything African Americans and minorities endured to gain the rights and freedoms we so often take for granted today.

The video of children in a neighboring suburb chanting "build the wall", news footage showing angry exchanges between different races, reports of people being attacked for their religious beliefs and/or sexual orientation has caused me to feel as if we are going backwards in time. More than anything I am sickened that our children are perpetrators and victims of such hate and intolerance!

Last week's Broadcast focused on

Advent and the Advent by Candlelight Celebration. I was unable to attend but very grateful for the article highlighting what was discussed. In this time of social unrest it is quite comforting to be reminded that "we are in Jesus and Jesus is in us." Reading that simple phrase put so much in perspective for me. All of the anger, hurt and confusion is not at the forefront of my emotions anymore and I am also thankful for the reminder that "each of us is different as individuals, but united as one, in his image."

This has been my focus during Advent, and will continue leading up to the Inauguration and the days to follow. Though I will not be silent to the injustices that I witness, I am choosing to move forward in love and positivity and I am encouraging everyone to do the same.

Advent's calling us to look at one another as "individual images of Christ", especially those with a differing opinion, especially those with hate in their hearts, is a practice that doesn't have to end on Christmas Day. Keeping this vision throughout the new year will allow us to get through these difficult times. Having Christ dwell in our hearts enables us to live as God calls us to.

Even though we are three weeks in, it's never too late to get refocused. Open that Little Blue Book and reflect on the present day but also go back to any days that you may have missed. Sometimes with the hustle and bustle of the season we con-

vince ourselves "we just don't have the time." Our minds are so cluttered with the preparation of the commercial side of Christmas we sometimes tend to not give the true meaning of Christmas our priority. This is also an issue for me during Ordinary Time. We are all very busy during the week and our weekends are just as hectic, however we still need to make time to reflect on our scripture readings and hit that reset button. I've noticed that when I take personal time for the Lord my days are not as stressful and my spirit is definitely more at peace.

During the first week of advent the Little Blue Book **invites** us as Christians to a "renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ", **asks** us to pray for an open mind and heart to the Holy Spirit, to **reflect** on our destiny for greatness, **recognize** signs from God, and **give** prayers of Thanksgiving in good and bad times. Again, these practices are awesome tools to remain focused during the days leading up to Christmas but can also be most helpful throughout the rest of the year.

No matter what political party we belong to, who we voted for and what prejudices we are faced with and even dealing with within our own selves, we are Christians first! Let us carry the Spirit of Advent into 2017 and beyond.

Blessings,

Nicole

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Grand River at Burt Road

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**Parish Council Elected Members:**

Bill Waterhouse.....Council Chair  
Martha Cooney, Mark Barkey, Pam Swift, Johnny Swift, Judy Bruttell, Jean Krystyniak, Avaia Cosey, Rachel Paul

**Commissions**

Debbie MacDonald.....Christian Service  
Carole Ann Beaman.....Worship  
Ron Hildebrandt.....Stewardship  
Michelle Lewis.....Faith Formation  
Michele Rochester.....Finance Council  
Lois Phillips.....Evangelization  
Bob Bruttell & Ron Eady.....Inclusion

St. Vincent dePaul.....313-535-7272

**Liturgy Schedule**

Sunday.....10:45am  
Wednesday and Friday.....8:30am

**Religious Education**

First & Third Sunday .....9:30-10:30am

**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:** Baptism is the public celebration of the beginning of life in the Church. At the celebration of Baptism, parents publicly affirm their decision to raise 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.

**Holy Eucharist and Confirmation Preparation**  
Call the Parish Office.....313-532-1211

**Other Sacraments**

**Reconciliation**.....By Appointment  
**Anointing of the sick**.....313-532-1211  
**Marriage** Call the parish office; 6 months preparation

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

Mass Intentions

Sunday December 11, 2016

10:45am Paul Sullivan  
By Dave & andi Kovach  
*Monday ~ No Mass*

Tuesday 9am at SS/OLGH

Wednesday CHRIST THE KING

8:30am Dinh Tran  
By Huong & family

Thursday 9am at SS/OLGH

Friday CHRIST THE KING

8:30am Wayne & Carol Woodall  
By Dave & andi Kovach  
*Saturday ~ No Mass*

Sunday

10:45am David Aerts, USMC  
By Chet McLeod

By Dinh Tran  
By Bai Tai & Family

Coffee Hour is sponsored today by

**Our Evangelization Commission**

*Please choose a Sunday that YOU can sponsor with some friends!*

Liturgical Ministries  
For NEXT Sunday  
December 18, 2016

**Lectors:** Mike Dwyer & Victoria Ndukwe

**Servers:** Arnold & Patricia Ebiware

**Liturgy of the Word for Children**  
Chris Webb

**Serving at the Table of the Lord**  
Michelle Lewis

**Ministers of Service**  
Nicole McDonald & Johnny Swift

FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY

**12/11 Third Sunday of Advent**

Is 35:1-6a, Jas 5:7-10, Mt 11:2-11  
Mon 12/12 Our Lady of Guadalupe  
Zec 2:14—17, Lk 1:26-38  
Tue 12/13 Zep 3:1-2,9-13, Mt 21:28-32  
Wed 12/14 Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25,  
Lk 7:18-23

Thur 12/15 Is 54:1-10, Lk 7:24-30  
Fri 12/16 Is 56:1-3a,6-8, Jn 5:33-36  
Sat 12/17 Gn 49:2-10, Mt 1:1-17

**12/18 Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Is 7:10-14, Rom 1:1-7, Mt 1:18-24

This Week:

Sun 12/11 10:45am Mass & Coffee Hr.  
*Christmas Garage Sale after Mass*

3-5pm Confirmation at St. Christopher

Tue 12/13 9am Mass at SS/OLGH  
9am Bible Study Christ the King

11am Crafters  
7pm Volunteer Corps—Rectory

Wed 12/14 8:30am Mass

Thu 12/15 9am Mass SS/OLGH  
6:00pm Choir

7:00pm Parish Council

Fri 12/16 8:30am Mass

Sat 12/17 11am Reconciliation

Sun 12/18 9:30am Religious Ed &  
Confirmation

10:45am Mass & Coffee Hr.



