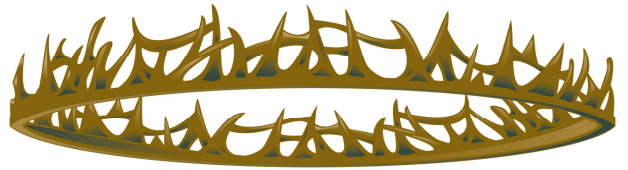


Christ The King Cathedral

2007 Annual Report

(Fiscal year July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007)



“Just tell me what to do, and I will do it, Lord. As long as I live I’ll wholeheartedly obey. Make me walk along the right paths, for I know how delightful they really are.”

-Psalms 119:33-35

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We delight in the ways that we are allowed to love and serve the Lord. Wholeheartedly we obey the Lord and what he tells us to do in our church community of Christ the King Cathedral. We rejoice as we celebrate our 50th Anniversary. So much has been accomplished during all these years. It is impossible to put together an annual report of each of the past years.

What follows is a description of the year July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007.

Worship

The liturgy is the center of our lives as Catholics. From it comes the spiritual strength we require to live our faith. With the words, “The Mass is ended, go in peace to love and serve the Lord,” we are sent forth into the world – our homes and communities – fortified to bear witness to our love of Christ.

- During this past year we had 48 children and 10 adults Baptized, 53 First Communions, 61 Confirmations, 19 Marriages, and 17 Funerals.
- The celebration of the Liturgy is made more vibrant with the gifts of time and talent provided by our liturgical ministers. We want to acknowledge all who participate and thank them for their dedication. Over the past year we were blessed with 209 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, 67 Alter Servers, 41 Proclaimers (Lectors), 52 Ushers, 10 Masters of Ceremonies, 35 Members of Chancel Choir, 21 Members of Celebration Choir, 10 Members of Life-Teen Choir, 48 who laundered our altar linens, and 40 women of altar care.
- We are mindful of the responsibility of helping the young members of our parish connect to the liturgy. The Life-Teen Mass was a true inspiration at our 4:00 pm liturgy on Sundays. We are most grateful to Father Rene Perez, Youth Minister of the Diocese, who celebrated most of these Masses. Throughout the year we held student Masses for the children of Christ the King School on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Every month we celebrated a Mass with the whole school. The music of the children of Christ the King School was very special.
- Our All Souls Mass in November provided a poignant reminder of losses experienced throughout the year. Families heard the names of loved ones read from the Altar and were sustained by the love and support of our Catholic community.

Religious Education

As Catholics we are called both to deepen our understanding of our faith and to bear witness to our love of Christ. Through faith formation we come to know the Word and to be guided by it.

During the past year the parish family of Christ the King Church, has propagated the Word of Christ in the following ways:

- Our Religious Education program served 312 students in grades Pre-K3–12 on Sunday mornings. We want to express our deepest appreciation to the staff and volunteers who gave so much of themselves during the year to this important work of our children’s faith formation.
- Parents of children preparing for First Communion and Confirmation met during the year. These meetings were important opportunities for parents, as well as teachers, to further their own knowledge of the sacraments and to participate more fully in these important milestones in their children’s lives.
- 28 adult candidates prepared to receive the Sacrament of Initiation through the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). At the same time, 6 children participated in the Children’s Rite of Initiation. Our deepest gratitude to all team members who helped with facilitating classes, Sunday dismissals, hospitality, etc. The candidates have expressed how much they learned and how they truly enjoyed these sessions. The new members are already taking an active role within the parish.
- The Bible Festival 2007, a week of Bible Study for adults and children was a great success. An average of 187 adults and youth attended nightly, and an average of 172 ate each night. This year’s theme was “The Heavenly Banquet” on the Book of Revelation. Thanks for the extraordinary job of organizing, cooking, serving, teaching, etc.
- We have a most faithful scripture study group on Sunday mornings at 11:00 am. Approximately 14 people attended regularly. On Tuesday nights we had the Yahweh Code in the Church’s parlor. During Holy Week we had a special presentation on “Entering the Passion: A journey of the Heart”.
- We hope that the Parishioners have read the Bulletin Inserts: Faith Connection, Children’s Worship Bulletin and Catechism for Us.

