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# KING'S COURIER

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# EXPLORING THE WORD OF GOD

## Men's Bible Study

Our Bible Study explores the Sunday Readings. Each week we read the upcoming passages from the Lectionary, then receive a commentary explaining the Scriptures tying them together with the other parts of Scripture. As the adage states, Scripture must be read in context or it is merely a pretext.

Scripture is Divine Revelation, God revealing Himself to us through the Written Word and also the Incarnate Word. Through Divine Revelation, the Catechism explains,

*God, who dwells in unapproachable light, wants to communicate his own divine life to the men he freely created, in order to adopt them as his sons in his only-begotten Son. By revealing himself God wishes to make them capable of responding to him, and knowing him, and loving him far beyond their own natural capacity” (CCC, #52)*

The whole of Divine Revelation, all of Scripture and Tradition, reveals God’s desire to touch us with his Son and Spirit and in so doing, we become “sharers in the divine nature” (CCC 51).

To share God’s life becomes our quest. Scripture Studies seek, ask, and knock at the door of Scripture, using our Tradition to understand and explain literal and hidden meanings contained within the text so we partake in God’s divine life (2 Pet 1:4).

St. Peter, a man steeped in Scripture, outlines the framework to read, study, and pray the Scriptures. In his letter, he tells us,

*No prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by the impulse of man, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God (2 Pet 1:20).*

In other words, Scripture is prophecy, God’s self-revelation. Scripture needs a Divine Authority to understand and protect the written Word from merely private interpretations. This authority interprets through the Holy Spirit, Whom



*The Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you (John 14:26).*

The Father sends the Spirit to the Apostles, endowing Peter and his successors with keys to bind and lose not according to our human understanding, but God’s.

Our Scripture Studies seek to listen to what the Spirit says to us through the Word. We read the text, then explore the meaning asking questions, looking for answers. As scholars teach, the Scriptures themselves often give the answers to our questions. So does the Catechism of the Church as well as many of the great commentaries written.

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday | 7:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

Saturday Anticipatory | 4:30pm

Monday - Saturday | 8:15am in the chapel\*

Tuesday | 5:30pm in the chapel

\*Wednesday 8:15am Mass is held in the church during the school year

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month | 6:30pm in the church  
Denver Ablaze Mass

Livestreamed Mass | Sunday at 10:00am

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

- Saturdays from 3:00pm-4:00pm in the church
- 30 minutes before Daily Mass in the chapel
- By appointment
- Sundays by Request Only

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday - Saturday | 7:30am - 8:15am

Tuesdays | 9:00am - 5:00pm

Contact the Parish Office for the gate code to enter the chapel

## PASTORAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday | 9:00am to 5:00pm

## Discussions are Open and Real!

**Mondays | 6:45-8:00pm | 3rd Floor**

We invite you to come and explore the mysteries within the Word so we may encounter the Word Made Flesh touching our lives with his Spirit. Explore the Sunday Readings touching and transforming our lives!



## Return to Mysticism

The greatest loss of modern civilization, mysticism, comes at the greatest price. Mysticism, that encounter with the divine transcendence in which we enter the mysteries of the supernatural, has been lost and replaced by philosophy. Philosophy rationalizes and relativizes divine truths to personal interpretation. It is based upon the notion of Nominalism.

Nominalism, founded by William of Ockham, a Franciscan Friar of the 14<sup>th</sup> Century, held the view that universals and abstract objects do not actually exist other than being names and labels. Simply put, the name given to an object determines what it is. It removes the objectivity of the object, subjectivizing it. This subjectivism includes God. Ultimately, God is a name, a subjective concept, not a reality.

This philosophy, handed down throughout the centuries, blossomed in the Enlightenment. During the Enlightenment Era, most intellectuals, especially the philosophers saw reality as material, natural, and logical. The Enlightenment Era removed the mystical and reduced religion to devotionalism: it is not the source of objective truth. Truths can be explained by reason, science, and logic alone. Scripture and religion became grounds for political morality. The state determined what is best for the people they govern using religion and scripture as a resource—not the source.

