



Solemnity of the Epiphany January 5-6, 2019

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Mass Times: Saturday 5:15 pm • Sunday 9:00, 11:15 am & 6:30 pm
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 am • Tuesday, Thursday 12:15 pm



Please Help Us Welcome Deacon Tom & Linda McCarthy

You may have noticed someone new at Christ the King. It is our pleasure to welcome Deacon Tom and Linda back to the parish. CTK was their home parish; they met each other at this parish almost 40 years ago.

Tom is a native of Iowa. In the early 1970's he moved to Missoula and became a partner in the Engineering firm of WGM Group as a Civil Engineer and Land Surveyor, retiring in 2007. Linda (maiden name Pericich) is a native of Butte Montana and spent her career as a commercial loan officer with First Interstate Bank in Missoula. Linda retired in 2010.

Their two daughters were baptized at Christ the King and one was married at CTK. Their daughters, husbands (all Loyola Sacred Heart graduates) and 15 grandchildren live in Sacramento Ca. The oldest granddaughter, Mikaya Terzo, attends the U of M and CTK. Their son, Shamus passed away in August of 2011. Linda and Tom can say that their most significant

accomplishment has been that their children and grandchildren are deeply committed to lives of faith lived in the Catholic Church.

Tom's call to the Diaconate was a little out of the ordinary. In 1985 he had a life changing spiritual experience of the love of Heaven and sorrow of hell while praying with Bishop Curtiss. This led to his entry into the Lay Ministry Program, the Diaconate Formation and on Sept. 4, 1992 he was ordained by Bishop Curtis at Holy Family Parish in Missoula. For 15 years, his primary duties at Holy Family consisted of vesting and preaching at Sunday Liturgy, Service of Word and Communion, the director of RCIA, and as leader of a parish prayer group that was both Marian and Charismatic. He then continued to serve as active Deacon in the unified parishes of Holy Family and Pope John XXIII which is now Blessed Trinity Parish until granted Senior Status by Bishop George Leo Thomas on Feb. 23, 2015. As Deacon in Senior Status he assisted when requested at Blessed Trinity and occasionally served in various roles at other parishes when needed, including the RCIA at CTK.

Over the last 27 years, Deacon McCarthy's ministry at the Diocesan level has been leadership in the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, Cursillo/Journey and Catholic Evangelization. He served on the Diocesan Pastoral Council and on the sub-committee for Evangelization. He is presently a Spiritual Director and leader in the Diocesan Ministry, "The Catholic Journey Experience" and occasionally gives talks at prayer groups and Life in the Spirit Seminars.

Monsignor Kevin O'Neill, Diocesan Administrator assigned Deacon McCarthy to our parish as a Deacon on Senior Status. Tom will occasionally vest at Masses, periodically preach the homily and occasionally serve in other roles at our parish.

