

CHRIST THE KING PARISH

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WELCOME TO CHRIST THE KING!

If you are new to our Parish and school, we invite you to register online or call the office. We look forward to meeting you!

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Behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.

Matthew 2:9

The Epiphany of the Lord

MASSES

WEEKEND MASSES: SATURDAY 4:30pm; SUNDAY 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES: MONDAY AND FRIDAY—6:30am; TUESDAY THRU THURSDAY- 8:30am

WEEKLY CONFESSIONS: SAT. 3:00-4:00pm

MONTHLY CONFESSIONS: 1ST Fridays before Mass or by appointment

COMMUNION CALLS: On First Fridays and by personal arrangement. Call 546-3527.

Celebrating Our Faith

(CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO SCHEDULE)

BAPTISM OF INFANTS: A REQUIRED INSTRUCTIONAL BAPTISM CLASS IS OFFERED TWICE A YEAR FOR 1ST TIME PARENTS

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE AT LEAST 10 MONTHS IN ADVANCE WITH FATHER JOE

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS): OPEN TO THE UNBAPTIZED INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CATHOLIC FAITH, BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS CONSIDERING BECOMING CATHOLIC AND BAPTIZED CATHOLICS WHO ARE NOT FULLY INITIATED

VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

ANY YOUNG MAN CONTEMPLATING A CALL TO THE PRIESTHOOD OR ANY YOUNG PERSON INTERESTED IN THE RELIGIOUS LIFE IS ENCOURAGED TO CALL FR. JOE OR THE OFFICE FOR VOCATIONS AT 217.698.8500 OR www.dio.org.

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DIOCESAN CHILD ABUSE REPORTING & INVESTIGATION

To report allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by clergy, even if it is in the past, individuals are encouraged to call 321-1155. Individuals may also contact the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-25-ABUSE, or contact your local police authority.

"Special Thanks to E-Givers"

Christ the King would like to thank the 160 families who are currently giving electronically. You may not see these fellow parishioners place an envelope in the basket every week, but their consistent giving does not go unnoticed in our parish office. Each month our parish receives a steady and predictable stream of income from those donors who have made the commitment to give to God first by having a designated contribution automatically transferred to our parish through our Online Giving Program. If you like to learn more about this easy, safe and secure way of giving, please contact Nikki Bull-Eguez at 546-3527 or check out our website at www.ctkparish.com.

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL is progressing. This appeal funds the operations of our diocese across central Illinois. As of January 1, \$59,460.00 has been pledged toward our goal of \$98,125. Thanks to the 201 parishioners who are participating, putting the average pledge at \$296. Make a sacrificial gift to keep the momentum going. If we fall short of our goal, the balance must be paid from our operating funds. So your participation directly helps our parish. You can pay by credit card, and automatic installment payments are available. Another easy option is to make your pledge online, <http://www.dio.org/about/giving.html>. May the Lord bless you for your generosity.

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is about faithfulness; about love. Stewardship is about believing that I am able to give and sacrifice and love because God has given me so much, has sacrificed for me so greatly, and loves me unconditionally

The three king's in today's Gospel traveled a great distance at considerable cost to offer their richest gifts to the infant Jesus. How far will I go and what will I offer to do homage to this newborn King and Savior?

December 15 Collection	\$22,927.75
December 22 Collection	\$33,786.92
Christmas Collection	\$19,192.00
December Target Amount	\$135,000.00
December Total Collected	\$119,035
July 2019-Nov. 2019 Target Amount	\$435,000.00
July 2019-Nov. 2019 Collection Total	\$431,858.87
Children's Collection (Dec. 22 and 24)	\$40.00
Catholic Children's Home	\$6,970.00
Attendance:	
December 21/22	
4:30pm- 316; 8:00am- 153; 10:00am- 330; 5:00pm- 262	
Total: 1,061	
December 24	
4:00pm- 1055; 6:30pm- 466; 11:00pm- 278	
Total: 1,799	
December 25	
9:30am- 284	

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ONLINE GIVING



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SET UP YOUR WEEKLY OFFERINGS THROUGH OUR NEW ONLINE PROGRAM WESHARE! GO TO OUR WEBSITE TO SIGN UP. CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR QUESTIONS.



