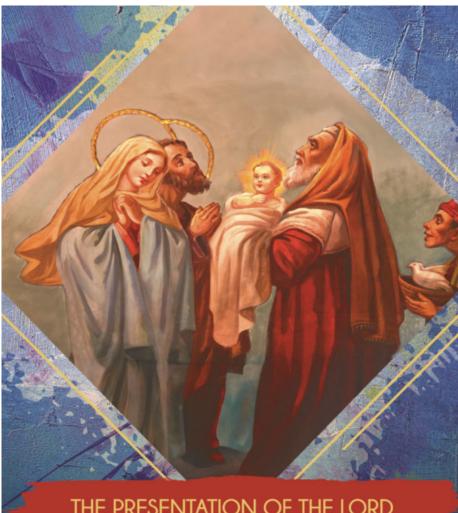


The Parish of HRISTERE KING ROMAN



# THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

"Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel." - Lk 2:34

# **MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of Christ the King Parish is to make Jesus Christ present, both inside and outside the Parish, for Jesus offers the fullness of life and the salvation of souls.



# **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**

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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 JANUARY 25-26**

Offertory	\$5,411.00
The Evangelist	
Miscellaneous	
E-Giving Faith Direct	\$4,502.65
Collection Total	\$10,098.65
Budgeted Total Needed for Each Week	\$13,865.00

Sign up for online giving with our portal through Faith Direct! membership.faithdirect.net/NY108



# PRAYER AND READINGS



# **MASS INTENTIONS**

Tuesday, February 4 | 9 am Dick Murray (Anniversary Memorial) \*Terry

Wednesday, February 5 | 9 am Jean E. Nelson, II (1st Anniversary Memorial) \*The Nelson Family

#### Thursday, February 6 | 9 am

Mary Kay Riley \*John Aldrich & Donna Crowley Joseph Rozen \*Family Joseph Maione \*Angela Batorski

Saturday, February 8 | 4 pm

John Hogan (1st Anniversary Memorial) \*John & Nancy Lashway Kathie Hannaford \*CTK Bereavement Ministry Mary Anne Krupsak \*The Luzine Family

# WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Sunday, 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

Monday, February 3 Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24/Mk 5:1-20

**Tuesday, February 4** Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 5 Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/ Mk 6:1-6 Photo: Sarah Guerra

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

Saturday, February 8 | 4 pm Continued Georgeanna Brognano \*Lisa & Jim Brognano

Sunday, February 9 | 8 am Kathie Hannaford \*Lois & Michael Keefrider In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received \*The Tabanko & Torregoza Families

Sunday, February 9 | 11 am Sister Mary Richard Judge (Birthday Memorial) \*niece, Ellen Swanson Judge Michael Such \*Tina Pietrosanto & Family Fr. Tom Holmes \*Vincent & Melinda Conroy Elizabeth Anne Fay \*Patricia & George Marshall Kenneth T. Preisser \*Tim & Lisa Clifford

Thursday, February 6 Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11//Mk 6:7-13

Friday, February 7 Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/Mk 6:14-29

**Saturday, February 8** Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday, February 9 Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 (1c)/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11



Today we celebrate the Presentation of the Lord. In the Gospel, we hear that Simon is attending the celebration. Despite the festive occasion, he tells Mary that she, "shall be pierced with a sword." All of us encounter our own "swords" in this life, don't we?

Does my faith allow me to accept the swords in my life?

# Altar Bread & Wine

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

Sal Sgarlata

requested by Kathleen Fisher



# **Our Sick**

Carol Doyle Richard and Sarah Pablo Cortes Montiel Rev. Sally Heiligman (pastor at St. Boniface) Christoper Visker Shirley Ratta Cher Joseph Case Kerns Cassidy Zyskowski Ellie Leaver Christine Nelson Testani Linda Gosch **Christine Slatterv** Paul Pierce Donna Johnson Timothy J. Kathy Bator Dr. Marilyn Levine

