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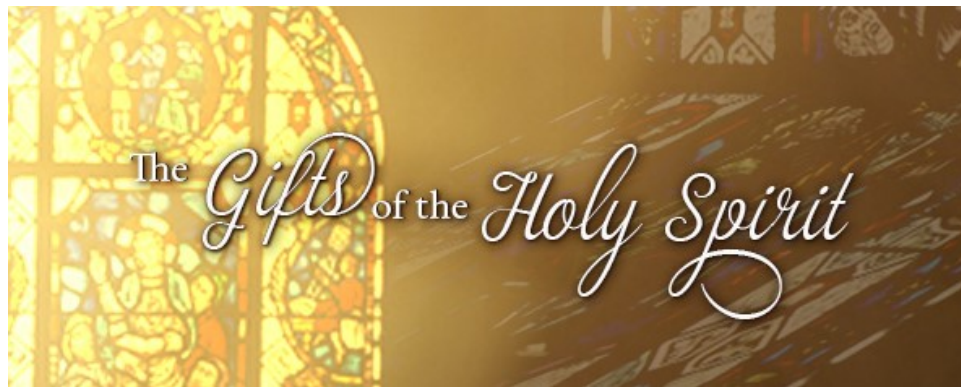
The Reverend Dr. Edward A. Weiss OSB, APC, Rector

# THE MESSENGER

October, 2020

***From the office of your Rector...*** Monthly Administrative publication for more information to Christ the King's Family of Faith.

***From the Rector, Fr Edward: Dear Christ the King Parish Family:***



Dear Family of Faith,

In these times of significant stress because of the effects of the Covid 19 pandemic, we should purpose ourselves to embrace ALL the gifts of the Spirit of Our Lord Jesus, accept His gifts, and commit ourselves anew to Him. We are a redeemed people, blessed with the ability to make choices guided by the Holy Spirit.. Be not afraid.

Read this Reflection of Henri Nouwen with clarity of vision, depth of understanding, and as always, without fear or anxiety. Remember ALWAYS that He is with us ALWAYS, and WILL be so, FOREVER!

Pax Christi,

Edward+

### The Most Important Choice

If I die with much anger and bitterness, I will leave my family and friends behind in confusion, guilt, shame, or weakness. When I felt my death approaching, I suddenly realized how much I could influence the hearts of those whom I would leave behind. If I could truly say that I was grateful for what I had lived, eager to forgive and be forgiven, full of hope that those who loved me would continue their lives of joy and peace, and confident that Jesus who calls me would guide all who somehow belonged to my life—if I could do that—I would, in the hour of my death, reveal more true spiritual freedom than I had been able to reveal during all the years of my life. I realize on a very deep level that dying is the most important act of living. It involves a choice to bind others with guilt or set them free with gratitude. HENRI NOUWEN



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**From the Sr Warden, Michele Keyser:** Have you attended a service at CtK in the last few weeks? CtK reopened, as planned, on September 6<sup>th</sup> and it was a wonderful service. We actually had 46 that first week. The service was not only live and in person, but it was also recorded and LiveStreamed. If you don't catch the service in person, feel free to see it as a Live Stream at 9:30 on Sunday mornings or as a video on Facebook or You Tube.

We have a full AV staff who are housed upstairs in the old choir loft. They make certain cameras roll and sound is excellent in both the church and in the recordings. Their hands are full.

The music has been wonderful. While the choir is not in full attendance yet, we do have the Praise Band most weeks. Even our musicians wear a mask while performing, IF they are not singing.

Everyone in the congregation has come through the front Willow Dr. doors, had temperatures checked with hands sanitized and masks on. If you don't have a mask we do have masks available for you.

You'll notice announcements are not coming through email anymore. Announcements are now presented by the Sr. Warden (me) at the end of our Sunday service so if you watch the service on your phone or computer, watch the whole service to the end to hear the announcements.

We still have several areas we are working on to bring back. One of those areas is the Wednesday morning healing service. Our plan is to bring that service back in November so stay tuned. We're still working on the 8 AM service for Sunday, and we want to think about the best time to restart classes and incorporate our larger group meetings along with fellowship.

The end of 2020 is rapidly coming upon us; which means our Annual Meeting needs to be Jan/Feb 2021. During this time, we get a full report on our finances and we choose the next candidates to serve on the Vestry. If you are interested in serving on the Vestry or know someone who would be interested in serving, please let another Vestry person know. We will have 3 openings to fill so put your thinking caps on. Current Vestry members are:

**Michele Keyser (Sr Warden)**

**Peg Wanio (Jr Warden)**

**Phil Browder**

**Sandy Schroll**

**Jeff Bluford**

**Dana Mitchell**

**Barbara Gibbs**

**Melrose Paris**

**Carol Hamblin**

This is also our time to consider our giving to CtK. This takes serious prayers and considerations as you determine the time you devote and the financials that you contribute. This is between you and God.

