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HOURS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Monday—Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 2:45 PM to 3:45 PM or please call Msgr. Sullivan

HOLY MATRIMONY

Couples planning a Christian marriage should contact Msgr. Sullivan following their engagement.

HOLY BAPTISM

Baptisms take place at Sunday Mass once a month. Please see information inside this bulletin.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please call Msgr. Sullivan for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion.

WORSHIPING WITH US?

We hope you introduce yourself and register in our parish. Please call the rectory to do so.

Christ the King Parish

MASS SCHEDULE

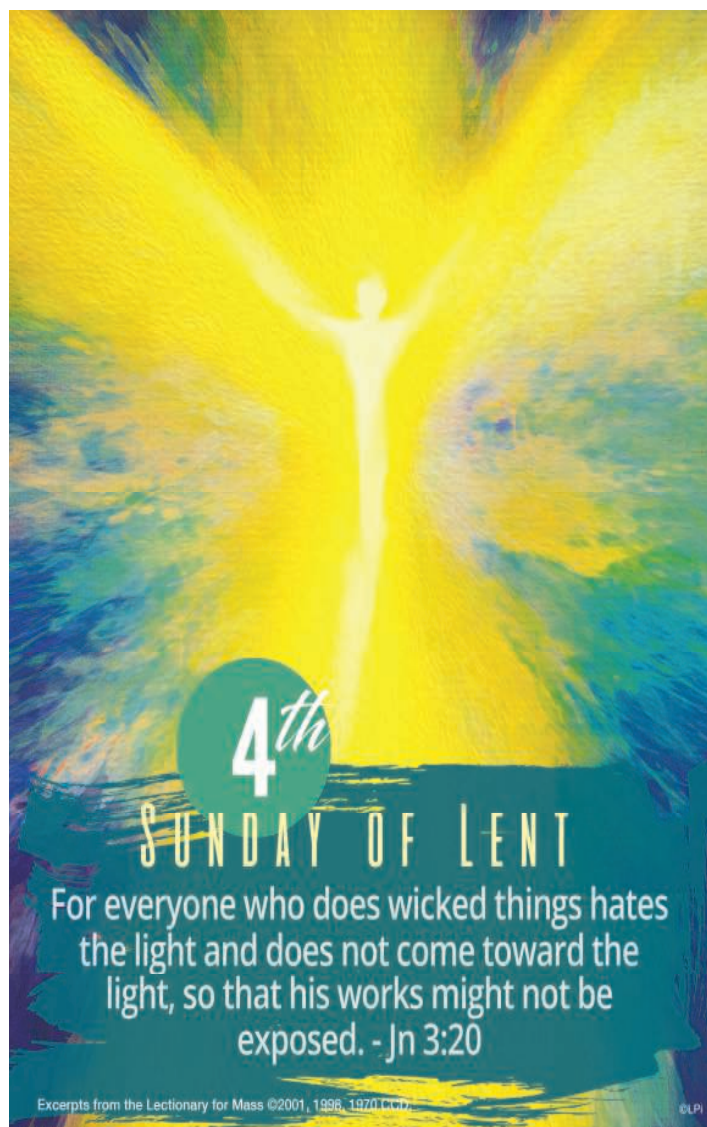
Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM

Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

Weekdays 7:00 AM

Saturday 8:00 AM

Holy Day Mass Times 7:00 PM (vigil)
7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 6:00 PM (on the day)



CHRIST THE KING, WORCESTER, MA



Saturday—March 10th

4:00PM Walter Pearson (mem.) and George Pearson (mem) req. of family

Thursday—March 15th

5:30PM Margaret Kelley (mem.) req. of Mark and Monique Czyzewski

Saturday—March 17th

8:00AM Arline Tuohy (28th anniv.) req. of daughter, Carol Chandley

4:00PM Mary Ellen Murphy Stidham (10th anniv.) req. of family

Sunday—March 18th

7:30AM Parishioners of Christ the King

9:00AM Dennis Ferrante (mem.) req. of Christ the King Folk Group

11:00AM Dennis Ferrante (mem.) req. of Christ the King Festival Choir

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Daniel F. Murley**, the brother of Mary E. McGee.

“COME HOME TO GOD’S MERCY”

Tuesday Confessions During Lent

As in the previous six years we will offer the opportunity for all to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance; confessions) on Lenten Tuesdays **between 7:00 pm and 8:00 pm**. This practice was initiated at Bishop McManus’ request some years ago. He named it, “Come Home to God’s Mercy.” Lent is a wonderful time to receive God’s mercy through this extraordinary Sacrament. The remaining dates for these confessions will be Tuesdays ~ **March 13, 20 and 27**. In addition, **extra times** for confessions will be held during the early part of **Holy Week**, on Monday, **March 26**, and Wednesday, **March 28**, from **7:00-8:00 pm**. Of course, confessions are also offered **each Saturday** afternoon from 2:45-3:45 pm or at a special time requested by anyone.

