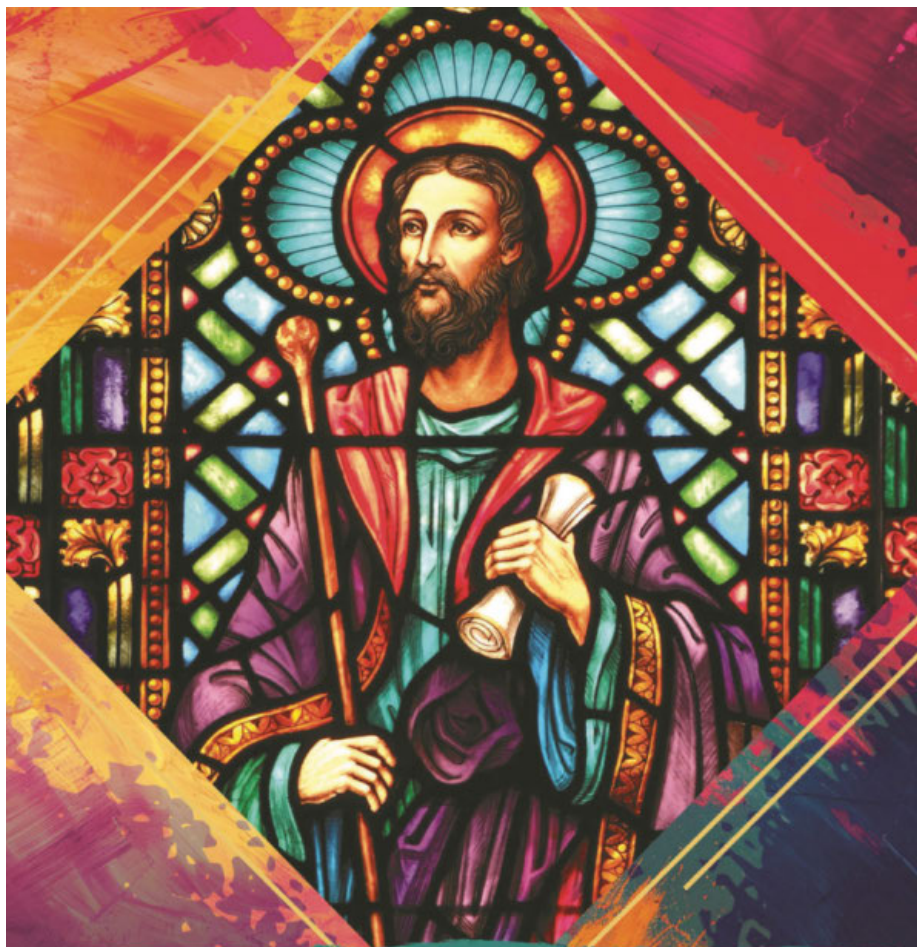


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The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.
- Lk 4:18

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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.

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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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 JANUARY 18-19

Offertory.....	\$8,415.00
Miscellaneous.....	\$241.00
E-Giving Faith Direct	\$4,845.00
Collection Total	\$13,501.00
Budgeted Total Needed for Each Week	\$13,865.00

PRAYER AND READINGS



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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 28 | 9 am

Christopher Riedy (24th Anniversary Memorial)
*sister, Patricia Riedy

Wednesday, January 29 | 9 am

Kathie Hannaford
*Rosemary Revoir
Veronica Governs
*Family

Thursday, January 30 | 9 am

For the Well Being of Carl Carlstead
*Cindy Carlstead
George Governs
*Family

Saturday, February | 4 pm

Larry Prichard
*LouAnn Cleary
Mary Ann Newell
*The Murphy Family
Matildia, James and Maureen Duncan
*Christina Duncan & Anna Hale

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

Saturday, February | 4 pm Continued

Fr. Tom Holmes
*Greg & Joanne Chase

Sunday, February 2 | 8 am

Donald Gonsalves (3rd Anniversary Memorial)
*Deborah Gonsalves

Sunday, February 2 | 11 am

Richard Murphy
*Mariann Stelmaszyk
Larry Prichard
*Deacon Joe and MaryAnn Markham
Josephine Pellerin
*Tina Pietrosanto & Family
Kathie Hannaford
*Tina Pietrosanto & Family
Ed Cupoli
*LouAnn Cleary
Lee & Hilda Canetto
*The Canetto Family

WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Sunday, January 26 ●

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 (see Jn 6:63c)/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday, January 27 ●

Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 28 ○

Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday, January 29 ●

Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 30 ●

Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Mk 4:21-25

Friday, January 31 ○

Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest

Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, February 1 ●

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Mk 4:35-41

Next 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

Reflection for the Week

In today's Gospel, Jesus begins to reveal His identity to His fellow Jews. He quotes a Scripture passage beginning with, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me." His final statement is, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

Do I realize how fortunate and blessed I am to know the whole story of Jesus' public life?

