

# Christ the King Parish

~ Archdiocese of Saint Boniface ~

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Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Here's wishing Parishioners &  
Friends born in the month of  
**JANUARY**

*a WONDERFUL BIRTHDAY  
and  
a YEAR FILLED WITH GOD'S  
ABUNDANT BLESSINGS !*

HAPPY HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



*May our gracious God shine his face  
upon you now, and forever !*

Love, Fr. Chrys

A Jubilee Year - Pilgrims of Hope  
December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
Rediscovering Our Need for Daily Prayer

A **Jubilee Year** occurs every 25 years in the Catholic Church. In this year of 2025, we are celebrating the Jubilee "Pilgrims of Hope"!

The Holy Father, Pope Francis inaugurated this Jubilee Year on Christmas Eve, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024, with the solemn opening of the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica. This special Jubilee Year will continue throughout each day of this year until January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026.



All the Faithful are invited to enter into and live this Jubilee Year as "**Pilgrims of Hope**", nurturing a spiritual experience that enriches the life of the Church. As Christians who believe with faith in God, we are encouraged to make **prayer** the foundation of our life. As individuals, as community, and as people of every nation of the world, let us make opportunities, and exercise the privilege to rediscover the absolute need for daily prayer, and meditation with God's holy Word.

You will find **prayer cards** in your pews with the printed **Jubilee Prayer 2025**, and the words for the *Hymn for the Jubilee Year* on the reverse. As a faith family, in unity with the whole Church around the world, let us fervently pray this prayer together during Mass, immediately after the Prayers of the Faithful. May the prayer of the Church reinvigorate and leave its grace within the heart of every Christian, and inspire the faith of every person.

May we walk each day as Jesus' Pilgrims of Hope, helping and inspiring others to hope and come to believe in the promises and salvation of our gracious and loving Lord God.

On this third Sunday of Ordinary Time, we celebrate our unity as one body in Jesus Christ our Lord, and live actively our privilege to be a part of his mission of love.

**FIRST READING** (*Nehemiah 8:2-4a,5-6,8-10++*) ~ Ezra explains to the people that God's law does not forbid them from enjoying good things in life, but rather, invites them to enter into a renewal of life with justice, equality and peace, sharing generously for the common good, without the expectation of anything in return.

**SECOND READING** (*1 Corinthians 12:12-4,27*) ~ Paul uses the analogy of the human body to illustrate that it takes many parts to form one body. And so it is with Christ's body. It takes many members – baptized into one body of Christ, and drinking of one Spirit. All people are called to nourish and nurture the body of Christ by each person generously sharing their unique giftedness for the common good, and to welcome all into the Body.



**GOSPEL** (*Luke 1:1-4,4:14-21*) ~ Jesus, filled with Holy Spirit, returns to Galilee to teach in their synagogues. He then travels to Nazareth and goes to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom. He is given the scroll of the Prophet Isaiah, and proclaims the scripture which speaks about himself. He reveals to those gathered that "Today, this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing!"

The Spirit of the Lord is upon us. We too, anointed at our Baptism, are called:

- + to bring good news to the poor
- + to proclaim release to captives
- + to proclaim recovery of sight to the blind
- + to help bring freedom the oppressed
- + to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor

Today, this Scripture has been fulfilled in our hearing.  
May we be open to believing in this grace, and live our baptismal privilege with courage each day.



During Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus. The people of God offer praise by commemorating and celebrating the Paschal Mystery of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus.

On the first day of the week, the Lord's Day, God assembles the beloved People to hear the Word, to reflect upon it, to offer the living sacrifice of praise, and to eat and drink the banquet of the Lord. Then God sends them forth to proclaim this love by their words and actions.

Sunday is the original Christian Feast Day, following the tradition handed down from Apostolic times, for this was the day of the Lord's Resurrection. Today's Christian communities continue this tradition by celebrating every Sunday as the day of the risen Lord. ~ Ordo 2025

## Parish Schedule

**Saturday, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025** Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle  
**Vigil of the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
1-3pm Sacramental Prep. Classes.  
4pm Mass ~ For the needs & intentions of all People.  
(Week of Prayer for Christian Unity concludes. Let us continue to unite together in prayer as disciples of Christ Jesus.)

