



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

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SAINT MARGARET MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023
OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY
(Mass Propers available in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear faithful,

I would like to wish all of you **a blessed new year** on this first day of the Year of Our Lord 2023. May the Holy Triune God continue to guide us in the ways of His holiness through both prosperity and adversity, and may we remember that everything (even the most unpleasant experiences) works unto the good for those who love and serve Him.

The **Veni Creator** will be chanted this Sunday before both Masses to implore God's graces for the new year. A **plenary indulgence** is available under the usual conditions for being present for the chanting of this hymn and the Mass which follows.

Several members of the schola are unfortunately a bit under the weather at the moment. Consequently, the 12:30 Mass this Sunday will be a Low Mass with organ.

Our **brand new Institute of Christ the King calendars** for 2023 will again be sold after both the 7 am and 12:30 pm Masses today. Come and get yours for **only \$5!**

There will **not be a reception** after the 12:30 Mass today. The Sunday reception will resume on January 8. The winner of the crèche drawing contest will be announced at the reception after the 12:30 Mass that day. More information is available on our website: <https://institute-christ-king.org/oakland-news/33-oakland-news-private/1363-creche-artwork-contest>.

There's an old familiar face among us once again this Sunday. Our own **Cody Teague**, having now completed the first half of his first year at the Institute's seminary in Italy, Gricigliano, is home for several days of Christmas vacation. Please be sure to greet him warmly. Pray for him!

The **blessing of Epiphany Water and Salt** will take place this Thursday, January 5 after the 12 pm Mass.

Friday, January 6 is the Feast of the **Epiphany of Our Lord**, a First Class Feast and one of the most ancient and solemn feasts of the entire liturgical year. There will be of course the traditional blessings of gold, frankincense, myrrh and chalk. The **External Solemnity** of the Epiphany will be celebrated on Sunday, January 8.

The brand new shipment of 16 copies of **My Catholic Faith (1954)** has arrived! This excellent old catechism will fill a void in your bookshelf by arming you with Biblical arguments and the writings of the Early Church Fathers in defense of the ancient Catholic Faith. It also ably defends the Faith with evidence from history and philosophy. Copies are now being sold for the very **reasonable price of 25 dollars each** (an almost fifty-percent discount compared to most online sellers!)

The annual **Walk for Life West Coast** will take place on **Saturday, January 21** in San Francisco, as usual. The event will begin at 11 am. As always, the Oakland and San Jose apostolates of the Institute of Christ the King will take part in this important occasion of witness to the sanctity of human life. We hope to see you there! More information is available here: <https://www.walkforlifewc.com/>.

Our **Men's retreat** will take place on Wednesday, January 11 at the Carmelite Monastery of **Mount St. Joseph in San Jose** (12455 Clayton Rd.) from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. We hope to see you there! Please rsvp to: canon.norman@institute-christ-king.org.

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
Canon Norman



The Circumcision of Christ, Giovanni Bellini, c. 1500

Did you know? The Epiphany Chalking of the Doors:

The Epiphany "chalking of the doors" blessing can be done either by a priest or the father of the family. Using blessed chalk, the following is written above the entrance of the home:

20 + C + M + B + 23

The letters have two meanings. First, they represent the initials of the Magi — Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar — who came to visit Our Lord in His first home. They also abbreviate the Latin phrase, "Christus mansionem benedicat": "May Christ bless this home." The "+" signs represent the cross, and the "20" at the beginning and the "23" at the end mark the current year. Taken together, this inscription is performed as a request for Christ to bless those homes so marked and that He stay with those who dwell therein throughout the entire year.

Most often the chalking takes place after Epiphany Mass, and can be done at any church, home, or dwelling. This blessing can be performed simply by just writing the inscription and offering a short prayer, or more elaborately, including songs, prayers, processions, the burning of incense, and the sprinkling of holy water.

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun. 1/1	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Octave of the Nativity <i>1st Class / White</i> <i>Chanted "Veni Creator" before both Masses</i>	Canon Norman	Andree Crawford†
	12:30 pm <i>Low Mass</i>			Religious Vocations in Nicaragua
Mon. 1/2	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Holy Name of Jesus <i>2nd Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Souls in Purgatory
Tue. 1/3	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Holy Angels <i>4th Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Roel Garcia†
Wed. 1/4	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of St. Joseph <i>4th Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Martin Lee
Thurs. 1/5	12:00 pm <i>Low Mas</i>	Votive Mass of Our Lord Jesus Christ Sovereign & Eternal Priest, 3rd Class / White <i>Blessing of Epiphany Salt & Water After Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Maria Britzman†
Fri. 1/6	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	The Epiphany of Our Lord <i>1st Class / White</i> <i>First Friday Devotions After Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Santiago Dakudao III†
Sat. 1/7	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary <i>3rd Class / White</i> <i>First Saturday Devotions After Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Lilian Lum
Sun. 1/8	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	External Solemnity of the Epiphany <i>2nd Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Zvonko Gelo†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Msgr. David Link

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

EMAIL LIST: email oakland@institute-christ-king.org

FLOCKNOTE: sign up at icksपोakland.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
Msgr. David Link	Steve Farinaro	Canon Fragelli
Marianne Martinez	Angie Gonzalez	
Baby Sophia Grace Tostada	Rosemary Marquez & Baby	

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Jesus Cristobal	Rita Cristobal	Rod Phillips
Shawn Chapel	Kathy Wenzell	Rosita Foley
John Dymond	William Gilbert	Arnel Adela
Louise Grayson	Imelda Hernandez-Constantino	
Diane Kasdan	Mary Persinger	Rose Stone
Albert Bocek	Bea Benham	Rita Soria Bautista

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

January 1—Octave of the Nativity (New Year's Day); chanted *Veni Creator* before both 7am and 12:30 Masses. Plenary indulgence available under usual conditions.

January 6—Epiphany; First Friday of January

January 7—First Saturday of January

January 11—Men's Retreat at Mount St. Joseph Carmelite Monastery in San Jose (12455 Clayton Rd.) Please RSVP to Canon Norman.

January 20-28—Special Novena in honor of Saint Francis de Sales

January 21—Walk for Life West Coast, www.walkforlifewc.com

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>

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Marriage Banns

Mr. & Mrs. **Peter Trong Nguyen and Catherina Hoang** of **Oakland, California** announce the approaching marriage of their daughter **Maria Diana Hoang** to

Mr. **Anthony Joseph Orr** of **Alameda** on

Saturday, January 14, 2023, at St. Margaret Mary Church.

If anyone knows of an existing impediment which would prevent this marriage, he is bound to let the Pastor know as soon as possible.

This is the THIRD publication of the banns.