Spiritual Life

We are invited to deepen our Spiritual Journey to a more intimate life with the Lord. We are called to the Sacred Art of Transformation, Discernment, Meditation, and Contemplation.

- Women’s Spirituality met on Monday nights. During the fall they studied the first Encyclical of Pope Benedict XVI, with the title: “God is Love”, 30 members joined on

10 Mondays. In Spring 24 ladies shared the book When The Lion Roars and then 8 ladies joined in contemplative prayer for five weeks.

- Men's Spirituality group deepens their personal awareness of, and commitment to, the presence and work of Christ and the Holy Spirit in their own everyday lives. This is a great way to strengthen their spiritual life by associating with Catholic men who not only talk the talk, but walk the walk, becoming a better Catholic husband, father and citizen.
- Perpetual Adoration in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel has been most influential for spiritual growth in our parish. Day and night people pray. Most are extremely faithful to their Hour of Adoration.
- During the past year Christ the King has become very involved in the Cursillo Movement. The weekends truly renew the whole person. Men and women receive a new vision on life and true conversions take place. Our Utlreas are growing in numbers. We strongly encourage parishioners to participate in the weekends. A new joy enters your life. The same can be said of those participating in the ACTS retreats.
- Every second Thursday of the month, from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., we had a Holy Hour for Vocations. We would love to see greater participation. We are pleased with the number of men and women who are members of the Serrans. They work actively for more Vocations to Priesthood, Religious Life and Diaconate, and are helping Jesus form workers in the Vineyard of the Lord. Father René Perez, Vocation Director of our Diocese, appreciates all the support he receives from Christ the King Church for Vocation outreach.
- Every Wednesday morning after the 8:15 Mass a group of men and women meet in the Church Parlor to pray for those who are sick and for other intentions.

Other opportunities for spiritual growth were:

- Fr. Lou Brusatti held a Day of Reflection in July 2006 for all Liturgical Ministers
- David Powell presented "Genesis to Jesus" in October 2006
- Deacon Clarke Cochran and Dr. Andy Shaver presented the "End of Life Journey" on three Sundays of November 2006
- Bishop Thomas MaCwan presented "Returning Back to God", our Parish Mission in March 2007

Youth Ministry

Christ the King parish community has supported the Youth Ministry in a variety of ways during the past year. You are familiar with the three groups: Dogs and Frogs for third and fourth grade, 15 children; Edge for fifth through eighth grade, 40 children, and Life Teen for ninth through twelfth grade with 30 active members.

- Ski Retreat in Santa Fe, NM, Mission Trip to San Antonio, TX, Diocesan Youth Conference, CETA Canyon Retreat, Steubenville Conference in Denver, CO, and Region 10 Conference in Laredo, TX, were their main activities.
- The yearly Jamaica is organized by the Youth for the Youth and is a main fundraiser of the year. The Youth

are grateful for the help from the Knights of Columbus and other parish organizations.

- Our Youth had a great sense of outreach and were involved during the year in: Blankets for Nurturing Center, Christmas bags for the homebound, canned food for CFS, Mother's and Father's Day gifts: gloves, hats and scarves for Meals on Wheels, Parish Soup Lunch, etc.
- Many people have commented on the Good Friday Stations of the Cross and the Christmas Eve Youth Mass. We are proud of the Youth involved in different liturgical ministries.
- The bond developed and nurtured between and among the youth when they are involved in the various activities and events is priceless. The bond created between the adults and the youth is a blessed bonus.
- We are thankful to the many leaders and youth who participate in our Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Brownies and Girl Scout programs that are offered.

Social Outreach

We have a large number of parishioners involved in Catholic Family Service, especially the Resale Center. We supported CFS financially by monthly Black Bag, Basket 52 (on the first Sunday of the month) and CFS Thrift Truck Drive.

