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Christ the King Parish



## Weekend Masses at Christ the King

*Saturday – 4pm*

*Sunday – 8am, 11am*

## Weekday Masses at Christ the King

*Monday through Friday – 8:30am*

### Confession

*Saturdays at 3pm and by appointment*

### Office Hours

*Monday - Friday: 9am - 12pm*

## Weekend Masses at Ascension

*Saturday – 4pm*

*Sunday – 9:30am*

## Weekday Masses at Ascension

*Monday through Friday – Noon*

**We welcome you all to be part of  
our community!**

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**“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 28 - Fifth Week of Lent

4:00 p.m. — John Torpy

SUNDAY— March 29 - Palm Sunday the Lord's Passion

8:00 a.m. — Christ the King Parish

11:00 a.m. — Nicholetta Versaci

MONDAY— March 30 - Monday of Holy Week

8:30 a.m. — Donna Zeman

TUESDAY— March 31 - Tuesday of Holy Week

8:30 a.m. — Darlene Fedorek

WEDNESDAY— April 1 - Wednesday of Holy Week

8:30 a.m. — Joe Spoto

THURSDAY— April 2 - Mass of the Lord's Supper

6:00 p.m. — For World Peace

FRIDAY— April 3 - Good Friday

3:00 p.m. — Stations of the Cross

6:00 p.m. — Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

SATURDAY— April 4 - Holy Saturday

8:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer

6:00 p.m.— Easter Vigil

SUNDAY— April 5 - Easter Sunday

8:00 a.m. — Christ the King Parish

11:00 a.m. — Vito Sisto



## Readings for the Week of March 29, 2026

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/  
Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2 and 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17 and 25/Heb 4:14-  
16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12,  
13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-  
2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15-15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4,  
5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-  
3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-  
17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-  
23/Mt 28:1-10

Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4  
or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 Or Lk 24:13-35

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

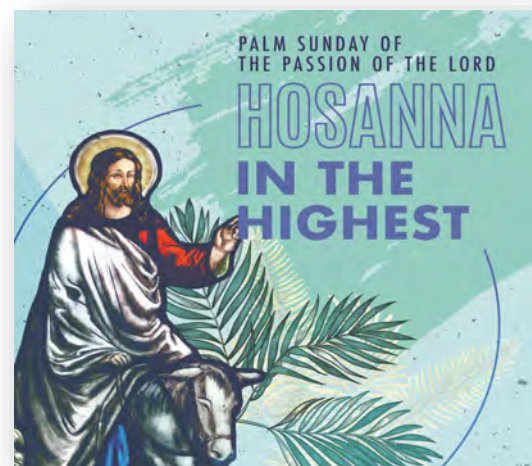
*May you be blessed with a good Palm Sunday and Holy Week. This is a most special time for us as we prepare now to celebrate Easter next Sunday. I hope that your Lenten journey went well. Today, so much of what we do during lent, leads up to today—Passion Sunday. As we take the palm branch home with us, we find a good place to put it; maybe by a crucifix, a statue or holy picture of a saint. This palm reminds us of the suffering of Jesus before he was crucified. We walk through this week with the crucifixion very much on our minds.*

*Holy Thursday—We remember the Lord's last supper with his friends. This is where he tells us that he gives himself to us now in the form of bread and wine; the body and blood of himself. We are to consume this holy food, and then we, ourselves, become holy. Jesus does something spectacular for us before the supper; he washes the feet of his friends. They are surprised at this, and wonder what is "going on"? Then Jesus gives the mandate to go and wash one another's feet also. In other words, we are to take care of one another in a real and intentional way.*

*Good Friday we come and venerate the cross. We humbly come before the holy cross and remember that this is how Jesus suffered and died. He died for us.*

*May you have a good Holy Week.....*

*Peace.....Fr. Jeff*





## 2026 Holy Week Schedule

### Holy Thursday - April 2, 2026

6:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Adoration until 10:00 p.m.

