

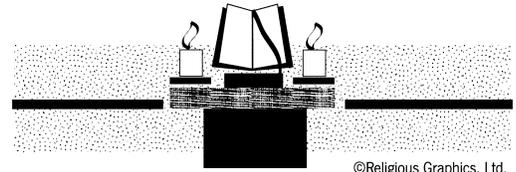
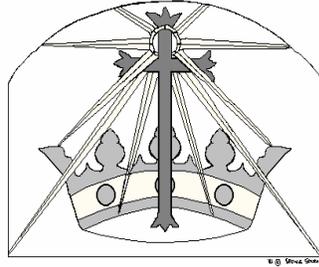
CHRIST THE KING PARISH

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**Fifteenth Sunday
In Ordinary Time
July 15, 2018**



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Mass Schedule / Scripture Readings / Intentions / Ministry Participants

Monday - July 16, 2018 * Communion Service @ 8:30 a.m. Is 1:10-17 * Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday - July 17, 2018 * Mass @ 8:30 am * Is 7:1-9 * Mt 11:20-24 * **Mass Intention: Special Intention (MZ)**

Wednesday - July 18, 2018 * Communion Service @ 8:30 am * IS 10:5-7, 13-16 * Mt 11:25-27

Thursday - July 19, 2018 * Mass @ 8:30 am * Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19 * Mt 11:28-30 * **Mass Intention: + Shannon Niziolek**

Friday * July 20, 2018 * Communion Service @ 8:30 am * Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8 * Mt 12:1-8

Saturday - July 21, 2018 * 4 p.m. Mass

Readings: Mi 2:1-5 * Mt 12:14-21

Mass Intention: + Richard Rueth

Lector: Larry Schultz

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Shelly Schultz * **Volunteer Needed** * **Volunteer Needed**

Servers: Alex Wolf and David Eckes

Crucifix Bearer: Needed

Ministers of Welcome: Jim and Laurie Doepke

Sunday - July 22, 2018 * 8 a.m. Mass **Readings: Jer 23:1-6 * Eph 2:13-18 * Mk 6:30-34**

Mass Intention: + Deceased members of Parish Council of Catholic Women

Lector: Cindy Clark

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Kay Derks * **Volunteer Needed** * **Volunteer Needed**

Servers: Conner and Caitlyn Clark

Crucifix Bear: Nathan Derks

Ministers of Welcome: Al Becker and Kurt Feind

Sunday - July 22, 2018 * 10 a.m. Mass **Readings: 23:1-6 * Eph 2:13-18 * Mk 6:30-34**

Mass Intention: Christ the King and St. John Parish Families

Lector: Deacon Jeff Austin

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Dennis Gonnering * Sue Mews * **Volunteer Needed**

Servers: Alex Baumgarten

Crucifix Bearer: Needed

Ministers of Welcome: Diane Lang and Jim Bauer



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From the Desk of : Father Samuel Martin

