



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023
SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY
(Mass Propers available in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear faithful,

It is Our Lord's parable of the sower and the seed which fell upon four different sorts of ground which Holy Mother Church puts before our eyes on this Sexagesima Sunday. The Word of God can be heard by the ears of many, but sadly, a great number will not let it permeate and change their hearts for the better, because of the temptations, cares and distractions of this life. But there is hope – the hope that the “good ground” will be found in our souls:

“But that on the good ground, are they who in a good and perfect heart, hearing the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit in patience” (Luke 8;4-15).

How do we know that the Word of God has truly fallen upon the “good ground” of a heart that seeks His good pleasure above all else? We should never be too quick to assume that we fall into this category. A heart which spurns presumption and trusts not in its own merits, but rather in the infinite mercy and power of God, is the surest sign that the seed is growing fruitfully in our souls.

Again, **a big “Thank you” for all your generous support** of the Oakland Apostolate and indeed the entire U.S. Province of the Institute throughout the last year. On Sunday, February 26, there will be a **special collection** for your donation to help the Institute continue its work for the salvation of souls. Last year's collection raised \$121,930. It was such a great help over this past year in the common mission which we share with all of you. Please see the second page of the bulletin for a **special QR Code** to make a donation to the annual Provincial Appeal.

As in years past, a big “thank you” to Thomas and Diana Henriksson for generously restarting a venerable tradition here at St. Margaret Mary's: **Lenten Prayer Cards for Seminarians**. Prayer cards will be distributed in the vestibule after the 7 am and 12:30 pm Masses this Sunday. Your prayers are so important for these young men. It is requested to recite one decade of the Rosary each day (or even 5 decades, for those who are able) for the seminarian on your card.

There are currently three young men in the Institute's seminary, Gricigliano, who are originally from our Oakland Apostolate. Canon Joel Estrada, Rector of St. Patrick's Oratory in Waterbury, Connecticut, is also originally from our humble apostolate. This is certainly the **fruit of all the prayers and sacrifices** offered up by our faithful over the years. There are even more young men among our faithful who are currently discerning a vocation with our institute. What a blessing and proof that “they that sow in tears shall reap in joy”! (Psalm 125:5).

If you are not able to pick up cards in person this Sunday, you may contact the Henrikssons at: dhenriksson@comcast.net. They will be happy to **mail you the cards**, which will be sent at the end of this week. You may even mention in your email if you would like to pray for a particular seminarian.

It's that time of year again! Time to burn **last year's Palm Sunday palms** to prepare for Ash Wednesday, February 22. Please place your palms in the basket in the vestibule. Thank you!

I will leave for a **week of vacation** with my family in Virginia this Monday, February 13, and will return on Monday, February 20. Canon Bryan Silvey of St. Gianna Oratory in Tucson, Arizona will be replacing me from February 17 – 20, and some generous local priests will cover the other days. Thank you for your prayers.

Quinquagesima Sunday, the last Sunday before the beginning of Lent, is next Sunday, February 19. As is our custom here at St. Margaret Mary's, we will have a **“Forty Hours” devotion** by having a Holy Hour of Adoration following the 12:30



Mass next Sunday. There will also be a Holy Hour after the 6 pm Masses on Monday, February 20 and Tuesday, February 21.

A date has been found for our **Father-Son Flag Football game** for the altar servers! We will meet on the First Sunday of Lent, February 26, at 3:15 at Hayward High School (1633 East Ave., Hayward). Not yet a member of the Altar Server Corps? You're invited anyway! Please rsvp to Canon Norman at canon.norman@institute-christ-king.org.

Our monthly **Sursum Corda event for Catholic young adults** will be a movie night at the Chabot Theater in Castro Valley on Monday, February 27 at 7 pm (2853 Castro Valley Blvd.). We will watch the 2012 film *For Greater Glory*, which depicts the heroic witness to the Catholic Faith of the Cristero Martyrs, and the war they waged, in the face of persecution from their own government in early 20th Century Mexico. The event is open to any young adult (ages 18-35) who would like to attend. Here is a link to the trailer: https://youtu.be/9QUb_StcVzg.

