



Christ The King Catholic Church

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Christ the King Catholic Church Presents Third Annual Catholic Liturgy Music Workshop with Rawn Harbor

(San Diego, California) Fr. Tommie Jennings, Pastor of Christ the King Catholic Church, announced that the church will hold Third Annual Catholic Liturgy Music Workshop on Thursday, November 9 through Sunday, November 12, 2006 at Christ the King Catholic Church, in San Diego, California. The workshop is sponsored by the church's African American Affairs Committee and Liturgy Committee as part of November's Black Catholic History Month celebration, and will be led by nationally-recognized liturgist, composer and musician, Mr. Rawn Harbor. The workshop begins on Thursday, November 9 with a meeting of Christ the King Catholic Church's Liturgy Planning Committee from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM, and continues on Friday, November 10 with a Liturgical Music and Liturgical Practices workshop from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. On Saturday, November 11, the workshop continues with Liturgical Music, African American Spirituality and Liturgical Practices from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. This year's workshop will end with a Gospel Mass at 8:30 AM at Christ the King Catholic Church, which will feature music from the workshop. There is a \$20.00 per person donation for the workshop and children under 16 are free. All are welcome.

Rawn Harbor is currently Pastoral Associate and Director of Liturgy at St. Columba Catholic Church in Oakland, California. He serves as an Adjunct Faculty member and as Director of Liturgy and Music at the Franciscan School of Theology in Berkeley, California and Adjunct Faculty and Director of the Gospel Choir at the University of San

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Francisco. For the last four years, he has taught and served as Coordinator of Liturgy for the Institute for Black Catholic Studies at Xavier University in New Orleans, Louisiana, and is an adjunct instructor in Pastoral Ministry for the Leadership track at the institute. Since 1974, Rawn has traveled the country as a liturgist, musician and lecturer. He studied at Furman University, Howard University, the Catholic University of the Americas, the Catholic Theological Union at Georgetown University and the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, California, where he earned his Masters in Theological Studies in 2001. Harbor was a member of the music selection team as part of the national committee headed by the late Bishop James P. Lyke, OFM, Ph. D, that created *Lead Me, Guide Me*, an African American Catholic Hymnal published by GIA. He continues to serve on that team compiling music for the *Psalmody Project*, a complete musical setting of the psalms of the church year (Cycles A, B and C) . In 1994, he became Director of the Office of Worship for the Diocese of Wichita, Kansas, becoming the first African American to head a liturgy office in the country. Harbor was recognized as the *2004 National Pastoral Musician of the Year* by the National Association of Pastoral Musicians, the national professional organization of Catholic Church musicians, clergy, liturgists and other church personnel involved in liturgical and pastoral music throughout the United States. Rawn is currently working on several liturgical and musical projects with the Catholic and Lutheran churches, including a compilation of the musical works of the late Fr. Clarence Joseph Rivers, a publication on music for adult initiation from an African American perspective, a Mass entitled *Mass of Liberation*, to be published in 2007 and a compilation of seasonal psalm interpretations with Val Parker for Oregon Catholic Press, to be completed in June 2007.

Said Jennings “it is a pleasure and a treat to be able to bring someone as talented and knowledgeable about both Catholic liturgy and Black Catholic Spirituality as Rawn Harbor back to San Diego. He is a much sought-after workshop facilitator, speaker and liturgist. Everyone who comes to the workshop will take away many things that will help enliven liturgies in their churches. They will have a deeper understanding of their faith and how their culture, whatever it may be, can enhance the liturgical experience.”

Christ the King Catholic Church is located at 29 North 32nd Street (at Imperial), San Diego, California 92102 (next to the 32nd and Commercial Trolley Stop).

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