Praised be Jesus Christ! Do you ever listen to Relevant Radio? It's a great source of Catholic formation and has brought countless souls back to the practice of their faith. Recently Father Simon was expressing his frustration with what he calls "garden weddings." And as a priest I could completely relate. Now before you read further, some of you are not going to like what is written and some will complain about feeling judged. Let me begin by pointing the finger of blame toward me and my brother priests. We have not done an adequate job of teaching and explaining that Catholics have a very specific and beautiful understanding of the sacrament of marriage. Some of us have not explained clearly enough that Catholics who marry outside the Church without a dispensation (i.e. permission from the Bishop) are not in a sacramental marriage. And this is a problem because it affects the communion that we share with Christ – what happens is that a Catholic marrying outside the parameters of a sacramental marriage are now in an irregular situation and should not receive Holy Communion until this is remedied. My guess is that many people do not know this (that's why I write about it every year: repetition is the mother of learning); a deeper discouragement is that some priests do not teach this and that divides us and makes us appear uncertain. If more priests were team players and had the courage and confidence to teach the truth, more of our faithful would be receiving Jesus in Holy Communion in an efficacious way. People who receive Jesus but are in an irregular situation are simply not able to receive the grace God wants to give. Grace builds on nature, but only if our nature is humble and obedient. Getting married in a park or on the beach is not a bad thing. But it is not a Catholic thing. One of the least enjoyable aspects of being a priest is trying to explain to people when they're not disposed to receive Holy Communion. This could be a person who went through a divorce and remarried but never had the first marriage annulled (which is important because it makes sure that the person is free to marry again). Again, a person living with someone as if they were married when in fact they are not damages communion with Christ, meaning they are not objectively in the state of grace. And Catholics that are civilly married but have never had their marriage blessed are also in spiritual limbo because their marriage is not a sacrament. Okay, by this point many reading this might be discouraged and wonder, "Now what?" The good news is that each of the aforementioned situations can be remedied. The annulment process is not difficult and can bring extraordinary healing. I've helped dozens of folks go through the annulment process and it has brought real hope and healing. We can also help with the financial aspect for those worried about the cost. As for the many "garden weddings" happening, if you would like to practice your Catholic faith and resume receiving Jesus in Holy Communion, having your marriage blessed is eminently possible (thus raising it to a sacrament, complete with all of the sanctifying graces). Please do not hesitate to contact me or any priest who teaches what the Church teaches. Blessing the civil marriage shows trust in the Lord and an honest awareness of our need for God's divine assistance. For everyone reading this, please pray for those who find themselves in spiritually difficult situations – we're all in this together and our prayers are a powerful means of loving and not judging God's people. And while Father Simon and I might be frustrated by the widespread confusion regarding Catholic marriages, we work for a Boss who can draw straight with crooked lines – in Him we trust.

May God sanctify our love and renew the beautiful sacrament of Holy Matrimony!

Your friend in Christ, Father Martin

Mission Statement

As members of God's family, Christ the King Parish will always be a welcoming community that comforts, shares its Catholic faith, and inspires others.

Sacraments

Baptism.. Expectant parents are to participate in the Baptism preparation program offered in February, June and October. The Baptisms are then scheduled for the second and fourth Sundays of the month, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass

Marriage.. Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance by contacting the parish pastor.

Anointing of the Sick.. (which was known as Extreme Unction or Last Rites) has taken a different connotation since The Second Vatican Council. The sacrament is celebrated not only for those who are dying, but to those preparing for major surgery, the aged, and the sick. It is time for the Church to pray for and with those who are ill and anoint them with oil. The proper celebrant of this sacrament is a priest. Those who desire to receive this sacrament are to contact Fr. Martin, in advance.

Penance . . Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday afternoon 3:15 p.m. until 3:45 p.m. or by appointment



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Ministry to the Homebound...

First Sunday - Joan Meyer

Second Sunday - Needed

Third Sunday - Sue Mews

Fourth Sunday - Deacon Jeff and Rita Austin

Fifth Sunday - Shelly Schultz

Sue Kappel (substitute)

Rosie Frank (substitute)

Jack and Kris Franklin (substitute)



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Christ the King Parish

Parish office Email: Watch for new email address

Parish Office Address: 107 East Wendell St.

Church Building address: 208 South LaSalle St.

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Baseball Outing * Can still sign up to attend until Sunday *** by calling Joan Meyer for Christ the King Parish Family Outing** is Wednesday July 18, 2018. Tickets for the Wausau Woodchucks are \$12.00 for your admission, a hotdog, soda and a Woodchucks baseball cap. Tickets will be at game ticket booth. Call Joan Meyer @ 715-384-2774
Directions From the West: Take WI-29 E. Merge onto US-51 N. Take the Bridge St. exit (EXIT 193) Keep right and follow W. Bridge St. (becomes Central Bridge St.) Turn left onto 3rd St. and continue until E. Wausau Ave. (Athletic Park will be on your right)
Game begins at 6:35. Looking forward to seeing you there.
Family Life Committee

The Knights of Columbus is again sponsoring the **Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Run**. The Silver Rose which starts its run in Canada and makes its way to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico will be making a stop in Marshfield at **Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church on July 21st. Please join us for a prayer service at 4:00 PM.**

Ministry Participants: The **ministry schedule will be worked on for September, October, November, December of 2018.** Please let parish office know if you will stepping down from your ministry position so the next ministry schedule can be adjusted properly. **Deadline is: Monday-August 6 @ Noon ... ** There is a need of participants in the ministries of lector / servers/ crucifix bearers / (ushers for 4pm Mass).** Please consider using your time and talent to help out at these masses. There are reference guides, in the sacristy, that help you to prepare for the weekend masses. If you have any questions about a particular ministry do not hesitate to ask Father Martin, Father Saylor, Deacon Jeff Austin or one of the ministry participants who are in that particular ministry that you have a interest in. If you would like to be a Minister of Holy Communion please talk to Father Martin as there is certain protocol for this ministry.

