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SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2022
**EXTERNAL SOLEMNITY OF THE
ASCENSION OF OUR LORD**

Dear faithful,

We celebrate this Sunday the External Solemnity of the Ascension of Our Lord, one of the oldest and most solemn feasts of the liturgical year; dating back indeed to the very origins of our religion. This glorious event was witnessed by the eyes of the Apostles themselves.

What must have been the confusion and the emotion of the Apostles as they witnessed the Divine Master, whom they loved so dearly, rise bodily into the air, higher into the sky, and then into the heavens? Can we doubt that they must have been filled at once with awe at the remarkable display of His Divinity, but at the very same time with sadness at the departure of the One whom they loved so dearly?

It is often said that you never know how much you love someone until they are gone. The Apostles experienced this more keenly than the rest of us on the day that Christ rose up out of their midst into Heaven, and strove thereafter to always live in a manner so as to be speedily reunited with Him after death. May their example always inspire our own pursuit of the virtues.

We began our **Novena in Preparation for Pentecost** on Saturday after the 10 am Mass. Please find copies of the Novena Prayer available near the church entrance. May this Novena inspire us to always cultivate an ever closer relationship with the Holy Ghost, that Best and Divine Friend of our souls.

Bishop Michael Barber, our shepherd here in the Diocese of Oakland, has courageously taken a stand in **support of Archbishop Cordileone's decision** to bar U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi from the reception of Holy Communion until she repents of her support for the wicked crime of abortion. He has put out the following statement:

"I support Archbishop Cordileone in the heroic and compassionate stance he took today in the protection and defense of human life. As Pope Francis said "Every child who, rather than being born, is condemned unjustly to being aborted, bears the face of Jesus Christ, bears the face of the Lord... who experienced the world's rejection." We love the child in the womb. And we love the child's mother." (<https://oakdiocese.org/news/bishop-barbers-statement-in-support-of-archbishop-cordileone>)

The Oakland Apostolate of the **Institute of Christ the King thanks Bishop Barber** for his witness to the sanctity of both Our Lord's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist and that of human life, particularly the lives of unborn children.

Please keep the poor, **persecuted Cardinal Joseph Zen** in your prayers. He has been put on trial by the Communists and faces an uphill battle. Like the staunchly anti-Communist Cardinal Mindzenty before him, he now carries his cross because of iniquitous and tyrannical men.

Some joyful news from a good old Irish soul I knew during my service at the Institute's apostolate in Limerick, Jack Collins, that I couldn't resist sharing with you. Jack's infant grandson had been hospitalized with a life-threatening condition, but the good Lord has come very powerfully to the aid of the little one.



From Jack:

"Dear Canon. Just to let you know that **Baby Jack my grandson has now fully recovered** and will be discharged on Friday, God willing. Please extend our deepest gratitude to all in your community. May the Lord bless you all abundantly."

Summer camp news: Instead of August, the Institute's yearly **summer camp, St. Michael's Patrol**, is now planned for **Thursday, July 28 – Saturday, July 30**. Like last year, the camp will be held at the SCCPOA Campground, located at: 24090 Deer Path Rd, Saratoga, CA 95070. If you are interested, please contact: oakland@institute-christ-king.org.

It's that time of year again – time to climb the spiritual mountain. Every priest is required by the Church to make a yearly retreat; **I will thus be leaving next weekend for the Institute's priestly retreat** in St. Louis from **June 6 – 10**. I will leave after the 7 am Mass on Sunday, June 5 and return for the 10 am Mass on Saturday, June 11. Our friend Father Morgan will celebrate the Mass at 12:30 pm on June 5. Please see the liturgical calendar for the details regarding priest replacements during the week.

