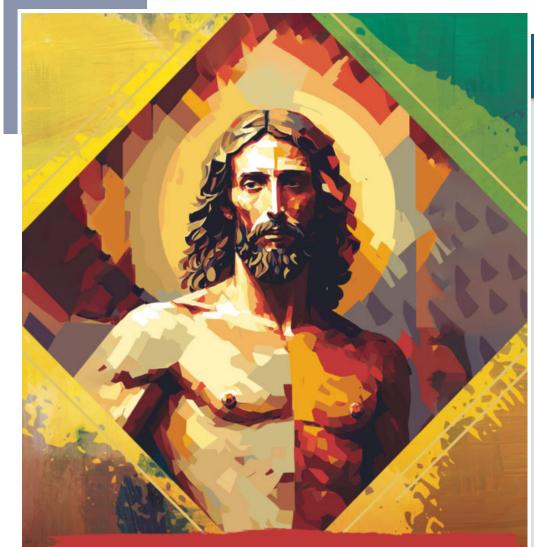
JULY **16** 2023

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever has ears ought to hear." - Mt 13:3, 7-9

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MISSION STATEMENT

Christ the King Parish is called together by God as a faith sharing community to radiate, celebrate and proclaim Jesus Christ through prayer, word, worship and service as we seek to build up His one body, adapting to the diverse needs of the people in whose midst we live and witness.

Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass 9:00am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Weekend Mass Saturday | 4:00pm Sunday | 8:00am, 11:00am Livestreamed & interpreted at 11am

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday | 3:00pm Other | By Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration Tuesday | 9:30am - 8:00pm

Rosary Wednesday | 6:15pm

CONTACT US

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Bulletin announcements need to be in by noon on the Friday of the week prior, 9 days before the weekend you'd like it to appear.

LEARN ABOUT US

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SACRAMENT INFORMATION

Care of the Sick

Our Visitation Ministry Team would like to bring Communion to our homebound parishioners as well as visit those in a hospital or a nursing facility. Please call the Parish Office to let us know of those who wish to be visited.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated twice a month. Baptisms may also be celebrated at weekend Liturgies. A Baptismal preparation program is expected prior to celebrating the Sacrament. Please call the Parish Office to arrange for your baby's Baptism or for further information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please call the Parish Office to arrange a meeting with one of the priests at least 6 months prior to the planned wedding. A Marriage Preparation program and interviews are required.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

RCIA is the process available for those wishing to explore becoming a member of our Catholic Christian Community. For more information please contact Lisanne Jensen in the Faith Formation Office.

STEWARDSHIP FOR JULY 8-9

| Offertory | \$5,449.00 |
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| Maintenance | \$55.00 |
| Miscellaneous | |
| E-Giving Faith Direct | \$4,400.25 |
| Collection Total Budgeted Total Needed for Each Week | \$10,124.25 |

PRAYER AND READINGS



MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, July 18 | 9 am

Fr. J. Michael Gaffney *The Raville Family Anne Marie DuBois Wilson *Judi McGinn Michela

Wednesday, July 19 | 9 am Mass for Parishioners

Thursday, July 20 | 9 am Mass for Parishioners

Saturday, July 22 | 4 pm Edward O'Brien *Sr. Michelle

Next Sunday, July 23 | 8 am Mass for Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Sunday, July 16 🔵

Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday, July 17 Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday, July 18 Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 19 ● Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday, July 20 Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/Mt 11:28-30

In order to appear in the bulletin, please schedule Mass intentions with the parish office **two months prior**.

Next Sunday, July 23 | 11 am

Anthony Fittizzi *Diane Fittizzi & Family Paul Stelmasyyk *LouAnn Cleary Yolanda Stepnowski *Brenda & Rob Stepnowski & Valerie Marcil Phyllis Raville *LouAnn Cleary Albert Dwyer, Sr. *Sarah Cavanaugh James Fay *Joan Mastrianni & Kathy/Dan Powers

If you are having a Mass offered, please contact the liturgy coordinator before Mass to bring up the gifts.

Friday, July 21 🔵

Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday, July 22 O **Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene** Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Next Sunday, July 23 Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 (5a)/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Altar Bread & Wine

Our altar bread and wine for the month of July 2023 has been donated in loving memory of

The Deceased Members of the Donato & Flemma Families

requested by Patricia & Renato Donato

Pray for...