Father Daniel Sedlacek's new address is as follows:

St. Mary's Catholic Church
1812 Lynn Avenue
Altoona, WI 54720

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Eternal Rest + Grant unto:

Alan Robert Mercier * July 2, 2018

Christ the King Parish family extends sympathy and prayers to Lora, Brenna, Nathan and Sadie

Wednesday * July 18, 2018 * Celebrating the Eucharist including the Sacrament of the Sick with Mass @ St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Mfld.
Mass @ 9 a.m. An invitation is extended to our parishioners, to attend this healing mass. Please register by calling parish office @ 715-384-3252. In registering with Mary, it lets us know how many to prepare for. There will be 3 priests at this mass, Fr. Martin, Fr. Barry Saylor and Fr. Robertson.

Youth Rummage Sale Thurs., Aug. 2, 8-5 the youth will be holding a rummage sale in the Seton Center at Christ the King. You are invited to donate your gently used items by bringing to the Seton Center Wed., Aug. 1 from noon-6pm or call to make arrangements. You are also invited to come purchase items from this sale to support our youth @ 105 E. Wendell St., Spencer For more info. please contact Mr. Dan Kitzhaber.

The PCCW / **St. Ann & St. Theresa Circles Annual "Pie in the Park"** will take place on **Thursday-August 2, 2018 starting @ 9 am @ the Lion's Shelter in the village park.***** The pies are always delicious and Bar-B-Q Luncheon plate will be available, so you do not have to plan where to have lunch on Thursday. Your financial support for this annual summer time event is greatly appreciated. Members of these 2 PCCW Circles will be contacted by their co-chairladies and asked to participate and help where they are needed.

Holy Day of Obligation * The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary * Tuesday- August 14 with vigil mass @ 7 p.m. and Wednesday-August 15 with mass @ 8:30 a.m. **Ministry participants are needed for these masses.** Sign-up sheets have been placed on back table in gathering area of church. Your help is greatly appreciated.

St. Anthony's Spirituality Center Volunteer Week

St. Anthony's is hosting its annual Volunteer Week, and we need your help. We have many projects that need to be done around the building, grounds, and gardens. It takes many hands to get everything done. We invite you to come spend a day, a few days, or the entire week with us. Overnight accommodations and meals are provided! The week begins with check-in on **Sunday July 29** at 6:00 pm. Work projects will begin on Monday after breakfast. We'll wrap up with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 11:15 am followed by an appreciation luncheon on **Thursday August 5**. For more information or to reserve your spot, contact Marie Fleisner: mfleisner@sarcenter.com; 715-443-2236 ext: 114.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is beginning on September 6th, 2018 with full entrance into the church occurring at Easter of 2019. RCIA is the process whereby a person learns about the beautiful Catholic faith that we sometimes take for granted. Please pick up a brochure at the entrance of the church if you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or if you just want to deepen your understanding of the faith. This will be an excellent way to grow closer to God by learning about Catholicism and how it promotes heroic goodness! For more information, contact Deacon Jeff Austin at 715-676-3186.

Religious Education



D.R.E:

Mrs. Deb Mlsna

715-659-4480 ext. #3

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Learning prayers is something our students do every year. Prayer is so very important! Any student who can recite their prayers by **September 19** will earn a special reward! The prayers are:

Grade 1: Sign of the Cross, Glory Be, Angel of God

Grade 2: Hail Mary, Our Father, Act of Contrition, 10 Commandments

Grade 3: Apostle's Creed, Before Meal Prayer, 7 Sacraments

Grade 4: Rosary Mechanics (w/Joyful Mysteries), Hail Mary, Glory Be

Grade 5: Hail Holy Queen, Our Father, 7 Sacraments

Grade 6: O My Jesus, Act of Contrition, Apostle's Creed

Grade 7: Memorare, Hail Holy Queen, 7 Sacraments

Grade 8: Recite a rosary, all prayers included, with the set of mysteries of the students' choice

Grade 9: St. Michael prayer, Act of Contrition, Memorare

Grade 10: Stations of the Cross

Registration and first night of class for grades 1-8 is **September 5, 2018.**

Grades 9 & 10 will begin classes on September 12.

