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**Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m.**

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**Saturdays at 3 p.m. and by appointment**

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## Christ the King Mission Statement

*"A Roman Catholic Community of believers: To know God, love Him  
and serve Him in this life, modeling his Son, Jesus Christ,  
and to be with Him in the next life."*

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**SATURDAY — March 16 - Lenten Weekday**

4:00 p.m. — Margaret Fedorek

**SUNDAY— March 17 - Fifth Sunday of Lent**

8:00 a.m. — Louise Biegalski

10:00 a.m. — Charlotte and Matthew Peters

12:00 p.m. — Christ the King Parish

**MONDAY — March 18 - St. Cyril of Jerusalem**

8:30 a.m. — Special Intention for the Wynne Family

**TUESDAY — March 19 - St. Joseph**

8:30 a.m. — Donna Nebraska

**WEDNESDAY— March 20 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. — Mary Lou Reynolds

**THURSDAY— March 21 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. — Jimmy Aranda

**FRIDAY — March 22 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. — Deceased Members of the Gonzalo Family and the unborn

**SATURDAY — March 23 - Lenten Weekday**

4:00 p.m. — Frank and Lillian Henkel

**SUNDAY— March 24 - Palm Sunday**

8:00 a.m. — Christ the King Parish

10:00 a.m. — Larry Smotrys

12:00 p.m. — Nicholetta Versace

*From the Pastor's desk....*

*Easter Sunday is only 2 weeks away. I pray that your time of preparation is going well. Lent is a good time to deepen your prayer life with the Lord. Lent is also a time for reconciliation; something that helps us in our relationship with Christ. Next Sunday, Palm Sunday afternoon, I will be in the church near the statue of St. Joseph to hear confessions from 3:00-5:00. Feel free to stop in any time. There may be no one in front of you for confession or there might be 4-5 people in front of you. Also, if you would like the Anointing of the Sick, I will have the holy oil with me to give you that sacrament as well— just ask.*

*This week I will be away on retreat in southern Indiana at St. Meinrad. I started out my seminary years down there from January of 1984-May of 1986. St. Meinrad is a Benedictine Archabbey that has been running a seminary for many years. The college, of which I attended, closed in the early 90's. The school of theology currently has 120 seminarians. About 65 monks live in the abbey. I will keep you in my daily prayer while on retreat, and will also use the prayer intentions/requests that you have placed in my Prayer Bag.*

*Peace.....Fr. Jeff*



### Stations of the Cross Fridays of Lent at 5 p.m.

#### Readings for the Week of March 17, 2024

**Monday:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11

**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/  
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

**Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

**Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

**Friday:** Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

**Next Sunday:** Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 9-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

### Fathers & Faith

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**Your gift to the CMAA**

If you have already pledged your support to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we sincerely thank you! If we all join together, we can meet our parish’s goal of **\$55,600.00** Each and every gift, regardless of size, truly matters and makes a difference.

If you still plan on making your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how best you can support the CMAA this year to help those in need throughout our diocese, For the Glory of God. Pledge envelopes are still available in the church, We also welcome online gifts at [jolietdioceseappeal.org](http://jolietdioceseappeal.org) Remember, if we raise more than our goal, the diocese will return 70 percent of the amount over goal to us to reinvest in our own parish. This is an incredible opportunity and blessing!

**40 CANS FOR LENT**

We have two weekends left before our “40 Cans” project ends. Please consider contributing if you have not or complete your contributions by Easter Sunday. We appreciate all we have gotten but hope to finish strong and support our food pantry at CTK and aid those in need in our community through donations. Every little donation helps. All items are welcome but here are some suggestions:



Pasta sauce, barbecue sauce, salsa, cooking oil, condiments, macaroni and cheese, chicken noodle soup, pancake mix and syrup, non-sweetened cereals, white 13 gallon trash bags, zip-lock bags (storage or sandwich), dish soap, laundry detergent, paper towels, and toilet paper.

We could also use brown grocery bags. Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you on your Lenten journey.

CTK Knights and SVDP Food Pantry

**2024 Holy Week Schedule**

**Holy Thursday - March 28, 2024**

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
6:00 p.m. Mass of the Last Supper  
Adoration until 10:00 p.m.

**Good Friday - March 29, 2024**

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross  
6:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion

**Holy Saturday - March 30, 2024**

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
11:00 a.m. Blessing of the Baskets  
6:00 p.m. Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday - March 31, 2024**

8:00 a.m. Mass  
10:00 a.m. Mass  
12:00 Noon Mass

**Hand-Carved Olive Wood Gifts from the Holy Land at Christ the King - April 6 & 7**

*Proceeds benefit Catholic schools in the Holy Land.*

Did you know that 600 Christian families living in Bethlehem are completely dependent on carving olive wood figurines for their livelihood? The recent clashes in the Middle East have stopped the tourism industry in Bethlehem, causing most of those families serious harm in earning their living and forcing many of them to leave their homeland. Emptying the land of Christ from Christians can have tragic consequences on the Holy sites. Issam, from the “Star of Bethlehem” group came to the United States with a mission to help those families by selling their beautiful religious handicrafts. The cost of goods goes to benefit the Christian carvers to keep them working in the spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, the profit from sales goes directly to the needy Catholic schools and clinics in the Holy Land. The Star of Bethlehem has been approved by many bishops and dioceses of Jerusalem. Please show your generosity to our Brothers and Sisters in the Holy Land.

**LENTEN DISCIPLINES OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE**

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

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