Mysticism became sentimentality, a personal pietism, based upon feelings, emotions, and personal convictions; not objective truths revealed by Divine Revelation. Scripture became a historical book, with interesting stories that inspire. They keep it as a resource because people have a desire for the divine in their heart. This divine desire, however, is personal, subjective, and idealistic, neither objective nor rational.

Philosophy and Theology split. Philosophy became the source of truth and wisdom. Theology, which includes mysticism, the highest form of theology, became personal piety and devotional. Is this true?

Mysticism believes differently. Truth comes from God, revealed to us through the Scriptures. His Divinity is not doubted, but reality, for we experience a longing for love, truth, justice, goodness, and beauty. These five are known as transcendentals, or “the horizon of perfect knowledge” (Karl Rahner, Bernard Lonergan). These transcendentals,



attributes of God Himself, create in our soul a desire for divine love. Our desire for the transcendent seeks fulfillment, and only God who is perfectly just, good, true, and beautiful satisfies these mystical desires.

St. Augustine understood this as he underwent his conversion famously stating, “You have made us for yourself, O Lord and our heart is restless until it rests in you” (St. Augustine). Blaze Pasquel thinks this too, summarized here, “Within every person, a God-shaped abyss, an emptiness exists that only God can fill.” Pope Benedict XVI knew this asking the question “What can really satisfy man’s desire?” He answers:

*Through love, a man and a woman experience in a new way, thanks to each other, the greatness and beauty of life and of what is real. If what is experienced is not a mere illusion, if I truly want the good of the other as a means for my own good, then I must be willing not to be self-centered, to place myself at the other’s service, even to the point of self-denial (Pope Benedict General Audience, Wednesday, 7 November 2012).*

The void in our heart desires perfect love and only these transcendentals fill it, nothing else: not philosophy, science, politics, nor idealism. Yet, science tries to replace Revealed Truth with natural truths. Philosophy wants to define Divine Goodness and Justice with rational and logical explanations. So too with Beauty, idealism wants to reduce Divine Beauty to artistic expression.

Our longings, though abstract and sometimes irrational, are real and true. Each of us seeks love and wants to be loved. To behold beauty and become beautiful, to know the truth and live in the truth, to be good and be treated justly. Mostly, Divine Love completes our heart’s holy desire to be lifted above the limited materialistic, rationalistic, scientific, and technocratic beliefs. We desire more. We long for mysticism.

Another transcendental ought to be added, however, forgiveness. People hunger for forgiveness. They long to heal their guilt. They feel, deep within their conscience, shame for their sins. Seeking forgiveness acknowledges our need for God. Forgiveness admits we are not God but need God to heal us of our disordered desires. No other person exemplifies our longing for forgiveness than Judas.

He sold his soul, coin by coin, stealing from the coffers of Christ. Everyone knew he was a thief, yet he could not admit his guilt. Covered in shame, he hid behind his injustice, rationalizing he was just. He was doing a good deed, especially when he sold Jesus, his friend.

To sell a person, whether we cheat, slander, or abuse, if we neglect, isolate, or manipulate, our hearts seek forgiveness. Even more so, how many long to forgive the one who hurt them. The Prayer, the Our Father, reveals this transcendental: Forgive me of my trespasses as I forgive those who trespassed against me. This is a Divine Truth, that philosophy, science, and politics cannot explore. They cannot explore the depths of the heart, especially our need for forgiveness. Even psychology which outlines its need, cannot touch the depth of a wounded heart. Jeremiah knew this stating, “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately corrupt; who can understand it?” (Jer 17:9).

