

CHRIST THE KING PARISH

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Parish office hours:

Monday	8:30 am- 5:00pm
Tuesday	8:30 am-5:00pm
Wednesday	8:30 am- 5:00pm
Thursday	8:30 am- 5:00pm
Friday	8:30am-12:30pm

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 15, 2020

Monday, November 16, 2020 Rv 1:1-4, 2:1 Lk 18: 35-43

Tuesday, November 17 2020 Rv 3:1-6,14-22 Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 Rv 4:1-11 Lk 19:11-28 Mass Intention + Bill Krainz

Thursday, November 19, 2020 Rv 5:1-10 Lk 19:41-44 Mass intention: + Allan Wolf

Friday, November 20, 2020 Rv 10:8-11 Lk 19:45-48 Mass Intention: + Leon Mondloch

Saturday, November 21, 2020 *4pm Mass

Readings: Ez 34:11-12,15-17 1 Cor 15-20,26,28 Mt 25:31-46

Mass Intention: + Timothy Kolb

Lector: Larry Schultz

Eucharistic Minister: Shelly Schultz

Servers: Alex , Trevin or Mason Wolf

Crucifix Bearer:

Ministers of Welcome: Sue Cattanach Volunteers Needed

Sunday, November 22, 2020 *8am Mass

Readings: Ez 34:11-12,15-17 1 Cor 15-20,26,28 Mt 25:31-46

Mass Intention: + Christ the King Parish Families

Lector: Catherine Wojcik

Eucharistic Minister: Robert Burrington

Servers: James Wojcik & Abigail Wojcik

Crucifix Bearer:

Ministers of Welcome: Jim Bauer Volunteers Needed

Sunday, November 22, 2020 * 10am Mass

Readings: Ez 34:11-12,15-17 1 Cor 15-20,26,28 Mt 25:31-46

Mass Intention: + Willard & Gertrude Bruss

Lector: Rita Austin

Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Kobs

Servers: Paige Bauer & Weston Bauer

Crucifix Bearer:

Ministers of Welcome: Diane Lang Volunteers Needed

From the Pastor's Desk:

I remember growing up and being very excited about the new television season starting. Dallas is one that sticks out the most. All summer we heard the advertisements, "who shot JR." And it was a well anticipated cliff hanger that the previous season had left viewers hanging on to! As the seasons went on, they became even more intriguing, almost veering from the first season completely, and toward the end I didn't really find it as interesting. *It's all too much. In other words, many TV producers feel that every new season has to outdo the previous one. It's not ok to simply redo what has worked in the past. That's not good enough. More is better. And the same, well, is bad.* What's wrong with staying the same?

"Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said . . . 'Here it is back.'"

That doesn't sound so bad, does it?

Our Gospel parable from Matthew this week is one we have heard many times before. A master is going on a journey, and leaves money "talents" with each of his three servants, according to each's ability. When he returns, two of the servants have used the money well, and have more to give back than what they were entrusted with. But the third servant did absolutely nothing with the money, burying it in the ground out of fear. And, well, his master is not pleased, to put it mildly.

I wonder if that third servant had any idea his master would react that way. If you think about it, he actually did the safe thing. And he didn't lose anything. Not a cent. He probably thought it would be completely ok to be able to say to his master, "**Here it is back.**"

Or put another way, "See . . . everything's exactly the same as when you left."

Usually, when this story is read at Mass, the priest or deacon will talk about the importance of using the gifts God has given us. And that absolutely is a valid way to interpret this story, and certainly the most common. But what if we just broaden the scope of the story a little bit, step back and see a slightly bigger picture? What if the things we are burying in the ground are not simply our gifts, but actually our whole selves?