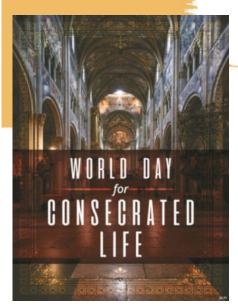
Joan Schramm Vincent Kelder Eileen Reis Maryann Markham Don McCarthy **Ryan Stoeppell Carolyn Harris Bob Wallace** Michele Peichota Joshua Carpenter Carson Leonard Patricia Bogg Reed Dewitt **Rick Gelley** David Latina Judi McGinn Michela Marie Luce Liz Stewart

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** Kathie Hannaford (January 4)

**First Year Anniversary February 2024** Jean Nelson, II (February 5) Marna Hanley (February 12) Elizabeth Robinson (February 12) Beverly Panetta (February 26)

# COMMUNITY NEWS



### February 2

# MAGNIFICAT (A MINISTRY TO CATHO-LIC WOMEN) WITH DEACON CORTESE

Women's Meal on March 15 from 9 am-12 pm at Wolferts Roost Country Club, 120 Van Rensselaer. Tickets: \$30; PayPal -\$32; Clergy & Religious - Free. Anthony Cortese was ordained a Deacon for the Albany Diocese in 2017 and assigned (and continues) to work at Christ the King Parish. He is also the Co-director of Initial Deacon Formation for the Diocese, working with men and their spouses who are considering a vocation to the Diaconate. As a licensed, certified social worker, his career has included working as a teacher, child care worker, social worker, program director, executive director and Chief Executive Officer of St. Anne's Institute. He and his wife Jackie, have been married for 39 years. They were foster and adoptive parents and they are the proud parents of 2 adult children. Register by March 5 - send a check for \$30 payable to Albany NY Chapter of

# **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

Magnificat, c/o Denise Fraioli, 551 Sacandaga Rd., Glenville, NY 12302. Please include your name, address, phone # & email. Online registration: magnificat-ministry.net/chapters/nyalbany/. Questions, Kathleen 518-930-8380 (after 6 pm). ALL LADIES AGE 15 AND OLDER ARE INVITED!

### COME AND JOIN US AT THE MONTHLY CHARISMATIC HEALING LITURGY

Christ Our Light RC Church, 1 Maria Dr., Loudonville on February 12 with 7 pm Prayer & Praise Music by Joyful Heart and 7:30 pm Liturgy, Healing Prayer to follow. Presider: Fr. Michael Melanson There will be individual prayer teams available after Mass.

#### SUMMER CAMP AT CAMP GUGGENHEIM

Teens ages 11-18, join us for an unforgettable week at Camp Guggenheim on the shores of Lower Saranac Lake! Since 1972, this "home away from home" has been a place for young people to grow in faith, make friends, and enjoy fun activities like kayaking, hiking, arts & crafts, and more. Programs center on the celebration of liturgy and aim to help young people grow in faith while building a strong sense of community. Each day is packed with adventure, laughter, and opportunities to deepen your faith. Register and learn more at rcdony.org/ youth/camp.

# THE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE® MINISTRY

... is a peer led ministry that serves those grieving the end of a spousal relationship due to death, divorce, or separation. This winter and spring we are offering two programs and we invite men and women of all ages and faiths to attend. Healing Weekend- an in-person weekend retreat at Mount Alvernia Retreat Center in Wappingers Falls, NY from March 28 to March 30, 2025. For info or to register please call Phyllis at 914-261-5812. *In the Beginning...Coping with Life Alone*one day remote via Zoom program held on Saturday, February 22, 2025 from 9AM to 4PM. For information or to register, please call Jim at 845-220-7883.

#### **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.

# 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". Bus is almost full! Contact Barbara Ruggirello at baruggirello@gmail.com.

