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least brothers of mine, you did for me.” - Mt 25:38-40

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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 & interpreted at 11am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday | 9:45-11am

Saturday | 3:00pm

Other | By Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday | 9:30am - 8:00pm

Rosary

Wednesday | 6:15pm

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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.

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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 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.

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.

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 NOVEMBER 18-19

Our stewardship totals for the weekend of November 18-19 will appear in next weekend's bulletin. Thank you for your understanding.

PRAYER AND READINGS



MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, November 28 | 9 am

Veronica Governs
*Family

Wednesday, November 29 | 9 am

Charles Gallagher
*CTK Early Childhood Admin Team

Thursday, November 30 | 9 am

Mary Crotty
*Marie Hartigan
Rita Brilla
*Jack & Kathy Kavanaugh

Saturday, December 2 | 4 pm

Vincent Tomeo (1st Anniversary Memorial)
*his wife

Next Sunday, December 3 | 8 am

Fr. Jim Fitzmaurice
*Sue Hollander
Carmelo & Giovanna Pavone
*Family

Next Sunday, December 3 | 11 am

Wallace Diehl (Birthday Memorial)
*his wife, Maria
Fr. Jim Fitzmaurice (Birthday Memorial)
*Jim & Ellen Box
Lucy Altobelli (4th Anniversary Memorial)
*her sister, Filomena Armstrong
Yolanda & Frank Legnard
*Family
Ernesto Roldan Diaz
*Family
Oliver Pluta
*The Jankowski Family

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

Altar Bread & Wine

Our altar bread for the month of November 2023 has been donated in loving memory of the Deceased Members of the Schmidt & Naglitsch Families

Our altar wine for the month of November 2023 has been donated in loving memory of Joseph Purcell requested by His Family

Pray for...

Our Sick

Carolyn Harris, Bob Wallace, Michele Peichota, Valerie Zboroski, Joshua Carpenter, Jorge Montiel, Carson Leonard, Patricia Boggs, Reed Dewitt, Rick Gelley, David Latina, Lelia Danker, 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

John Elling (October 9)

First Year Anniversary December 2022

Alfred Meano (November 27)
Vincent Tomeo (December 5)
Antonia Raponi (December 7)
Elda Macri (December 18)
Nuala DeSacia (December 28)

WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Sunday, November 26 ○

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 (1)/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

Monday, November 27 ●

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday, November 28 ●

Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday, November 29 ●

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday, November 30 ●

Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle

Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22

Friday, December 1 ●

Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday, December 2 ●

Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday, December 3 ●

First Sunday of Advent

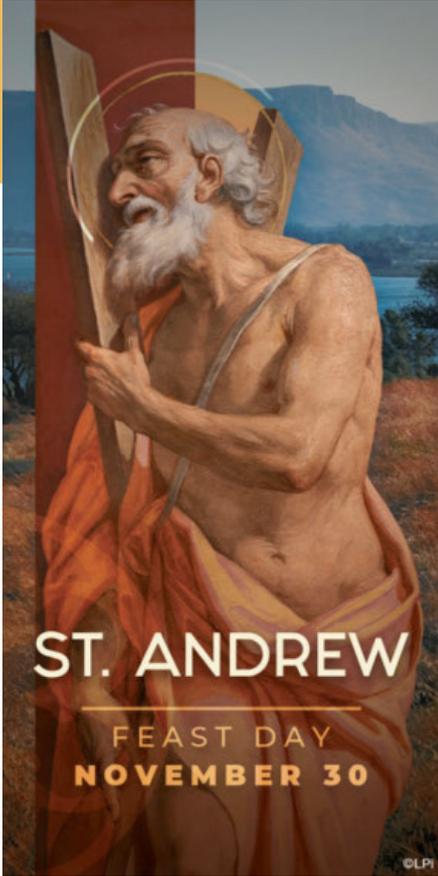
Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

Reflection for the Week

Today we celebrate the namesake of our parish - the Feast of Christ the King. The Gospel is another classic. As in last week's Gospel, this one is saying how important and expected it is to share our gifts with others. In doing so, we do it for and to God as well. In neglecting others, we do that to God also.

Am I inspired by the knowledge that when I bring joy to others, I also bring Joy to God?

COMMUNITY



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

GUILDERLAND FOOD PANTRY

We are once again in need of cake mix, frosting, brownie mix and muffin mix.

The Food Pantry Drop Box is moving! The Food Pantry drop off is now located in the closet off of the Gathering Space. We have beautiful shelves where we can easily access your donations. Each shelf is labeled for easy drop off. We appreciate all you do.

Also, the Guilderland Food Pantry is participating in Toys for Tots this year. If you'd like to drop off an unwrapped gift for Toys for Tots, you can leave it in the food pantry closet off of the Gathering Space. Otherwise, you can leave your unwrapped gift at the GFP between 9-11:30 am Mon-Fri.

THEOLOGY OF SUFFERING PRESENTATION

Nov 30 at Mater Christi Parish in Albany, Fr. Dan McHale will give a presentation on the Theology of Suffering from 6:30-7:30pm, followed by a Holy hour with Adoration, Benediction & Confessions.