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YOU CAN DONATE USING THIS!

Please scan the QR code with your smart phone or go to the donation page on our website at www.ctkparish.com. Thank you for your support!

OUR CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL FUND DRIVE is underway this month. In your January packet of envelopes you will find this special envelope, and you can donate through the parish website. Your support of our annual fund drive is a key part of our budget, and allows us to keep our tuition and fees at minimal increases next year. Go to the school website, ctkcougars.com to see what's going on, and check out their Facebook page. Your generosity is appreciated!

Pastor's Pen



As I write this, I am still on a Christmas high from our amazing liturgies here over these holy days, which have been full, prayerful, joyful and grand. Christmas 2019 at CTK has been such a blessing!

Happy Epiphany! Today's solemnity is the climax of Christmas Time. Today we celebrate that the child born in the darkness of night in a lowly manger is revealed as the manifestation (the meaning of epiphany) of God. Christ is revealed in many ways: as Lord, as King, as the one in whom God is present and acts. All of these manifestations are "lights" that shine on Christ, revealing a deeper understanding of who he is. All the readings for today reveal, in a way, a different manifestation of who Christ is for all who believe. Next weekend we conclude the Christmas season with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

Today or this week, gather your family to bless your home. The Epiphany House Blessing can be found in the special bulletin you received at Christmas. This is the last week for The Little Blue Book. I trust it has been part of your prayer during Advent and into the Christmas season. This week on Thursday read about St. Roch, the patron saint of dog lovers. I hope you are into Rediscover the Saints, the book gift from me. It is not a dense biography about the saints. Rather each chapter invites you to reflect how the saints are active in your life and to let them be even more involved every day. I would like to hear your comments. Your gift back to me in 2020 can be your vibrant faith.

During December a group of 12 men joined me for the RISE 30 Day Challenge. The daily video online challenge came from Real Life Catholic and Chris Stefanick. Each week had a different focus, Men as Fathers, Sons, Spouses and Brothers. Then we met weekly. It was a graced challenge for all, and a sense of

fraternity in the group going through the challenge together. Look for another RISE Challenge this new year.

With the students returning to school Monday, we look ahead to the 3rd graders receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist on April 24 from Bishop Paprocki. Recall that the Restored Order of the Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation before Eucharist) comes from the Diocesan Synod of 2017. Go to www.dio.org/restoredorder and learn how the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion were celebrated in the early church, how it changed over time and why we are called to restore these sacraments to their original order. The first of four parent meetings is this Thursday.

Next weekend we kick off our Season of Stewardship. This is usually in October, but due to the Listening Campaign, the Discipleship and Stewardship Council decided to wait till now. The theme this year is Together in Mission. Over the next few weeks we will be celebrating and highlighting the many blessings this parish has received through you. During this season we will be prayerfully discerning our call to advance together the mission of Christ the King, through stewardship of time, talent and treasure.

Please note the daily Mass schedule for later this week, as I will be away on vacation and Father Chiola is not available to cover for me. These Christmas days continue to be a blessing to me. I extend a warm thanks to all who have remembered me with good wishes, cards and gifts. You reveal to me the Word made Flesh!

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Joe

TRAVELERS

The Magi brought gifts with them. Although King Herod was greatly troubled, Jesus and his parents did not fear these travelers. God was with them all. And God is with us and everyone even to this day.

- Whom do I fear?
- How can I be like Jesus and his parents and the Magi to accept everyone?
- What will I do to assure pathways of peace for migrants, travelers, refugees, and aliens?