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
Canon Norman

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun. 2/12	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Sexagesima Sunday <i>2nd Class / Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Intentions of Clare Bocek
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			For the Sick listed in the Parish Book of the Sick
Mon. 2/13	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Holy Trinity <i>4th Class / White</i>	Father Staal	Institute of Christ the King
Tue. 2/14	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Commemoration of St. Valentine, Priest & Martyr <i>4th Class / Red</i>	Father Illo	For the Sick listed in the Parish Book of the Sick
Wed. 2/15	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Commemoration of Ss. Faustinus & Jovita, Martyrs <i>4th Class / Red</i>	Father Nahoe	Jose Antonio Landaverde
Thurs. 2/16	12:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Holy Ghost <i>4th Class / Red</i>	Father Jimenez	For the Sick listed in the Parish Book of the Sick
Fri. 2/17	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Holy Cross <i>4th Class / Red</i> <i>Adoration After Mass</i>	Canon B. Silvey	Gary Amriott†
Sat. 2/18	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Our Lady's Saturday <i>4th Class / White</i>	Canon B. Silvey	For the Sick listed in the Parish Book of the Sick
Sun. 2/19	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Quinquagesima Sunday <i>2nd Class / Violet</i> <i>Holy Hour Adoration after 12:30pm Mass</i>	Canon B. Silvey	Rick Schneider†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			James Wagner

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 online: 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

First Communion Class: Wednesdays at 4:00pm, starts **March 1**

FLOCKNOTE: sign up at [ickspeakland.flocknote.com](https://www.ickspeakland.flocknote.com) or text "ICKSPOakland" to 84576

PRAYER LISTS *

For the sick:

Thomas Henriksson	Nancy Duenas	Gigi Cunningham
Peter Trong Nguyen	Paulann Dymond	Lianne Claver
Msr. David Link	Steve Farinero	Canon Fragelli
Marianne Martinez	Angie Gonzalez	
Baby Sophia Grace	Tostada	Rosemary Marquez & Baby

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Rod Phillips	Shawn Chapel	Kathy Wenzell
Rosita Foley	John Dymond	William Gilbert
Arnel Adela	Louise Grayson	Diane Kasdan
Imelda Hernandez-Constantino		Mary Persinger
Rose Stone	Albert Bocek	Rita Soria Bautista
Bea Benham	Valeria Casillas	Carlos San Miguel
Wyatt Hayashi	William M. Williams	Fr. Stan Zak
Walt Avis	Dario Gonzalez	<i>Requiescant in pace.</i>

***Prayer lists:** If you wish to add a name or revise an entry on the prayer lists, please send an email to oakland@institute-christ-king.org. A longer list of the Apostolate's faithful departed is attached to the weekly Flocknote. *Thank you!*

UPCOMING EVENTS AND LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

February 19, 20, 21—Holy Hour after Mass on each day

February 22—Ash Wednesday (Masses at 10am and 6pm)

February 26—First Sunday of Lent; Father-Son Flag Football, 3:15pm, at Hayward High School, (1633 East Ave., Hayward). RSVP Canon Norman

February 27—Sursum Corda movie night, 7pm at Chabot Theater,

2853 Castro Valley Blvd. Castro Valley (rsvp: n_perez3@u.pacific.edu)

March 7—St. Thomas Aquinas (Institute Patronal Feast)

FLOWER FUND

We have a dedicated team of volunteers who regularly purchase and make our beautiful altar flower arrangements, through their own generosity. If you would like to support the **beautification of our altar** by donating to the **Flower Fund**, please contact Canon Norman.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND, MAY 7-16

The Institute of Christ the King is hosting a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land this year, led by Canon Commins, Rector of St. Joseph Shrine in Detroit. For more information or to register, visit the tour's website <https://sacredhearttours.com/product/rosary-pilgrimage-to-the-holy-land/>.

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>

INSTITUTE'S PROVINCIAL APPEAL

"Many Apostolates, One Mission"

There will be a special collection in all Institute apostolates on Sunday, February 26, First Sunday of Lent. Help the Institute continue to restore Catholic life and culture in the USA! Donate online with the QR code. **Thank you for your generosity!**



***NEW!!* COFFEE AND DONUTS AFTER THE 7AM MASS!**

Come join us in the hall after Mass. Everyone is welcome!