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Welcome *home.*

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Dear Christ the Redeemer Parishioners,

House Keeping | From time to time, it is help to restate things that we are all aware of that we might slip on. Please do not chew gum during Mass and more so do not place gum you have finished chewing on our pews or chairs. This takes a lot of time for our staff to correct and is inconsiderate of our other parishers who want to use that space over the course of the weekend. I know that everyone already knows this but it can be helpful to be reminded.

Children's Liturgy | Our Children's Liturgy Kick-off went great at our 11 AM Mass. We will be phasing in Childrens Liturgy at 9 AM Mass as facilitators become available.

Cry Room Transition | Due to the re-establishment of Children's Liturgy and the lack of meeting space on campus due to Hurricane Ida damages, we are transitioning our cry room space. The "cry room" will be used weekly for Children's Liturgy as well as throughout the week for other ministry needs and meetings. The cry room is in the smaller space across from the bathrooms. Please be mindful that the cry room space is offered for parents with small children.

Legacy Giving Seminar | Christ the Redeemer is partnering with St. Genevieve to host a Legacy Giving Seminar on September 22 from 5:30 to 6:30 PM at the St. Genevieve Parish Family Center. Register by calling 985.447.2013

Grief to Grace | GtoG is a seven-week book study and small group experience that will begin on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 PM beginning on September 13. There is no cost however registration is required.

Sacraments of Initiation | Registration for the Christian Initiation for Adults is open. Christian Initiation for Adults is for those who are interested in becoming Catholic or would like to learn more about becoming catholic. RCIA is arranged around your schedule. You can register at 985.447.2013

Homebound Ministry | I am looking to populate my list for parishioners needing to have communion brought to their homes. Please contact our office if you or someone you know needs communion brought to their home. We are also looking to build back our ministry team. You can become part of this team by contacting our office.

House Blessings | Some of our parishioners have been able to get their damaged homes back together; while, many others are still in the repair process. I want to invite you to have your house blessed when you feel like it is ready. So, if you would like your home blessed please contact our office for times and availability. Know that evening times will be in short supply.

Thank you,
Fr. Alex Gaudet

“Executor” Is Not an Honorary Position

“You have heard the story, haven't you, about the man, as he was ridden out of town on a rail, tarred and feathered, somebody asked him how he liked it, and his reply was, if it was not for the honor of the thing, he would much rather walk!” – Abraham Lincoln.

People who have served as an executor of someone's estate would probably agree that the job is more of a great responsibility than an honor. Your executor will be legally responsible for settling your estate and carrying out all the provisions of your will. It is not an easy task, even though an estate attorney provides legal assistance. The person you name will have to collect and preserve assets, wind up accounting procedures, file tax returns, and worry about investments and cash needs.

Ideally, your executor would be not only fully competent to perform such tasks but also sincerely disposed and motivated to meet the important and unique needs of your particular beneficiaries, including helping them with any special problems that may arise after your death.

You may nominate your husband or wife as your executor, a competent and experienced friend or relative, or the trust department of a bank. Or you may wish to follow the example of many who name a spouse, friend, or relative together with the trust department of a bank, to serve as co-executors. You may want to nominate a successor executor if the person you name cannot serve.

Trusts That Benefit You and Our Future

The flexibility of trusts enables donors to divide the enjoyment and the benefits of a single piece of property or fund of money between their families and worthwhile causes and organizations. This concept of providing dual benefits from the same assets can also produce meaningful tax and financial rewards. Benefits can be shared in either of two basic patterns:

Give immediate income benefits to your family for life or a period of time – with the trust assets ultimately benefitting our programs (charitable remainder trusts).

Give all or part of the immediate benefits to a trust for our benefit for a period of years – with the property eventually returning to your family (charitable lead trusts).

Both of these trust arrangements will save taxes, benefit future generations and not impair the security of your family. Please call if you would like more information on how these very general concepts might be refined to fit your own needs and goals.