STRIVE™

Attention Men: One of the biggest issues that destroys our own happiness, and rips apart marriages and families is pornography. It's estimated that 60-70% of men are engaging porn with some frequency. If this is an issue you or a loved one deals with, we have a powerful solution for you. It's called STRIVE and it's an ANONYMOUS 21-day challenge that men all around the world are taking to break free from pornography. The normal cost is \$49, but STRIVE is being provided for FREE for a limited time for all the men at our parish. All you need to do is sign-up at strive21.com and you can begin right away.

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR ANY VN POSITION IF YOU ARE AVAILABLE
BY LOGGING ONTO MINISTRY SCHEDULER PRO

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

~ITALICIZED NAMES HAVE REQUESTED A SUB ~

Weekday Servers:

MONDAY JANUARY 6 ♦ 6:30 AM ALEXANDER HOCKENYOS
TUESDAY JANUARY 7 ♦ 8:30 AM TOM BORGS MILLER
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 8 ♦ 8:30 AM SCHOOL SERVERS
THURSDAY JANUARY 9 ♦ 8:30 AM NO MASS
FRIDAY JANUARY 10 ♦ 6:30 AM NO MASS

Saturday — January 11 ♦ 4:30pm

Lectors: JACK SHUDROWITZ(1), KATHY ASCHER(2)
Ushers: David Groesch, AUGUSTINE NWAJEL,
JUSTIN NWAJEL, CHARLES SALVO, DAVID SCHINNEER,
VN, VN, VN
Servers: ALEX GATHARD, SAMUEL LUKER, JOE LUKER
EMHC: EMILY GATHARD, TRACY GATHARD, SALLY HAMILTON,
STEVE KUPER, MARILYN LAWLER, DENNIS LAWLER,
DEBBIE STOLL
Greeters: THOMAS FAULKNER, HELEN HEALY, JOHN RYAN
Rosary Leader: NANCY TATAREK (**ROSARY STARTS AT 4:00PM**)
Musicians: TBD

Sunday — January 12 ♦ 8:00am

Lectors: STEPHAN ROTH(1), ROXANNA HOLLENSTINE(2)
Ushers: STEVE BLICKHAN, MIKE BULPITT, PHIL CARL,
WILLIAM O'CONNOR, ROBERT REED, **VN**
Servers: LEVI HANAUER, **VN, VN**
EMHC: SARA DOBRON, ANN FORRLER, IRIS V. LUGO,
PETE STOLL, **VN**
Greeters: SUSAN BRINKOETTER, ALANM BRINKOETTER,
CYNTHIA SCOTT
Rosary Leader: MARY KLUCKMAN (**ROSARY STARTS AT 7:30AM**)
Musicians: JR SCHOLA WITH LINDA

Sunday — January 12 ♦ 10:00am

Lectors: SHIRLEY STEVENSON(1), **VN(2)**
Ushers: KATIE BARRETT, GREG CONRAD, MCKENZIE DOE,
RAYMOND OLSZEWSKI, MARK ROOT, **VN, VN, VN**
Servers: CARTER HEMMER, ABBY HEMMER, AIDEN HEMMER
EMHC: KATHLEEN LAUTERBACH, VINCNET MADONIA,
MICHELLE SMITH, MARY ELLEN WHITE, KEVIN WRIGHT, **VN, VN**
Greeters: ROSE MARIE BOSCO, KATHY HULCHER,
DARLA PUCKEL
Rosary Leader: BARBARA SULLIAN (**ROSARY STARTS AT 10:00AM**)
Musicians: ADULT CHOIR WITH LINDA AND BERNIE
Share The Word: JACKIE KELLY

