



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

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SAINT MARGARET MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2021
20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
For today's Mass Propers, please see the Parish Bulletin

Dear faithful,

We have an interesting scene in this Sunday's gospel. A ruler in the city of Capharnaum implores Our Lord to heal his sick son, and his request is met with what seems, at first, to be a stern rebuke: "Unless you see signs and wonders, you believe not." How does the ruler react? Does he walk away despondent, or curse Our Lord for His lack of compassion? Does he try to bribe Him? No, he seems to know that Christ is testing him; that after already healing so many other sick and possessed persons, the Messiah will not ultimately deny him his request. So he perseveres, speaking confidently to Our Lord, almost as if the miraculous outcome is already assured: "Lord, come down before my son die." And sure enough, the gentle Savior grants him the healing he seeks with these words: "Go thy way, thy son liveth."

A good question to ask ourselves this Sunday, therefore, is: are we confident that God will grant us what we need? Do we persevere in prayer, even if the desired outcome may take longer than we would expect? Do we trust in God readily, or do we hesitate? When we pray, let us remember that God desires what is best for us infinitely more than we ever could, and He wants us to have confidence in Him. So this Sunday, let us look to this ruler of Capharnaum as a model of holy confidence.

I would like to thank all of those who prayed not only for me but for all the canons of the U.S. Province this week during our annual Convocation. We were able to visit several cultural sites in and around Detroit, Michigan, including the Detroit Institute of Art, which featured a surprising number of works of Christian art from the Medieval and Renaissance periods, and the Henry Ford Museum. While visiting the latter, thanks to a racecar simulator I learned that I probably did not miss my true vocation as a NASCAR driver. It's harder than it looks!

This Novena in preparation for the feast of Saint Margaret Mary, patroness of our apostolate, has begun. We will celebrate her feast next Sunday, October 17. The Novena prayer will be recited each day after Mass in order to help us properly prepare for this august feast.

The Institute's titular feast, Christ the King, is approaching on Sunday, October 31. At the initiative of Canon Matthew Talarico, Provincial Superior, all the U.S. apostolates will begin a Novena of gratitude to the Infant King for all the graces and blessings we've received over the last year, both in our personal lives and in the life of the Institute. The Novena will begin on Saturday, October 23. You are most welcome to join us as we offer our thanks and prayers to Him who has done so much for us.

Please note: on Thursday October 21 at 6 pm, there will be a Solemn Pontifical Mass with Archbishop Cordileone at the parish of St. Mary's in Vacaville. You might recognize one of the sacred ministers!

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
Canon Benjamin Norman



Convocation of Institute canons serving in the US Province, at St. Joseph Shrine in Detroit, Michigan, October 4-8, 2021

SUNDAY RECEPTION:

Please join us in the church hall after the 12:30 Mass for refreshments and fellowship.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

CHRISTMAS CARDS

The Institute's Christmas cards have arrived, and they will be available for \$20 per pack (same as the online price, but without shipping & handling.) Please purchase yours at the reception following the 12:30 Mass. These high-quality Christmas cards feature beautiful art to help you wish your friends and family the blessings of a Merry Christmas. Please note that these cards are not "Novena Cards." The Christmas Novena of Masses held from December 24 until January 1 and will be open for enrollment later this fall in the same manner as it was this past year.

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun., 10/10	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	20th Sunday After Pentecost <i>2nd Class/ Green</i>	Canon Norman	Monica Roberts
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>		Canon Norman	Thomas Dinh
Mon., 10/11	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	The Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary <i>2nd Class/ White</i>	Father Staal	Brigitte Krispel
Tue., 10/12	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Holy Angels <i>4th Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Jeffrey Glass†
Wed., 10/13	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Edward the Confessor, King of England <i>4th Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Kindy-Baillet Family
Thurs., 10/14	12:00 noon <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr <i>3rd Class/ Red</i>	Canon Norman	Petra Rowe
Fri., 10/15	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Teresa of Avila, Virgin & Doctor <i>3rd Class/ White</i> <i>Adoration after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Canon Benjamin Norman
Sat., 10/16	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Hedwig, Widow <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Canon Matthew Talarico
Sun., 10/17	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Feast of St. Margaret Mary Patroness of the Apostolate <i>1st Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Lamar Owens†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>		Canon Norman	Maria Xuan Dao

SACRAMENTS

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before each Mass, and also during the Adoration after the 6 pm Mass each Friday.

Please contact Canon Norman if you are in need of or have questions regarding reception of any of the Sacraments.

CATECHISM CLASSES

Weekly catechism classes on Zoom are resuming in September.

Please contact Canon Norman or Lisa Caputi to request the Zoom link.

Youth Class—begins on Tuesday, September 14 at 4:00pm

Adult Class—begins on Saturday, September 18 at 2:30pm

****New Class****—a twice-monthly course will be offered this year of **basic instruction in the Catholic Faith for those who are not yet Catholic but would like to be received into the Church.** If this interests you, please contact Canon Norman for the details.

TO BE ON THE EMAIL LIST, send your request to oakland@institute-christ-king.org

PRAYER LISTS

In your kindness, please keep these requests in your prayers. Thank you.

For the sick:

Thomas Henriksson	Nancy Duenas	Gigi Cunningham
Dario Gonzalez	Rose Stone	Paula Case
Timothy Paul Irving	Veronica Seder	Lianne Claver
Eurydice Buenger	Elizabeth Pawek	Paulann Dymond
Diane Kasdan	Catherine Rose Eich	Courtney Shoda
Canon Fragelli*	Peter Trong Nguyen	

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Barbara Powell	Pauline Marie Longchamp	Pedro Barreto
Walter Wagoner	Rosary Gilheany	Cecilia Ramos
Jeff Glass	James Metran	Ramon Lanzar
Marie-Terese Karel-Michaan		<i>Requiescant in pace.</i>

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 14—Sursum Corda (young adult group)

October 9-16—Novena in preparation for the Feast of St. Margaret Mary

October 17—Feast of St. Margaret Mary

October 23-31—Novena in preparation for the feast of Christ the King

October 31—Kingship of Jesus Christ, Titular Feast of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

November 6—Cemetery visit after First Saturday devotions

November 13—Society of the Sacred Heart Conference

November 29—Men's Retreat

RSVP:

Please email the following to sign up for these events

Society of the Sacred Heart, November 13: I-Wen Connick at iconnick@pacbell.net

Men's Day Retreat, November 29: Joseph Burk at josephburk94@gmail.com

SUNDAY SERMONS

Audio recordings of the Sunday sermons for the Institute's Oakland apostolate are now being posted on our website. They can be found at this address: <https://institute-christ-king.org/oakland-sermons>

SUNDAY BULLETINS

All Sunday bulletins are also posted on the Institute website, at: <https://institute-christ-king.org/bulletins-oakland>

SUBMISSION OF MASS INTENTIONS, PLEASE NOTE:

To submit Mass intentions, please contact the Parish Office by phone, email, or postal mail. The Parish Bulletin has additional details. Stipends made by check should be made payable to "St. Margaret Mary Church." The customary donation is \$10 per Mass.