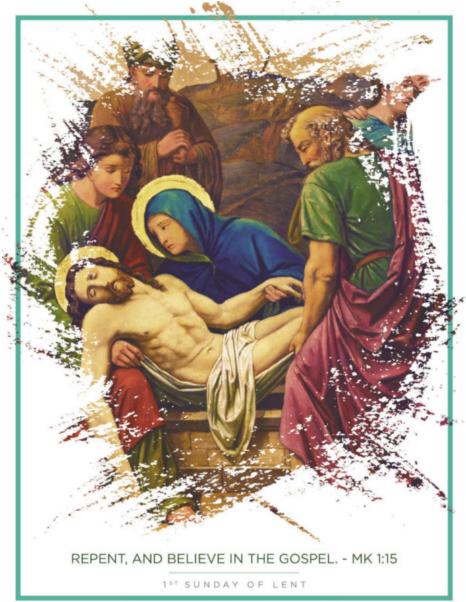


The Parish of CHRISTERE KING ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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.



MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass 9:00am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Weekend Mass

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday | 3:00pm Other | By Appointment

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

Rosary Wednesday | 6:15pm

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DEADLINES

Bulletin

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

Mass Intentions

Please schedule Mass intentions with the Parish Office two months prior to your desired date.

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

A Baptism preparation class is required prior to the Baptism. This class takes place on the 1st Sunday of the month at 5:30 pm. Please contact the parish office to schedule the Baptism date at least 3 months in advance of the desired date.

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 FEBRUARY 10-11

Offertory	\$7,107.00
Maintenance	
Miscellaneous	\$139.00
E-Giving Faith Direct	\$3,706.25
Collection Total	\$11,137.25
Budgeted Total Needed for Each Week	\$12,782.00

Special Collection—We ask your continued support in the Diocesan Collection on February 17/18 for Black, Native American & Latin American Missions. Funds from this combined collection support projects and are used to help fund catechesis and evangelization programs throughout the United States and the Church of Latin America and the Caribbean.

PRAYER AND READINGS



MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, February 20 | 9 am Karen Suchanek Wilber *Michael & Joanne Esposito

Wednesday, February 21 | 9 am Mass for Parishioners

Thursday, February 22 | 9 am For the Special Intentions of the Suchanek & Wilber Families *Michael & Joanne Esposito

Saturday, February 24 | 4 pm Mark Arras *his Mother & Family

Next Sunday, February 25 | 8 am In Thanksgiving of Blessing Received & Good Health *The Tabanao & Torregoza Family

WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Sunday, February 18 Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Monday, February 19 Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday, February 20 Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday, February 21 O Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29 -32

Next Sunday, February 25 | 11 am

John O'Rourke *Sue Hollander Mark Philip Lobo *Supreetha Lobo Thomas & Dorthy O'Connell *Diane Iarossi James O'Connell *Diane Iarossi

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

Thursday, February 22 Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19

Friday, February 23 Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday, February 24 Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday, February 25 Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Reflection for the Week

On this First Sunday of Lent, the brief Gospel tells us of Jesus fasting in the desert for forty days, at the end of which He delivers a message to all of us: "Reform your lives and believe in the good news."

Do I try my best to follow Jesus' directive?

Altar Bread & Wine

Our altar bread and wine for the month of February 2024 has been donated in loving memory of

the Deceased Members of the Stothard & Schmidt Family

> requested by Jack & Doré Schmidt



Our Sick

Tim LaFreniere, William Gibney, Vincent Kelder, Eileen Reis, MaryAnn Markham, Becky Hilton Heeps, Allen Jones, William Gibney, Darlene Cashin, Vera Daley, Don McCarthy, Ryan Stoeppell, Carolyn Harris, Bob Wallace, Michele Peichota, Joshua Carpenter, Carson Leonard, Patricia Boggs, Reed Dewitt, Rick Gelley, David Latina, Judi McGinn Michela, Marie Luce, Liz Stewart, Patricia Bruno, David Birkun, Rick Rodino, Luke Danker, Roman Hunt, Marylou Flanagan, Nicholas Smith, Ken Fitzpatrick, Mary Elaine, Sue Patterson, Robert K., Michael Tebaldi, Donna Johnson, Paul Pierce, Mary Ann Pierce, Christine Slattery, Dana Hesch 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.