We have elections coming up on November 3 and we will need a little assistance. We have plenty of people to work the elections that day, but a gentle reminder is that we come in 5:30-6:00 in the morning and don't leave until somewhere between 8 and 10:00 at night. It makes for a very long day and we get very hungry. If you would like to provide a meal for 8-10 people or snacks and water, we would greatly appreciate it. If you wish to contribute, please contact me. My email address is LOLL@cfl.rr.com.

God bless every one of you. Prayers for your health and safety and *your* eventual return to Christ the King.

Michele Keyser, Senior Warden



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**From DOK Hannah Chapter President, Donna Burns...** Last Saturday, September 19, 2020, was the Annual Fall Assembly of the Central Florida Order of the Daughters of the King™.

This is an event that we always look forward to and last year it was held here at Christ the King. For obvious reasons this year it had to be held by ZOOM. It was a beautiful opportunity to see some of our sisters faces. One thing that I missed, was the banner parade that usually is the highlight of the celebration. At the last count, I heard that it was about 82 of us participating in the ZOOM conference.

The call to order was at 10 am. As usual we began with the "Prayer of the Order" and the 'Motto' but this time it was a little different. With each sentence being said by a different assigned member. So, you had to be alert as to when you were assigned to speak.

The homily was given by the Rev. Canon Scott T Holcombe, Canon of the Ordinary of the CF Diocese. He spoke on the theme of the Day which was "Steadfast in Love", calling our attention to God's steadfast love for us and a word in the Hebrew (Hesed) that reflects that. God's love is constant, steadfast in spite of our behavior towards Him.

Last year's Bishop's cross recipient gave a very touching expression of what the cross meant to her while she wore it. As people noticed the cross and questioned its reason, it gave her the opportunity to witness for Christ by saying and doing things that she did not realize was inside of her.

The outreach for 2019-2020 was the Estah Ministry Outreach and they were presented with \$10,847.00.

The slate of officers presented was unanimously accepted for the New Year, and the 2020-2021 Outreach Project chosen was 'No One Hungry'. This was presented by Marie Hunsaker of St Gabriel's in Titusville. This has grown from the vision of a food pantry in Titusville, Fl. Into an international ministry. They not only provide food but also give hope through the distribution of Bibles, water purification systems, and scholarships to young impoverish students from Belize and the Bahamas. We will be hearing more about supporting this project.

We then proceeded to have a memorial service for Departed Daughters (March 1, 2019- August 31, 2020). After much prayer each departed Daughter's name was called.

The meeting was adjourned around 11:30. It was a very lovely time and the Diocesan President offered all the chapter presidents the ZOOM that we can use to have chapter meetings.

FOR HIS SAKE, Donna Burns, Hannah Chapter President

**From Sharon Jones, Parish Life Coordinator...** Dear Pet Lover's.. Since we want to keep our four-legged family members safe from Covid, it has been decided to Not do a live Blessing of the Animals. Instead, on Sunday, October 4th, during the service, Father Edward will offer a special prayer, bless the St Francis medallions and hand them out to anyone who would like them.

No, you don't want to bring your furry loved ones to church please. Unless, of course, they are a service pet.

In God's Love.. Sharon, Parish Life Coordinator





**From Healing Hunger Food Pantry:** I'm extremely thankful for all of you who support the Healing Hunger Food Pantry ministry and make our monthly giveaways possible. I'm thankful for the delivery of 2 pallets of no-touch produce from Second Harvest Food Bank, which was right on time! I'm thankful for those who gift the pantry with their treasure, as well as those who gift the pantry with their time and talents... the strong arms and backs that helped to unload nearly 3,700 lbs of food; those who helped pre-bag 200 bags and especially those who volunteered on Saturday. You were a blessing to 210 families representing 883 people at the September giveaway. God is so good and I'm so thankful! God bless you all and stay safe! Laurie Schoomaker



## From Marketing & Communications...Laurie Anderson

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**Oct 1** – next scheduled Evening Prayer . . . We hope you can join us!

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# **The Messenger, October 2020**

## **October Anniversaries and Birthdays**

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

**Craig & Susie Rose      October 11**

### **BIRTHDAYS**

<b>Fr Edward A Weiss</b>	<b>October 5</b>
<b>Ed Haddad</b>	<b>October 11</b>
<b>Kristen McMullen</b>	<b>October 11</b>
<b>Jeff Bluford</b>	<b>October 24</b>
<b>Julie MuckerHeide</b>	<b>October 24 (Schroll)</b>
<b>Rita Hulcher</b>	<b>October 26</b>
<b>Kay Strom</b>	<b>October 27</b>
<b>Andy Brannin</b>	<b>October 28 (Brannin)</b>
<b>Sheree Ravenscroft</b>	<b>October 30</b>
<b>Maria Maldonado</b>	<b>October 31</b>