Judas experienced the deceit of his heart, when he realized Jesus was to be condemned, not condoned. Desperate to heal his guilt, he returns to the priests and asks for a refund, as though selling a person is the same as purchasing a product. The priests reject him and deny him of repentance. He committed the irrational sin; he sought forgiveness from sinful man—not from his merciful Father. True repentance comes from God and returns us back to God restoring our longing for his friendship. Yet, one French mystic warns us about false repentance:

*Those who see themselves fallen, inflict disorder on themselves, become troubled, worry, and distrust the*

*mercy of God because of their own self-love. They pity the harm they have done to themselves rather than the offense they have committed against God” (Madam Guyon, commentary on Matthew’s Gospel).*

Mysticism, that longing in our heart to experience the presence of God’s love affirming us even when we have sinned, breaks our self-love. False repentance, the sinner pities the harm he did to himself, not the injury he did to God or the other. He, however, who falls, filled with true sorrow, repents knowing he not only hurt himself, but acknowledges the pain and suffering caused to all involved. In this light, repentance accepts, “It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me” (Gal 2:20).

True repentance, freedom from guilt, comes at a price. We sacrifice self-love, reject self-pity, and trust not in myself, but in my Father.

Longing for forgiveness is the essence of mysticism. God’s goodness gifts us his love through his justice to restore the truth of who we are, God’s child, only to resurrect our beauty. Freed from false repentance, forgiveness supplants the rationalism we used to justify our guilt. It breaks the idealism that beauty comes without forgiveness. It redirects our self-love to embrace God’s love. The brokenness of our hearts experiences God’s love restoring us. We see how beautifully, truthfully, and wonderfully made we are. *Filled with the Divine Presence, we return to our mystical origins.*





FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Hello, 2024!

God is good! Christ the King School has had a tremendously successful fall. We welcomed our students back in August; one of our greatest joys is to see our students again and engage in forming our students into academic disciples of Christ.

This fall our students participated in flag football, cross country, and co-ed volleyball. We are proud to say our teams did a great job. Our cross country teams earned three trophies throughout the season at four different meets and several runners earned medals. One of our flag football teams made it to the championship game. We are extremely proud of all our athletes, but most importantly we are proud that our students shine with good sportsmanship. Christ the King is well represented in and out of the classroom. We are currently playing basketball and look forward to the tournament in February, please keep our players in your prayers. We ask for health, teamwork, and above all, fun!

Another shining star this fall was our Christ the King Fall Gala. We want to send a sincere "thank you" to each and everyone who attended or contributed. The event was a huge success, and we were able to raise approximately \$200,000 (before costs). These funds will go to operating costs to keep tuition down and our safety initiative. We raised enough money to move forward on major projects that will proactively keep our students, teachers, and staff safer. We cannot thank you enough for your support.

Last year's Fall Fest funded our new playground, which was finally built this fall as well. It is absolutely beautiful! The best part of the new playground is the sound of sheer joy that escapes the children as they run out to play. I hope the novelty takes a million years to wear off! On November 4<sup>th</sup> we completed the majority of the playground with a community build. It was a sight to see, we had parishioners, parents, grandparents, and community volunteers with all hands on deck to build the structure you see today. Another "thank you" for past contributions to the Fall Fest and for the volunteers on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

Middle school technology was a project we were able to approach this fall as well. Our sixth graders received secure devices to ensure they are protected but also given the tools to grow in their digital education in 2023 and beyond. Our main focus with this project is to protect our students while also teaching them moral digital citizenship. Several parents and staff members worked this summer to ensure we thought of everything to keep our students at the heart of decisions. We are excited to see it grow and watch the positive impact we can have in the community.

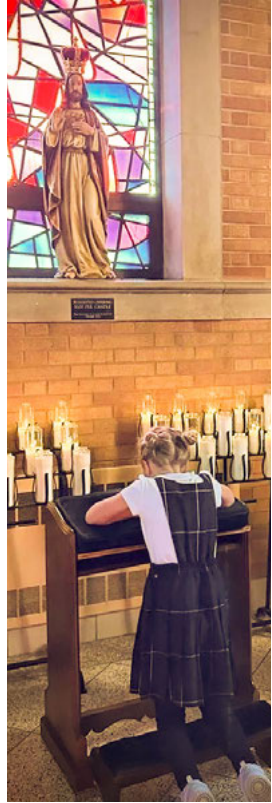
This winter we will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week the last week of January/February. Our annual Pancake Breakfast hosted by the school will be January 28, 2024, after the 10:00 am Mass. We are looking forward to celebrating our school and its ministry. Please join us and invite others. This is one of our favorite events to share with the parish. It truly shows the strength and love of our collective community. Shortly after the Pancake Breakfast we will have an open house and registration will begin for the 2024/2025 school year. We have been giving many tours daily and look forward to welcoming new families to Christ the King. If you know of a family looking for the best school in Denver, they should look no further, please send them our way.

