



Christ King

CATHOLIC PARISH

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JULY 11 *Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot*

- WA** 9:00 AM Reconciliation
PB 3:00 - 3:40 PM Reconciliation at Saint Bernard
WA 4:00 PM Mass For the People of Christ King

SUNDAY, JULY 12

- WA** 8:00 AM Mass † Jerry Morse (Family)
WA 10:30 AM Mass † Charles Sermersheim (Mary Semersheim)

MONDAY, JULY 13

6:30 AM - 8:00 PM Personal Prayer and Reflection at both Christ King and Saint Bernard

- PB** 8:15 AM Mass at Saint Bernard Thanksgiving to Archangel Michael and Mother Mary (Yollande Tchouapi)

TUESDAY, JULY 14 *Memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin*

6:30 AM - 8:00 PM Personal Prayer and Reflection at both Christ King and Saint Bernard

4:00 - 8:00 PM Adoration at Saint Bernard
 (interrupted for Mass from 5:30-6:00 p.m.)

- WA** 5:30 PM Mass at Saint Bernard † Carol Garrison (Mary Urlakis)
WA 6:00 PM Reconciliation at Saint Bernard

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15 *Memorial of Saint Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

6:30 AM - 8:00 PM Personal Prayer and Reflection at both Christ King and Saint Bernard

- WA** 7:00 AM Mass † Beverly Wyler (Foley & Miller Families)

THURSDAY, JULY 16

6:30 AM - 8:00 PM Personal Prayer and Reflection at both Christ King and Saint Bernard

- PB** 8:00 AM Mass Mass League

FRIDAY, JULY 17

6:30 AM - 8:00 PM Personal Prayer and Reflection at both Christ King and Saint Bernard

- WA** 12:00 Noon Mass † James C. Jankowski (Fran Clemens)

SATURDAY, JULY 18

- WA** 9:00 AM Reconciliation
WA 3:00 - 3:40 PM Reconciliation at Saint Bernard
JH 4:00 PM Mass † Allen Bochat (Fran Clemens)

SUNDAY, JULY 19

- BA** 8:00 AM Mass † Jerry Morse For the people of Christ King
BA 10:30 AM MASS † Edward and † Sandra Pierce (Family)

PB Fr. Phillip Bogacki **WA** Fr. Will Arnold **JH** Fr. John Hemsing **BA** Fr. Bob Anello

STATUS OF OPERATIONS

To access the full status of operations at both Christ King and Saint Bernard, click the "Status of Operations" links from either homepage, or access directly at: christkingparish.org/status.cfm

ORGAN WORK

Well before COVID-related shutdowns, the new organ for Christ King Parish has been underway for quite some time at the factory, Juget-Sinclair Organs, in Montreal, Canada. The organ will be completely assembled and tested at the factory, then disassembled, loaded on trucks, and delivered to us sometime in January. Once delivered and reassembled, the builders will be with us for about three months regulating the sound and tailoring it to our worship space and liturgical needs. We are hoping for dedication and inaugural recital events at points during 2021.

Though it still seems far off, we will need to remove the old organ and prepare our balcony space for the new instrument. Infrastructure work is scheduled to begin this month. We hope that this work will be completed by Thanksgiving. Here's what you can expect in church during this time:

- Music during the Masses will be led from the right side of the church, where the piano is located. The Handbell Choir, Adult Choir, Children's Choir, and the Instrumental Group will utilize this area until the organ is completed sometime next Spring.
- Cantors will lead our Masses from the podium to the right of the sanctuary.
- Five pews on each side in the back of church will be temporarily removed to storage and replaced when construction is finished.
- Two scissor lifts will be located at the back of the church for a time.
- Plastic sheeting may be used to seal off the balcony during some of the process.
- The space that houses the Risen Christ statue to the right of the nave will be a temporary space to store music equipment used during the Mass.

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- Balcony crying rooms, now closed due to Covid-19, will remain closed. Once we are free from restrictions on worship, the former “nun’s chapel” on the upper left side of the church will be available as a crying room.

Thanks in advance for your understanding and patience during this transitional time. And thank you for your support of this historic project, important not only for the future of sacred worship at Christ King, but an exciting cultural contribution to sacred arts in the Midwest.

Please pray for those parishioners with acute health problems and continuing health concerns: Maureen Ivans, Tony Berg, Jim Michalek, Matthew Howard, Rowan Wilcox, Jim Dries, Joan Bielefeld, Anna Bullio, Savanna Heltemes, Virginia Krysiak, Mary Anne, Laine Meske, Sara Block, Steven Neitzke, Donna Stahoviak, Amy Bilski, Diane Brulc, Jerry Inhoff, Harold Henry, John Volpe, Martha Lenz, Katina Yerton, Pat Borck, Mary Benson, Madeleine Dodgion, Tom Stepp, Vian Sirwardena, Barb Dropp, Julie Zeman, Lonnie Melbinger and Neil Schmidt.

EVER WONDER WHY CATHOLICS BAPTIZE BABIES?

