

## Welcome to the Atrium

## Christ the King Catholic School

## **Notes for Parents**

Atrium is a special opportunity for your child to grow in his or her relationship with Jesus, the Good Shepherd. It supplements the homeroom religion class by giving children an opportunity to spend time reflecting on the Word of God and the Mass in a way that brings their faith experience from the head to the heart. We hope you will value your child's time in the atrium as much as we do at Christ the King.

Students in the atrium participate in weekly sessions where we learn about practical life which prepares us to participate more fully in the Mass; rites, articles, and gestures of the Mass and Sacraments; how to read the Bible; and geography and scripture study related to the life of Jesus and the parables He taught. Information about each class's participation in the atrium is available on the school website.

My primary communication regarding your child is made to your child's homeroom teacher. I am always open to questions or discussion that helps bring the love of the Good Shepherd to your child's life, as I want to be a partner with you in your role in bringing up your child in our Catholic faith. Please feel free to communicate with me at any time regarding your child's formation or your ability to be a part of our experience by reaching me at my school email address, sbrender@ctk-catholicschool.org. It is a privilege when you pray with us.

Parent responsibilities for supporting your child's work in the atrium include prayer in the home, regular attendance at Mass, and regular reception of the Sacraments. Your role in creating your domestic church supports all that we do in the atrium.

Thank you for trusting me to help you create holy families. Have a blessed school year!

Shannon Brender, Coordinator of the Atrium

## **Arium Schedule**

Monday – Second grade in two groups (9-10am and 10:20-11:20am), and Spring Semester Sacramental Preparation Atrium Elective (12:50-1:30pm)

Tuesday – Pre-K in two groups (8:05-9:00am and 9:05-10:00am), and Third grade in two groups (11am-12pm and 1-2pm)

Wednesday – Fall Semester 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Mass Preparation (7:30-8am), and All School Mass at 8am Thursday – Kindergarten in two groups (9-10am and 10:20-11:20am)

Friday – First grade in two groups (9-10am and 10:20-11:20am)