Pray For...

Our Sick

Richard and Sarah	Eileen Reis
Pablo Cortes Montiel	Maryann Markham
Rev. Sally Heiligman	Don McCarthy
(pastor at St. Boniface)	Ryan Stoeppell
Christopher Visker	Carolyn Harris
Shirley Ratta	Bob Wallace
Cher Joseph	Michele Peichota
Case Kerns	Joshua Carpenter
Cassidy Zyskowski	Carson Leonard
Ellie Leaver	Patricia Bogg
Christine Nelson Testani	Reed Dewitt
Linda Gosch	Rick Gelley
Christine Slattery	David Latina
Paul Pierce	Judi McGinn
Donna Johnson	Michela
Timothy J.	Marie Luce
Kathy Bator	Liz Stewart
Dr. Marilyn Levine	Patricia Bruno
Joan Schramm	David Birkun
Vincent Kelder	

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)
Kathie Hannaford (January 4)

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

COME AND JOIN US AT THE MONTHLY CHARISMATIC HEALING LITURGY

Christ Our Light RC Church, 1 Maria Dr.,
Loudonville, NY

Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Time: 7:00 pm Prayer & Praise Music by
Joyful Heartm 7:30 pm Liturgy, Healing
Prayer to follow

Prsider: Fr. Michael Melanson

There will be individual prayer teams
available after Mass.

THE POWER OF ONE HOUR

We thank everyone who has joined us
thus far to discuss The Power of One
Hour! Our last session on the Conclud-
ing Rites and overview is set for Tues-
day Jan. 28 either 1-2:15pm or/& 7-
8:15pm . All are welcome! Light re-
freshments will be served! Sign up to-
day! <https://shorturl.at/KciLC>

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Healing Weekend- an in-person week-
end 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 pro-
gram held on Saturday, February 22,
2025 from 9AM to 4PM. For information
or to register, please call Jim at 845-
220-7883.

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
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vided. For more info, please call Simo-
ne McGuinness 518-370-1532.

GUILDERLAND FOOD PANTRY

The Guilderland Food Pantry is in need
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while building a strong sense of com-
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deepen your faith. Register and learn
more at rcdony.org/youth/camp.

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](mailto:baruggirello@gmail.com).

Parish Calendar

Catholic Schools Week Sunday, January 26

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

Tuesday, January 28

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

Wednesday, January 29

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

Thursday, January 30

9 am Mass
6 pm AA Meeting | Music Room
6 pm First Reconciliation
6:30 pm Jubilee Faith Sharing | Rectory

Saturday, February 1

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

Next Sunday, February 2

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

PARISH NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the families of Raleigh Quinn Dineen, Jack Alexander Belanger, and Sophia Lillian Simeone who were recently baptized at Christ the King.

WELCOME!

A warm welcome to our newest parishioners Michael Tunny and Ajirioghene Aherete, "Praise" as well as those not named here. We are blessed to have you here!

VALENTINES CTK 2025 IS HERE!

Valentines CTK has grown to be a well-loved 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.

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.



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 the weekends of Feb 1-2 and Feb. 8-9 and at the door.

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!

GOSPEL MEDITATION

A young couple in my parish told me they were expecting their second child, a baby boy. I knew that their five-year old only child Emma had been desperately wanting to be a big sister for years, so I said, "Emma must have been so happy when you told her the news." "Actually," they said, "she burst into tears. She wanted a baby sister!" How often in life God wonderfully fulfills our desires and we are sad because we don't approve of the way he does it. We want to control the gift and the delivery method. The same thing occurs in the Gospel this week when Jesus announces in his hometown that the promise of an Anointed One bringing glad tidings to the poor is "fulfilled in your hearing" (Luke 4:21). After a moment of elation, his fellow townsfolk realize this man is the way God is fulfilling his promises, and they erupt into a violent outburst. So Jesus departs. How sad for them. Every single Sunday at Mass, including this one, some version of this happens to many of us. God's word announces the fulfillment of God's promises in Christ, and we easily overlook or disdain it. His way is almost never according to our narrow expectations. What's required of us is to set these aside, and to embrace a new openness to God's gifts, no matter how he wishes to give them. God is fulfilling his promises the way He likes — why be sad?
— Father John Muir

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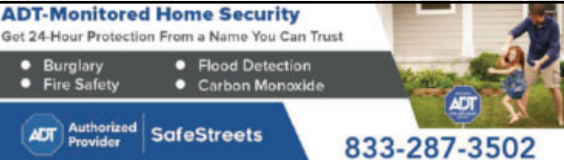
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