**Sunday, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>** **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
9am - 10:45am Catechism Classes.  
9am Mass ~ For John Doiron+. By Bob & Josephine Mots  
11am Mass ~ Birthday Remembrance of Mom Merlyn+, and for Dad Lionel+, and grandparents Napoleon+ & Annie+. By Gunasekera & Novosel Family

**Monday, Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>** **Weekday of Ordinary Time**  
No Mass in our Parish on Mondays.

Rosary is prayed at 9:30am Tuesday to Friday, followed by 10am morning Mass. Everyone is welcome to come.  
Fr. Chryst is available to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance after Mass Tuesday to Friday.

**Tuesday, Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>** **St. Thomas Aquinas**  
10am Mass ~ In Thanksgiving for God's graces. By Lorette Cenerini

**Wednesday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>** **Weekday of Ordinary Time**  
10am Mass ~ For Anne Cashin - quick recovery & healing after surgery. By Marie O'Reilly

**Thursday, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>** **Weekday of Ordinary Time**  
10am Mass ~ For Bob & Josephine Mots. By Marie O'Reilly

**Friday, Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>** **St. John Bosco**  
10am Mass ~ For Rita+ & Heinz+ Herold. By Merv & Beryl Simon

**Saturday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>** **Vigil of the Presentation of the Lord**  
4pm Mass ~ For the needs & intentions of all Parishioners  
Special Blessing of Candles ~ Parishioners & Friends are invited to bring a candle(s) to Mass for this blessing at the beginning of Mass.

**Sunday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>** **The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**  
**World Day for Consecrated Life**  
9am - 10:45am Catechism Classes  
9am Mass ~ For Marc Dureault+. By daughter Rachelle & Family  
11am Mass ~ For John Doiron+. By Josephine & Bob Mots  
Special Blessing of Candles ~ Parishioners & Friends are invited to bring a candle(s) with them for this blessing at the beginning of each Mass this day.

**May we unite our hearts together in prayer for:** Jean, B. John, Harold Abs, Bernie Bourret, Lise Daley, Orval Everett, Helena Facto, Lynne Funk, Bonnie Guarino, Lisa Hackett, Catherine Holmes, Catherine Hyska, Ed Labossiere, Lois Lecuyer, Olga & Walter Majola, Helene McShane, Silvia & Hans J. Müllerleile, Charlene Ottenbreit, Pamela Rebello, Rose Rogers, Inez Rowson, Arlette Schamber, Joel Stone, Priyantha Subasinghe, Makenna Stratton, Marcel Verdonck, Marie Viallet ...for all the suffering who seek healing and comfort in body, mind or spirit... for a spirit of reconciliation and forgiveness among all peoples and nations... for peace between all peoples and nations... for forgiveness and reconciliation in relationships... for Youth and Young Adults to grow in faith and integrity... for a renewal of our Parish Family of Christ the King...

Our sincere condolences & prayers to Cheryl & Bryan Doiron, Suzette, JP & Lillian Doiron Dube, Edward, Danielle & Family grieving the death of Cheryl's Mom, Brenda Buckingham. ☩

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE (C.W.L.)

1/ Invite to All Women ~ The Provincial CWL Council invites CWL Members and all women of the Parish to a **DAY OF CELEBRATION** on Feb. 8th, hosted by St. John Brebeuf CWL Council, 1707 John Brebeuf Place. Registration is at 9 a.m. The Theme of the Celebration is *Let Us Care for One Another*.

2/ CWL General Meetings are held every first Wednesday of the month at 10:30am downstairs in St. Mary Room, right after morning Mass. Next meeting is Wednesday, Feb. 5th.

3/ Collection of toiletries ~ Bars of soap, deodorant, shampoo & conditioner, toothpaste & soft toothbrushes, hand cream.... Toiletries will be delivered to **Street Links** of St. Boniface, for the homeless and those living in encampments. Label any bags with donations with "CWL" and place on the counter at the parking lot entrance. Thank you!

4/ CWL Membership ~ Florence F. thanks all the Members who have renewed their membership for 2025 as we look forward to celebrating 70 years.

## CTK KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS NEWS

1/ Next General Meeting is Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, the second Tuesday of the month.

