

JANUARY
12
2024

THE BAPTISM OF THE
LORD

The Parish of

CHRIST *the* KING

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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The Holy Spirit descended upon him.
- Lk 3:21-22a

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Welcome!

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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Unless requesting Last Rites, all calls to
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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.

LEARN ABOUT US

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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

Our Saturday and Sunday Mass times fill up quickly. We suggest scheduling your Mass Intentions three weeks prior to your desired date. There is always availability at our weekday Masses! To request a Mass Intention, you may call the parish office or visit the parish website.

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.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

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

STEWARDSHIP

	December 21-22	December 28-29
Offertory.....	\$7,561.00	\$5,511.00
Maintenance.....	\$140.00	
Christmas.....	\$570.00	
Miscellaneous.....	\$100.00	\$50.00
E-Giving Faith Direct	\$4,845.00	\$4,845.00
Collection Total	\$13,216.00	\$10,406.00
Budgeted Total Needed for Each Week	\$13,865.00	\$13,865.00

PRAYER AND READINGS



Photo: Gina Luce

Altar Bread & Wine

Our altar bread and wine for the month of January 2025 has been donated in loving memory of

Jason Brown

requested by
Mom & Dad

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, January 14 | 9 am

Intentions of Parishioners

Wednesday, January 15 | 9 am

Intentions of Parishioners

Thursday, January 16 | 9 am

Intentions of Parishioners

Saturday, January 18 | 4 pm

Msgr. Joseph M. Champlin

*Marion & Kevin Edick

Betty Low *her Loving Friend & Minister

*Lelia Danker

Agnes Pero

*Christ the King Early Childhood Staff

For the Legal Protection of the Unborn

*Respect Life Ministry

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

Sunday, January 19 | 8 am

Thomas Patrick Morrison

*Family

For the Legal Protection of the Unborn

*Respect Life Ministry

Sunday, January 19 | 11 am

Jasmine Frenette Tice

*Liza Frenette

Ed Cupoli

*Ed Pierce

Beverly Figel

*LouAnn Cleary

Richard Murphy

*CTK Ministries

For the Legal Protection of the Unborn

*Respect Life Ministry

Pray For...

Our Sick

Pablo Cortes Montiel

Rev. Sally Heiligman

(pastor at St. Boniface)

Christopher Visker

Shirley Ratta

Cher Joseph

Case Kerns

Cassidy Zyskowski

Ellie Leaver

Christine Nelson Testani

Linda Gosch

Joanne Lue

Christine Slattery

Paul Pierce

Donna Johnson

Timothy J.

Kathy Bator

Dr. Marilyn Levine

Fr. Tom Holmes

Joan Schramm

Vincent Kelder

Eileen Reis

Maryann Markham

Becky Hilton Heeps

Don McCarthy

Ryan Stoepell

Carolyn Harris

Bob Wallace

Michele Peichota

Joshua Carpenter

Carson Leonard

Patricia Bogg

Reed Dewitt

Rick Gelley

David Latina

Judi McGinn

Michela

Marie Luce

Liz Stewart

Patricia Bruno

David Birkun

WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Sunday, January 12 ○

The Baptism of the Lord

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 (1)/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday, January 13 ●

Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday, January 14 ●

Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 15 ●

Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday, January 16 ●

Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11/Mk 1:40-45

Friday, January 17 ○

Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot

Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday, January 18 ●

Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday, January 19 ●

Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 (3)/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Reflection for the Week

Today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. Today's Gospel focuses on the humility of John the Baptist, who makes it clear that he is not the Messiah. The Spirit confirms this by saying, "You (Jesus) are My beloved Son."

Does my humility allow me to acknowledge my total dependency on God?

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

Betty Low (December 9)

Suzanne Clancy (December 22)

First Year Anniversary January 2024

John Vincent, III (January 10)

Edward Burke (January 10)

Carmela Nigro (January 28)

COMMUNITY NEWS



Parish Masses of our Local Catholic Community

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

BIRTHRIGHT OF SCHENECTADY

a pregnancy resource center located on Jay St, is looking for volunteers to meet with our clients. A kind heart, listening ear and a once a week commitment from 10am-1pm is all that is needed. Training will be provided. For more info, please call Simone McGuinness 518-370-1532.

GUILDERLAND FOOD PANTRY

The Guilderland Food Pantry is in need of 100% fruit juice, instant oatmeal and soup with 7 or more grams of protein. Thank you for the continued support of the Pantry.

THE POWER OF ONE HOUR

All are welcome to join us at St. Thomas the Apostle, the next three Tuesdays either 1-2:15pm or & 7-8:15pm in the Gathering Hall as we discuss The Power of One Hour, a video series, produced by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany and Sheehan Productions. Together we will enrich our understanding of the celebration of the Eucharist, share our own experiences and journey with one another as Pilgrims of HOPE! Light refreshments will be served! Sign up today here <https://shorturl.at/VvLQH> or in the Power of One Hour binder in the Gathering Hall.
Jan. 14: Mass Preparation & Introductory Rites.



Jan. 21: Liturgy of the Word & Liturgy of the Eucharist

Jan. 28: Concluding Rites

BUS TRIP TO THE SIGHT AND SOUND THEATRE "NOAH" IN MAY

May 19 and 20, 2025 St. Thomas is sponsoring a bus trip to the Sight and Sound Theatre in Lancaster PA to see the 30th anniversary production of "Noah". Includes transportation, a stop at an Amish shopping center, dinner at Miller's, one overnight at a hotel, tickets to the show, and lunch at an Amish restaurant. For more details on the trip and to make a reservation please contact Barbara Ruggirello at baruggirello@gmail.com.