From the school family to your family; we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May Christ's birth renew His love in your heart.

Mrs. Kili Hady  
CK Principal








**Christ the King Roman Catholic School** offers a preschool through 8th grade education that emphasizes academic achievement and character development in a highly supportive, family-centered community. Our dynamic, faith-based environment is designed to promote the highest level of engagement and learning, as well as to instill values that prepare our students for future success in life.

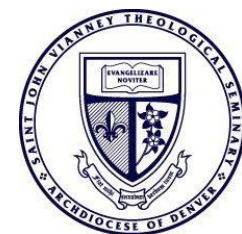
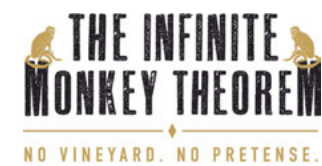
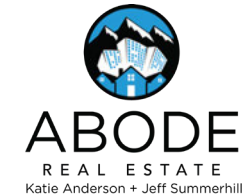
## CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC SCHOOL AT A GLANCE

QUALITY ACADEMICS	CATHOLIC FOUNDATION	COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT	EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	AFFORDABLE INVESTMENT
<b>12:1</b> Avg. Student to Teacher Ratio	<b>WEEKLY</b> Mass	<b>2500+</b> Family Service Hours per year	<b>9</b> Clubs & Activities	<b>20%</b> Of Students Receive Financial Aid
<b>COUNSELOR</b> On Campus Part-Time	<b>RELIGION</b> Classes Daily	<b>2100+</b> Middle School Service Hours per year	<b>6+</b> Sports for 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> including Basketball, Volleyball & Soccer	<b>PRORATED</b> Tuition for Families with Multiple Students
<b>95%</b> Of 8 <sup>th</sup> Graders "High" School Ready" in Math & Reading	<b>ALTAR</b> Service	<b>6</b> Annual Charity Drives	<b>THEATRE</b> Program	<b>≈ 30%</b> Of Child Education Cost Covered by CK Donors
<b>91%</b> Of 4 <sup>th</sup> Graders at or Above Grade Level in Math	<b>LECTOR</b> Opportunities	<b>2</b> Local Community Groups Supported		<b>SCHOLARSHIP</b> Opportunities
<b>SPECIALS</b> Including Music, Art, P.E., Spanish & Technology	<b>ADORATION</b> Available			
	<b>SACRAMENT</b> Preparation			

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## FALL GALA SPONSORS

Thank you to all of our amazing Fall Gala sponsors! It is through your funding that change is possible. With your generosity, CK Safe can improve safety for both the school and parish, safeguarding our most precious assets: our children and community.



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# Celebrations

By Clare DiBella, Parish Point Person  
for the National Eucharistic Revival



As we enter the new year, we reflect on the holidays and gatherings with family and friends that filled our Christmas celebrations. The common theme in all our gatherings was food, drink, and community, taking time to nourish ourselves and our relationships.

The new year is upon us with some reflection on what lies ahead. How are we going to sustain our Spirit? If your family and friends are like mine, food and drink were key elements in our celebrations. In fact, when we think about it, food and drink are central to our celebration of the Mass as we gather as a faith family. The Body and Blood of Christ was given to us to sustain us spiritually until His return!

