



April 5, 2024

Dear CTK parish family,

I thought you might enjoy a little “celestial” humor with the meme above as we anticipate the **Great Eclipse Day** on Monday, April 8.

Pardon the pun, but the **“Son of God”** has “eclipsed” sin and death as we once again celebrate the Easter moment. The **Alleluias** have been on our lips; now, we need to hold them in our hearts as we go forth in the world confident in the grace and peace the Risen Lord affords us.

I hope you and yours had a wonderful Easter celebration. **Speaking of celebrations, I wish to acknowledge and thank our choirs, musicians, liturgy/decoration committee, and the POLO Club for making our Easter presence at CTK beautiful in appearance and sound for all who came to worship with us.** The kids had a great time at the **POLO Club** sponsored Easter Egg Hunt. The church could not have been more full with all who came to give praise and glory to God, celebrating the risen Christ . . . ALLELUIA!

We welcome our **“neophytes”** (those who have been, baptized, confirmed, and/or received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil). Their names are included on the photo capturing the moment of reception. Please, pray for them and extend your welcome when you meet them.



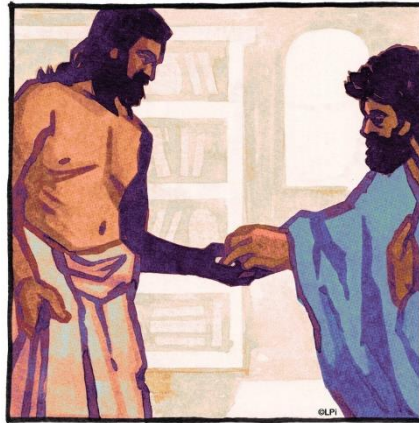
Next on the docket is our CTK parish **1<sup>st</sup> Communion next Saturday, April 13**, for our class of students. Please include them in your prayers that they may always have a deep, personal, and loving relationship with Jesus. May their innocence and joy remind us of the great privilege to invite the Lord into our lives.

In this week's Sunday gospel, we recount Thoms the Apostle and his troubling time encountering Lord and ultimately coming to a deep moment of belief and faith. May he inspire us to grow in our faith.

We also celebrate **Divine Mercy Sunday** this week. It is the mercy of the Lord that allows us to draw near in hope and lead to a deeper faith in Jesus. May you know the mercy of God in your life and need.

May Christ the risen Lord reign in our lives, Alleluia!

Msgr Mike



## And in Other Parish News.....



Sunday (4/7) is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter  
+Divine Mercy Sunday+

- In addition to the regular Christ the King Masses, there will be a **9:00 am Mass celebrated at All Saints Church**. All are welcome.
- Pray the **Divine Mercy Chaplet at Christ the King Church on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.** Join us for this prayerful devotion in song after 10:00 a.m. Mass, Rosaries optional.

➤ Join the Archdiocese of St. Louis in praying outside of the ERDCC in Bonne Terre where the state will execute Brian Dorsey. As Catholics, we believe that all life is sacred, therefore, we will pray for Brian, for the victims of the crime he committed, for those performing the execution, and all those impacted.

**A group will take a bus from the Rigali Center at 4pm on 4/9/24** to attend the peaceful prayer vigil outside of the execution facility. Contact Jamie LaBelle at [jamielabelle@archstl.org](mailto:jamielabelle@archstl.org) to RSVP or with questions.

## ➤ Spaghetti Tuesday

Tuesday, April 9 is Spaghetti Tuesday! Drop off your FROZEN casserole for the St. Patrick's Center from 7-9am on the cart in the Dartmouth driveway. If you have any questions or want to get involved in this program, please contact Joe Gallo at [jjgallo@charter.net](mailto:jjgallo@charter.net) or 314-630-7334.

If you haven't participated before, it's easy! Here's the simple recipe.

Ingredients:

- 1.5 pounds ground beef
- 1.5 pounds spaghetti
- 1 large jar spaghetti sauce

Directions:

- Get one of the 9x13" foil pans from the back of church
- Cook spaghetti
- Brown ground beef in a skillet and drain fat if needed
- Combine ingredients in the foil pan
- Cover and freeze

- SHED Volunteers Needed SHED, Inc. (Sustainable Housing and Equitable Development) is looking for 3-4 volunteers to work on a senior's home on **Saturday, April 13 from 9am to noon**. If you are able to assist or have any questions about volunteering, contact Mimi TaylorHendrix at [mhen1240@gmail.com](mailto:mhen1240@gmail.com) or call 314-600-5426.

