

# INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

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# OAKLAND APOSTOLATE AT SAINT MARGARET MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH Mailing Address: 1219 Excelsior Avenue, Oakland, CA 94610

## SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2023 9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(Mass Propers available in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear faithful,

Who would not be arrested by Our Lord's demeanor on this Ninth Sunday after Pentecost? He weeps over the imminent fall of Jerusalem, this capital city of God's once chosen nation. This city and people had reached the point of no return. Jerusalem would, in her obstinate refusal to listen to God's prophets, finally be razed to the ground and the majority of her inhabitants killed by the encircling Roman armies. But there is a greater tragedy still – that of the soul, potentially our own, which misses the call of God's grace at the decisive hour. Monsignor Patrick Boylan (1879-1974) comments:

"We cannot tell which of the many graces we receive is the most decisive. It may be a sermon, a confession, a mission; or it may be some misfortune, some family grief, or some problem of business. Let us pray that we never be blind to the mercies of God, and that we may be always ready to cooperate loyally with His Grace."

Another summer, <u>another glorious St. Michael's Patrol!</u> Our summer camp apostolate had for its theme this year the Crusades, originally ordered and indulgenced by Pope Urban II in 1095 for the protection of Catholic pilgrims under siege in the Holy Land. The Crusades are an enduring part of our legacy as Catholics for what it means to live out virtues like generosity, perseverance, faith in God's providence, and physical and moral courage. As such, it was principally these virtues which were the focus of this year's camp.

Any initiative such as a summer camp is, for a Catholic, first and foremost a spiritual apostolate, having as its primary end the fostering of virtue and the increase in the knowledge of the Faith, in particular the lives of the saints. Our camp's patron saints this year were four more well-known personages of the era of the Crusades: King St. Louis IX of France, St. Bernard of Clairvaux, St. Raymond of Peñafort and St. Peter Nolasco. These last two founded the Order of the Mercedarians for the ransoming of (and even the taking place of) Catholics in the Holy Land who had been taken prisoner by the Saracen.

Each team of campers was assigned one of these saints as their patron, and made flags bearing witness to their saint's patronage. Taking place in the beautiful hills of Saratoga, we enjoyed three days in the midst of God's creation, exercising our bodies in the many sports and games, developing our confidence before others by participation in campfire skits, feeding our love for the saints and their virtues by listening to conferences about their lives, and sanctifying our souls and minds by prayer, particularly the Holy Mass and the Rosary.

Oakland's own Abbé Cody Teague will lead an <u>altar server training</u> on Sunday, August 6 after the 12:30 Mass. This will be the monthly server training for August, instead of the usual training on the second Saturday.

Our <u>monthly Men's Group</u> evening will be on Wednesday, August 9 from 7:15 – 9:15 pm in Fr. Kozina Hall. Come join us for a lively talk on an article of the Catholic Faith, followed by Q&A, and of course a convivial dinner with other Catholic men striving for holiness. RSVP to: <u>vazquez8591@gmail.com</u>.

Once again, I will be with my family in Virginia and then at the Institute's annual Chapter, at our seminary in Italy, from August 14 - September 2. There will not be a Lesson in Liturgy or Sursum Corda during the month of August, but both will resume in September. The monthly Blessing of Sacramentals will take place on Saturday, August 26 after the 10 am Mass.

Wishing you a blessed Sunday, Canon Norman











Saint Michael's Patrol 2023

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## LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

	Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
	Sun. 7/30	7:00 am Low Mass	Ninth Sunday after Pentecost 2nd Class / Green	Canon Norman	Michael Sullivan
		12:30 pm High Mass			Albert Bocek†
Ī	Mon. 7/31	6:00 pm Low Mass	St. Ignatius of Loyola, Confessor 3rd Class / White	Father Staal	Clare Bocek
	Tue. 8/1	6:00 pm Low Mass	St. Peter's Chains 4th Class / White	Canon Norman	Anne Marie Tassone†
	Wed. 8/2	6:00 pm Low Mass	St. Alphonsus Mary de Liguori Bishop, Confessor and Doctor of the Church 3rd <i>Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Canon Benjamin Norman
	Thurs. 8/3	12:00 pm Low Mass	Votive Mass of Our Lord Jesus Christ Sovereign & Eternal High Priest 3rd Class / White	Canon Norman	Michael Matly
<b>\</b>	Fri. 8/4	6:00 pm Low Mass	Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart 3rd Class / White / 1st Friday Devotions after Mass	Canon Norman	Dmitri Ponitkoff
$\downarrow$	Sat. 8/5	10:00 am Low Mass	Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart 3rd Class / White / 1st Saturday Devotions after Mass	Canon Norman	Joshua Larricq
	Sun. 8/6	7:00 am Low Mass	Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ 2nd Class / White	Canon Norman	Barbara Powell†
		12:30 pm High Mass			Philip McDonald

#### 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

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

#### Prayer Lists \* For the sick:

Paulann Dymond Steve Farinaro Eurydice Buenger Fil Marquez

Thomas Henriksson Gigi Cunningham Lianne Claver Marianne Martinez Sylvia Duenas

Peter Trong Nguyen Msgr. David Link Angie Gonzalez Catherine Willis

#### For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Rosita Foley John Dymond Arnel Adela Louise Grayson Imelda Hernandez-Constantino Albert Bocek Valeria Casillas Rose Stone Bea Benham William M. Williams Canon Fragelli Wvatt Havashi Dario Gonzalez Nancy Duenas Gabriel Fernandez Mme. Guillemette de Guernon

William Gilbert Diane Kasdan Mary Persinger Rita Soria Bautista Carlos San Miguel Fr. Stan Zak Ernest Jacob Camdan McWright 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@institutechrist-king.org. A longer list of the Apostolate's faithful departed is attached to the weekly Flocknote. Thank you!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS AND LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

August 4 & 5—First Friday and First Saturday of August

**August 6**—Altar Server Training after 12:30 Mass, led by Abbé Cody Teague; Please contact Canon Norman for more information: canon.norman@institute-christ-king.org

August 9—Men's Group evening 7:15 - 9:15pm in Fr. Kozina Hall; Please RSVP to Felipe Vazquez: vazquez8591@gmail.com

**August 15**—Feast of the Assumption (Holy Day of Obligation)

August 26—Blessing of sacramentals after 10am Mass

August 28 - September 1—General Chapter of the Institute

#### NATIONAL RETREAT FOR THE SOCIETY OF THE SACRED HEART

For those who did not attend the first retreat, the second National Retreat will take place at St. Mary's Oratory in Wasau, Wisconsin from Sept. 29– Oct. 1. To register, visit: https://bit.ly/SSHRetreat2023

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT SACRAMENTALS and their role in our lives as Catholics as part of our "daily bread"? A very informative book is available here: https://sophiainstitute.com/product/sacramentals/.

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: <u>canon.norman@institute-christ-king.org</u>

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