Youth Ministry News

Youth Minister:

Mr. Dan Kitzhaber

Christ the King:

715-659-4480 ext. #4

St. John the Baptist:

715-384-3252 ext. #6

Email:

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Tanzania Mission Trip 2019 Plans are being made for an Intergenerational Parish Mission Trip of 20 people ages 16 and older to serve with the Sisters of Our Lady Queen of Africa, in Sumbawanga, Tanzania, Africa from June 17-28, 2019. This immersion experience will offer the chance to serve at the school, orphanage, and clinic. There will also be an opportunity for a safari and market experiences. Tentative cost is \$2500 (dictated by airfare). For more information, please contact Mr. Dan Kitzhaber.

Steubenville Youth Conference for teens presently in grades 8-12 An awesome, high energy event with 2,000 other teens . PLUS: we'll roll up our sleeves and lend a hand while serving others. It will be at St. Thomas University in St. Paul, July 27-29 The cost of \$270 includes most meals, transportation, & all housing. To sign up, contact Mr. Dan Kitzhaber.

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Teen & Young Adult Retreat Team Looking for teens and young adults to help lead youth retreats. Living Stones is the name of the group and it rocks! Meet lots of great people, grow in your faith, and have tons of fun. If interested, contact Mr. Dan Kitzhaber.

Summer Prayer

Creator of all, thank You for Summer ! Thank You for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight. Thank You for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your Creation. Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season.

Draw me closer to You this summer. Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing. Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence, and light my path with Your Word and Counsel.

As I enjoy Your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You. Amen. (Source Unknown)

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Dear Brothers and Sisters of Christ the King Parish: May The Lord give you Peace! I extend my hearty and sincere thanks to you for investing your time, talent, and treasures in successful and fruitful efforts to reach your 2017/2018 Diocesan Annual Appeal Goal. Not lost in this effort is the fact that this year we are celebrating our Diocesan Sesquicentennial. Like the gifts from generations before us, your sacrificial gifts awaken a hope, a hope that endures, for countless people now and into the future. Again, thank you! May God continue to abundantly bless the charitable and the good works you do!
Bishop William P. Callahan

Attention Engaged Couples: Registration is now open for the *Married Love: Two Becoming One* classes starting this fall. The dates for 2018–2019 are: August 18th, 2018, November 3rd, 2018, February 16th, 2019 and April 6th, 2019. Couples should first contact their priest and then plan to attend a class at least six months before their wedding. Be sure to register early because classes fill quickly. For questions or to register, contact Alanna Hart at hart_alanna@yahoo.com or 715-650-7310.

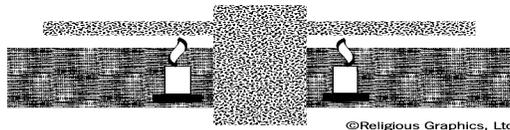
Stress in Your Marriage? – Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Does talking about it only make it worse...or have you just stopped talking to each other? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) is a program that helps couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage to find forgiveness and renewed love and trust. Countless couples experiencing difficulties in their marriages have successfully rebuilt loving relationships using this program. Presenters are couples who have been there. For information or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **August 17-19, 2018**, call 1-877-922-HOPE (4673) *Fully confidential!*, or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Invitation extended to Parishioners of Christ the King Parish: First Corinthians & Galatians Bible Study: Please register by Aug. 30th if you are interested in participating in these two Bible studies @ St. John's in Mfld. First Corinthians will be offered in September; Galatians begins in January. Materials for each study is \$25.00 and can be paid separately before the beginning of each study. Checks should be written out to St. John's. **Both will be held in the Columbia room on Sundays from 8:15 - 10:15am.** Contact Judy at 715-305-2261, to register.