I guess I should be happy that the makers of the shows I like are trying new things, trying to make better shows, trying to improve on what is already pretty good. And that goes for any other products too . . . cars, phones, food, lodging, whatever. I should be glad that there are many people in business who don't simply adopt the status quo and say, "Everything is just fine the way it is." Rather, I should be grateful that there are people constantly wondering, "What can we do better? What can we make better? And in some cases, whose lives can we make better? And I know that the pursuit of money drives many of these things I'm talking about . . . but at least there is a sincere realization that there is always room for improvement, always an opportunity to make a step forward, always an opportunity for something to be more tomorrow than it is today.

Do we feel the same way, do we participate the same way? *Have a blessed week, and be more today than you were yesterday!*

Fr. Barry



Special Announcement

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Fr. Barry has officially been appointed pastor of Christ the King. He will be installed pastor at the 4pm Mass on November 21st. Should there be more than the 50 limit due to Covid, we will be using the basement as overflow.

The new Parish calendars have arrived. They are available at the main entrance. One per family please. Christ the King Parish would like to thank Hansen-Schilling Funeral Home for sponsoring and donating the calendars for 2021.

Diocesan Annual Appeal 2020-2021:

The goal for Christ the King is \$40,215. Each family should have received a letter from the Bishop along with a pledge card. Please contact the parish office if you have not received a pledge card in the mail. It is our hope that each family in our parish will help us to complete this appeal. Each week we will list the families, in the order in which they were received at the Diocese, whether this be through prayer or financial giving. By posting names, our hope is that you are made aware that your donation has been received by the Diocese and credited to Christ the King accurately. If you do not see your name in this week's bulletin, stay tuned! If you prefer not to have your name listed, please contact the parish office. **As of 11/10, we have 89 families that have donated with a total of \$21,300 received. We are now at 49.97% of our goal.**

We thank the following families at this time:

Jeff & Rita Austin, Marcia Draeger, Joan Elfe, Steve & Monica Fleischman, Harriet Huber, Jerome & Shirley Lang, Dan & Deb McNeely, Rita Pescinski, Jim & Pat Reckner, Larry & Shelly Schultz, Jeanne Wells, Jim & Peggy Steffen, Phil & Cheryl White, Dennis & Donna Wojcik, Doug & Catherine Wojcik.

Christ the King Stewardship Nov. 7 & 8, 2020

Adult/Plate/Youth \$ 2,803.00

Parish Improvement.: \$ 50.00

Month to Date: \$7,269.00

Amount needed for November: \$10,221.02

Your continued support is so greatly appreciated.

Considering filing for an annulment? The Diocese of La Crosse Matrimonial Tribunal would like to encourage anyone with questions or concerns about the annulment process, to contact our office and give us an opportunity to address them. We would also be happy to assist anyone who would like additional information or guidance in how to begin the process. We can be reached by phone at (608) 791-2684 or email at Tribunal@diolc.org.

MYTH: An annulment means a marriage never existed.

TRUTH: An annulment does not deny the reality that a civil marriage occurred. When an annulment is granted, it is a declaration that a union was entered with improper consent on the part of one or both parties and, as a result of that defective consent, the parties involved should no longer be held to their vows.

More questions or curious about petitioning for a possible annulment? Contact the Matrimonial Tribunal by phone (608) 791-2684 or email Tribunal@diolc.org. Or you may also contact Father Barry.

Christ the King will be participating in **The Giving Tree**. This year, more than ever, people will be needing help at Christmas time. Following are the dates to keep in mind: Giving tree selection will begin on November 21st, with purchased gifts returned as soon as possible, but no later than December 20th. A huge "Thank you" to those who participate.

Upcoming Parish meetings:

The Finance Council will meet November 17th at 6 p.m.

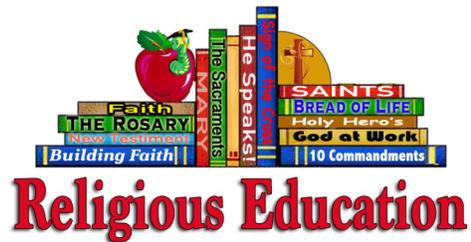
With Joyful Hearts we Celebrate!