*The Wisdom of Pope Francis*



We have to state, without mincing words, that there is an inseparable bond between our faith and the poor. May we never abandon them. Just as the commandment "Thou shalt not kill" sets a clear limit in order to safeguard the value of human life, today we also have to say "thou shalt not" to an economy of exclusion and inequality. Such an economy kills. How can it be that it is not a news item when an elderly homeless person dies of exposure, but it is news when the stock market loses two points? This is a case of exclusion. Can we continue to stand by when food is thrown away while people are starving? This is a case of inequality.

Almost without being aware of it, we end up being incapable of feeling compassion at the outcry of the poor, weeping for other people's pain, and feeling a need to help them, as though all this were someone else's responsibility and not our own.

The culture of prosperity deadens us; we are thrilled if the market offers us something new to purchase. In the meantime, all those lives stunted for lack of opportunity seem a mere spectacle; they fail to move us.

The Fr. William T. Cunningham  
Memorial Choir Presents



**Great Joy!**

A Gospel Christmas  
Celebration

With special guests

Great Joy Orchestra  
DSA Vision Male Ensemble  
Reynolds Hemphill, organ  
Dr. Stanley Waldon, piano

**William Sean Harrison, Conductor**

Tickets available in advance & at the  
door

\$25.00 Donation/\$20.00 Students/Seniors

St. Suzanne/Our Lady Gate of Heaven

19321 W. Chicago Detroit, MI 48228

**Saturday, December 17, 2016**

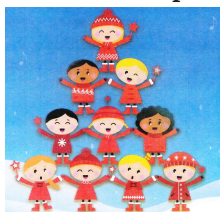
**7:30 P.M.**



**Cookies! Cookies! Cookies!**

We are asking our parish cookie bakers to help us out with some home made Christmas cookies to share at the nursing home when we go for our Christmas visit this Thursday. **If you can drop off cookies at the rectory by Tuesday am**, it will give us time to package them. The nursing home residents love having a home made treat! Thank you in advance for your kind assistance.

Detroit Children's Choir  
HOLIDAY CELEBRATION  
**TODAY at 4pm**



\$10/Person \$20/Group of up to 10 people

Cathedral of the

Most Blessed Sacrament

9844 Woodward, Detroit MI 48202



**Calling All Children**

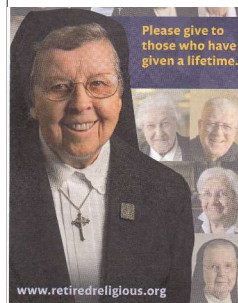
Parents,  
All of our youngsters are welcome to participate in the telling of the Christmas story at the 5pm Mass on Christmas Eve. Your child can be a shepherd or an angel. We have some costuming and we are planning a practice on

**Thursday, December 22, at 6pm**

Please bring your child to this rehearsal. We will meet in Church.



**Aging religious need your help.**



Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others—educating the young, comforting the sick,

seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously to today's second collection.

**IHM Chapel Concert Series**

**610 W Elm Ave., Monroe MI**

**ALL WELCOME**

*Festival of Lessons and Carols*

**Friday, December 16, 7:30pm**

The John Tyner Chorale presents a service modeled after the Christmas Eve service that has taken place in Cambridge Cathedral in England since 1918. It will include scripture readings as well as carols performed by both the congregation and the Tyner Chorale. This type of service has been used around the world and has become a tradition of the Christmas Season.

**FREE WILL OFFERING**



If you would like to make a donation toward the flowers to decorate the church for Christmas,

please place your donation in one of the wooden boxes in church. With your help we can make our church beautiful for the holiday season.



**Friday, February 3, 2017**

**8pm in Koelzer Hall**

**Only \$20.00**

**Tickets available NOW**

**In the parish office**

**You don't want to miss this!**

**Join us for the December YACK meeting!**

**There will be a potluck dinner and discussion**

**Topic: Advent/A Light in the Darkness**

**Where:** Murray Hill (email [youngadultsck@gmail.com](mailto:youngadultsck@gmail.com) for address)

**When:** Wednesday, December 14, 7:00 PM

**What:** An Advent prayer service and faith sharing

**Who:** all young adults at Christ the King parish! Friends, roommates, significant others

**Why:** to create a community where we can grow and question our faith supported by one another.

**To be added to our email list, send a message to :**

[youngadultsck@gmail.com](mailto:youngadultsck@gmail.com)

(Received Pronunciation) IPA(key): /ˈbɒdˌkɑːst/, /-kɑːst/. (General American) IPA(key): /ˈbɒdˌkɑːst/. (Canada) IPA(key): /ˈbɒdˌkɑːst/. (US). (California). Hyphenation: broad•cast. broadcast (comparative more broadcast, superlative most broadcast). Cast or scattered widely in all directions; cast abroad. 1744, William Ellis, *Of White Oats*, in *The Modern Husbandman: Or, The Practice of Farming: As it is Now Carried On by the Most Accurate Farmers in Several Counties of England. For the Month of April*