

Christ Child Catholic Church
*Dedicated to Growth in Christ and to the
 Challenges of Loving Services*

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Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 26, 2017

*The healing of the man born blind: “neither
 he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the
 works of God might be made visible through
 him.”*

John 9: 1-41

Grace at 2 A.M.

In his book ‘Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace,’ Kent Nerburn writes about his experience driving a cab for a living. He remembers one night in particular when he received a call at 2:30 to go to small brick fourplex. Thinking he was going to pick up some late night partyers or someone who had just a fight with his or her spouse, he was surprised when a small woman in her eighties answered the door.

She wore a print dress and an old-fashioned pillbox hat. By her side was a small nylon suitcase. The apartment was empty, except for a few pieces of furniture covered with sheets and a cardboard box filled with photos and glassware. The Driver picked up her bag and helped her to the cab. She gave him the

address and then asked, “Could you drive through downtown?”
 “It’s not the shortest way,” he answered. “Oh, I don’t mind,” she said. “I’m on no hurry. I’m on my way to a hospice. I don’t have any family left. The doctor says I don’t have very long.
 The driver reached over and shut off the meter. “What route would you like me to go?”

For the next two hours, they drove through the city. She pointed out the building where she worked as an elevator operator, the house where she and her late husband lived as newlyweds, and the furniture store that was once a ballroom where she had gone dancing as a girl. Sometimes she’d ask to slow down in front of a particular building or corner; there she would just sit staring into the darkness, saying nothing.

As the dawn broke over the horizon, she said, “I’m tired. Let’s go now.” They drove to the small house that served as the hospice. Two attendants came and helped her out of the cab and took her bag. She asked the driver how much she owed for the fare. “Nothing,” he said. “But you have to make a living,” she insisted. “There are other passengers, he replied. Almost without thinking, he bent over and gave her a hug. She held him tightly. “You gave an old woman a little moment of joy,” she said. “Thank you.” Then, in the dim morning light, he watched as she walked into the hospice.

Kent Nerburn remembers: “We are so conditioned to think that our lives revolve around great moments. But great moments often catch us unaware. As that woman hugged me and said that I brought her a moment of joy; it was possible to believe that I had been placed on earth for the sole

purpose of providing her with that last ride. I do not think that I have done anything in my life more important.”
 When asked whose “sin” is responsible for the young man’s blindness, Jesus replies that the man’s blindness might become a manifestation of “the works of God.” The most ordinary and mundane aspects of our lives – our day-to-day struggles to make a living and to make sense out of those struggles – can become moment when the “works of God” are made visible through us.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By request or appointment
BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS
 Call the office for an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick

Celebrated biannually at Mass or individually by appointment

For Pregnancy Support:

Birthingright 241-8444 or 800-550-4900

Prayer Group in the Parish

Every Tuesday at 8:15 am. All women
 And All Men.

MASS INTENTIONS March 25 - 31

Saturday 5:00 p.m. + Adeline Laranjo
 Sunday 10:00 a.m. + Sylvia Cordle
 Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Kay Stacey
 Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Parishioners
 Thursday 9:00 a.m. Rebecca Olsen
 Friday 8:00 a.m. Parishioners

TREASUR REPORT SUNDAY
March 18 & 19, 2017

Plate..... \$ 980.00
 EFT..... \$ 633.00
Total \$ 1,613.00
Thank you and God bless you!

2017 ANNUAL BISHOP’S APPEAL

Please help all the people in the Diocese of Monterey. Please remember that your parish has a diocesan goal to meet, and anything raised above that goal goes directly to your parish for its important projects. Our parish goal this year is \$8,000.00. God willing, and with your help it will be achieved.

Christ Child Men’s Club

Our next meeting will be at 6:30pm.
 Come this Wednesday April 12th for great conversation and dinner.
 At Community Center. All men welcome!

Women’ Club/Prayer Group

We meet the 4th Wednesday of each month from 7 - 8:30 pm. **Join us April 26th!** Our focus is social and spiritual at the same time; get to know our faith and each other better so that we can better serve the needs of our community. Please contact Ruth McCormick ruthmcc@flash.net

**Preschool Gospel during 10 a.m. Mass
 Second Sunday every month!**

Come join other young Catholic Families while we offer a children’s gospel and activity during Mass. Contact Nannette or Ann 230-4639 with questions

Station of the Cross

Friday’s of Lent at 6:30 p.m. - Soup and followed by the prayer of the Stations of the Cross.

My Fair Lady Come join us for a wonderful night of musical theater on **Thursday, May 25, 2017** to benefit **Birthingright of San Jose**, whose mission is to help woman facing unplanned pregnancy. **Hors D’oeuvres and Champagne Reception 6:15 PM – Play Begins 8:00PM – Coffee and dessert during intermission – Baskets Raffle! Ticket Purchase \$45/person**