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The Most Holy Trinity May 31, 2026

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and Ed Lugo

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thelittleway73@gmail.com

Ladies Guild - 2nd Thursday (monthly) 6:00 p.m.,
McGovern Hall, Peggy Hubble, President (661) 747-5942,
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McGovern Hall, Al Perich, Grand Knight (661) 872-1494,
alperich049@gmail.com

Right to Life Rosary - 4th Thursday (monthly) 6:30 p.m.
Norm Reimers, ncreimers@att.net

Bible Study - Tuesday 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Room A

Spanish Prayer Group - Tuesday 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
McGovern Hall, Oscar Coreas, (661) 477-2252

Prayer Blanket Ministry - 1st and 3rd Wednesdays (monthly)
9:00 a.m. - Noon, Room B, Karen Flores, (661) 345-5217
Prayer Blankets are available in the parish office.

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Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Closed for lunch: 12 pm - 12:30 pm

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Email: ctk@christtheking.ws

Website: www.christtheking.ws

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 p.m. (Vigil, English)

Sunday 7:45 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m. (Spanish)

Daily Masses:

Monday - Communion Service 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 a.m.

First Saturday 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., or by appointment

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (Chapel)

Mon., Tue., Wed. & Fri. 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Thurs. 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES

By appointment with the Pastor

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Teresa Grimm - 661-391-4640

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Ed & Carole Lugo, (951) 903-8471

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2nd & 4th Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (YAM)

Natalie Olvera, (661) 910-5090

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Contact Deacon Fred Ansolabehere at

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For the following:

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Pastor's Page – May 31, 2026



Jesus prays for His followers “They are not of the world even as I am not of the world” (John 17:14)

What generally it means is that while you and I live physical in this world – participate in daily life, work, and community – your values, actions and ultimate allegiance shouldn't be driven by the prevailing, often self-centered cultural system. Instead, it's a call to live with higher purpose driven by the gospel values. So, what made me think is that it may be more difficult to be in the church without being of the Church.

Being of the world as I said above is to be so preoccupied by its concerns. Being of the Church means also being so preoccupied by and involved in the many, if you are a cleric ecclesial affairs and clerical “ins and outs” and if you are ministry leaders and different group leaders and members, preoccupied with parochial duties and activities , we lose our focus on Jesus. We do the work of God forgetting the God of work. ***When this happens, the Church as a body of believers then blinds us to what we came to see and deafens us to what we came to hear.***

This is a very sad state of the church, when we don't hear Christ and when we don't see him, the very celebration of the Eucharist becomes a mere ceremony with beautiful rituals. The very word of God becomes an entertainment, leaving us without being transformed. ***Still, it is in the Church that Christ dwells, invites us to His table, and speaks to us of eternal love.***

Being in the Church without being of it is a great spiritual challenge the believers always faced. Very few faced it, made a self-examination of conscience and changed for the better. While many just live it in the name of traditions. ***Can Christ the King face that spiritual challenge? I pray for it every day.***

May God Bless you all!

Father Joseph





Jesús ora por Sus seguidores: "Ellos no son del mundo así como yo no soy del mundo"
(Juan 17:14)

Lo que generalmente significa es que mientras tú y yo vivimos físicamente en este mundo - participamos en la vida diaria, el trabajo, la comunidad- tus valores, acciones y lealtad última no deberían estar dirigidos por el sistema cultural predominante, a menudo egoísta.

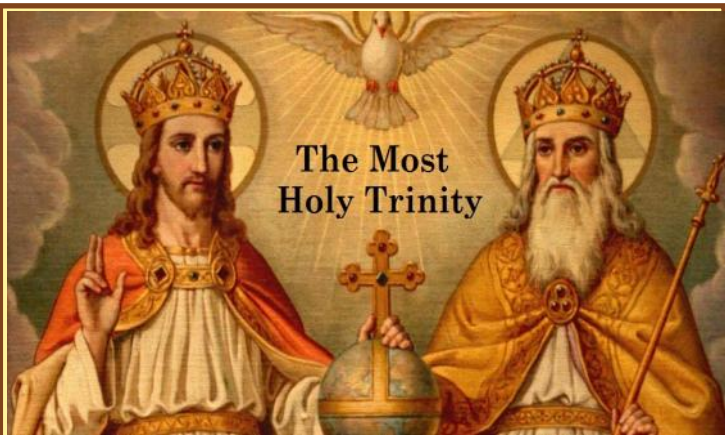
En cambio, es un llamado a vivir con un propósito superior impulsado por los valores del evangelio. Entonces, lo que me hizo pensar es que puede ser más difícil estar en la iglesia sin ser parte de la Iglesia. En cambio, es un llamado a vivir con un propósito superior impulsado por los valores del evangelio. Entonces, lo que me hizo pensar es que puede ser más difícil estar en la iglesia sin ser parte de la Iglesia. Ser del mundo, como dije arriba, es estar tan preocupado por sus asuntos. Ser de la Iglesia también significa estar tan preocupado e involucrado en los muchos, si eres un clérigo, asuntos eclesiásticos y los 'entresijos' clericales, y si eres líder de ministerio y de diferentes grupos y miembro, preocupado por los deberes y actividades parroquiales, que perdemos nuestro enfoque en Jesús. Hacemos la obra de Dios olvidando al Dios de la obra. **Cuando esto sucede, la Iglesia como un cuerpo de creyentes nos ciega a lo que vinimos a ver y nos ensordece a lo que vinimos a escuchar.** Este es un estado muy triste de la iglesia, cuando no escuchamos a Cristo y cuando no lo vemos, la misma celebración de la Eucaristía se convierte en una mera ceremonia con rituales bellos. La misma palabra de Dios se convierte en un entretenimiento, dejándonos sin ser transformados. **Aún así, es en la Iglesia donde Cristo habita, nos invita a Su mesa y nos habla del amor eterno.**