MARCH FOR LIFE BUS

St. Paul the Apostle Church is hosting the only bus heading to the March for Life in the Diocese of Albany. The March is on Friday, January 24, 2025 and there are three pickup locations: Wade Tours at 1:00am, Cross-gates Commons (Pet Smart Parking Lot) at 1:20am, and Catskill Park and Ride exit 21 at 2:10am. We will depart Washington DC at 5:00pm to return home. The cost is \$100 paid by check or cash and \$105 paid by debit or credit card, this includes the drivers tip. Flyers can be found on the bulletin board in the CTK Gathering Hall. For more information or to request registration forms and liability waivers

please contact Katie Grogan (518) 377-8886 or Grogan.k@tiucatholic.org. Please note, if this bus is not filled by January 15, 2025, we will have to cancel this trip, and you will be refunded.

DIOCESAN MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CONFERENCE DATES AND LOCATION CONFIRMED!

Location:

St. Edward the Confessor Church
569 Clifton Park Center Road, Clifton Park

Dates:

August 9 – Step Up Men's Conference 2025
October 18 – Unleashing Love Women's Conference 2025

JOIN US FOR OUR OPEN HOUSES AND EXPERIENCE FIRSTHAND WHY OUR FAMILIES LOVE ST. THOMAS SCHOOL!

Tour our school, meet our dedicated teachers, and learn about our amazing Pre-K through Grade 8 programs.

Kindergarten - 8th Grade Open House:

Monday, January 27th from 5:30-7:30pm

Now enrolling Pre-K through 8th grade for the 2025-2026 school year. Visit stthomas-school.org/admissions/open-houses to register, walk-ins also welcome!



Parish Calendar

Sunday, January 12

8 am Mass
11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed)
1 pm Baptism

Monday, January 13

6:30 pm RCIA Meeting | Vesting Sacristy
7 pm Knights of Columbus Assembly | Music Room

Tuesday, January 14

9 am Mass/The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will follow Mass
9:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry | Rectory
9:45 am Adoration

Wednesday, January 15

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

Thursday, January 16

9 am Mass
1 pm Alzheimer's Association Support Group | Knights Chapel
6 pm Coffee & Conversation | Knights Room
6 pm AA Meeting | Music Room
6:30 pm Pastoral Council Meeting | Rectory

Saturday, January 18

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

Next Sunday, January 19

8 am Mass
11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed)
5:30 pm Baptism Prep Class | Church | Pre-registration is required

PARISH NEWS

2025 RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES

It's never too early to start planning for your 2025 blood donations.

Registration is now open for our drives at Christ the King, and you can sign up today by visiting www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code *churchchristking* to find the



drives. Our drive dates are as follows: April 25, June 21, August 16, October 11 and December 6. If you are a regular donor and would like to stay on schedule

with your last donation as well as the ones listed, donate at any local drive or at the collection center on any day this February and you will be set to donate at Christ the King starting on April 25th. Thank you again for your commitment to donate blood at our drives!

CANCELLATION OF DAILY MASS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

Winter weather has arrived. Please listen to School Closing announcements and NOTE if the Guilderland School district and/or Christ the King Early Childhood Education Center is CLOSED or DELAYED due to weather conditions, the 9 am Daily Mass will also be cancelled and the Church office will either be closed or delayed. Please be safe as we navigate the winter months.

JOIN US FOR THE CHRIST THE KING EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER OPEN HOUSE!

On January 26th, from 11 am to 1 pm, come explore our wonderful programs and facilities. We offer Toddler Programs starting at 18 months, Nursery, Pre-K, Universal Pre-K, and an Integrated Program with ECEC, as well as School Age Programs. Take a tour, meet our caring staff, and learn how we create a nurturing environment for your child's growth. This is a great opportunity to see why families choose us for their early childhood education. We look forward to welcoming you!

JANUARY MEETING

Come As You Are, CTK's ministry for LGBTQ+ Catholics and their allies

(friends and family), will greet the new year with scripture study led by Deacon Tony, followed by a review of the "best and worst" developments in the church that occurred in 2024." The meeting takes place Wednesday, January 22, from 6-7:30 pm in the Knights Room.

BE ADVISED!

We ask everyone to please be mindful of your driving on Sumter Ave. when coming to church. Our neighbors have told us that cars are driving too fast and tailgating neighbors who live on the street. This creates an unsafe environment and we want to bring this to your attention. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation!

YOUR SUNDAY HOSPITALITY HOST JANUARY 12: GREETERS AND USHERS

Often times our greeters and ushers are the first people our regular parishioners and those who are visiting the parish come in contact with when they walk through our doors. They set the tone of the community gathered within. What an important ministry! They welcome those who gather for Mass and special events and arrange the offertory procession. For more information on this ministry, please contact John Risler (518) 452-8282 jrisler61@gmail.com. We would love to talk to you over a coffee and donut at hospitality this Sunday!

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 to those in need of comfort and solace.



Thank you for a great year with CTK Young Adults Group! Looking forward to more events in 2025!



Thank you for all who joined the CTK Young Adults Group and attended our events in 2024! We had a blast getting to meet and know you, and are looking forward to more great events in 2025. If you're interested in joining a mailing list to learn more about us, please email group leader, Nadine at annabinadine1@gmail.com to be added to the mailing list!

Photo: Nadine