

The Parish of CHRISTERE KING ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



Open House this Sunday at CTK Early Childhood Center! January 28th! Our Executive Director, Stacie Boelkins with students during Egyptian History Week.

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 JANUARY 20-21

Offertory	\$5,172.20
Maintenance	
Miscellaneous	\$218.00
E-Giving Faith Direct	\$3,664.25
Collection Total	
Budgeted Total Needed for Each Week	

PRAYER AND READINGS



MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, January 30 | 9 am Joan Stewart *Vince & Cheryl Barr

Wednesday, January 31 | 9 am Mass for Parishioners

Thursday, February 1 | 9 am Mass for Parishioners

Saturday, February 3 | 4 pm Maria Rizzo *Frank & Castilia Commisso

Next Sunday, February 4 8 am Donald Gregory Gonsalves (2nd Anniversary Memorial) *Deborah Gonsalves For the Special Intentions of Tom Tommell *Phil & Linda Carducci

Next Sunday, February 4 | 11 am

Ernesto Roldán Diaz *Family Dick Murray *Terry & Family Angelina LaVine *Phil & Linda Carducci Dennis Quadrini *Tina Pietrosanto & Family For the Special Intentions of the Heaney Family

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

WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Sunday, January 28 Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Monday, January 29 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6 -7/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, January 30 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, January 31 O Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6 Thursday, February 1 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

Friday, February 2 Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Saturday, February 3 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/ Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday, February 4 Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

Reflection for the Week

In today's Gospel, Jesus casts out a devil from a possessed man. It's interesting that the evil spirit expresses fear of Jesus and asks if he is about to be destroyed. There is no equality between the forces of good and evil. Good will always ultimately prevail.

Do I realize that, as a follower of Jesus, I am on the winning side?

Altar Bread & Wine

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

Joseph Fisher

requested by his wife, Kathleen Fisher



Our Sick

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, Mary Kehn, Betty Canape, Betty Low 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)

First Year Anniversary January 2023 Lillian (Linda) Lia (January 4) Alice Wyld (January 25)

Alice Wyld (January 25) Anita Goutos (January 26) Valerie Riviello-Drew (January 26) Barbara Hans (January 30) Janet Gaumond (January 31)

COMMUNITY



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

We are a Pre-K through 8th grade school & proud of our Catholic identity, positive school spirit, academic performance, & extra curricular activities, including our CYO basketball team & spring musical that are in full swing at the moment. Join us for some or all of our Catholic Schools Week events! -Parish Catholic Schools Week Mass: Sunday, January 28, 10 am Followed by hospitality and tours in the school 11 am-1 pm -School Art Show Reception: Sunday, January 28, 2 pm at the Empire State Plaza -School Mass: Monday, January 29, 8:45 am -Open House for Prospective Families: Monday, January 29, 5:30-7:30 pm -School Talent Show: Friday, February 2, 6:30pm

www.stthomas-school.org

Sunday, January 28

8 am Mass

Chapel

Catholic Schools Week

8:30 am RCIA Meeting | Rectory

42 Adams Place, Delmar, NY 12054 518-439-5573

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

1ST CLASS RELICS OF BL. CARLO ACUTIS AND ST. MANUEL GONZALEZ GARCIA

The Vatican International Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles will be on display at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, 400 Saratoga Road, Glenville, NY from Feb. 15 - Feb. 20. There will be a live presentation about this unique exhibit to help us understand the display and the role of the Eucharist in our Catholic Faith, Jan. 30 at 6 pm at Our Lady of Grace, 73 Midline Rd., Ballston Lake, NY. All are welcome! For more info, contact Maryann Haskell, 518-331-6706 or see https://www.icglenville.com/

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.

HELP WANTED: ADVANCEMENT AND MARKETING ASSOCIATE POSITION AT ST. THOMAS SCHOOL

This person will develop & implement engaging & successful fundraising strategies that will help support our mission. Please share! Interested candidates should contact Mr. Biggs, Principal at abiggs@stthomasschool.org

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE NURSERY SCHOOL IS HIRING

We are looking to hire a qualified nursery school teacher for our morning 3-year old class (T, TH 9-12pm) and 4-year old class (M, W, F 9-12pm). This is a 30 hour per week, ten month position (September-June). The salary is between 21k and 25k depending on experience. Interested candidates, send your resume by Monday, February 5, 2024 to: Our Lady Queen of Peace, 210 Princetown Rd, Schenectady, NY 12306 Attn: Nursery School

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.

NYCD CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CONNECTION

The New York Capital District Christian Women's Connection is sponsoring our February 2024 luncheon on February 13 at the Guilderland Elks Lodge, 3867 Carman Road in Schenectady from 11:30 am-1:30 pm. RSVP by Feb. 7 and by calling Nancy at (518) 320-2649. \$17.00 inclusive (cash only) Speaker: Jennifer Ebaugh, sharing about choices & consequences. Feature: Steve Caporizzo, Music: Joe Kriss (Mr. Sinatra)

BRUNCH TRIVIA BONANZA!