UNLEASHING LOVE 2023 DIOCESAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Join other women from around the diocese at Christ Our Light Catholic Church on December 9, from 8:30-4 pm for presentations by Fr. Chris Alar, MIC & Mrs. Anne Costa, Reconciliation, Adoration, Rosary, Mass with Bishop Scharfenberger, box lunch, & beverages. Early Registration - \$40 until November 30, Registration - \$45 December 1 - 8, On-site "Day Of Registration" - \$50. Info & Registration at rcda.org/UnleashingLove

38TH ANNUAL ST. GABRIEL'S WOMEN'S CLUB HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

December 2 from 10-3 pm at St. Gabriel's School Hall, 3040 Hamburg St. Rotterdam. Enjoy shopping for your holiday gifts among over fifty Crafters to find the perfect gifts for your family and friends. Enjoy our "Famous Cookie Walk" with endless varieties of homemade cookies. St. Gabriel's Kitchen will be serving tasty food. Remember to try your luck on our Raffles. Admission is free.

Parish Calendar

Sunday, November 26

8 am Mass
11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed)

Tuesday, November 28

8:30 am Eddy Alzheimer Care Team | Music Room
9 am Mass/The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will follow Mass
9:45 am Adoration

Wednesday, November 29

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

Thursday, November 30

9 am Mass
6 pm Coffee & Conversation Max Lucado | Knights Chapel
6 pm AA Meeting | Music Room
6:30 pm Jubilee Faith Sharing | Rectory

Saturday, December 2

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

Next Sunday, December 3

8 am Mass
8:30 am RCIA Meeting | Rectory
9 am Advent Wreath Making
10 am Youth Choir Rehearsal
11 am Advent Wreath Making
11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed)
4 pm Lessons & Carols Guilderland Interfaith Advent Service | Church

PARISH NEWS

THE CHOSEN

Viewing of The Chosen will happen at 1 pm on: December 10 and 13. Stay tuned for upcoming January dates.

ADVENT GATHERING - LAST WEEKEND TO PREORDER SUPPLIES!

Please join us on December 3 to celebrate Advent with faith, family, fun and traditions! You can make your own wreath with other families (about ½ hour) and enjoy some refreshments - or- take your materials home to work on them, there will be Advent activities & crafts for children after the 11 am Mass - “Keeping Christ in Christmas” (parent or guardian must be present), and an Advent Shop where you may choose from a variety of religious items for children, teenagers and adults. This is the last weekend to order and prepay for your materials at our Family Life table in the Gathering Space. Costs: \$8 Brass wreath ring, \$5 Balsam greens, \$4 Set of 4 candles, \$3 Set of 4 coordinating bows. For more info email Vicky, cvmymers9@gmail.com.

ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS

Our annual event returns on Sunday, December 3, at 4 pm at Christ the King Church, sponsored by the Guilderland Interfaith Council. Join us for adult, youth, and handbell choirs and readings by clergy from local Guilderland churches. There will be an offering to benefit the Guilderland Food Pantry.

VISITATION AND MARTHA'S MINISTRY MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Please join us for an evening of enrichment on Tuesday, December 5 at 6:30 pm at home of Kathy Kavanaugh, 616 Bedford Square, Albany, call 518-869-6520 to RSVP. Fran Schmidt will present “The Love You Bring,” focusing on the Eucharist and its loving power as our source and summit of our pastoral care visits. Following the presentation, we will have our annual Christmas Gathering! Hope to see you on Dec. 5!

ROSARY PLEDGES

Thank you to all who participated in our Rosary pledge drive for the month of October. We received 33 pledges for a total of 783 rosaries to be prayed.

GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree in the Gathering Space and covered with gift wishes from several different charities that support those in need throughout our community. Feel free to take a tag to fulfill someone's Christmas wish. Please return the tag and wrapped gift by December 10 so that we can get the gift to the recipient by Christmas. These charities are always so grateful for our participation & appreciate your generosity.



Confirmation catechist Beth Slezak leads her small-group's discussion during Confirmation class. Candidates decorated Thanksgiving cards for Equinox, Inc. in Albany.

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH LED MASS

Thank you to our fantastic young people, spanning grades 3-7, who participated in ministry roles at our Youth-Led Mass on November 12 - Paige Mazzotta, Brendan Van Woert, James Ray, Ryan McDonald, Anna Ray, Tessa Jackstadt, and Caitlyn McDonald. Our next Youth-Led Mass will be on Sunday, December 10th at our 11 am Mass. Please let our Faith Formation office know if you'd like to participate!

CHRISTMAS PARTY & MOVIE NIGHT

On December 15 from 5:30-8 pm at the Rectory, while you have dinner and/or do some Christmas shopping, your K-5th student will have some fun with Christmas crafts, cookie decorating, food, hot cocoa, popcorn, and a Christmas movie. Kids can come dressed in their pajamas if they'd like! Please RSVP to ljensen@ctkparishny.org or text (518) 965-9199. Event presented by CTK's Youth Ministry.

LYNCH CREEK FUNDRAISER

Lynch Creek offers gorgeous, fragrant, & long-lasting wreaths, table centerpieces, tabletop trees, garland, & more. Shop here through December 10th lynchcreekfundraising.com/c/301621 (see the flyer on pg 4) A portion of all earnings will go directly toward supporting our FF and YM programs, from purchasing classroom supplies and retreat materials to funding upcoming YM events & catechist opportunities.

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



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

If you would like to make a *freewill donation* towards the Christmas flowers that will decorate the altar & surrounding areas of the church in memory of or in honor of a family member or friend, please fill out the form below in its entirety and return to the parish office. You can do this via the collection basket or by mailing to the parish office.

DEADLINE IS THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7 for names to appear in the bulletin of December 24, 2023. Names received after the deadline will appear in the bulletin of December 31, 2023.

If you have made a free will donation for flowers through Faith Direct and would like your loved one's name to appear in the bulletin, please send this form to the parish office and indicate that a donation was made through Faith Direct.

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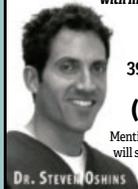
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