Our Sick

Rick Gelley, David Latina, Lelia Danker, Judi McGinn Michela, Joan Tooher, Marie Luce, Joshua Kraushaar, Liz Stewart, Patricia Bruno, David Birkun, Rick Rodino, Mary Kehn, Betty Canape, Betty Low, Luke Danker, Roman Hunt, Marylou Flanagan, Nicholas Smith, Ken Fitzpatrick, Mary Elaine, Norman Swanson, Sue Patterson, Robert K., Donna Johnson, Paul Pierce, Mary Ann Pierce, Sr. Karyl Fredricks, Christine Slattery, Dana Hesch, Michael Tebaldi If you or someone you know are in need of our prayers, or if you had asked for prayer and your prayers were answered, please call the parish office. Names will be removed from the list periodically.

Reflection for the Week

Today's Gospel contains the parable of the sower and the seed. He explains how the seed (God's word) must overcome many obstacles. Fortunately, God gives us the grace to absorb the seed and profit by it.

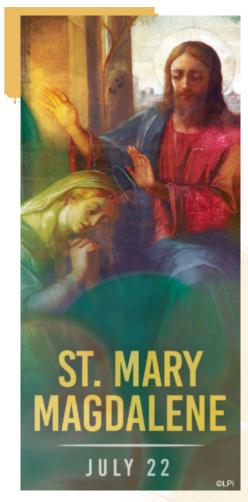
How well do I receive and nurture and live by that seed?

Our Beloved Deceased Charlene MacFawn (June 28)

First Year Anniversary July 2022

| Victoria Roemer | July 12 |
|--------------------|---------|
| James Tierney | July 13 |
| Christine Barber | July 23 |
| Ida Rosvally | July 25 |
| Rev. Bernard Keefe | July 26 |

C O M M U N I T Y



GUILDERLAND FOOD PANTRY

It has been a very busy time at the Guilderland Food Pantry. Many shelves are empty. Your help is greatly appreciated. Please consider helping by donating one or more of the following items: Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Chili, Baked Beans, Pork and Beans, Jelly, Diced Tomatoes, Elbow Macaroni, Cold Cereal.

Parish Masses of our Local Catholic Community

Altamont: St. Lucy's/St. Bernadette's 518-861-8770 Sunday - 9:30 am

Delmar: St. Thomas the Apostle 518-439-4951 Saturday - 5 pm | Sunday - 10 am & 5 pm

Voorheesville: St. Matthew's 518-765-2805 Saturday - 5pm | Sunday - 9 am

Thanks so much to the Christ the King Parish for the continued support of the Pantry.

CASTING CROWNS

Casting Crowns is coming to Palace Theatre September 28. Tickets can be purchased directly through the Palace Theatre Box office or take advantage of group ticket pricing through St. Matthew's Church. Please contact Peggy McQuade at st.mattswelcome@gmail.com or 518-765-2805 Ext: 14 for more information on group tickets before September 18.

AUGUST RED CROSS DRIVE

They say that each unit has the potential to save three lives. We hope to see you at our August 19th drive. Registration is now open. DIOCESAN YOUNG ADULT ADORATION To register, go to redcrossblood.org; use sponsor code churchchristking.

SECULAR CARMELITES

Our Lady of Mercy Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites is a lay community of practicing Catholic men and women, single and married, from all walks of life. Secular Carmelites pursue a deeper prayer life in the context of their daily personal, family and work activities in the world. If you are

over the age of 18 and feel called to a contemplative prayer life, we invite you to on of our first Sunday of the month

YOUNG ADULT LATIN NIGHT OUT

Capital Region Catholic is gathering young adults ages 21-39 for an evening of good food, Latin music, and if you wish, free salsa lessons on July 22 at 6pm in Freedom Park in Scotia behind Jumping Jacks. Come early to claim your spot, grab some food, and settle in. Dance lessons to start, followed by Alex Torres and his Latin Orchestra. You're free to sit and listen, practice the dance steps you've just learned, or listen while having some drivein food.