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
Canon Norman

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun., 5/29	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	External Solemnity of the Ascension <i>2nd Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Dick† & Carmel† Brown
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Jesus† & Margarita† Cristobal
Mon. 5/30	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Commemoration of St. Felix I, Pope & Martyr <i>4th Class/ Red</i>	Canon Norman	Mark & Rebecca Zelaya
Tue. 5/31	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary <i>2nd Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Brad O'Leary
Wed. 6/1	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Angela Merici, Virgin <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Theresa Hamilton†
Thurs. 6/2	12:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of Our Lord Jesus Christ Sovereign & Eternal High Priest, <i>3rd Class/White</i>	Canon Norman	Douglas Zeitz
Fri. 6/3	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart <i>3rd Class/ White</i> <i>First Friday Devotions after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	San Thi Nguyen†
Sat. 6/4	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Vigil of Pentecost <i>1st Class/ Red</i> <i>First Saturday Devotions after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Pam Family
Sun. 6/5	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Pentecost <i>1st Class / Red</i>	Canon Norman	Emmanuel Baccay & Family
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>		Father Morgan	Dr. Allen Kuhl & Family

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 Please contact Canon Norman or Lisa Caputi (henshinx@pacbell.net) to request the Zoom link.

Youth Class: Tuesdays at 4:00pm

Adult Class: Saturdays, at 2:30pm

Prospective Catholics: contact Canon for class times

EMAIL LIST: email oakland@institute-christ-king.org

FLOCKNOTE: sign up at ickspoakland.flocknote.com or text "ICKSPOakland" to 84576

PRAYER LISTS*

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

For the sick:

Thomas Henriksson	Nancy Duenas	Gigi Cunningham
Dario Gonzalez	Paula Case	Veronica Seder
Elizabeth Pawek	Diane Kasdan	Courtney Shoda
Canon Fragelli	Dobbins family	Peter Trong Nguyen
Paulann Dymond	Mead Lawson	Paul Oei
Thomas Orr	Canon Altiere	Msgr. David Link
Lianne Claver	Carmen Raya	Fil Marquez
Julie Gourley	Teresa Lydon	

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Jeff Glass	James Metran	Ramon Lanzar
Marie-Terese Karel-Michaan		Steven Miller
Jesus Cristobal	Rita Cristobal	Rod Phillips

Requiescant in pace.

*Please email to oakland@institute-christ-king.org if you would like to add a name to the above lists. A longer list is available as attachment to the weekly Flocknote.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 28 - June 5—Pentecost Novena

June 3—First Friday of June (devotions after 6pm Mass)

June 4—First Saturday of June (devotions after 10am Mass)

June 5—Pentecost

June 16—Corpus Christi

June 23—Sursum Corda *

June 24—Feast of the Sacred Heart

July 28 - July 30— Boys' Summer Camp (St. Michael's Patrol)**

* **Sursum Corda:** rsvp to Noe Perez at n_perez3@u.pacific.edu

** **Summer Camp:** If interested in attending Summer Camp, please contact: oakland@institute-christ-king.org

MASS OF THE AGES - NEW EPISODE "A PERFECT STORM"

Episode 2 of the Mass of the Ages Trilogy is now available on Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1XctfSR7SS4>.

This episode is also highly recommended. Watch a short one-minute teaser at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ypYexwqqHTM>.

SUNDAY SERMONS AND BULLETINS

Audio recordings of the Sunday sermons and digital copies of the Sunday bulletin can be found at the following links, respectively:

<https://institute-christ-king.org/oakland-sermons>

<https://institute-christ-king.org/bulletins-oakland>

HOT OFF THE PRESSES! *My Catholic Faith*

New copies of the timeless Catechism, *My Catholic Faith*, have arrived and are ready to take their rightful place in your library. Originally published in 1949 by Bishop Louis LaRavoire Morrow of Krishnagar, India, this is a popular reprint of the 1954 edition, published by Angelus Press. We have 16 copies available for purchase at the reasonable price of **25 dollars.**, almost half off the list price. It is filled with a systematic presentation of all the articles of the Catholic Faith, along with illustrations. You could call it "**an offer you can't refuse!**" Please contact Canon if you wish to purchase a copy.