



Christ the King Cathedral School

CTK Connection

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April 8, 2018 - Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)
Gospel Reading John 20:19-31

Sunday's reading from the Gospel of John is proclaimed on the Second Sunday of Easter in each of the lectionary cycles. This fact alone should alert us to the significance of the encounters with the resurrected Jesus that are described in this reading. This Gospel combines two scenes: Jesus' appearance to his disciples after his Resurrection and Jesus' dialogue with Thomas, the disciple who doubted.

Part of the mystery of Jesus' Resurrection is that he appeared to his disciples not as a spirit, but in bodily form. We do not know, however, exactly what this form looked like. Earlier in John's Gospel, when Mary of Magdala first encountered the risen Jesus, she did not recognize him until he spoke to her. In Luke's Gospel, the disciples walking along the road to Emmaus did not recognize Jesus until he broke bread with them. We know from readings such as today's that in his resurrected form, Jesus was not bound by matter; he appeared to the disciples inside a home even though the door was locked. Yet the disciples could still touch the marks of his Crucifixion.

In Sunday's Gospel, Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun; as Jesus was sent by God, so Jesus sends his disciples. He gives his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit so that they will be able to accomplish this task. Jesus' words to his disciples also highlight the integral connection between the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share forgiveness and reconciliation with others.

Thomas, the doubting disciple in Sunday's reading, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of witnesses to Jesus. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to his disciples. Our human nature seeks hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to his disciples after his death is indeed the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative in obtaining this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed, for we have not seen and yet believe.

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**FIRST FRIDAY ALL-SCHOOL MASS
TOMORROW AT 8:15AM IN THE CATHEDRAL
MASS UNIFORM REQUIRED!**

**2PM EARLY DISMISSAL FOR
FACULTY FAITH DEVELOPMENT
NEXT WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11TH!
FREE DRESS!**

**PreK/Kindergarten Open House
Wednesday, April 11th, @ 5:30pm
If your student(s) will be in PreK or Kindergarten next
school year, you are invited to this special open house!**

**The Lost & Found Closet is overflowing! If your student is
missing anything, please take a look!**

(Lost & Found Closet is the cabinet in the main hallway outside of the south gym doors, near the CTK Café.)



Donors Needed for Blood Drive on April 16th, 12:15pm-4pm

Statistics show that every 2 seconds someone needs blood and most of us will need blood sometime in our lifetime. There will always be a need for blood. Only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community. CTK High School's Student Council is sponsoring a blood drive on Monday, April 16th, from [...] ...»

Hamburger Dinner at Spring Open House

Take the rush out of Open House night by letting the Class of 2019 help with dinner! The Junior Class will be hosting a hamburger dinner fundraiser at the Spring Open House on **Wednesday, April 21st, from 5pm-7pm.** Click here for an order form to print and return with payment by Friday, [...] ...»



**Father-Daughter Butterfly Kisses Dance,
THIS Saturday, April 7th @ 6:30pm**

All daughters and any father-figure in their lives are invited to this community-wide event this Saturday, 4/7, in Slaton. Click here for more information: [Butterfly Kisses Father-Daughter Dance](#)

LLP Summer Registration for Current CTK Students Now Open!

Registration for Summer LLP for current CTK students entering PreK-4 through 5th grade next school year is now open. If you would like to enroll your student in this summer program, you must fill out paperwork to reserve a space. Space is limited! For more information, please contact Whitnie Hill at ecdcllp@gmail.com or call 771-2077.

Re-enrollment for Next School Year

Re-Enrollment for 2018-19 Continues!

Thank you to everyone who already re-enrolled for the upcoming school year! We had a record number of families re-enroll by the end of spring break! For those who have not re-enrolled as of yet, it's not too late! As of 3/18/18, re-enrollment fees are \$100.00 per student. There is also a \$10 per student [...] ...»