Everyone who wants to live Mercy and the spiritual life more deeply is welcome to attend our twice monthly meetings **Sister Mary Veronica will lead us through teaching, prayer and fellowship.** The next meeting is this **Thursday, July 26th @ 7 PM at Corpus Christi Church (10075 HWY BB - Bakerville, WI).** Meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month unless otherwise indicated. Questions? Please contact: fsofdivinemeracy@gmail.com or [715-451-2395](tel:715-451-2395). Please spread the word!

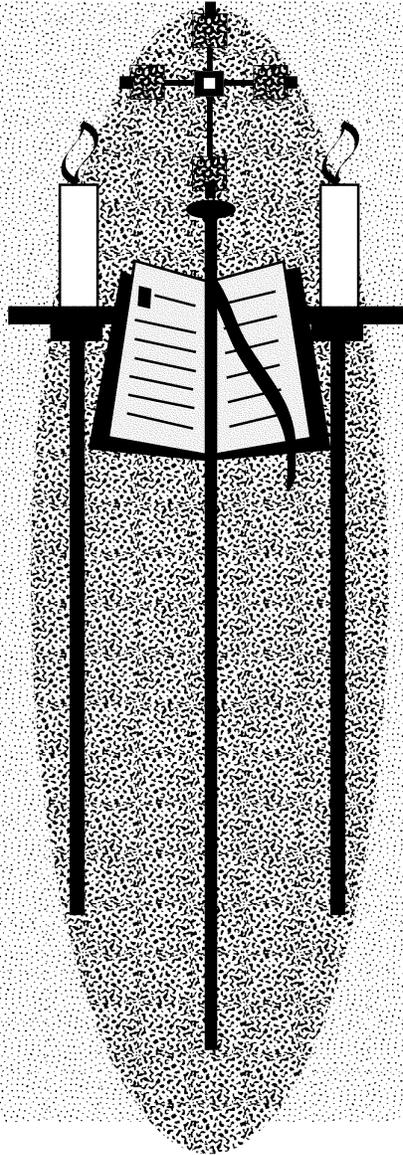
Please note that if you or your loved one who is a member of the parish is admitted to the hospital through the emergency room, more than likely you will not be asked which parish you are a member. Consequently, your name will not be recorded in the hospital census, and the parish will not know you have been admitted. Moreover if your loved one is in a nursing home or moved from one home to another we may lose touch with them. Knowing where they are assures them the opportunity to be anointed when necessary. Please call the parish office at 715-659-4480 with that information so that we can keep in contact with them. **Also if you have changed from a land-line to cell phone number please let parish office, know this.**

The Diocese of La Crosse is committed to creating a safe environment within the Church for children and youth. We continue to have a special care for and a commitment to reaching out to victims of sexual abuse and their families. * Diocese of La Crosse Guidelines For Reporting Instances of Child Abuse posted on church bulletin boards. *



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Prayer for the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of La Crosse * Holy and Good God, Creator of all times and seasons. In the twinkling of an eye, time fulfills Your plan and opens into fullness of eternal life. We thank you for the gifts You have given to us as we celebrate the days of our Diocesan Sesquicentennial. We thank you for the foundations You have allowed us to build in this part of our country, and the ways in which Your Church has grown by your grace through human creativity and natural richness. Be with us as we pray for gifts known only to You, for our future. With Your blessing, may Your Church flourish and this land continue to yield abundance in grace and peace. We pray through the intercession of the Blessed Lady and our Patrons, Saint Joseph and Saint Francis, through Christ Our Lord. Amen. Imprimatur: Most Reverend William Patrick Callahan / Bishop of La Crosse



You who have
heard the
WORD of
TRUTH and
have believed in
JESUS
were sealed with the
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**Diocese of La Crosse Guidelines
For Reporting Instances of Child
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The Diocese of La Crosse is committed to creating a safe environment within the Church for children and youth. We continue to have a special care for and a commitment to reaching out to the victims of sexual abuse and their families. * To report allegations of sexual abuse by a member of the clergy, lay employees or volunteers of the Diocese of La Crosse please fill out the report form found at: www.dioc.org/safe-environment/reporting * Alternatively, you can also contact this person: Mrs. Karen Becker / Victim Assistance Ministry @ 608-519-8002
Victims of sexual abuse, in addition to contacting civil authorities, are asked to come forward in order to receive pastoral assistance Such assistance can be received from: Deacon David Allen, Victim Assistance Coordinator @ 608-792-9684