- We respond to the great need of blood in our area and the Knights are a great help to make the Blood Drive successful.
- The Homebound Ministry makes sure that those at home, in nursing homes, in rehab centers, and hospitals receive the Eucharist, but also receive a special gift or card during the great feast days of the year. We are grateful to the 17 parishioners who faithfully visit those who are homebound. Transportation to Mass was also provided through this ministry. The Angel Tree, during Advent, has become a special outreach to family members of those in prison. Several parishioners have a Communion Service in the Montford Unit on Saturday mornings.
- Beautiful healing has taken place in our support groups for the Divorced and Separated, and the Bereaved.
- We started with Feast and Friendship this year. Groups of four families met in each others' homes, reaching out to get-to-know one another in a very informal way.

Fellowship (Community Building)

We are family, a large family. The life and activities of our organizations mean so much to us.

- Our Women's Organization was involved in many parish events. This year they held their annual spring luncheon and fashion show which provided scholarships awarded to: CTK grade school girl entering CTK high school and will continue each year she remains in CTK high school; CTK high school girl entering college; two girls who are members of CTK in public high school entering college. Each year three new scholarships will be awarded. Proceeds from other fundraisers, bake sales, raffles, etc., help to provide items that are used in liturgies.
- Mom & Me Group met every week on Fridays with their pre-school children for fun activities. Their bake sale helped to sponsor several families with food for Thanksgiving.

- Our Knights of Columbus were involved in the parish with every social event; always ready to help. It is great that men come together in the Spirit of Fraternity.
- Our Seniors enjoyed their monthly social gatherings.
- Our Parish Life Committee was, and is, continuously organizing for the many different receptions during the year. They are most dedicated and make each event so special.

Maintaining Today's Landscape and Planning Tomorrow's

With loving care we manage the gifts God has given us. These gifts include finances, buildings and the diverse talents of our parishioners. Over the past year we, at Christ the King, have cared for our community assets and put in place plans for the future. Here are a few examples:

- In 2006-2007 we completed some changes to the church building. In the gathering space we created a more quiet space for Adoration and Confessions. In the Sanctuary we removed the wall and placed the stain glass window of Christ the King.
- A new roof was installed on the high school and cafeteria. The windows in the cafeteria were closed in and new lightweight tables were purchased. The parking lot cracks were repaired.
- Much time was spent on preparing for the details of the Early Childhood Development Center and Family Activity Center. We broke ground on April 1, 2007.

Financial Report 6/30/2006 to 7/1/2007

<u>Parish Income:</u>		<u>Expenses:</u>	
Envelopes	\$909,161.35	Salaries	\$376,611.86
Loose Plate	74,639.25	Benefits	66,718.58
Children's	7,771.49	FICA	26,941.56
DCA Rebate	50,338.50	Utilities	25,381.42
Spec. Contribution	16,534.49	Insurance	28,190.00
Memorials	2,710.00	Adult Ed	9,426.61
Religious Articles	16,926.38	Social Service	12,018.72
Stipends	12,660.00	Youth	5,767.18
Religious Ed	8,581.71	Religious Ed	13,705.56
Church Flowers	21,865.28	Maintenance	28,402.11
Others	3,862.38	Oper Supplies	42,297.43
Interest	<u>4,241.33</u>	Religious Sply	21,523.70
TOTAL INCOME:		Hospitality	11,984.92
\$1,129,292.17		Rectory Exp	9,562.49
TOTAL EXPENSES:		Conferences & Travel	4,375.65
<u>\$1,101,709.16</u>		Miscellaneous	13,422.74
BALANCE: \$27,583.01		School Support	<u>405,378.63</u>

<u>School Income:</u>		<u>Expenses:</u>	
Tuition	\$ 740,123.86	Salaries	\$ 956,204.42
Grants	50,180.18	Benefits	58,734.73
Fall Festival	13,600.00	FICA	69,013.17
Adopt-A-Student	11,725.00	Contract Serv	6,879.05
Parish Support	<u>405,378.63</u>	Maintenance	23,255.70
TOTAL INCOME:		Insurance	28,190.00
\$1,221,007.67		Utilities	54,629.90
		Custodial Sply	16,608.42
		Others	<u>7,492.58</u>
		TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$1,221,007.67

