



**Christ the King Parish**  
**601 Silas Deane Highway**  
**Wethersfield, CT**

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**Opening Hymn: We Gather Together**

1. We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;  
He chastens and hastens his will to make known;  
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing:  
Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.
2. Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
Whose kingdom calls all to the love which endures.  
So from the beginning the fight we were winning:  
You, Lord, were at our side; all glory be yours!
3. We all do extol you, our leader triumphant,  
And pray that you still our defender will be.  
Let your congregation escape tribulation:  
Your name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

**Gloria:**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## **First Reading: Wisdom**

I prayed, and prudence was given me;  
I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me.  
I preferred her to scepter and throne,  
and deemed riches nothing in comparison with her,  
nor did I liken any priceless gem to her;  
because all gold, in view of her, is a little sand,  
and before her, silver is to be accounted mire.  
Beyond health and comeliness I loved her,  
and I chose to have her rather than the light,  
because the splendor of her never yields to sleep.  
Yet all good things together came to me in her company,  
and countless riches at her hands.

## **Responsorial Psalm:**

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord,  
and we will sing for joy!**

Teach us to number our days aright,  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Return, O Lord! How long?

Have pity on your servants!

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord,  
and we will sing for joy!**

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,  
that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days.  
Make us glad, for the days when you afflicted us,  
for the years when we saw evil.

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord,  
and we will sing for joy!**

Let your work be seen by your servants  
and your glory by their children;  
and may the gracious care of the Lord our God be ours;  
prosper the work of our hands for us!  
Prosper the work of our hands!

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord,  
and we will sing for joy!**

## **Second Reading: Hebrews**

Brothers and sisters:

Indeed the word of God is living and effective,  
sharper than any two-edged sword,  
penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow,  
and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart.  
No creature is concealed from him,  
but everything is naked and exposed to the eyes of him  
to whom we must render an account.

**Alleluia:**

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Mark**

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up,  
knelt down before him, and asked him,  
"Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"  
Jesus answered him, "Why do you call me good?  
No one is good but God alone.  
You know the commandments: *You shall not kill;*  
*you shall not commit adultery;*  
*you shall not steal;*  
*you shall not bear false witness;*  
*you shall not defraud;*  
*honor your father and your mother.*"

He replied and said to him,  
"Teacher, all of these I have observed from my youth."  
Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said to him,  
"You are lacking in one thing.  
Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor  
and you will have treasure in heaven;  
then come, follow me."

At that statement his face fell,  
and he went away sad, for he had many possessions.  
Jesus looked around and said to his disciples,  
"How hard it is for those who have wealth  
to enter the kingdom of God!"

The disciples were amazed at his words.  
So Jesus again said to them in reply,  
"Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!

It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle  
than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."  
They were exceedingly astonished

and said among themselves,  
"Then who can be saved?"  
Jesus looked at them and said,  
"For human beings it is impossible, but not for God.  
All things are possible for God."  
Peter began to say to him,  
"We have given up everything and followed you."  
Jesus said, "Amen, I say to you,  
there is no one who has given up house or brothers or sisters  
or mother or father or children or lands  
for my sake and for the sake of the gospel  
who will not receive a hundred times more now in this  
present age: houses and brothers and sisters  
and mothers and children and lands,  
with persecutions, and eternal life in the age to come."

**Nicene Creed:**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Offertory Hymn: The Cry of the Poor**

Refrain: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.  
Blessed be the Lord!

1. I will bless the Lord at all times;  
with praise ever in my mouth,  
Let my soul glory in the Lord,  
who will hear the cry of the poor.
2. Let the lowly hear and be glad:  
the Lord listens to their pleas,  
And to hearts broken God is near,  
who will hear the cry of the poor.
3. Ev'ry spirit crushed God will save;  
will be ransom for their lives;  
Will be safe shelter for their fears,  
and will hear the cry of the poor.

## **Communion Hymn: We Remember**

Refrain: We remember how you loved us to your death,  
and still we celebrate, for you are with us here;  
and we believe that we will see you when you come  
in your glory, Lord.

We remember, we celebrate, we believe.

1. Here, a million wounded souls  
are yearning just to touch you and be healed.  
Gather all your people, and hold them to your heart.

2. Now we recreate your love,  
we bring the bread and wine to share a meal.  
Sign of grace and mercy, the presence of the Lord.

3. Christ, the Father's great "Amen"  
to all the hopes and dreams of ev'ry heart,  
Peace beyond all telling, and freedom from all fear.

4. See the face of Christ revealed in ev'ry person  
standing by your side,  
Gift to one another, and temples of your love.

## **Closing Hymn: Sent Forth by God's Blessing**

1. Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.  
God's sacrifice ended, O now be extended  
The fruits of this Mass in all hearts who believe.  
The seed of Christ's teaching, our inner souls reaching,  
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
His grace shall incite us, his love shall unite us  
To further God's kingdom and answer his call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving To God ever-living,  
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring,  
We claim as our neighbor all those of each race.  
One bread that has fed us, one light that has led us  
Unite us as one in his life that we share.  
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving  
Give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.

## **Prayer to St. Joseph**

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,  
and defend us from every evil. Amen.