Young Adults (ages 21-39) are invited to join the Capital Region Catholic crew for a round of Saturday brunch & trivia on February 17, at O'Toole's Restaurant Pub, 1814 Central Ave, Albany NY. We will merge our collective knowledge into a trivia crew & enjoy fellowship, food, & fun! Please RSVP as early as possible, they require at least 3 business days prior notice. Sign up today! https://

Parish Calendar

Wednesday, January 31

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

Thursday, February 1

9 am Mass including Anointing Service 11 am Daystar Faith Sharing | Knights Chapel 6 pm AA Meeting | Music Room 7 pm Knights of Columbus Council Meeting | Knights Chapel

Saturday, February 3

8:30 am Zumba | Parish Center Gym 4 pm Mass

Next Sunday, February 4

8 am Mass 8:30 am RCIA Meeting | Rectory 10 am Youth Choir Rehearsal | Knights Chapel 11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed) 1 pm The Chosen | Knights Chapel 5:30 pm Baptism Preparation | Church

Tuesday, January 30 9 am Mass / The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will follow Mass 9:45 am Adoration

10 am Youth Choir Rehearsal | Knights Chapel

1 pm The Chosen (starting Season 3) | Knights

11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed)

PARISH NEWS

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

The feast day for St. Blaise is February 3. We will be blessing throats the weekend of February 3-4 at all Masses.

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

On February 15, at 6 pm in the Knights Chapel we will have a presentation about Traditions. We will investigate the difference between those with a capital T and those with a lowercase t. Our focus will be on Lenten traditions but we will also take a look at others that have prevailed in our culture - some old, some new. Why do we do them? How do they increase our faith? Hopefully, we will also share things we do within our own family structure that keep our faith alive. Maybe we will even sing a little Fiddler!!!

SEASON 3—THE CHOSEN

Season 3 starts at 1 pm in the Knights Chapel on January 28 and will continue every Sunday in February. Join us if you have yet to view Season 3!

PRAYER SHAWLS

If you are in need of a prayer shawl, they are 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.

VALENTINES CTK

Valentines CTK has grown to be a wellloved tradition here! It connects our parish families with our parishioners who are homebound, in hospitals & care facilities. Our valentines enable us to shower our love, care & prayers, along with a cheery "hello" to bring a little joy and brighten someone's day - some-one who might not receive a valentine otherwise. They are so appreciated by their recipients!

Here's how it works:

1. Pick up a "starter" kit at the Family Life table in the Gathering Space. It contains some basic materials to get you started. Feel free to embellish valentines with things you have at home - stickers, foamies, glitter, ribbon, lace, etc. Be creative and have fun! This is a great family activity for everyone. Please attach the enclosed parish "God Bless You" i.d. on the back of each valentine, and if you wish, sign your first name only. This was a request from prior recipients who want to remember you in their prayers.

2. Place your valentines in the bag you received your kit in, and drop it off in the Valentine basket in the Gathering Space no later than Feb. 11.

3. The Visitation Ministry will pick up and deliver your cards. Thank you in advance for taking part in this event!



Millissa Cantanuuci, Center Education Coordinator with her first Pre-K Class at CTK...now they are all college bound!

Visitation Ministry - please be sure to pick up cards February 4 -11 to deliver them in time for Valentine's Day! Thank you.

CTK SENIOR CIRCLE LUNCHEON

The CTK Senior Circle has a luncheon planned to celebrate Mardi Gras on February 13 at 1 pm at Cafe Calabria ii, 1736 Western Avenue. The lunch will consist of a choice of sandwiches or salads, and include a non-alcoholic beverage and dessert. Alcoholic beverages can be bought and paid for at the bar. The cost is \$30, including tax and gratuities. Please contact Tina Bosco at 518-456-8030 between January 26 and February 6 to make reservations.

TRIVIA NIGHT

The Knights of Columbus are having their annual Trivia Night fundraiser on Saturday, February 10 at 6 pm in the Knights Chapel. It's a night of fun and frustration led by Trivia Master, Mike Dietlein. Tickets are \$15 per person or \$20 per couple. Pizza and soda will be provided. Beer will be available for purchase. Net proceeds go to the Knight's local charities. Tickets are available after all Masses.

SAVE THE DATE

On March 3rd at 6 pm, the Mystery Players, a group of young people from the Immaculate Heart Central School will present "The Way of the Cross." Through the use of para-liturgical readings, music, special lighting and pantomime the Mystery Players will bring the story of Jesus' Passion to your mind and heart. This is a great way to deepen your Lenten experience. Mark your calendars. This is not to be missed! See you there!

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!

FIRST RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation will take place on Thursday, February 1 at 6 pm in the church. Please keep all of our secondgraders in your prayers as they continue preparing to receive this healing sacrament!

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 to register, or scan the QR code https://shorturl.at/vGQX1

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

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