



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

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SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
(Mass Propers available in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear faithful,

The Introit of the Mass for the First Sunday of Lent captures the spirit of this penitential season which is now underway:

“He shall cry to me, and I will hear him: I will deliver him, and I will glorify him: I will fill him with length of days. He that dwelleth in the aid of the Most High: shall abide under the protection of the God of Heaven” (Ps. 90;15-16).

Lent is a time to cry to God from the interior of our hearts. It is a time to suffer well, courageously and silently for the purification of our own souls, for the conversion of sinners and for the purification of Holy Mother Church, passing through such a troubled period in her history and so grievously besieged by enemies within and without. Remember that no prayer asked in Christ’s name shall be denied us (John 14;14). We must trust that God is indeed our Protector, as the Scriptures say, and will deliver us from temptation. He has told us that He will do so, and He is the Truth itself.

This Monday, **March 7** is the **Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas**, one of the Institute's main spiritual patrons and thus a feast of the First Class. There will be a Low Mass with organ at 6 pm, and a plenary indulgence is available under the usual conditions.

I thank you in advance for your generosity in responding to the **Provincial Appeal** which will be collected at this Sunday’s Masses. Your donations support the entire Institute in the United States of America.

On Ash Wednesday, every parish in the Diocese of Oakland was asked to take up a **special collection for the victims of war in Ukraine**. I regret that I allowed this to “fall through the cracks” in the midst of liturgical preparations. However, we will take up this collection at both Masses on Sunday, March 13; the Second Sunday of Lent.

Thank you for your continued prayers for **Canon Francis Altieri**. After a prolonged hospitalization that began January 9, Canon was discharged and started rehabilitation on February 21. His tracheostomy was recently decannulated, and he is off of all supplemental oxygen when at rest as of today. Canon also no longer requires dialysis, and his kidneys are expected to make a full recovery. Finally, his appetite has returned, and he is growing in strength day by day. He is now able to walk without an assistive device. Please continue your prayers for Canon Altieri and his family as he continues his recovery.

If you would like to **sign up to pray** for one of our Institute seminarians on Flocknote or by using one of the sign-up sheets at the Sunday reception in the church hall, please don’t hesitate to do so.

We will once again be back in the church hall today after the 12:30 Mass for our regular reception. We hope to see you there!

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
Canon Benjamin Norman



Christ in the Desert (1872), by Iwan Nikolajewitsch Kramskoi

LENTEN SCHEDULE

- Confessions beginning at 5 pm on Fridays of Lent
- Adoration after the 6 pm Mass on Wednesdays of Lent, beginning March 9.
- Stations of the Cross after the 6 pm Mass on Fridays of Lent
- First Fridays of Lent (April 1): Confessions at 4:15 pm, Stations of the Cross at 5 pm, and First Friday Devotions

UPCOMING EVENTS

Our monthly **Sursum Corda event for young adults** will take place on the third Thursday of the month, **March 17** (St. Patrick’s Day). The evening will begin with the Rosary recited in church at 6 pm, followed by a talk and a social dinner at 6:30. Please rsvp to Noe Perez at n_perez3@u.pacific.edu.

Event for the Altar Servers on Saturday, March 26. After the 10 am Mass, a spiritual talk will be given, followed by pizza and time for games and socializing. Please rsvp to: josephburk94@gmail.com.

Please note the **change of date for the Lenten Retreat for Women**. The retreat is now scheduled for **Thursday, March 31** at the Carmelite Monastery in Kensington, and will begin with Mass and Adoration at 9 am. The topic of the conference for this Retreat will be the letters of St. Francis de Sales. There will also be confessions and ample time for prayer. Please rsvp to: oakland@institute-christ-king.org, or contact me directly.

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun., 3/6	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	First Sunday of Lent <i>1st Class / Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Sophia Ahlstrand
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Alexandre Silva
Mon, 3/7	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Thomas Aquinas, Confessor & Doctor of the Church, Patron of the Institute <i>1st Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Walter Wagoner†
Tue., 3/8	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Lenten feria <i>3rd Class/ Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Ba Van Dinh†
Wed., 3/9	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Ember Wednesday <i>2nd Class/ Violet</i> <i>Adoration after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Barbara Powell†
Thurs., 3/10	12:00 noon <i>Low Mass</i>	Lenten feria <i>3rd Class/ Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Isaac Maximo Pablo Matias
Fri., 3/11	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Ember Friday <i>2nd Class/ Violet</i> <i>Stations of the Cross after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	San Thi Nguyen†
Sat., 3/12	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Ember Saturday <i>2nd Class/ Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Daniela Hill
Sun., 3/13	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Second Sunday of Lent <i>1st Class / Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Barbara Powell†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>		Canon Norman	Maria Candalaria Rocha Faria†

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

EMAIL LIST: send your request to

oakland@institute-christ-king.org

FLOCKNOTE: sign up at icksपोakland.flocknote.com

PRAYER LISTS*

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

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	Canon Estrada
Jay Balza	Ann Placido	Msgr. David Link

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Jeff Glass	James Metran	Ramon Lanzar
Marie-Terese Karel-Michaen		Steven Miller
Jesus Cristobal	Rita Cristobal	<i>Requiescant in pace.</i>

*A longer prayer list is available as an attachment to Flocknote. If you would like add a name to these lists, please email oakland@institute-christ-king.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

March 17—Sursum Corda Event (*RSVP)

March 21—St. Benedict of Nursia (Institute Patronal Feast)

March 26—Altar Servers Event (*RSVP)

March 31—Women's Lenten Retreat (contact Canon)

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

*Servers Event RSVP: Joseph Burk at josephburk94@gmail.com

SUPPORT THE INSTITUTE: MANY APOSTOLATES, ONE MISSION

Current events in the world and the Church are serving as the providential occasion for more and more people to fill the pews of the apostolates served by the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest.

These apostolates in 19 dioceses from coast to coast across America form the Institute's U.S. Province. This family of souls nationwide is united together in one supernatural mission: **to spread the benevolent reign of Christ the King to all aspects of human life for the salvation of souls. This is our common mission as one spiritual family.**

This Lent, would you be willing to make a sacrifice to help the Institute grow in the United States?

Consider making a sacrifice of **\$80, just two dollars a day during these 40 days of Lent.** Last year's collection raised \$140,290. It was such a great help over this past year in the common mission which we share with all of you.

In these difficult times, you can make a difference in the Church today by donating to the people and the places that work tirelessly to restore Catholic life and culture in America. Thank you for your generous support to help the Institute of Christ the King grow in the United States. May the Infant Jesus reward you eternally, and may He bless you always!