*** New Members ***

Collin & Katelyn Frankwick Family

Parish Office Updates

- Deadline for Parish bulletin items is Tuesday at noon.
- **Ministry schedules** for January through April will be worked on soon. **Please submit any changes to the parish office no later than November 18th.** *If you are a new or current member and would like to join our Ministry team, we are in need of Lectors, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers and Servers. Please prayerfully consider assisting Father Barry at a Mass.



Religious Education

Our students are finishing their prayers for this year. This month we have been focusing on review prayers for each of the grades. All prayers should be finished by Christmas.

Fr. Barry talked with our 6th grade class about what vocations are and hearing God's call.

More about our program... Grades 5 & 6

Grade 5: The curriculum for grades 5 changes as we do not use the Faith and Life books. I found that the students had a difficult time engaging in that book. We use a Sadlier text and the emphasis is on encountering Jesus through the sacraments.

Grade 6: For grade 6, we return to the Faith and Life program. This text focuses on the 10 Commandments. It is at this point in our program that students need to write out the 10 Commandments as part of their end of year test. Grade 6 also focuses on the Mass and the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

On the schedule:

November 18: Classes meet
Youth Group, 8pm-9pm

November 25: No class or Youth Group
Happy Thanksgiving!

Sunday, Nov 29: No Sunday school @ 10am Mass

Youth Group update

We have had between 10-18 students attending each week. Last week we filmed a few short Thanksgiving clips ~ It will be fun to see how those turn out for the Community Thanksgiving program! We have held a few bon fires and a scavenger hunt. We are designing t-shirts to tie dye! Please pray for our youth!



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Parish Council of Catholic Women

PCCW

Ladies: You are invited to attend our meetings, which are held during the months of: Feb / May / Sept / Dec* *Dec is the annual Christmas party

Mother Mary, guide us each day ...

Contact the parish office to
include your advertisement
here! Thank you for support-
ing our parish!

Holy Name Society

Men of the parish: As members of the Holy Name Society, there are events throughout the year in which your time & talent is much needed and appreciated. Please watch the bulletin for these opportunities to assist our parish family.

Columbus Corner for November 14 – 15, 202

It's that time again! Get your Dons Gear - including Dress Code Shirts - now! Deadline to order is November 18th. Distribution begins Dec. 14th, so this is a perfect time to get a head start on Christmas gift shopping! Visit our website to order.

We are proud to announce the 2020 Homecoming Court! This year's reigning senior couple is 2020 Homecoming King, Austin Grubofski, escorting 2020 Homecoming Queen, Erynn Meece. Other senior representatives on the court are Master of Ceremonies, Gage Stratman escorting Mistress of Ceremonies, Emmalee Jicinsky; Ashley Herman escorted by Eden Jacobson; and Meghan Kibbel escorted by Jadon Nienast. Junior Class representatives are Xane Adler escorting Maeleigh Anderson. Representing the Sophomore Class are Jesus Carrera escorting Lily Stratman. Freshman Class representatives are Charlie Moore escorting Courtney Sommer.

On Nov. 6th, the family of Rick Henrichs donated several BRAND NEW tools to the Career and Technical Education Department! Among the donated items included: 12" Dual Bevel Miter Saw, M18 Fuel 7 Piece Combo Kit, 74 piece Shockwave Set, Folding Miter Saw Stand and 3-Tool Maker Kit. Rick was a 1974 graduate of CCHS. He owned and operated Henrichs Builders for 37 years. Rick passed away last May at the age of 64 after a battle with pancreatic cancer. In lieu of flowers, the family requested monetary donations to purchase tools and materials to donate in his memory. Rick was a huge supporter of promoting the skilled trade. Special thanks also goes out to Hiller's True Value Hardware for their help. What a wonderful way to remember a wonderful man!