& CORN HOLE (AGES 21-39)

Back by popular demand, but bigger than last year, the Diocese of Albany in collaboration with Adirondack Catholic will host Adoration, a BBQ Dinner, Corn Hole Tournament (yes, brackets and 2-person teams), and Ice Cream Social on July 28 at 6 pm at St. Clement's Church, 231 Lake Avenue, Saratoga Springs.

Parish Calendar

Sunday, July 16 8 am Mass 11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed)

Tuesday, July 18

9 am Mass / The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will follow Mass 9:45 am Adoration 5:30 pm Garden Ministry 6:30 pm Grief and Loss Support Group | Rectory

Wednesday, July 19 9 am Mass 6:15 pm Rosary | Church

Thursday, July 20 9 am Mass 6 pm AA Meeting | Music Room 6:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting Rectory

Saturday, July 22 8:30 am Zumba | Parish Center Gym 4 pm Mass

Next Sunday, July 23 8 am Mass 11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed) 11 am VBS final meeting & luncheon | Knights Chapel

PARISH NEWS

CATHOLIC REFRESHER

Why do priests kiss the altar at the start of Mass?

Our churches and chapels are filled with symbols...the altar holds a special place. In a document containing the rules and instructions for the Mass — the "General Instruction of the Roman Missal" — we read: "The altar on which the Sacrifice of the Cross is made present under sacramental signs is also the table of the Lord to which the People of God is called together to participate in the Mass, as well as the center of the thanksgiving that is accomplished throughout the Eucharist" (no. 296). One of the ways that we recognize the importance of the altar is when the 🧨 priest and deacon kiss the altar at the beginning of Mass. Kissing is an ancient act of devotion. Remember, we also kiss the cross on Good Friday, and the deacon or priest kisses the "Book of the Gospels" after the Gospel is proclaimed. This act of devotion reminds us that the altar is a symbol of Jesus, the "living stone" (see 1 Peter 2:4), the foundation stone of our faith. It is a symbol gesture, but it is a powerful reminder of the One on whom our faith is built and in whose name we gather as the "household of faith" (see Galatians 6:10). To learn more, see the "Catechism of the Catholic Church" (no. 1382-1383). ©I Pi

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

If you are in need of a prayer shawl, they are without cost and available in the parish office during office hours. They are lovingly made by our Prayer Shawl Ministry and represent a way to share God's love and compassion to those in need of comfort and solace.

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE VOLUNTEERS

An international experience is planned for October 15 following the 11 am Mass. We need volunteers who are willing to share their culture, food, and unique ways of celebrating Mass. This will not be a dinner but rather a format that will allow tasting and sharing. If you are interested in helping us plan this event or can share



your country with your fellow parishioners, please attending our organizational meeting on July 18 at 6 pm in the rectory. Call Pat Crawford at 518-577-1074 or email pcrawford9092@gmail.com.

SUMMER YOUNG ADULT GATHERING

Young Adults, ages 18-25, are invited to our first young adult gathering on July 28 from 6-7:30 pm in the Knights Chapel. Come for complimentary pizza, soft drinks and a meet 5 this fall! We'll have outdoor games, & greet. Please RSVP by July 21 to Nadine Al Annabi annabinadine1@gmail.com. Share with your friends!

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Or maybe you're an adult who has never received First Communion and/or Confirmation. We'd love to accompany you along your spiritual journey! Our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) team is forming a group this fall. Please let our Faith Formation office know if you're interested and would like more information.

FAITH FORMATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Have you filled out our short Faith Formation Questionnaire? It will help guide our planning for 2023-2024. Find it here (all responses are anonymous unless you choose to share your contact info): forms.gle/vcNh7eRd7YwK4oEEA.

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

COME CAMPING WITH US THIS SUMMER AT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

happening July 24th through 28th for children entering preschool through Grade snacks, arts and crafts, Bible lessons, service projects, a prayer station, campfire songs, and much more, from 9 am to noon each day! Register online here: tinyurl.com/4ux7mzst.

LOOKING FOR SERVICE HOURS?

Why not help with our Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 10th (after our 11 am Mass)! Please contact our Faith Formation office at (518) 464-4776 or ljensen@ctkparishny.org if you're interested in participating.

Don't forget to check us out on socials and our website: www.ctkffym.org

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