*Let's break it down and talk about the FOOD that Christ has given to us.*

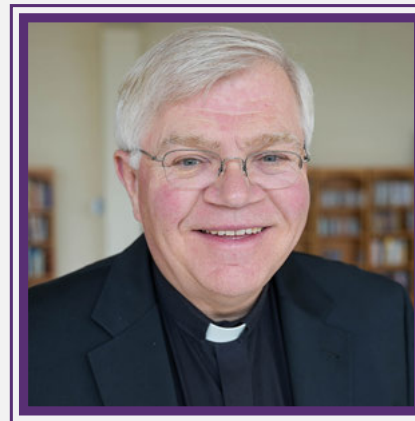
**F**idelity. Faithful in good times as well as the bad. How do I stay faithful to our God? Monthly confession, attending Mass as often as I can (I need Him in my life!). Taking advantage of all the formation that my Church has to offer. Developing a prayer life that is mindful, communicating with Him in all my actions and decisions. All of these activities by my brothers and sisters in Christ assist me on my daily journey.

**O**bedience. Actively listening to what God is saying to me. We say to ourselves, God never says anything to me. Really? You are just not listening. He uses our friends and family around us. What is God saying to you through other people? Have you ever asked Him, "What is God's will for me?", and then just sat back and listened? Adoration is an awesome opportunity to do this. It is a quiet space, uninterrupted where you are giving 100% of your time and attention to God and you.

**O**ppportunity. Step out of your comfort zone! Take advantage of our Church's celebrations of feast days, pilgrimages, and the many classes that are offered year-round to help us obtain the fullness of Christ. There is so much to learn and grow in our relationship with God our Father whom we all desire to be in heaven with forever and ever.

**D**iscernment. How do I learn to sift the wheat through the chaff? Navigating life's twists and turns is hard. When a crisis occurs, what do I do? Do not react or speak but rather discern. Stop and think: is what I am experiencing of God? Have a conversation—a conversation—with God about what is happening and how to navigate through the uncharted territory. You will learn so much more about who you are and what you need to change in order to be in closer union with God's will for you.

Becoming a Parish Point Person for the Eucharistic Revival is a journey of faith for me. I am learning so much more about my faith and me through the many activities that Christ the King Parish tirelessly offers. We are all on a journey to assist each other in reaching the goal and gift of everlasting life with God in heaven. Take advantage of the celebrations—Bon Appétit!



## EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL WITH FR. DOUG GRANDON

Fr. Doug Grandon joined us here at Christ the King for a three-day Advent Eucharistic Revival Mission. He gave three talks between December 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> to enkindle the flame of Eucharistic faith and devotion and guide our hearts to individual conversion. Ordained later in life in 2008, Fr. Grandon currently serves as the National Chaplain for FOCUS and is one of the National Eucharistic Revival Preachers.

His first talk, *My Eucharistic Journey into the Catholic Church*, delved into Fr. Grandon's own conversion experience: he became a Catholic priest after spending years as a married Protestant pastor. "On June 26, 2003, I entered into full communion with the Catholic Church. I had concluded that only a priest ordained by a successor to the Apostles could offer me the Body and Blood of Christ. My thirty-year journey into the Church significantly started and ended with I Corinthians 11:23-32, St. Paul's somewhat frightening instruction on the Eucharist," said Fr. Grandon.

The second talk, *From the Garden to the New Earth: The Eucharist in the Context of Salvation History*, discussed where the Eucharist stands in the whole of salvation history. Fr. Grandon explained, "While God was spiritually present in the Jewish temple, he is now materially present at every Catholic Mass and in every Catholic tabernacle. What we lost in the Garden, we fully regain in the New Earth, when the Kingdom comes in its fullness. We must cling tenaciously to Jesus' promise, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you!' (Hebrews 13:5)."

His final talk, *Come, Holy Spirit! Give Us a Eucharistic Revival!* highlighted the importance of these years of National Eucharistic Revival. "Our bishops have called us to pray to the Holy Spirit for a Eucharistic Revival, because of a dramatic decline in Eucharistic understanding and reverence among contemporary Catholics. What are the bishops' hopes for a Eucharistic Revival? What can we learn from Catholics in other eras of Church history? What fruit should we expect from a Eucharistic Revival?" Fr. Grandon answered these questions and more in regards to the practicality of Eucharistic Revival at a parish and personal level.