For adults who want to be baptized, the celebration only takes place after a long, guided, and thoughtful process through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This is also true for many Protestant Christians, who are baptized later in life, often after a personal, transforming religious experience. So, it seems fair to ask why our Catholic tradition includes infant baptism. After all, if we make adults who want to become Catholic wait months and even years as they grow in their understanding of Christ and his teachings, why should babies — who “do nothing” — be baptized?

Our custom of infant baptism dates back to the earliest days of the Church, when St. Paul baptized entire households, including, we presume, children (see Acts 16:15, 33; 18:8). That had become common practice by the second century. When Christianity was legalized 200 years later, infant baptism became the normal practice throughout the Church.

We recognize that in Baptism, we are given the grace to overcome original sin — the human tendency to choose ourselves and our own wills over God — and to become members of the Church. This is the gift we give to infants in Baptism.

In its essence, the baptism of infants also reminds us adult Christians that the gift of salvation and membership in the Church (i.e., the Body of Christ) is God’s initiative. It is freely offered to us, regardless of where we might be in life’s journey. Salvation isn’t something we earn. Instead, we see that Baptism is the beginning of a lifelong process of growing into the kind of disciples that Jesus wants us to be.

To learn more, see the “Catechism of the Catholic Church” (no. 1250-1252 and 1262-1270). ©LPi

REJOICING IN THE GIFT OF NEW LIFE

Baptism is an initiation into a new life of discipleship and access to the full spiritual riches of the Church.



The parish rejoices at the gift of new life and seeks to assist you in this mission as parents, starting with the sacramental grace of Baptism.

Preparation sessions are held regularly among our tri-parish collaborative relationship. For the convenience of parents, we encourage you to begin preparation prior to the birth of the child. Are you expecting and ready to attend a session? We are excited to offer an upcoming ONLINE baptism prep session on Thursday, August 6. To register, go to triparishfaithformation.org/baptismprep.

Baptisms are celebrated on particular Sundays of the month either during Mass or after Mass. Contact the parish office for details and to set your date!

CONGRATULATIONS

Please welcome Veda May Von Behren who will be baptized here next weekend!

IMAGINE GOING TO SOMEONE'S HOME FOR A DINNER PARTY ...

... and upon arrival, you're immediately rushed to the dinner table? Can you imagine how awkward that would be? Human beings aren't like televisions---able to "change channels" with the flick of the remote! They need a time of transition from one reality to another.

Typically, when you're invited to someone's house for dinner, you are first given the opportunity to greet your host and the other guests and you rid yourself of the encumbrances of outerwear. You are then led to the living room where you engage in light conversation and to revel in the hospitality of your host—in short, you form bonds and transition from your private life in the outside world to the celebration at hand.

In the same way, the Introductory Rites of the Mass are actually a series of events that carefully guide individuals through the transition that makes us part of a worshipping assembly.

SIGN OF THE CROSS AND GREETING

In the same way that the cross leads the procession into church, the Sign of the Cross leads our prayer. It is the first ritual gesture that we perform together, expressing who we are as a people, and as a people, that we belong to Christ.

Next, the priest greets us, but not in the same way your dinner party host would!!! He says "The Lord be with you." Or "Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ." Or "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all."

So what's wrong with "Hi! How are you!! Thanks for coming!" ????

Elements of Mass

Because this is ritual language preparing you for the ritual ahead. All of these forms of greeting, and our response: "And with your spirit." are taken (as is much of the language of the Mass) from Sacred Scripture.

PENITENTIAL ACT AND GLORIA

At a dinner party, the next thing you would do is get rid of your coat. At Mass, we rid ourselves from anything that might prevent us from "enjoying dinner" or rather entering fully into the celebration.

The Penitential Act reminds us — simply, up-front, and before we get any further into the Mass — that God is God and we are not!! While it's not meant to be a kind of mini-confession, we acknowledge that we are sinful creatures and ask God for his loving mercy.

And what better response for God's mercy than to offer a hymn of praise! That is exactly what the Gloria is. It begins with "Gloria in Excelsis Deo," the song of the angels when Christ was born, and continues with a kind of rhapsody: "We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory...." acclamations of praise tumbling out one upon the other as if we can't find the words to express our joy!

COLLECT

The Collect is the opening prayer of the Mass, the one that begins with "Let us pray." There's always a pause before Father continues

reading, and it's not just to give the altar server time to hurry over to him with the Missal! You see, "Let us pray" is not a suggestion—we ALL should offer a prayer for whatever you are holding in your heart, or whatever joys or sorrows you bring with you to Mass. Then the priest gathers or COLLECTS them (see where the name came from???) into a short, almost poetic prayer.

A few years ago, I came across a video entitled "How to Write Your Own Collect:"

1. Address God, using one of his many names.
2. Describe some divine action, or something that God is doing in the world.
3. Offer a petition related to #2.
4. Give glory to God, or ask in God's name.
5. Amen.

(Look for these parts the next time you're at Mass!)

And with that, the Introductory Rites are finished, and we are ready to gather around the Table of the Word.