### Good Friday - April 3, 2026

3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross  
6:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

### Holy Saturday - April 4, 2026

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

### Easter Sunday - April 5, 2026

8:00 a.m. Mass  
11:00 a.m. Mass



### Divine Mercy

Reminder that the Feast of Mercy  
[**Mercy Sunday**] is the first  
**Sunday after Easter**. This year it  
falls on **April 12**.

This is a Church Feast Day for you to  
receive His 'unfathomable mercy' which is complete  
forgiveness of all sin & punishment!

**Ways to Prepare for Mercy Sunday:** Do acts of Mercy,  
pray the DIVINE MERCY NOVENA PRAYERS &  
CHAPLET starting on Good Friday through Holy  
Saturday. Be in the state of grace when you receive  
Communion on Mercy Sunday, ask for His Grace & the  
gift of Mercy and venerate The Divine Mercy Image!  
Saint Pope John Paul II canonized St. Faustina in April  
2000 & established that the First Sunday after Easter be  
known as Mercy Sunday.

For more information:

Visit the Marian web site: [TheDivineMercy.org](http://TheDivineMercy.org)

Thank you!

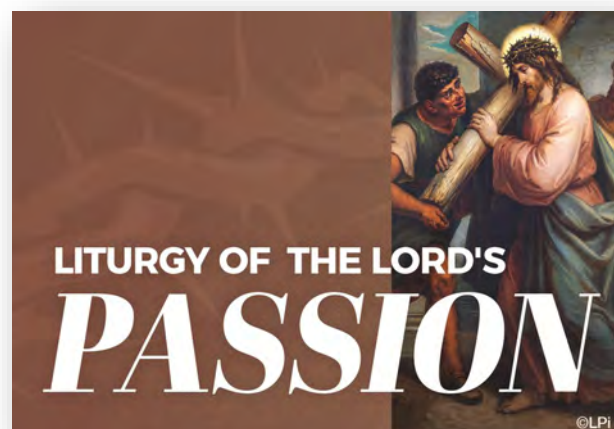
Apostles of Divine Mercy

### LENTE 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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# MAKE

A Pastoral Letter for the People of the Diocese of Joliet

## A RENEWED FOCUS

Small discipleship groups and parish discussions about living the faith.

**Conversion** – Beginning a personal relationship with Jesus – Turning away from sin

**Confession** – Ongoing repentance and healing – Continue to seek God's mercy and healing

**Communion** – Deeper life in the Eucharist and church – Grow deeper in unity w/Christ and church

**Commission** – Being sent to serve and evangelize – faith and help others become disciples

**Prayer** – The foundation of all discipleships – Prayer transforms our hearts – Developing a daily prayer habit

Making disciples for Jesus is not just a program but a way of life for every Christian. Through the diocesan MAKE initiative, the church encourages Catholics to grow as disciples and help others encounter Christ.

## Ways This Happens

- . **Prayer and Scripture**
- . **Retreats or Parish Missions**
- . **Eucharistic Adoration**
- . **Witness from other believers**

Grow in sacramental life – Deepen your faith through the sacraments especially

- . **The Eucharist**
- . **Praying Together**
- . **Reconciliation**
- . **Sharing Your Faith Journey**
- . **Mass Participation**
- . **Support One Another**
- . **Study Scripture**

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The **MAKE** Team Leaders; Irene Boutiette, Maryann Hespen, Carol Paulsen, and Rachel Vaughan.

### Hello Parishioners and MAKE volunteers!

Since our first meeting when you shared your thoughts and visions for this **MAKE** project, a lot has taken place and a lot is stalled. Let me explain.

After speaking with our Parish DRE, there were Lenten events that **MAKE** was asked to participate in during Lent. There have been Stations at noon and 6:30 on Fridays, soup suppers on Wednesdays, Ministry Fair and Lenten speakers. Many of you have responded and participated. Thank you!!

This whole **MAKE** project is to evangelize and bring new people to leadership roles to enhance and grow ourselves as well as our Parish.