If you missed the talks with Fr. Grandon, be on the lookout for future Eucharistic Revival events! We all know people who have fallen away, or who have never known the Real Presence of our Lord in the Eucharist. Eucharistic Revival events are an amazing way to introduce—or reintroduce—our neighbors to the love of God.





# LITTLE ROYALS CORNER

## FATIMA PRAYER

O my Jesus,  
forgive us our sins,  
save us from the  
fires of hell;  
lead all souls to  
heaven especially  
those who are in most  
need of Your mercy.

**AMEN.**

Don't fear,  
because I am with you;  
don't be afraid,  
for I am your God.  
I will strengthen you,  
I will surely help you;  
I will hold you with my  
righteous strong hand.

**ISAIAH 41:10**

## TO THE STUDENTS OF CHRIST THE KING,

With the excitement of Christmas Break coming to a close, we welcome you back and hope you had a restful time spent with family, friends, and the Lord. We are halfway through the school year, and we all want to finish strong! May God bless you all and keep you safe and motivated in these last two quarters of the year!

## WORD SEARCH

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- PASSOVER



## BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS: INSPIRING TEENAGER KNEW EUCHARIST IS THE 'HIGHWAY TO HEAVEN'

By Michael R. Heinlein, Our Sunday Visitor (excerpt)

The Italian teenager Blessed Carlo Acutis has captivated Catholics young and old in recent years, especially since his 2020 beatification. Although only 15 when he died of leukemia, Carlo was resolved to prioritize his life around the Eucharist. Each day found him attending Mass and spending time in prayer before the Eucharistic Lord. He believed, as he put it, “the Eucharist is my highway to heaven.” And he endeavored to share this reality with others, with a focus on Eucharistic miracles, through his

virtual and online apostleship.

After receiving his first Holy Communion at age 7, Carlo made it a point to spend time in contemplation before the tabernacle. [...]

Although he might have been somewhat unusual in his youthful zeal for the faith, Carlo was also very much interested in things of his peers, such as his love for video games and films. He was by all accounts a “computer geek” who studied college textbooks on the subject as early as age 9. But Carlo

recognized that his talents and interests in the field must be used for good. He set limits to his use of media for personal enjoyment. Carlo’s mother has said, “Carlo was the light answer to the dark side of the web. My son’s life can show how the Internet can be used for good – to spread good things.”

This meant Carlo was resolved to make use of his tech savviness for the good of others. From age 9, he was reading college texts on computer coding. He developed websites for his high school and nearby parishes. He also created a website that cataloged all the major Eucharistic miracles ever recorded.

Carlo’s generous spirit also could be seen in how he offered up his last suffering from leukemia for others, telling doctors that he knew others were suffering more than he. He said, “I offer to the Lord the sufferings that I will have to undergo for the Pope and for the Church.” Although he wanted to make a pilgrimage to the sites of the Eucharistic miracles he helped others come to learn about, his declining health made it an impossibility. [...]

Just before his death at 15, Carlo said, “I’m happy to die, because I’ve lived my life without wasting even a minute of it doing things that wouldn’t have pleased God.” Although he died at a young age, Carlo’s personal holiness and discipleship left a lasting legacy. And his renown continues to grow. “To always be close to Jesus, that’s my life plan,” he was known to say. Now, through his witness, he inspires old and young alike to do the same.

Excerpt from: [www.sfarch.org/blessed-carlo-acutis-inspiring-teenager-knew-eucharist-is-the-highway-to-heaven/](http://www.sfarch.org/blessed-carlo-acutis-inspiring-teenager-knew-eucharist-is-the-highway-to-heaven/)





# St. Vincent de Paul Society RETURNS TO CHRIST THE KING!



We are pleased to announce that the Saint Vincent de Paul Society has officially returned to our parish as of December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023! We have a dedicated and passionate group of volunteers that have already begun meeting with Neighbors in Need to provide financial assistance to our local community. Our group provides rent and utility assistance in addition to referrals to numerous resources for food, clothing, and other assistance programs. Our team welcomes the opportunity to follow in the footsteps of Christ, and we invite you to join us.

