



Christ the King Cathedral School

October 1, 2020

Dear CTK Elementary and JH Families and Students:

Happy Thursday! I hope that this week's Thursday letter finds you well and feeling the peace that Jesus offers us.

This week's letter will be short, and hopefully sweet! I'd like to ask parents to pack a CTK hoodie or sweatshirt in elementary backpacks. It's cooler in the mornings and sometimes teachers are utilizing the outdoor classrooms. Your child might need that hoodie or sweatshirt.

We do have some available in our used uniform closet, you can inquire about used uniforms and meeting with Mrs. King via email: [bking@ctkcathedralschool.org](mailto:bking@ctkcathedralschool.org).

Calendar Items:

- **Homecoming 2020** will be the week of October 12-16 for the entire CTK Schools community! Mum & garter order forms will be emailed in a separate message or see the First Friday newsletter for online ordering instructions. Also in tomorrow's newsletter, you will find the Homecoming activities schedule for special dress days and fun for the entire week! Go Trojans & Go Golden Lions!
- **For. The. Love.** Campaign - Home & School Association has sent home follow-up letters with the youngest student in the family this week all families regarding the For. The. Love. Campaign. Information was sent home today to all families participating in the Charleston Wrap fundraiser. You can begin selling online with this information today, and catalogs will be sent home next week! See tomorrow's First Friday newsletter for more information.
- **IOWA Testing** the week of October 19-23. Grades 1-11 will be taking the IOWA. Make sure your child/ren get plenty of rest, bring a healthy snack to school to fuel their brains (please no cookies, chips, or junk food).
- **E-Learners-** look for an additional email regarding IOWA testing at the beginning of next week.
- **CTK Garden Day:** earn a few volunteer hours by helping in our Gardens on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9 am- 11am.
- **October is the month of the Rosary.** There is no Mass tomorrow as the priests in the Diocese are attending a retreat. We will go to the Cathedral around 8:45 am to pray the Sorrowful Mysteries as a school. Students are still required to wear their Mass uniform. Unfortunately, this is not live streamed, so I ask all E-Learners to pray the Sorrowful Mysteries together with your family tomorrow.
- During the month of October, we will pray a decade of the rosary each Wednesday in place of our regular Morning Prayer. We will still Zoom as usual as pray together. Have your rosaries handy!

In closing, reflect on Luke 10:2:

He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

Just as Jesus sent his disciples on mission, so too does he send us to proclaim the Good News. We are the laborers and the harvest is all those who cross our path each day. There are so many people still waiting to hear the Good News, from the clerk in the grocery store to the parent parked next to you in the parking lot, or

even the person sitting next to us in the pew. One familiar saying tells us, "You may be the only gospel another person reads." The best way that the Good News is proclaimed is in the way we care for and love others. Who are those that cross my path each day, bearing the image of God, and to whom I am blind? How can I proclaim the Good News through my attitude and actions more faithfully?  
(an excerpt from Loyola's three-minute retreat)  
Some days we may feel as though we need to hear the Good News, but remember that God has written his word on our hearts. God, give me the grace to share your Good News in all I do.  
I pray that your weekend is restful and full of family joy; may you have a blessed week ahead and find opportunities to "be the gospel" to everyone you meet.

Together in Christ,  
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