

First Reconciliation

Do you have a child in 2nd grade or above who wants to make their First Communion this year? Did you miss our parent classes for Reconciliation? If yes, please contact Janet Ficca as soon as possible. Another set of classes will begin in early January. Your child must receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before First Communion.



All are invited to an **Epiphany Party!**

Sunday, January 7th

5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Please note the time change due to another event in the afternoon. We will begin with Mass at 5 p.m. followed by dinner, games, crafts and fellowship. Please bring a dish to share and a small gift (\$10).

Did You Know...?

Mass by the Numbers

Every weekend Mass at CTK needs (at least) the following lay ministers:

- ✓ 2 Lectors
- ✓ 5 Eucharistic Ministers
- ✓ 3 Altar Servers (4 on Feast days)
- ✓ 2 to 4 Ushers
- ✓ 2 Children's Ministers of the Word (8:30 & 11)
- ✓ 1 Cantor (at least)

That's a total of 15 X 4 Masses = 60 Ministers needed every single week!

If everyone serves only once a month, we would need 240 to 300 Ministers!

Fortunately many ministers serve every single week, some at multiple Masses or in multiple roles.

What is your role in our parish family? What gifts or talents can you share with us?



DIVORCED? SEPARATED? WE CAN HELP!



- Our next session begins **Tuesday, January 9th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**
- **DivorceCare** meets in the parish office conference room. **DC4K** meets in Ashland House.
- You can now register on-line at www.divorcecare.org!
- Contact Tess Rozelle at theroze0305@aol.com or Janet Ficca at jficca@christtheking.hrcoxmail.com for more information.

Looking for a ride to the March for Life?

Each year roughly 20-30 parishes across the Diocese of Richmond and some Knights of Columbus councils sponsor charter buses to transport pilgrims to the March for Life in Washington, DC. On Friday, January 27, 2018. We have reached out to parishes and asked for their information to provide you with an up-to-date list of all buses in each applicable region that welcome people from parishes within the Diocese of Richmond. These buses are sponsored by parishes or Knights of Columbus councils and **rides should be coordinated directly through the contact person listed for each bus.** For more information check:

<http://www.cdrcmfl.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Area-Bus-Schedules-2018-v2.pdf>



For the second year, the Diocese of Richmond is holding an essay & video contest in honor of Respect Life Month in January to raise awareness around the dignity of the human person and to build up a culture of life! The video contest is for middle school, high school, and college undergraduate students. The essay contest is for high school students only.

The theme this year is: "Humanae Vitae...50 Years Later"

"There is too much clamorous outcry against the voice of the Church, and this is intensified by modern means of communication. But it comes as no surprise to the Church that she, no less than her divine Founder, is destined to be a 'sign of contradiction'." (HV, 18)

Reflect on a recent cultural experience, event, or movement from the last year. Then, put that event or idea in conversation with the passage above from the 1968 encyclical *Humanae Vitae* and ask: **"How does the Church stand as a sign of contradiction today?"**

Video submission opened on November 30, 2017 and remain open until January 15, 2018. Voting will remain open until January 22, 2018. For more information:

<http://www.cdrcmfl.org/respectlife/respectlifecontest/>