Now we would like to implement some programs which we think will incorporate many of your requests over the last few weeks. This will only happen as volunteers step up to offer their time and talents.

We are in need of facilitators to make the group work. We need people, individuals and groups, with visions to implement and coordinate the programs. That's where you come in. Do you know someone who would enjoy working with seniors, or young adults? Are you interested in sharing your pride in your culture with others? Do you know a young person who would be a great altar server? Perhaps you would be a good person to set up basketball games for young men.

We would like to start:

- . **Men's Group for ages 19-34**
- . **International Food Fair**
- . **Senior Group**
- . **Altar Servers**
- . **Young Adults 19-30**

Let us hear from you soon. We need you! [Maryannctk@gmail.com](mailto:Maryannctk@gmail.com).

Reminder: Our next **BEHOLD Adoration** will be held **March 25, in the church at 7:00 p.m.**

**Our next MAKE meeting open to all parishioners will be held May 6, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. in the PLC**

**Coffee with Christ on Thursday Mornings**

INTERESTED IN JOINING OTHER PARISHIONERS AND DISCUSSING THE UPCOMING SUNDAY READINGS?

TIME: 9:30AM - 11:00AM

DOORS OPEN 9:00AM

FAITH FORMATION BUILDING ROOM 8 BUILDING ACROSS THE LOWER LEVEL PARKING LOT

INTERESTED IN JOINING?  
NO PRIOR BIBLE STUDY KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED!  
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Diocese of Joliet  
Catholic Ministries  
Annual Appeal

BEYOND ALL EXPECTATIONS:  
*Faith that Elevates!*

**The 2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal**

This year's theme is ***Beyond all Expectations: Faith that Elevates!*** Through the CMAA, we ensure Christ's mission and ministries reach everyone. We provide shelter for the homeless, feed the hungry, support vocations, and educate the next generation of Catholics. Our parish cannot accomplish this alone. As a diocese, we can do so much more.

We receive 70% of any amount raised over goal to use within our parish. Please review your mailing from the Diocese of Joliet and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's appeal.

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GOOD FRIDAY

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Join us for Adoration at Christ the King on Wednesdays following the 8:30 a.m. Mass until 12 Noon.

**BEHOLD Adoration**

Adoration with candlelight, music, and silence every **Fourth Wednesday** of the month – 7 p.m.-8 p.m.





- **Adoration - Wednesday's after 8:30 Mass – 9 a.m.-Noon**
- **BEHOLD Adoration** – (Adoration with candlelight, music, and silence) Fourth Wednesday of the month.
- **Divine Mercy Group** – Pray on Wednesday during Adoration 9 a.m.-Noon, also looking for Divine Mercy (DM) Chaplet Warriors, who when notified pray a Chaplet as soon as they can. Parishioners can submit first names on the website of those they wish the Group to pray for. For further information contact Mary Jones - [mw\\_jones@comcast.net](mailto:mw_jones@comcast.net)

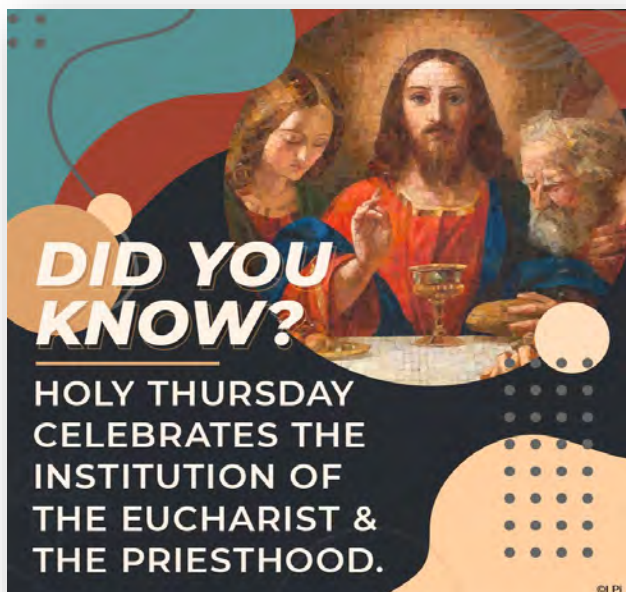
The MAKE Team, Fr. Jeff, and parish staff are working together to Make this year a success and to bring us all closer to God. We need your time and talent to Make this a success. The above are part of the pillars of discipleship and can be part of your personal game plan. There will be more to come in the next few weeks. We will be looking for Ministry Chairpersons and committees plus members and volunteers to participate in these events.