2/ 50/50 Draw is open until Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025. To purchase tickets, go to **Funding Change Manitoba**. Click on "Buy Tickets", scroll down to Knights' page on the list, and buy tickets. For help, see one of the Knights after Mass. Please tell Family & Friends, because the higher the prize, the more you can win.

4/ ICCD ("Inter-Council Charity Drive") for various prizes - first prize is a Car. Tickets are available for purchase from one of the Knights after Mass times. 3 tickets for \$10.00.

5/ Pancake Breakfast- Sunday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> in the gym after the 9am & 11am Mass times - \$20.00 per person; children under 8 yrs old - no charge. The Knights invite everyone to come!

## Christ the King School OPEN HOUSE

**Thursday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm in the gym.**



Parents & Guardians, mark your calendars to come & consider enrolling your child(ren) at CTK School for the 2025-26 School

year. Full-time Junior Kindergarten & Full time Kindergarten... Flexible Before Care at 7:00 am and After Care Program until 6:00 pm to help working parents. Band... Smart Technology. Bus transportation is also available in most areas of the city. Phone 204-257-0027 or email [office@ctkschool.ca](mailto:office@ctkschool.ca) for further info.

>> This year, on Sept 6, 2025, Christ the King School will be celebrating **70 years** that the School began in a building, which was the former Municipal Hall at the corner of Lennox and St. Mary's Road. There were 135 students. Today, the School's enrolment is full with 257 students.

**2024 Income Receipts** will be ready for pick-up next weekend - Feb. 1st/2nd. Please inform the Parish Office with questions, or of any changes to your information.

## Weekend Charitable Offerings

- Sunday Collection offering Envs. \$2,167.25  
- Building (Blue box & pew envs.) \$275.00

*Thank you for your faithful & generous stewardship.*

Please arrive on time for Mass, at least 5-10 minutes before Mass time. It allows you to briefly greet gathering Parishioners & Friends, to settle down, and put yourself in the presence of the Lord before the celebration of Mass begins.

**Special Blessing of CANDLES ~ Next Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>** is the **Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord**, also known as "**Candlemas**" which marks the return of light, a symbol of protection and prosperity. This Christian festival commemorates the presentation of Jesus by Blessed Mary and Saint Joseph in the Temple of Jerusalem, referring to him as the light of the people of Israel, and of the world. Blessed candles can be used both for votive purposes (to present a prayerful intention before God), and when praying, particularly at the time of a loved one's impending death.



**Bring your candle(s)** ~ Parishioners & Friends are invited to bring a candle(s) with you next weekend, to any of the Mass times: Saturday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> & Sunday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Our Pastor, Fr. Chrys will lead the special prayer blessing of all the candles immediately after the singing of our Gathering Song at the beginning of Mass.

**World Day for Consecrated Life - Next Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**, the Church also celebrates the *World Day for Consecrated Life* – a celebration of those who have received and accepted the invitation to live in the freedom of a celibate, vowed life. Saint Pope John Paul II (1997), said: "The purpose of the day is *to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels*" as well as *to be a suitable occasion for consecrated persons to renew their commitment and rekindle the fervour which should inspire their offering of themselves to the Lord.*" (Saint John Paul II, 1997).

**Horizons of Hope: 4-week Palliative Care Program** from CCCB ("Catholic Conference of Canadian Bishops") **These Evening will also serve as our Parish Lenten Retreat.**

During the Lenten days of:

- > Wednesdays, Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, concluding Apr. 2<sup>nd</sup>
- > Time: 6:30-8:30pm
- > Where: downstairs in our CTK Lennox Hall.
- > Who is invited: Parishioners & Friends
- > No charge, however, please Register:

**sign-up** on the sheet at the parking lot entrance.

These educational sessions will be offered on end-of-life and palliative care resources. There will be opportunities for learning, listening, discussion, reflection and sharing.

Jesus is The Word of God. He is the living Gospel, the Good News. Jesus moves people beyond receiving mere explanation of the word, to encountering Him as The Word made flesh. Do we faithfully believe this? We are called to be Christ's living word among those we encounter.

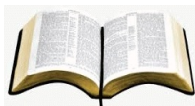


We are invited to participate actively in Jesus' saving mission, because through us, as Christ's disciples, Holy Spirit works in us, and The Word continues to be made flesh. As individuals united through, with, and in the body of Christ, we are all called to put our faith into action and live Christ's mission.