Sunday — January 12 ♦ 5:00pm

Lectors: STEPHEN HAZELRIGG(1), **VN(2)**
Ushers: ANGEL PLAZA, ANTHONY SACCO, HARRY STIRMELL,
VN, VN, VN
Servers: MATTHEW CONLON, CANNON DUKE,
NATE HORSTMAN
EMHC: GRACE GARLOW, RYAN HORSTMAN, LINDA JOHNSTON,
MARIA PLAZA, **VN**
Greeters: JOHN ROGERS, THERESE THOELE, **VN**
Rosary Leader: **VN (ROSARY STARTS AT 4:30PM)**
Musicians: MILLENNIAL SINGERS WITH CORY

MASS INTENTIONS

January 6-January 12, 2019

† Deceased

MON., January 6

6:30am †All Souls
7:05am Morning Prayer

TUES., January 7

8:30am †Dorothy Skube

WED., January 8

8:30am †Jerry White

THURS., January 9

8:30am NO MASS

FRI., January 10

6:30am NO MASS

SAT., January 11

4:30pm †John Greenan
†Skip and Mary Knepler
†Patricia Matlack

SUN., January 12

8:00am †Terry Galloway
†Dr. John Kucan
†Helen Campbell
10:00am †Tom and Barb McDermott
5:00pm For the Parishioners of Christ the King
*May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed,
through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*

PRAYER REQUEST

Our team would love to pray for you.

CTK PRAYER LINE

If you have a special intention or someone for whom you would like prayers offered, please contact one of our prayer line leaders:

Pam Miller 217-698-0088
John Dee 217-546-8288
Sharon Schultz 217-691-4340

We are in need of more volunteers to lead the Holy Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Holy Rosary before the Tuesday and Thursday 8:30am Masses. Any availability you might have would be greatly appreciated. If you are interested, please contact Mike Fleischli at 546-5051 or email to mrmike930@comcast.net.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the endurance of Christ." Strengthen, rekindle and renew your marriage sacrament by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in the St. Louis area. The next weekend is Feb. 7-9, 2020 at the Courtyard Marriot in St. Peters, MO. <https://stl-wwme.org/schedule.php> or call or text 314.649.7317.

AROUND THE CAMPUS.....

UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

Monday, January 6

- ~ Children's RCIA at 4:30pm
- ~ Discipleship & Stewardship Council at 5:30pm in the Sts. Peter & Paul room
- ~ Adult RCIA at 6:00pm

Tuesday, January 7

- ~ Legion of Mary at 9:15am in the Library
- ~ School Board at 5:45pm in the Library

Springfield Right to Life Signature Ad

It's time again for the Springfield Right to Life signature ad. Suggested donation is \$5.00, suggested, not required. We generally have enough to cover those who for some reason couldn't pay. The form then asks for your first & last name, email, & telephone number. It doesn't require a signature, which is different from previous years. Signatures will be collected on the weekend of January 5 & again on the weekend of January 12th Questions? call Claudia 217-836-0517.



It's time for the **St. Vincent DePaul Society annual collection for St. Martin De-Porres**. They are collecting bedding, bath towels, kitchen utensils, etc. This year they are also collecting sleeping bags to bring to the Washington Street Mission. The deadline is January 26, 2020. Items can be dropped off in the usher's room. Please consider bringing in your unused items that can truly help others out.



Do you have any old golf clubs, bags, or golf equipment that you are not using? The St. Vincent DePaul Society will be collecting golf related items for the Special Olympics Area 17 golf team. Items can be brought to the ushers room.

SHG PLACEMENT TEST

The SHG Placement Test will be offered on Saturday, January 11, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. Doors open at 8:00 a.m. Sr. Katherine O'Connor, President, will be available to answer parents' questions at 8:30 a.m. in the Choral Room. Students will need to bring #2 pencils and the \$10 testing fee. No calculators will be allowed. Pre-registration online is required by Friday, January 10. Use the following link to register: <http://bit.ly/SHGPlacement2020>. Please contact Amanda Mandeville at 217-787-9732 ext. 155 or mandeville@shg.org if you are unable to take the test.