### Sunday, February 2

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

Monday, February 3 6:30 pm RCIA Meeting | Vesting Sacristy

### **Tuesday, February 4**

9 am Mass/The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will follow Mass 9:45 am Adoration

# Parish Calendar

### Wednesday, February 5

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

**Thursday, February 6** 9 am Mass including Anointing Service 11 am Daystar Faith Sharing | Music

1 pm Alzheimer's Association Support Group | Knights Room 6 pm AA Meeting | Music Room 7 pm Knights of Columbus Council | Knights Room

#### Saturday, February 8

8:30 am Źumba | Parish Center Gym 1 pm Baptism 4 pm Mass

### Next Sunday, February 9

8 am Mass 10 am Youth Choir Rehearsal | Knights Room 11 am Mass (Interpreted and Livestreamed)

# PARISH NEWS

### YOUR SUNDAY HOSPITALITY HOST FEBRUARY 2: MUSIC MINISTRY

Music plays a vital role in the liturgy of the Catholic Church, lifting our hearts in worship, deepening our prayer, and uniting our voices in praise to God. As St. Augustine said, "He who sings prays twice." Through music, we enhance the beauty of the Mass, encourage full participation, and enrich the spiritual experience of our faith community. At Christ the King, our Music Ministry welcomes all who wish to share their musical gifts in service to the Church. Whether you sing or play an instrument, there is a place for you! For more information or to get involved, contact Melinda Conroy mconroy@ctkparishny .org or (518) 456-1644. Come, let us make a joyful noise unto the Lord and say hello and grab a coffee and donut at hospitality this Sunday!

### COFFEE AND CONVERSATION -FEBRUARY 20 AT 6 PM

Many people think storytelling is just for children, but that is not true. Our Feb. meeting will present a program of stories for adults titled "Blessed are the Pure in Heart, for They Shall See God." Stories, whether real or fictional, are a fundamental part of being human; they help us gain a deeper understanding of other people's experiences. Barbara Palumbo, a professional storyteller and a CTK parishioner, assisted by Marie Woodward, has selected stories to connect us with others on an emotional level and show that everyone has feelings, fears and hopes. Please join us. You will be happy you did.

## **TRIVIA NIGHT**

The Knights of Columbus are having their annual Trivia Night fundraiser on Saturday, February 15 at 6 pm in the Knight's Room. It's a night of fun and frustration led by Trivia Master Mike Dietlein. Tickets are \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. Pizza and soda will be provided. Beer will be available for purchase. Net proceeds go to the Knight's local charities. Tickets will be available after all Masses this weekend Feb 1-2 and next, Feb. 8-9 as well as at the door.

## **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.



Join CTK Youth Ministry next weekend and participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring!

## **VALENTINES CTK 2025 IS HERE!**

Valentines CTK has grown to be a wellloved tradition. It connects our parish families with our parishioners who are homebound, in hospitals, and in care facilities. Our valentines enable us to shower our love, care & prayers, and a cheery "hello" to bring a little joy and brighten someone's day - someone 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 (or a few if you'd like) 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 recipients who want to remember you in their prayers.

2. Place your valentines in the bag you received your kit in, and please drop it off in the Valentine basket in the Gathering Space no later than Sunday, Feb. 9. The Visitation Ministry will pick up and deliver your cards.

Thank you in advance for taking part in this event!

*Visitation Ministry* - please be sure to pick up cards beginning the week of February 9 to deliver them in time for Valentine's Day! Thank you.

# **ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER**

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a St. Patrick's Day dinner on Saturday, March 15 from 5-7 pm in the Parish Center. This year's St. Patrick's Day dinner will be catered by Babbling Brook Caterers of Berne, NY. The caterer will be preparing and serving the dinner this year, consisting of a house salad, corned beef and cabbage with carrots and potatoes, shepard's pie, soda bread and dinner rolls lemonade, iced tea and water, and cookies and brownies. There will also be 50-50 and basket of cheer raffles, Irish music, and beer and wine for purchase. The Knights will provide a cake and takeout containers. Anyone who would like to bring a dessert to share may do so. The net proceeds after expenses will go to support our parish ministries and/or local charitable causes. Tickets are \$25 per person, to be sold in the gathering space after all weekend Masses in February. The caterer needs a firm number of guests by March 1st, therefor tickets at the door will not be sold.

### **PRAYER OF FAITH** Dear God,

Open my eyes to Your movement in my life. And, even when I don't see it or don't understand, help me to rely on the promises of Your love and mercy. Amen.