Estar en la Iglesia sin ser de ella es un gran desafío espiritual al que los creyentes siempre se han enfrentado. Muy pocos lo enfrentaron, hicieron un examen de conciencia y cambiaron para mejor. Mientras que muchos simplemente lo viven en nombre de las tradiciones. **¿Puede Cristo Rey enfrentar ese desafío espiritual? Rezo por ello todos los días.**

¡Que Dios los bendiga a todos!

Father Joseph





The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity is celebrated in the Catholic Church.

This is a major feast day in the liturgical calendar, marking the belief in the Holy Trinity, Father, Son and the Holy Spirit

Feast: Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Liturgical Color: White—symbolizing joy and the fullness of the Trinity

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity is celebrated on the Sunday after Pentecost

It honors the central mystery of the Christian faith: that there is one God in three distinct divine Persons,

The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, consubstantial and coeternal, distinct in their relations of origin but united in nature, will and operation

The Trinity is one God in three Persons, each fully God, not divided in essence. The Persons are distinct in their relations of origin:

Father generates, Son is begotten, Holy Spirit proceeds

The Catechism teaches that the Trinity is “the innermost secret” of God, revealed through the sending of the Son and the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Solemnity is a synthesis of the Easter mystery, Jesus’ death, resurrection and ascension and the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. It reminds us that God is love, and we are called to share in that communion.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sat May 30	4 pm	+Kevin, +Scott, and +Jeff Border
Sun May 31	7:45 am	Int. of Greenleaf Family
	9:30 am	+Debra Mendez
	11 am	Int. of Irma DeSantiago for her birthday
Mon June 1	8 am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Tue June 2	8 am	+Mary Drew White
Wed June 3	8 am	+Jobita Tobar and +Abel Jauregui
Thu June 4	8 am	Available/Disponible
Fri June 5	8 am	Available/Disponible
Sat June 6	8 am	+Stephen Elcano
	4pm	+Joe and +Shirley Clerou
Sun June 7	7:45 am	+Larry DeAngelis
	9:30 am	+Deceased members of Knights of Columbus 12719
	11 am	+Isidro Romero



First Holy Communion Children

Your First Holy Communion is the start of a wonderful journey with Jesus.

*May you always walk in His love and grace
Wishing you joy, blessings, and a lifetime of faith as you
Have taken this beautiful step with God.*

Congratulations!



We joyfully announce that on Saturday, May 30th @ 4:00 pm, members of our parish family will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. This sacred milestone marks the deepening of their faith and the strengthening of their bond with Christ and His Church. May they be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and continue to walk faithfully in God's love.

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Refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall for your enjoyment!

Baby Bottle Campaign

Supporting the Bakersfield Pregnancy Center
 Pick-up - Foyer—Church
 Return (full) wooden lock box to church foyer
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 June 21st.
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“May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all”

2 Corinthians 13:14

“Que la gracia del Señor Jesucristo, y el amor de Dios, y la comunión del Espíritu Santo estén con todos ustedes”

2 Corintios 13:14

We are blessed to announce that Teresa Grimm has joined our Parish family as our new

“Director of Religious Education”

Please join us in giving Teresa a warm welcome! Keep her in your prayers as she begins this new chapter .

Christ the King welcomes you
 Teresa!



OREMUS

Please keep these parishioners in your prayers

Father Joseph Warnakulasooriya

Deacons Fred & Joe

Monica & Bill Jeffries

Carolina Berkshire

Shirley Heard

Olga Delgado

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Christ the King Parishioners

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Live in peace and unity, remembering that God's love is greater than we can fully understand, revealed in the Trinity

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