



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

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SAINT MARGARET MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2023
14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
(Mass Propers available in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear faithful,

Like every year, the Institute’s annual General Chapter at our seminary and motherhouse outside Florence, Italy was a moment for our priests to strengthen their union with confreres they don’t see very often, worship God in beautiful and solemn liturgical ceremonies, and receive important updates, formation and encouragement from the superiors. I was very thankful to once again be able to travel to Gricigliano for this yearly gathering.

The Chapter is also the occasion each year for the priests of the Institute to be informed regarding their upcoming assignments, whether these will change or stay the same. I learned during this trip that my assignment to the Oakland Apostolate at St. Margaret Mary’s will continue for a fourth year. I can very sincerely say that it is an honor and a privilege to serve this humble but persevering apostolate, one which has already proven fruitful in vocations to our dear institute. Thank you for your prayers, and please keep them coming.

A big thank you to **Father Michael Kowalewski and Canon Luke Zignego**, who replaced me during my absence these last few weeks. Thank you as well to all our local priestly friends who came to the aid of our apostolate in covering these Masses.

Do you worry about the direction certain prelates of Holy Mother Church seem to want to take her in, that is to say, away from her perennial teachings towards the embrace of modern ideas and even heresy? You are not alone. Bishop Athanasius Schneider has composed the **“Prayer for the Triumph of the Catholic Faith”**, attached in Flocknote. The Prior General of our dear Institute, Monsignor Gilles Wach, has sent this prayer to all the canons and asked us to have it recited in our various apostolates. Let us never forget: the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary will triumph in the end, and cast all heresies back down into Hell forever.

By now you have surely heard of the **Sacred Heart Retreat Center**, the Institute’s newly acquired property of more than one hundred acres in rural Burlington, Wisconsin. It is our hope that this center will serve as a place of spiritual retreat and renewal for our priests and faithful alike. To reach this goal, we have started a capital campaign which you may wish to contribute to by a pledge or donation. Please see this link for more information: <https://www.institute-christ-king.org/retreatcenter>. You may also use the **QR code** to donate. (See page 2.)

The monthly training for **Altar Servers** will be next Saturday, September 9 from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm. Thank you for taking regular attendance at these lessons seriously. God is never so greatly honored as in the Sacred Liturgy executed with accuracy in the movements and devotion in the heart.

The **weekly Catechism classes** in preparation for Confirmation, after a summer pause, will begin again on Tuesday, September 12 at 4 pm. For the time being, these weekly classes will remain in a virtual format. The



Photos from the General Chapter in Gricigliano: Monsignor Schmitz’ conference and daily dinner with confreres.



weekly adult Catechism classes will begin again on Saturday, September 16 at 2:30 pm. Please contact me if you need the Zoom link for these classes: canon.norman@institute-christ-king.org.

The **Lesson in Liturgy** will also resume this month, on Sunday, September 17 during the reception following the 12:30 Mass. Sursum Corda, for young adult Catholics, will also resume this month, on a date to be announced soon.

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
Canon Norman

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun. 9/3	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost <i>2nd Class / Green</i>	Canon Norman	Claire Bocek
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Maria Vanider-Hill
Mon. 9/4	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Holy Trinity <i>4th Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Helen Gourley†
Tue. 9/5	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Lawrence Justinian, Bishop & Confessor <i>3rd Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Sang Thi Nguyen†
Wed. 9/6	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of St. Joseph <i>4th Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Maria Vanider-Hill
Thurs. 9/7	12:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of Our Lord Jesus Christ Sovereign and Eternal High Priest <i>3rd Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Victor Garlin†
Fri. 9/8	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary <i>2nd Class / White / Adoration after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Cossmann Family
Sat. 9/9	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Our Lady's Saturday <i>4th Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Maria Filomena Brito†
Sun. 9/10	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost <i>2nd Class / Green</i>	Canon Norman	Richard Smith†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Juan Pablo Herrera

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 (resumes September 12)

Adult Class: Saturdays, at 2:30pm (resumes September 16)

Prospective Catholics: contact Canon for class times

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

PRAYER LISTS *

For the sick:

Thomas Henriksson	Gigi Cunningham	Peter Trong Nguyen
Paulann Dymond	Lianne Claver	Msgr. David Link
Steve Farinaro	Marianne Martinez	Angie Gonzalez
Eurydice Buenger	Sylvia Duenas	Catherine Willis
Fil Marquez	Joshua Nascimento	

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

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
Dario Gonzalez	Canon Fragelli	Ernest Jacob
Nancy Duenas	Gabriel Fernandez	Camdan McWright
Mme. Guillemette de Guernon		Louisa Siu

Requiescant in pace.

***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

September 8—The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

September 9—Altar Server Training, 11:30am in Fr. Kozina Hall

September 14—Exaltation of the Holy Cross

September 23—Blessing of Sacramentals after 10am Mass

September 29—St. Michael the Archangel

September 29 - October 1—Second National Retreat of the Society of the Sacred Heart in Wausau, Wisconsin

Sacred Heart Retreat Center Capital Campaign

We need your prayers and financial support for the new Sacred Heart Retreat Center. Join us in this new mission for the good of souls in honor of the Most Sacred Heart of Our Savior! Please use the QR code to donate.



FLOWER FUND - Our volunteers provide the lovely flowers that adorn our altar year round. If you would like to support the beautification of our altar by donating to the Flower Fund, please contact Canon Norman

JOIN THE ALTAR SERVERS CORPS - Have you or your sons considered joining the ranks of the Altar Servers, and serve in that most noble of capacities – the offering of Divine Worship to the Most Holy Trinity? For details, please contact Canon: canon.norman@institute-christ-king.org

JOIN OUR SACRED MUSIC SCHOLA - The men and women of our Schola study and work hard to bring the beauty of Gregorian Chant and Polyphony to many of our Masses and liturgical ceremonies. Please consider offering your talent to serve the Sacred Liturgy through this apostolate. Please contact Dennison Gallardo: vivatxtusrex@gmail.com for further information.

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>