Our story begins with a deep desire to make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate. We believe in the power of compassion, empathy, and action. That's why we are dedicated to serving the poor in our midst, providing them with essential resources, support, and hope.

Christ the King Saint Vincent de Paul is one of the 28 local conferences operating within the Society of

Saint Vincent de Paul Denver Metro Council. We are the grass roots, boots on the ground, helping hands part of the organization.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul can trace its roots back to the 1830's when a 20-year-old student by the name of Frederic Ozanam was challenged with how to live out his Catholic faith. The Frenchmen gathered with other young men in Paris and developed an organized system of service.

Today the Society is a worldwide organization of lay Catholics, following Christ's call to serve the poor, with nearly 800,000 members spread across 140 countries. In America alone local "conferences" represent 4,400 communities encompassing all 50 states. Together they provide nearly half a billion dollars in aid each year.

Please consider joining us in this mission, and call John D'Onofrio at 303-710-5212 for a conversation about how to help.



'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?'

'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

*Matthew 25:44-45*

### SEEKING ASSISTANCE

Help Line: 720-634-5510  
Email: CtK-SVdP51@Gmail.org

### CONFERENCE MAIL

St. Vincent de Paul  
c/o Christ the King Parish  
830 Elm Street  
Denver, CO 80220



“

Never worry about numbers.  
Help one person at a time, and always  
start with the person nearest you.

“

- Mother Teresa

## IN THE PARISH

Where two or more are gathered, Jesus is in their midst, as He promises in Matthew 18:20. Every Friday morning in season, Arise! Women's Ministry at CK, meets for weekly Bible study (fall through spring). The women of CK (and friends) have been attending Walking With Purpose Bible studies in the "upper rooms" at CK since the introduction of Arise! Women's Ministry at CK in 2022. Since then, we have walked together through the studies: "Living in the Father's Love," "Reclaiming Friendship" and currently "Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point."