**Below are the items that our SVdP Food Pantry is running low on...**

- \* Pasta sauce
- \* Flour
- \* Deodorant
- \* Elbow macaroni or penne pasta (we are overstocked on spaghetti and long noodles!)
- \* Bags (running low on paper and plastic bags)
- \* Toilet paper
- \* Sugar
- \* Pads/tampons
- \* Jelly
- \* Paper towels

**We do NOT need soups and other canned goods.**



**COFFEE & DONUTS  
NEXT SUNDAY (April 14)  
AFTER THE 10:00 MASS**





# 2024 Housing Fair & Seminar

*for New and Existing Homeowners*



**DATE**  
April 6, 2024

**TIME**  
9:00 a.m. -  
12:00 p.m.  
Lunch will be available

**LOCATION**  
University City High School  
7401 Balson Ave.  
University City



**SCAN**  
For Agenda and  
Registration

## AGENDA

- 8:30 am Doors Open
- 9:00 am Welcome and Main Session
- 9:45 am #1 Estate Planning #3 Home Buyer Programs
- #2 Build/Repair Credit #4 Home Inspections
- 10:15 am #1 Getting a Mortgage #3 Increasing a Home's Value
- #2 Insurance Concerns #4 Homebuying Process
- 10:45 am #1 Building Wealth #3 Curb Appeal
- #2 Buyer Programs #4 Getting a Mortgage
- 11:15 am Lunch and Panel Discussion

**EVENT IS FREE AND LUNCH IS INCLUDED**

### DISCOVER BUYING PROGRAMS

Explore on-site prequalifications for financing and meet with lenders to find out what buying programs you are eligible.

### ESTATE PLANNING ASSISTANCE

Talk one-on-one with an attorney to learn how best to leave your property to others and create generational wealth.

### BUILD OR REPAIR CREDIT

Obtain a free credit report (bring your photo ID) and learn how you can build your credit score or how to repair your credit.

### INCREASE YOUR HOME VALUE

Learn about home energy efficiency and repair programs and what improvements provide the best ROI for home value.

## PROGRAM PARTNERS



Visit [shedstl.org](http://shedstl.org) for a detailed agenda



## You are invited to the annual Christ the King Progressive Dinner on April 20th!

The Progressive dinner is a great way to **mix and mingle with fellow parishioners and meet new people along the way!**

The funds collected support the Women's retreat and other parish needs. All the hosts donate their time, food and talent to this event.

We request a donation of \$50 per person. However, if you are not able, give what you can and **come enjoy the evening!**

Invitations will be mailed soon. NEW this year, you can register and pay using the QR code below.

Also, NEW this year, we will begin with a 4 PM Mass celebration for our parish community.

We are looking for cocktail and dinner hosts and an organizer for dessert at the MRC. Let us know if you want to host or host with friends!

**Have any questions?** Contact Mary Jo Gorman at [maryjogorman99@gmail.com](mailto:maryjogorman99@gmail.com) or Erin Vlasaty at [evlasaty@hotmail.com](mailto:evlasaty@hotmail.com).





**April 20, 2024**  
8:00am 5K  
9:00am Fun Run

[www.tinyurl.com/ctk5k2024](http://www.tinyurl.com/ctk5k2024)



Save the Date

Global 6K for Water

Sat, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024



Christ the King is hosting World Vision's 2024 Global 6K! Why 6K? 6K is the average distance a woman or child in a developing country has to walk to find water, usually unclean, for their families to drink. Every step you take is one they won't have to. Join our team: "CTK Global6K". Find out more and register here: [CTK Global6K - Fundraising For Team World Vision](#)





# Vacation Bible School



**Come get on board Mary's train with us!**

**Music, crafts, sports, Catechesis, and snack**

When: June 10-14, 9 AM-Noon

Where: Christ the King Catholic School

Presented by: Co-Chairs Jane Hilton and Rachel Barnidge

Cost: \$75 for 1 child (incoming PreK to incoming 3rd gr),

\$90 for 2 children, \$100 for 3+ children. Afternoon care

available if needed by registering for Mrs. Duncan's camp.

Deadline: May 1st. Registration form and check made payable to Christ the King can be dropped off at school or

mailed to Rachel Barnidge at 7025 Cornell Ave. 63130

Middle school (6-8th gr) and parent volunteers needed!

(Children attend free) Email: [rpbaridge@gmail.com](mailto:rpbaridge@gmail.com)

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Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email/Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Name and Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Child #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Child #3 \_\_\_\_\_



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