

# CHRIST THE KING

NOVEMBER 20, 2016

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

A JOYFUL WELCOME to the newest member of the Christian Community! Maxwell Marra will be baptized this Sunday, November 20 at 9AM. We extend our prayers and best wishes to Max and his parents, William and Molly.

THE TRAVELING CRIB IS BACK! We've filled it once, let's fill it again! A flyer with an extensive list of specific items needed is on the table in the back of the church. Help us continue our tradition of filling the crib numerous times!

<u>CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT</u>: Thank you for supporting this living example of the Corporal Works of Mercy. CCHD works to break the cycle of poverty by helping low-income people participate in decisions that affect their lives, families and communities. If you haven't had a chance to contribute to this worthwhile program, please take an envelope and return it next week. Thank you for your generosity!

READERS! The 2017 Workbooks are available in the chapel. Please sign for and take a copy.

MISSING WHITE TABLECLOTHS: If you took one of the church's white tablecloth home to launder, please return it ASAP. We need them by next weekend please!

<u>CHOIR REHERSAL SCHEDULE FOR ADVENT</u>: Every Tuesday through December 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.



## 15th ANNUAL ST. NICHOLAS CELEBRATION!

Friday, December 2, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Lessons and Carols followed by Potluck Dinner Special Appearance by Saint Nicholas!

Sign-up sheets to bring food & help with this event are in the back of the church

ANGEL TREE: We are continuing our participation in the Angel Tree program this Christmas Season. Angle Tree is a prison fellowship program that provides Christmas presents to children with one or both parents in prison. The Angle Tree will be posted on the bulletin Board on December 3-4 and gifts need to be returned to church the following weekend, December 10. Some gift tags are available after Mass today for those of you who need to shop early. See Sharon Finley or Pam Dunham after Mass to pick up a tag. We'll need volunteers to drive and deliver gifts December 17th; if you can help, call Sharon-503-707-6568.

<u>PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY DURING ADVENT</u> – Next Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent. Please come 15 minutes early for the lighting of the Advent Wreath in the gathering area.

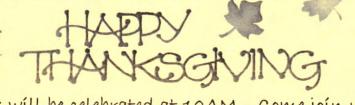
THE WORD AMONG US for the Advent and Christmas Seasons is available in the gathering area along with OTHER ADVENT MEDITATION MATERIALS. Please take only what you will use. We also have a limited number of copies of AT HOME WITH THE WORD -- Regular Print \$8.00 and Large Print \$12.00 -- available for purchase.

"It is because it is simply love that the self-gift of Jesus is redemptive. Since love is the one thing evil cannot compass, either imaginatively or really, it evades the grab of evil. Therefore, the power of evil-'natural,' human or diabolic—did indeed succeed in doing precisely what it set out to do, which was to destroy the enemy it perceived, a foe of tremendous and baffling strength, capable of healing and converting human minds as well as material elements. The huge power in Jesus, which had refused cooperation in what the Great Refuser saw as the only obviously sensible use of power, was (inexplicably, but opportunely) vulnerable to 'the Prince of this World.' And into all the channels laid open by love, the power of destruction thrust itself, to seize the very citadel of that power. It found nothing there. All was destroyed except love, and love is 'nothing' to the intelligence and grasp of evil.

But the very being of Jesus is love, and when he had accepted into himself the fullness of the thrust of evil there was no more it could do. The Christian assertion, repeated liturgically again and again, is that by dying he 'destroyed death.' This is literally true because the power of death is sin, and sin is that 'defendedness' of human nature which keeps love confined. Where there is no sin, death finds nothing to 'grip.' Love is exchange of life, and sin, which blocks that exchange, is the place where death can hold on. In dying, Jesus, as it were, released the grip of death's power to be an evil.

In order to realize the scope of this we have to remember how the model of exchanged life displays for us the infinitely intricate and intimate coinherence of all reality. Jesus was (like all human beings) inherently related, physically and mentally, to all of creation. And this man, Jesus, is the Beloved, the one in whom the Father's purpose (necessity, the 'must' of passion) is to 'unite all things in heaven and on earth.' Therefore, when the impulse of love drove him to make himself vulnerable to the worst that evil could do (could do, that is, not merely to a human being, but to this human being, whose capacity for suffering was necessarily unique because he was God), the effect of the ultimate impotence of evil in him spreads outwards also to every being with whom he is enmeshed 'in heaven, on earth, and under the earth.'"

(Rosemary Haughton, The Passionate God, Paulist, 1981, pp.151-152)



Mass will be celebrated at 10AM - Come join us!



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#### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 p.m.
Baptism and Anointing of the Sick: Contact parish office
Marriage: Six months' notice required

#### PARISH STAFF

Rev. James Martin Kolb, C.S.P., Pastor Elizabeth Duncan, Parish Assistant - 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday

#### LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. 2 Samuel 5:1-3/

Psalm 122/ Colossians 1:12-20/ Luke 23:35-43.

Monday: Revelation 14:1-3, 4b-5/ Psalm 24/ Luke 21:1-4.

Tuesday: St. Cecila, Virgin and Martyr. Revelation 14:14-19/ Psalm 96/

Luke 21:5-11.

Wed: Revelation 15:1-4/Psalm 98/ Luke 21:12-19.

Thursday: Thanksgiving Day. Revelation 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/

Psalm 100/ Luke 21:20-28.

Friday: Revelation 20:1-4, 11-21:2/ Psalm 84/ Luke 21: 29-33.

Saturday: Revelation 22:1-7/ Psalm 95/ Luke 21:34-36.

Next Sun: First Sunday of Advent. Isaiah 2:1-5/ Psalm 122/ Roman 13:11-14/

Matthew 24: 37-44.

### HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND - November 27th

9:00 AM: Karl & Barb Wetzel 11:00 AM: Pat & Corky Fleck Please come early. If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you!

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$5,429.00 Thank you!