

A commentary on Ctk's CAMPAIGN PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

Saint Joseph, foster father of the Son of God our King, spouse of the Virgin Mary our queen, patron of the Universal Church and unsurpassed worker, we entrust our campaign - **Do This in Memory of Me** – to your intercession.

We address the major contractor of our project. May he intercede on our behalf knowing, "Unless the Lord build the house, in vain do the laborers labor."

The heavenly Father appointed you the guardian of the Holy Family to provide for their needs & protect them from danger. Please provide for us, namely, a church to seat 400 souls, worthy of heaven, & within our sacrificial means.

We ask St Joseph to provide for a 400 seat-church, the capacity of our 3 acres, which must accommodate 90 parking spaces & a needed water retention area. We ask for a building worthy of heaven & which we are willing to exert ourselves to afford. Again, "sacrificial means" implies something more than usual. Someone could pay for it all, but then we gain no merit; nor are we socialists. And what is a sacrifice unless it hurts? And what are we giving? Our time to pray the campaign prayer & our money, creatures which already belong to God of which we are mere stewards.

May this church be worthy of our King and help many souls to heaven by the waters of Baptism & the great prayer of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, by the enlivening of Confession & the strengthening of Confirmation, by the holy uniting in Matrimony, & the balm of Anointing.

"Worthy of our King" implies our desire for a majestic church, fit for our Patron, Christ the King, the sovereign Ruler of the entire universe. Fr Hathaway styles the planned church "Florida Romanesque." It will be 50 feet high with a choir loft & attached bell tower; seven large 8'X20' windows will adorn each side. Mention of the Sacraments is on purpose for two reasons. They bring mankind God's grace & Fr Hathaway hopes to incorporate them into the church design; he envisions the large windows to eventually have stained glass depicting the sacrament types as found in the Old Testament & their realities as found in the New Testament. Certainly, the 7 sacraments are wonderful gifts of God which deserve our constant gratitude. These windows will be a wonderful silent witness to remind & teach all who pass by.

May this church witness the perennial & unchangeable deposit of faith & the durable antiquity of the sacred liturgy we celebrate.

The deposit of faith regards the revealed words of God in Scripture & Tradition. We ask that this church have a fortress feel, strong & durable, "to last centuries" our architect says, just as the term "deposit of faith" implies. Not a few modern prelates want to jettison this word, but the words of the Lord "will not pass away." Likewise, some in the hierarchy would like to bury the Latin Mass. We ask that this church express our liturgical preference with a defiant, "I am here to stay!" Meanwhile, the church will retain a feel unique to Florida.

Holy Joseph, we thank you for hearing us. So often did the Little Flower receive favors through you that she told those in need, "Ite ad Joseph!" And so we do!

Finally, we end the prayer with confidence that Joseph will not let us down. Nor will he, as long as we persevere in praying our prayer!



CHRIST THE KING Catholic Church

An apostolate of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter
preaching the Gospel & sanctifying souls
according to the liturgical books of 1962.

1st Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2024 A.D.

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The Daily Mass Schedule is:

Monday at 12 noon.

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 am and 9:00 am.

Friday at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm. (On Friday, a 5:30 pm Holy Hour & confession time, precedes the 6:30 pm Mass.)

Saturday at 9:00 am.

Sacramental Emergency: 941-400-5415

The Sunday Mass Schedule is:

7:00 am low; 8:30 am low; & 10:30 am sung & a seasonal 12:30 pm low Mass.

Items on the "Blessing Table" in the hall are blessed after the last Sunday Mass.

Confessions are heard in the confessional box ½ hour before Mass.

"Lost & Found" is in the vestibule; if not there, check with the office.

In Ocala:

Sunday Mass at 4:30 pm

Monday Mass at 7 am.

1st Saturday Mass at 10:30 am.

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Liturgical Calendar for the Upcoming Week

DATE	FEAST	CLASS/COLOR
Sun 12-01	1 st Sunday of Advent	1/V
Mon 12-02	St Bibiana, <i>Virgin & Martyr</i>	3/R Feria
Tues 12-03	St Francis Xavier, <i>Confessor</i>	3/W Feria
Wed 12-04	St Peter Chrysologus, <i>Bishop, Confessor & Doctor</i>	3/W Feria & St Barbara
Thu 12-05	Feria of Advent	3/V St Sabbas
Fri 12-06	Sacred Heart	3/W Feria & St Nicholas
Sat 12-07	Immaculate Heart	3/W Feria & St Ambrose
Sun 12-08	2 nd Sunday of Advent	1/V