High Schoolers to Compete in TAPPS State Academic Meet Next Week

Nine 9th-12th grade students will travel to Waco to compete in 15 events at the Texas Association of Private & Parochial Schools (TAPPS) State Academic Meet next Tuesday & Wednesday. Good luck to the following students: **Amy Li** (calculator & number sense), **Zia Zhao** (advanced math & number sense), **Shirley Liu** (math & calculator), **Kilian James** (current events & science), **Lukas Moreno** (spelling, Spanish & science), **Liz Bai** (current events), **Kelly Wang** (math), **Lizett Mendez** (poetry interpretation), & **Chen Jin** (advanced math)



Tickets on Sale Now for the Annual Friends of the Foundation Gala!

This year's **Gala** will be held on Saturday, **April 21st, 2018!** Make plans now to attend! This fun evening includes social time, dinner, silent raffle, live auction &

entertainment! Click here for a list of live auction items: [2018 Live Auction Items](#).

Tickets are now available in the school office for \$50.00 each.
Reserved tables for 8 can be purchased for \$500. If you are interested in a sponsorship for this community event that benefits our school and students, or if you have questions, please contact Christy Duran at cduran@ctkcathedralschool.org or at the school office 795-

URGENT VOLUNTEER NEEDS - see **Volunteer Section** below for all opportunities, but here are some of the most urgent:

* Help in the **CTK Garden** tomorrow, April 6th, 9:30am-noon. Contact Jessica Caroom to volunteer at jessicatullar@gmail.com

* **Volunteers for Friends of the Foundation Gala** - volunteers are needed to help with set-up the afternoon of Saturday, 4/21, or if you are planning on attending the Gala that evening, a few volunteers are needed to help with check-in and possibly check-out, as well as with the live auction, silent raffle and other activities. If you can help in any of these areas please contact Christy Duran at cduran@ctkcathedralschool.org or call 795-8283 by Friday, 4/13.

CTK Garden: Preparing for Spring!

Before spring break we had several classes start seeds in the science lab. Third grade started tomatoes and peppers and fifth grade started herbs. Kindergarten went outside and planted peas and first grade planted several rows of seed tape with spring greens like lettuce and spinach. Many of these seeds have started to sprout under [...] ...»



SCRIP Continues to Benefit the CTKC School Community!

CTK Home & School Association has partnered with SCRIP for an easy fundraising program! You are invited to buy gift cards for over 300 major retailers to use for your own day-to-day purchases or give them as gifts! Visit shopwithscrip.com for a full list of retailers. What a great way to help our school while [...] ...»

Online Safe Environment Training Program Now Available!

Do you still need to take a safe environment training class so you can be more involved with youth & school activities? Here is a great new program for you to take at your convenience! The Diocese of Lubbock announces our affiliation with VIRTUS; an internationally known and well respected best practices platform for Safe [...] ...»

Calendar Dates: *dates/times are accurate at time of publication but are subject to change*

Today - Varsity Tennis @ TAPPS District; Varsity Track at Ascension Meet

Fri. - JH Track @ Ascension Meet

Tues.-Wed. - TAPPS State Academic Meet in Waco

Wed. - 2pm Early Dismissal; **PreK-Kinder Open House @ 5:30pm**

Thurs. - Varsity at TAPPS District Track Meet @ ACU (Abilene)

4/14 - JH at WTCOA District Track Meet in Amarillo

4/16 - Blood Drive 12:15pm-4pm - donors needed, see above!

4/16-17 - TAPPS State Golf Tournament

4/18- Spring Open House

4/18-4/19 - TAPPS State Tennis Tournament

Mark Your Calendar.:
4/20-21 - Diocesan Youth Rally @ CTKC campus

4/21 - Friends of the Foundation Gala (tickets on sale above)



Volunteer Opportunities

NEW Volunteer Opportunities Announced! All CTK families are required to complete 20 service hours (10 hours for single parents) for the 2017-18 school year. To help you [...] [...»](#)



BOX TOPS COLLECTION UPDATE!

Keep turning in box tops!
Remember- the class that collects the most will earn a **snow cone party** in May!



CTK CAFÉ NEWS & DEADLINES!

CTK Café lunch orders are due each Wednesday for the following week of lunches.

All lunch orders should be placed by logging into your parent RenWeb account and [...] [...»](#)



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