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### Prayer to **MAKE** Disciples

*Ever loving God, maker of all good things, you made us in your image and called us through baptism. Give us now the grace to be made into your disciples, and grant that in being so made, we will do as you have commanded – to go and make other disciples as we catechize, evangelize, and put our faith into action. Through the intercession of our patron, St. Francis Xavier, St. Joseph, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, we humbly make our prayer. Amen.*





## Operation Support Our Troops: Collection Drive April 11 and 12

### Help Us Send Comfort and Care to Our Service Members

CCW will hold their annual collection drive for Operation Support Our Troops. This is a wonderful opportunity to show your appreciation for the men and women serving overseas by providing them with items that bring comfort and remind them of home.

We are asking for donations of non-perishable snacks, hygiene products, socks, magazines, puzzle books, and letters of encouragement. All collected items will be packed and shipped directly to deployed troops. Your generosity makes a big difference in lifting their spirits and letting them know they are not forgotten. **Donations can be dropped off in the Narthex before and after all Masses on April 11 and 12. See the much-needed items below.**

### Operation Support Our Troops Much-Needed Items!

- . Individual packets of protein powder
- . Gruns Super Greens Gummies
- . Individual small packets of sugar
- . Small Puzzle Books 8" x 5"  
(Sudoku, Word Search, Crossword Puzzle, etc.)
- . Non-aerosol Men's Shave cream/gel
- . Flat air fresheners (cardboard only, no liquid)
- . Shoe/Boot Odor Eaters, inserts, or insoles
- . Emergen-C Drink Mix Packets
- . Small bottles or Rolls of Antacid
- . Anti-Itch Cream
- . Moleskin
- . Neosporin
- . Sandwich Size Ziploc Bags
- . Snack Size Ziploc Bags
- . Q-Tips (cotton swabs)
- . Alcohol-Free Travel Size Mouthwash 3.2 oz or less
- . White or black athletic socks for Men
- . Individual packets of lens wipes
- . Men's 3-in-1 (Shampoo/Conditioner/Body Wash)
- . Bandages

## Jeremiah Day

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2026  
Open to grades 7-10

The Diocese of Joliet Department of Vocations is thrilled to invite young men (grades 7-10) for our annual Jeremiah Day. Join us for a day of exploring, prayer, and games with our Joliet Seminarians currently studying at Mundelein Seminary. Learn more about what being in Seminary is like at Jeremiah Day!

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## PRAYER FASTING ALMSGIVING

Are you, or someone you know, widowed?

If you have been recently widowed and are still struggling with the loss, or if you have been widowed for some time and need something to get you "over the hump" because you seem stuck in one spot, this program is designed to help you move on with life while still treasuring your past and its precious memories.

**Joyful Again!** is for both men and women (all ages) who have been widowed and are still trying to find hope and new joy in life.

This unique retreat/workshop will be held at several locations in the next few months. All are welcome!

- What:** 2 Day Overnight Retreat/Workshop for Widowed Men & Women  
**When:** March 1-2, 2025 – University of St. Mary of the Lake, Mundelein, IL  
 April 5-6, 2025 - St. Mary's Retreat House, Lemont, IL  
 June 28-29, 2025 - St. Julie Billiart Parish, Tinley Park, IL (overnight accommodations not available)

For more information on upcoming retreats, visit our website; [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org)  
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