Our Beloved Deceased

Edward Burke (January 10) John Vincent, III (January 10) Carmela Nigro (January 28) Jean Nelson, II (February 5)

First Year Anniversary February 2023 Richard Feeney (February 22) Beatrice Coffey Crounse (February 25) Michael Gaudio (February 28)

COMMUNITY



VATICAN INTERNATIONAL EXHIBIT OF EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES

There is still time to visit the Vatican International Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Glenville. The exhibit will be on display until Feb. 20.

GUILDERLAND FOOD PANTRY

The biggest needs for the Guilderland Food Pantry are canned fruit (any type), baked beans, pork and beans, chicken noodle soup and tomato soup.

HANDMADE BABY SWEATERS NEEDED

The Christ Child Society of Albany is in need of handmade knitted/crocheted baby sweaters. In 2022, the Christ Child Society donated 521 layettes to newborns in need, but in 2023 that total rose to 700! We can always use donations of yarn suitable for making infant items. Please contact Nancy Doyle at nancyd12303@aol.com or 518-355-7669 if you are able to help.

JOIN 40 DAYS FOR LIFE TO STAND FOR LIFE DURING LENT

The Spring 40 Days for Life Campaign starts on Ash Wednesday, February 14 and ends on Palm Sunday, March 24. We are committed to being a peaceful, prayerful presence in front of

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 - 8 am, 10 am & 5 pm

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

Schenectady's Planned Parenthood at 1040 State Street from 7 am -7 pm throughout the campaign to bring help & hope to those facing unplanned pregnancies or those seeking healing from past abortions. Please email Connie at sch40days@gmail.com and/or check our website, 40daysforlife.com/Schenectady.

LENTEN FAITH ON FILM

A six-film Lenten-themed "Faith on Film" series will start February 17 at 2 pm at St. Vincent de Paul, Albany in Meeting Room 1 (downstairs in the Church). Admission is free. Donations to our Food Pantry are welcome. These films cover an array of situations and provide food for thought for our faith as we journey through Lent: February 24 – The Grapes of Wrath (no rating), March 2 – St. Vincent (starring Bill Murray) (PG-13 – mature themes, language), March 9 – Field of Dreams (PG), March 16 – Brooklyn (PG-13 - language), March 23 – Jesus of Montreal (in French, with subtitles)

YOUNG ADULT LENTEN SERIES

Join us in a 6 week special series about Lent, Lenten practices, & how we can intentionally honor the sacrifice of Jesus through this season. Every Wed. Feb 21 - March 27 at 7pm join us online via zoom link advertised in the diocese Discord server & via email - OR - inperson at St. Thomas the Apostle School Library. If you have children, please note that to attend in person you will need childcare - or you can attend online for simplicity and ease. Register! https://shorturl.at/uUX35

MAGNIFICAT WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

The Albany NY Chapter of Magnificat (a Ministry to Catholic Women) is hosting a Women's

Breakfast on March 16 from 9-12 pm at the Wolferts Roost Country Club, 120 Van Rensselaer Blvd., Albany, NY. Tickets: \$30.00; PayPal - \$32; Clergy & Religious – Comp. Witness Speaker: Fran Karpiej, OSF professed in the Secular Franciscan Order. For over 40 yrs., she has been involved in Healing Prayer Ministry and a leader in the Catholic Charismatic Renewal. Register by March 6 send a check for \$30 payable to Albany NY Chapter of Magnificat, c/o Bonnie Hause, 74 Meadow Rue Place, Ballston Spa, NY 12020. Include your name, address, phone # & email address. Online registration: magnificat -ministry.net/chapters/ny-albany/

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

Hurting from an abortion? Save the date to experience healing on a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat, May 3-5 at the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center in Niskayuna.

CONSIDER A PRIESTLY CALL...

Take a risk for God! Enter the mission field where bold action meets lasting outcomes. Over 750 priest alumni discerned a sacred call later in life. Maturity with God's grace can move mountains. Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary, Weston, MA is offering the latest in its "First Friday Visits" program on March 1, at 5 pm. Holy Hour and Evening Prayer. Option to attend in person or virtually. In person includes dinner with the seminarians and a tour. Virtual includes a Zoom visit following Holy Hour. Make a resolution to be courageous. Consider a priestly call. Contact: msgr.fay@psjs.edu or 781.899.5500 ext. 134. www.psjs.edu

Parish Calendar

Sunday, February 18

8 am Mass 8:30 am RCIA Meeting | Rectory 10 am Baptism 11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed) 12 pm Family Life Meeting | Music Room

Monday, February 19 Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, February 20

9 am Mass / The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will follow Mass 9:45 am Adoration 6:30 pm Grief and Loss Support Group | Rectory Wednesday, February 21