May we seek our oneness with the Lord, deepening our relationship with God in sacred prayer as Pilgrims of Hope. Through this intimate relationship, our thoughts, words and actions will be inspired and guided by Holy Spirit. God knows our hearts and our intentions. Let us serve the Lord God with humility and courage.

## Children's Corner

Dear Girls & Boys, Jesus is the living Word, Spirit, and Life. He anoints us in our Baptism to follow him and spread the Good News of his love. May we ask Holy Spirit to help, inspire and guide us to open our hearts to offer joy, kindness, healing, comfort, and care, especially toward those who are most in need or hurting.



**ANOINTED BRING CUSTOM FAVOR FREE  
FULFILLED GOOD NEWS HEAL HEARING  
JESUS JOY ME POOR POWER PROCLAIM  
READ RELEASE SCRIPTURE SCROLL SEEK  
SENT SERVE SIGHT SPIRIT STOOD TEACH  
TODAY TRUTH UPON WORD**

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Jesus came to proclaim and BE the Good News of God's great reign. He is the living Word of God, and by his example of love, mercy, care, concern, and forgiveness toward all people, he showed us how we are to treat one another. We are challenged to live our lives following his example. We celebrate the new joy and life we share in the reign of God. Despite the dark shadows cast by past failures, and even the trials of oppression and tragedies of war, light is shining in our darkness. The road of the cross is, paradoxically, our only sure hope.

~ Adapted from Unknown Source

May those who follow Jesus, bringing care, comfort, healing and attention to the sick, or those, like Pope Francis, who strive, in patience, for unity among believers, find their sustenance, strength and support in God's grace through daily prayer, and God's promises revealed in the Holy Scripture. May our hearts take courage! Wait and watch with expectant hope, for the Spirit of the Lord our God is with us! Always, and all ways!

You are invited to visit CTK Parish Website & Facebook Page > [www.ctkp.ca](http://www.ctkp.ca)  
CTK School > [www.ctkschool.ca](http://www.ctkschool.ca)  
St. Boniface Archdiocese > [www.archsaintboniface.ca](http://www.archsaintboniface.ca)

## Faith Formation News

> **Catechism Classes** ~ Sunday mornings, from 9-10:45am. Families are warmly invited to come to the Church right after Catechism to celebrate and praise God at the 11am Mass.

> **Sacramental Preparation Classes** - THIS Saturday, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1-3pm.

\*\* **First Penance Blessing** is THIS Sunday, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> at the 11 am Mass. We join Fr. Chrys in blessing you!



> **Young Adults' Group Meet-ups** are on the **first TUESDAY of the month**, from 7-9pm in the church Hall.

> **Young Adults' Fun Events** are every third THURSDAY, 7-9pm. Events differ each month.

> **Youth Group** (12-18 yrs) held every third FRIDAY from 7-9pm downstairs in the Hall. All Youth are invited to c'mon out, and join the Group to grow together in faith, and build community.

Watch the Bulletin for news. Questions? Please email [suzette@ctkp.ca](mailto:suzette@ctkp.ca) or phone 431-373-0572.

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### RC.I.A. Faith Formation Process

Let us continue to hold *Catechumens* (Individuals preparing to celebrate the Church's Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist at Easter) and the *Candidates* (Individuals already Baptized, preparing to complete their full-initiation in the Roman Catholic ("RC) Church through the celebration of the Church's Sacraments of Confirmation & Eucharist at Easter) in prayer as they meet each week to grow in their faith, love and relationship with God who loves and delights in them, and us!

Thanks & Blessings, too, to the RCIA Team Members journeying and growing with them!

*In our temple-church today, may we present our Selves, our prayers of thanksgiving and praise, our gifts of bread and wine, and pray they may be acceptable and fitting offerings to the Lord our God.*

Today is the "Sunday of the Word of God". In the Apostolic Letter 'Aperuit illis', Pope Francis instituted the Sunday of the Word of God, which is celebrated on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.

"Devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the word of God can enable the Church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world."  
~ Pope Francis, *Aperuit illis*, 2

### St. Teresa's Prayer

Christ has no body now, but yours.

No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world.

Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good.

Yours are the hands with which He blesses all the world.

Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

~ St. Teresa of Avila