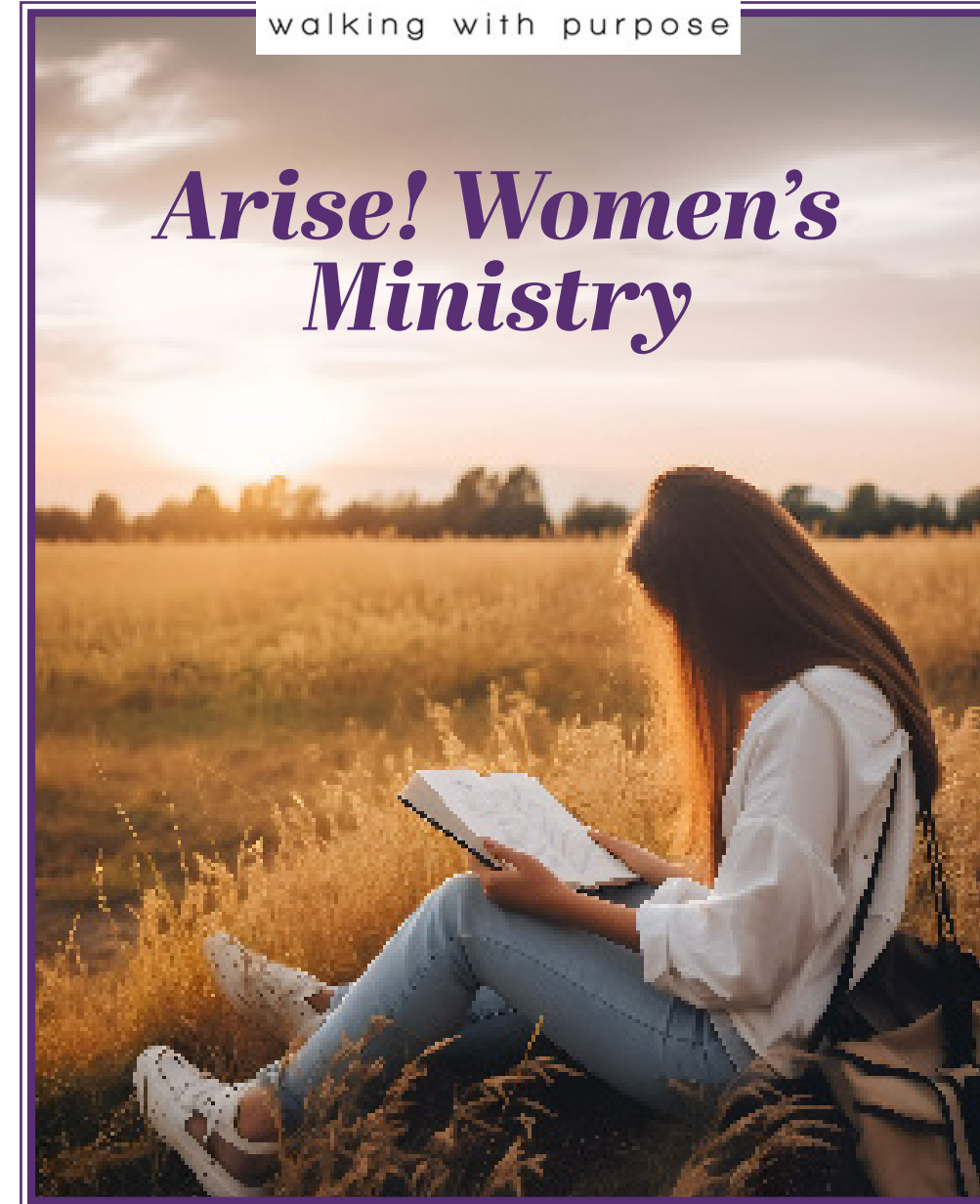
The studies have ranged from 6 to 22 week sessions. It has been a wonderful, grace-filled time for our community. In addition to the weekly studies, we hosted a morning retreat this past August that drew 50 women from CK and surrounding parishes. Our goal is to offer women of the parish and school opportunities to grow in relationship with Jesus and each other through small group Bible study and special events. All women of the parish and school are welcome to join the studies at any time.

Come as you are—it's more than a Bible study—Jesus is in our midst! For more information contact Carla Rowland [carla.rowland50@gmail.com](mailto:carla.rowland50@gmail.com).



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# Arise! Women's Ministry



**PLEASE JOIN  
US IN PRAYING  
FOR THE NAMES  
LISTED HERE,  
THAT THEY FIND  
HEALING AND  
PEACE.**

Prayers for the sick and distressed and for those that have died...

Aaron Rowland  
† Timothy D'Onofrio  
Gary Hatfield  
Philip Workman  
† Chris Tooley  
Mila Koch

Barbara Jolly  
Rachael Schwab  
† Sofia Isabel Soto  
Pyungsak Sangchompuphen  
Jessica Osinski  
Bob Goetz





## Dedication to Mary, Mother of God

O Mary, Mother of God and our mother,  
we offer ourselves to your loving care.  
Today we choose you as our mother, guide and friend.  
May we always be faithful to you,  
and desire, say and do only what is pleasing to you.  
O most tender and loving mother,  
we beg you through the goodness of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
your Divine Son, to keep us especially dear to you  
and to obtain for us the strength to lead a holy life,  
a life of goodness, purity and love,  
offered to God in thanksgiving and praise.  
Be present with us at all times, O Blessed Virgin Mary,  
and especially at the hour of our death.  
Then Mary protect us from the Evil One, the enemy of our souls.  
Guide us safely into the presence of Jesus, the Risen Lord,  
so that we may, with you and all the saints,  
share His life, happiness and love, forever.  
*Amen.*

*The Flight into Egypt* - H. Siddons Mowbray (ca. 1915)