9 am Ignatian Volunteer Group | 9 am Mass 6:15 pm Rosary | Church 7 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 22 9 am Mass 6 pm AA Meeting | Music Room

Friday, February 23 7 pm Stations of the Cross | Church Saturday, February 24 8:30 am Zumba | Parish Center Gym 4 pm Mass

Next Sunday, February 25

8 am Mass 8:30 am RCIA Meeting | Rectory 10 am Youth Choir Rehearsal | Knights Chapel 11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed)

11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed) 1 pm The Chosen | Knights Chapel

PARISH NEWS

LENT AT CTK **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

On Friday, February 23rd at 7 pm in the church, the Visitation Ministry will present the Nurses Stations of the Cross. We will walk the stations of the cross with modern day care givers who lovingly give of themselves to their patients who are suffering and dying. This is a meaningful way to deepen your Lenten experience.

"THE THEOLOGY OF THE EUCHARIST"

What is the Eucharist? What do words like "transubstantiation", "substance", and "accidents" mean when applied to the Eucharist? What is the scriptural basis for the Eucharist? How does Catholic theology about the Eucharist differ from the beliefs of other religions? And how will these questions help me grow in love for the gift that is the Body and Blood of Jesus? These are some of the topics of Fr. Matt's talk on Thursday, February 29 at 10 am and 6:30 pm in the Knights Chapel as we proceed through the Year of Eucharistic Revival. If you have a question that you'd like answered, please email it to him by February 26 at matthew.duclos @rcda.org.

IMMACULATE HEART CENTRAL SCHOOL MYSTERY PLAYERS

The IHC Mystery Players is comprised of High School Students who bring the Stations of the Cross to a modern level through the use of special lighting, music, pantomime and paraliturgical readings, recreating the Paschal Mystery in a moving dramatic presentation. The IHC Mystery Players have performed extensively throughout New York State, New England area, and Canada. We strongly encourage everyone to attend this unique and powerful Lenten prayer experience. Please be advised, small children may be frightened due to the nature of the play. These are Free Will Offering events. You will have two opportunities to attend: Thursday, February 29, 7 pm at St. Matthew's Voorheesville & March 3, 6 pm at Christ the King.

"BEST LENT EVER"

Sign up for the "Best Lent Ever" email program from Dynamic Catholic to experience a virtual pilgrimage and consecrate yourself to the Eucharist. You may sign up for free at dynamiccatholic .com/lent



CHEESECAKE & FRUITCAKE SALE

The Knights of Columbus are holding their annual New Skete Cheesecake & Fruitcake sale to support their Charitable Giving program. Please consider supporting this worthwhile cause. They will be taking orders in the Gathering Space after weekend Masses February 10–25. Info and order forms are available in the Gathering Space after all Masses. If you have questions, please contact John Hodgson at 518-852-7909.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. PATRICK'S DAY CORNED BEEF DINNER

The Knights of Columbus are having their annual St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef Dinner on March 16 from 5 - 7 pm in the Parish Center. Tickets will be on sale beginning Feb. 24 after all Masses in the Gathering Space. The cost is \$20 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. The Knights welcome volunteers from the parish to help them serve the dinner. If you would be interested in volunteering to assist the Knights at cooking or serving at this event, please contact John Hodgson at 518-852-7909 or hodgson. johnj@gmail.com.

FALL PICNIC MEETING

Those interested in helping to plan the parish picnic this fall, there will be a meeting on March 3 at 10 am in the Knights Room.



LENTEN EVENING PRAYER

Monday, February 26 7 pm

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY "I'M BORED!"

If you think that you might hear these words from your child over February break, why not consider coming to CTK's Knights Chapel on Tuesday, February 20 starting at 10 am for our Drop-In Day! We'll have cupcake decorating, a "saintly symbols" scavenger hunt, a Presidents' Day craft project, and other faith-based activities. Come whenever you'd like ... stay for however long you're able. No need to RSVP ... just show up and join the fun!

VBS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

"Keepers of the Kingdom" (think knights, castles, kings, queens, etc.!) will take place July 22-26 from 9 am- noon each day for children entering preschool (age 4) through Grade 5 in the fall. The cost is \$30 per family. We'll have singing and dancing, Bible adventures, outdoor games, service projects,



arts and crafts, themed snacks, & much more. Those who will be in Grade 6 & older are eligible to serve as VBS leaders. Click here & much more. Those who will be in Grade 6 & older are eligible to to register, or sec... https://shorturl.at/vGQX1 to register, or scan the QR code

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



