

ST. PEREGRINE CHAPEL & SHRINE



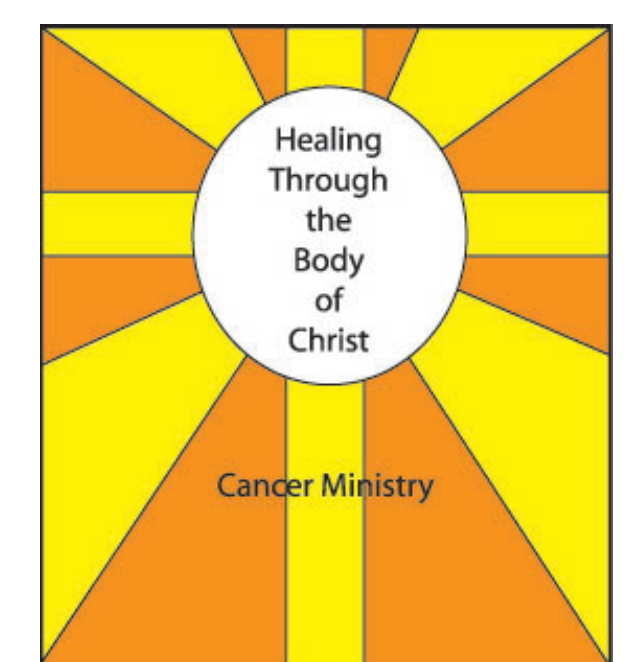
A PLACE OF PILGRIMAGE, HOPE, LIFE, AND STRENGTH



THE MISSION OF THE ST. PEREGRINE CHAPEL & SHRINE AT CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH is to share the message of St. Peregrine and bring the words of the Gospel to life through acts of charity, compassion, and faith. Through this we will offer hope, and emotional and spiritual help to all who are affected by serious illness, especially cancer.

Visitors to the 2,200 square foot domed chapel may pray, walk the grounds, participate in Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, receive emotional and spiritual assistance, information on cancer treatments & related topics, coping skills, and talk to a volunteer trained by the American Cancer Society.

CHRIST THE KING AND HEALING THROUGH THE BODY OF CHRIST CANCER MINISTRY hope to attract visitors to the Chapel of St. Peregrine from around the state in order to provide hope, comfort and resources to the thousands of people affected by cancer in Arizona. The St. Peregrine Chapel & Shrine at Christ the King will be home to the headquarters for Healing Through the Body of Christ Cancer Ministry (an outreach program in partnership with the American Cancer Society). The chapel will be located on the north side of Christ the King Catholic Church and is scheduled to break ground Summer 2008.



ST. PEREGRINE was born Peregrine Laziosi in Forli, Italy in 1265. As a young man, he opposed the papacy and struck St. Philip Benizi (a representative of Pope Martin IV) with his fist during his visit to Forli. Instead of retaliating, Philip offered his other cheek which so moved Peregrine that not only did he apologize for the act but also vowed to change his life.

Remarkably, Peregrine was so profoundly affected by this event that he joined the Servites at Siena and became a monk. Peregrine became known for preaching, holiness, penance, and for his devotion to the sick and the poor. He would often

stand in prayer for many hours as an act of contrition and as a result he developed varicose veins that may have contributed to cancer in his left leg. By the time Peregrine was 60 years old, it was decided that his leg was to be amputated. The night before the gruesome surgery was to occur, Peregrine prayed for God's healing as well as acceptance of God's will for him. He fell asleep in front of the cross had a vision of the crucified Jesus coming down from the cross and touching his cancerous leg. When he awoke, the cancer was gone. Peregrine lived another twenty years in the service of Christ and died in 1345. He was canonized by Pope St. Benedict XIII in 1726.

HEALING THROUGH THE BODY OF CHRIST CANCER MINISTRY

is devoted to helping all people affected by cancer, including friends and family, regardless of race, religion, or social status. Through a partnership with the American Cancer Society, Healing Through the Body of Christ Cancer Ministry offers one-on-one outreach, emotional and spiritual support, information on many aspects of cancer, coping skills, help with obtaining treatment supplies, finding transportation, locating financial resources and much more. All materials and services are free of charge.

We can't change the outcome, but we can change the journey.

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THE MESSAGE OF ST. PEREGRINE is not so much about prayer for miraculous healing but rather an example of how an ordinary man looked to God for strength and relief from suffering and was shown His mercy and love.