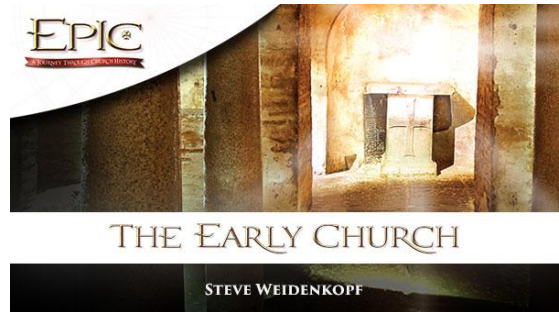
ATTENTION ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE LITURGY SCHEDULE!

Please submit the dates you will be unavailable to minister as a Greeter, Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Server, Usher and Rosary Leader for the next schedule (January 27, 2020 – May 31, 2020) by **Monday, January 13**. **This schedule includes Ash Wednesday (February 26), Holy Thursday (April 9), Good Friday (April 10), Easter Vigil (April 11) and Easter Sunday (April 12) masses.** This can be done online by signing into your Web Terminal or by submitting in writing to the parish office. It is very important that you let us know in advance if you are leaving on vacation or cannot serve as a liturgical minister for any reason. Once the schedule is posted, it is the **MINISTER'S RESPONSIBILITY** to find a sub.

CATHOLIC TIMES

IT'S TIME TO RENEW your subscription to the Catholic Times newspaper. Bishop Paprocki asks that every parish household receive the newly formatted CT in magazine format, or electronically. Please use your special envelope in next weekend's special collection, or donate electronically on the parish website. At \$15 annually, you will stay informed of Catholic news across our diocese, nation, and around the world. When every household renews their subscription, the parish will not have to pay the balance due.



Epic: The Early Church, from Ascension Press

The second study in the Epic Church history series, The Early Church is a 10-part program that presents in exciting and dramatic detail the first 500 years of the Church through the lives and events of the saints, philosophers, theologians, martyrs, and ruthless emperors.

Please join us for this exciting series, starting on Wednesday, January 15. As we wrap up the series before Easter, we'll see this history come alive in the readings from the Acts of the Apostles at Mass. We meet in the Christ the King Parish Hall library from 9:30 to 11 a.m. The student workbook will cost \$25. Contact Mary Kay Hinkle at mbhinkle75@comcast.net or 787-9750 to reserve your spot.



It was a busy and fun Christmas season for the CTK students!

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the LORD upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7).
Psalm — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29).
Second Reading — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38).
Gospel — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Matthew 3:13-17).
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"When I meet another parent of a child with Down syndrome, there is usually a moment of instant recognition and understanding.

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USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

The Pregnancy Care Center of Springfield, Inc. and Trivia Workshop invites you to attend Trivia Night on January 11, 2020 at the Prairie Heart Dove Conference Center from 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 per person, or \$160 for a table of 8. Bring your own snacks. There will be soda, water, beer and wine available for purchase. Registration for the event can be done by calling the Center at 525-5630.

The pain and sorrow of a past abortion need not endure for a lifetime. Call Project Rachel for a confidential, non-judgmental referral to those who can help: 1-877-RACHEL-5.

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Throughout the month of January, we will pray together to discern our stewardship commitment for the coming year.

This year's theme "***Together in Mission***" leads us to reflect upon how we use our time, talent and treasure to advance the mission of Jesus here at Christ the King. The month of January will be a sharing of the life of our parish and the people working together in mission, leading up to the individual completion of Good Faith Intention Cards.

January 11-12: Welcome to the Season of Stewardship

January 18-19: Distribution of Good Faith Intention Cards

January 25-26: Collection of Good Faith Intention Cards

Thank you to everyone who participated in the last season of stewardship. As a reminder, this is not a fundraiser, rather a planning and visioning opportunity. We look forward to a thoughtful and fruitful Season of Stewardship.

If you have any questions or are interested in participating in the Discipleship & Stewardship Council, please contact Theresa Hansen at tlhlcsw1@gmail.com.



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