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week in Sarasota

Sun 12-01	(7 am) Thomas Perri+	rb S&R Perri
	(8:30 am) Patrick Simmons	rb J Simmons
	(10:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i>	
	(12:30 pm) Kathy Kirsch	rb R Dunn
Mon 12-02	(12 pm) Jordan Robertson	rb G Flynn
Tues 12-03	(7 am) Dann Finn+	rb Gedmin family
	(9 am) Barbara Angeloni+	rb Shehwen family
Wed 12-04	(7 am) Winston Shuttleworth+	rb S&R Perri
	(9 am) Christopher Lawton	rb A Lawton
Thu 12-05	(7 am) Francis J Kramer+	rb AB Kramer
	(9 am) Barb Blake	rb K Kirsch
Fri 12-06	(9 am) Rosa Scianna+	rb E.S. Giunta
	(6:30 pm) Aaron & Sarah Pruitt	rb M Pruitt
Sat 12-07	(7 am) <i>Do This in Memory of Me</i>	
	(9 am) Cynthia Bamer+	rb M Pruitt
Sun 12-08	(7 am) Intentions of the pastor	rb a tertiary
	(8:30 am) Terry Angley	rb Steindorf family
	(10:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i>	
	(12:30 pm) Fr Michael Martine	rb anonymous

Today's 10:30 Mass: Entr: O Come O Come Emmanuel, #796; Asperges, #567; Mass XVII, #762 & Credo I, #768; Exit: *Alma Redemptoris*, #947.

Last Sunday's Collection: cash \$6,028.14; on-line \$1,554.00; CFA \$1,890.

Do This in Memory of Me: cash \$16,465.00; online \$1,422.86.

Total souls: 456; 7 am-88; 8:30 am-148; 10:30 am-220; *Ocala* ~ 291.

Today, Fr. Perozich offers the 7 am Mass & hears Confessions at 8 am.

Volunteers! Thank you for remembering to sign-in & sign-out of Volgistics!!!

This week, Monday, St Theresa Devotions Guild (1-3 pm), Vespers (4:30 pm), Adult Catechism (6-7 pm); Tuesday, Holy Face devotions (10:15 am); Thursday, staff meeting (3 pm), Vespers (4:30 pm), adoration (5-8 pm), Confessions (5:30-6:30 pm); 1st Friday, Mass & devotions (9 am), QAA (10 am), Vespers (4:30 pm), Holy Hour (5:30 pm), Mass (6:30 pm); 1st Saturday, Mass & devotions (7 am & 9 am), Vespers (3:00 pm), ***Ocala*** Mass & devotions (10:30 am).

The *Rorate Caeli* Mass is a traditional Advent devotion wherein the votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary for Advent is offered just before dawn. The *Rorate* Mass is lit only by candlelight. In this setting, we prepare to honor the Light of the world, Who is soon to be born, and offer praise to God for the gift of Our Lady. As the Mass proceeds and sunrise approaches, the church becomes progressively brighter, illumined by the sun as our Faith is illumined by Christ. See you Sat., 12/14 at 6 am.

Please pray for: Richard Wallace (12/01), McNamara family, Leonard West, Markus Dixon (11/24); Gloria Flynn (11/17); Jacob Hoffmann & John Motzenbecker (11/10).

2024 CFA status at CtK as of Nov. 23, 2024: \$113,000.00 assessed by the diocese; \$75,468.17 pledged (66.79 of goal); from 36.57% of 216 households; \$73,288.12 paid. (from dioceseofvenice.org) **Thank you for your support!**

FYI. After our recent hurricanes, CtK needs a new roof. The Finance Council has approved a new 0.32-gauge aluminum roof at a cost of \$190,000.00. We will take this out of our savings. Moreover, currently, CtK owes the diocese \$39,711.88; this CFA payment is due in December & will also come out of our savings. In addition, like all parishes in the diocese, CtK is responsible to help pay for the remodel of Epiphany Cathedral; our contribution towards this is \$16,000/year for four years. These expenses will exhaust our savings. And, of course, our building project is hungry, too. Please keep this in mind in your end of year donations to CtK.

This year, Dec. 8 falls on a Sunday. In the 1962 calendar, the Immaculate Conception trumps the Sunday of Advent. The new calendar, however, follows the practice before 1913, wherein the Sunday of Advent trumped the feast, and it was transferred to the next day when it fell on Sunday. Because Mon., Dec 9th will be a holy day of obligation in the new calendar this year, our FssP provincial advised us to transfer the feast to Monday. So, December 8th will be the second Sunday of Advent, and Monday December 9th will be the feast of the Immaculate Conception. See calendar for times.

Dear Faithful of Christ the King,

12/01/24

Thank you for your continued prayers & donations for the success of our building project, "***Do This in Memory of Me.***"

Finalizations continue. Meanwhile, a video production is planned which will explain & promote the project. This is hoped to be completed by the end of December.

Thank you for your patience & God bless you.

Fr Hathaway