CTK Cathedral School Principal's Summary Report

On September 1, 2006, Christ the King Cathedral School reported to the National Catholic Education Association that 311 students were enrolled in grades Pre-K3 through 12th; 36 were enrolled in the High School. 40 faculty and staff were employed full time and 3 part-time: 2 administrators, 1 development director, 1 technology supervisor, 1 guidance counselor, 1 librarian, 1 secretary, 2 religious, 3 teacher's assistants, 31 certified teachers, 2 degreed emergency certified teachers. (One teacher is working toward certification, the other returned to medical school.) Of the staff: 38 women, 5 men: 12 have a Master's degree, 2 have a Ph.D., 1 has a Professional Engineering license and 1 is a registered nurse.

Professional Development: 2 teachers completed Advanced Placement training during the summer of 2006; 3 employees worked on advanced degrees by taking college level courses throughout the year. 17 teachers attended the National Catholic Education Association Convention in Baltimore. 4 Teachers presented lessons at the National Core Knowledge Convention. In all, teachers completed 1020 hours of professional development classes during the 2006-2007 school year.

Student Achievements: A total of 44 ribbons were awarded to CTK students at the Regional Science Fair including 25 first place ribbons. 7 CTK students were awarded trophies and participated in the State Science Fair in San Antonio. 26 students in 1st - 8th grades placed in 32 district PSIA competitions to qualify them to compete in state competition. 6 students placed at the state meet in Ft. Worth. 13 high school students participated in the TAPPS state academic meet in Austin. 6 students placed in state competition. 4 High School girls presented papers at the Texas Tech Women's' Studies Conference. These young ladies were the first high school students ever to be invited to participate in the conference. 10 high school students participated in National Groundhog Shadow Day. 9 high school girls attended Emmie Norther math days at Texas Tech. One student won a cash prize for the high score among freshman girls in attendance at the conference. Two students were accepted for "Operation Hope", a 3 week medical industry overview. 3 of 4 seniors received academic scholarships. One student received a full presidential scholarship to St. Edwards University, one received scholarships to Texas A&M University and one received scholarships to the University of Texas in San Antonio. The 4th graduate will attend South Plains College.

Athletics: Students in 6th - 12th grade participated in Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Cross Country, Track, Tennis, Golf and Cheerleading. 8 varsity football players made the All District Football Team. 2 varsity girls made the All District Volleyball Team. 4 varsity boys made the All District Basketball Team. 2 varsity boys made the All State Basketball Team. 2 varsity girls made the All District Basketball team. 1 varsity girl made the All State Basketball Team. 3 students competed and placed in the State Track Meet. 3 students competed in and medaled in the State Golf Tournament. Jr. High athletics - 6 man football champions, boys' basketball champions, boys and girls cross country champions, boys and girls runner-ups in track, and 3rd place in volleyball.

Home and School: Parents recorded over 6200 volunteer hours. Home and School sponsored the South Plains Fair booth, Fall Festival, Truck Raffle, Angel Workshop, Parents Night Out,

Scholastic Book Fair, Spring Parents Dance, and Teacher Appreciation Dinner. Funds were raised for technology, staff development and classroom support.

Administration / Development: Policy Committee worked on new contracts for CTK employees. The Crisis Management Plan was updated and safety policy revised. Officer Mike Steen and Officer Neil Baron assisted school administration and Policy Committee in revisions. This project is not complete and will continue with the 2007-2008 school year. The school received the following gifts and donations: Kenedy Memorial Foundation - \$20,000 for tuition assistance, Burkett Foundation - \$7,000 toward matching capital grant, \$24,500 land donation, \$100,000 honorary donation for capital improvements, \$2,000 teacher mini-grants, \$1,500 memorial gifts to the school.

(This report does not reflect gifts from the Adopt-a-Student or the School Foundation)

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