Two Masses Each Weekday in Lent

During Lent we have the custom of offering two daily Masses each Lenten weekday (Monday through Friday). We will continue to offer the **7:00 am**, of course. In addition, we offer **Mass at 5:30 pm each weekday evening**. Our Saturday morning Masses, at 8:00 am, continue throughout the year. We hope you’ll be able to join us for daily Mass.

COME TO DAILY MASS!

As you can, please consider coming to our daily Masses (M-F, 7:00 am and Saturdays; 8:00 am all year round). The Mass brings many special graces! It is a wonderful way to begin the day. This week all Masses are Lenten weekdays.

Recent Offertory Donations

As we are very grateful for the time you share with Christ the King, and the abundance of your talents, so we are for your offertory gifts. Offertory donations for last weekend are listed below.

Offertory: \$9,827.00; **Fuel:** \$838.00; **Mass Stipends:** \$196.00;
Donations: \$125.00; **Catholic Free Press:** \$118.00;
Church in Latin America: \$33.00; **Our Religious Education:** \$20.00; **Holy Land/Good Friday:** \$10.00; **Catholic Relief:** \$15.00; **Easter Flowers:** \$343.00.

Total: \$11,525.00

BAPTISM PREP SESSIONS & CELEBRATIONS

All parents must participate in a prep session, led by our trained team, if this is their *first child and/or if they do not worship at Mass here each Sunday*. Baptisms take place at Sunday Masses and parents choose the date (see available dates below). **PAR-ENT PREP SESSION:** One session is required and it takes place on select Sundays from 1:00-3:30 p.m. in the Rectory and church. **Upcoming 2018 Preparation Dates:** *April 15 and June 17*. **Upcoming 2018 BAPTISM DATES** at the 11:00 am Mass on Sundays (for prepared parents): *April 8; May 6; June 3; July 15; and August 12*. For sign-ups please call Monsignor Sullivan at 508-754-5361 or email him at: tsullivan5@mac.com.

Lenten Fast and Abstinence Regulations for the Diocese of Worcester

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics fourteen (14) years of age and older on **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays** of Lent. **Fasting** is to be observed by all Catholics who are eighteen (18) years of age but not yet fifty-nine (59) years of age on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one’s needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed Lenten penitential practices.

September Pilgrimage to Fatima & Rome

Father Donato Infante is leading a pilgrimage to Fatima and Rome from **September 21-30** with Deacon Steve Kohut of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Worcester, who is also the past president of Serra Club of Southern Worcester County. This coincides with the annual diaconate ordination in Rome, at which a Worcester seminarian, Alfredo Porras, is on track to be ordained. If you are interested in joining or seeing the itinerary, go to the website: www.johnpaultours.com/sjcc.

*A Note of Thanks
from the Family of Dennis Ferrante*

To the Parishioners of Christ the King,

We want to thank all the parishioners of Christ the King for your kindness and thoughtful gestures over the past weeks. The many notes of sympathy and Mass cards we received, as well the outpouring of love at the wake and funeral, have helped to make this very difficult time bearable for us. Our dad loved this parish and the friendships he made throughout his thirty years at Christ the King. We know that you also share in our grief at his passing. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers as we ask that you continue to do the same for us. We can't possibly thank each and every one of you for all you've done, but please be assured of our deep gratefulness. Christ the King will always have a special place in our hearts. Thank you for being our dad's second family.

*Are You Interested in
Social Activities Trips?*

Jack Staples, one of our parish social activities leaders, invites your interest in either of a couple of upcoming trips (sponsored by the Retired Men's Club of Greendale). Jack is also involved in that group. **On Thursday, April 5**, the group will travel to **Parker's Maple Barn in Mason, NH**, for a sugar luncheon menu and tour of the Sugar House. This will be followed by a trip to the **Anheuser Busch Brewery** to see the famous **Clydesdale horses**. And then on **Monday, June 18**, you are invited to travel to **Indian Ranch** in nearby Webster and board **The Indian Princess** (a paddle wheel boat) for a **cruise** on Webster Lake. **Lunch** will follow at the Point Breeze Restaurant.

For information regarding cost, times, etc., for either of these trips please **contact Jack Staples at 508-835-3954**. You will be most welcome on these trips.

**"Loving God by Serving Others"
Partners in Charity 2018**

Last weekend we conducted the in-pew collection for the *Annual Partners in Charity Appeal*. All parishioners were asked to make either a cash gift or pledged gift for the year (over a ten-month pledging period). Monsignor Sullivan spoke at all the Masses on the importance of each of us giving to this important appeal which funds those vital 28 diocesan ministries, charities and pastoral agencies essential to the works of our Diocese. If you did not have the opportunity to make a gift last weekend we hope you will take a pledge envelope from the pew today and return it to us soon. Thank you.

**OPPOSITION TO PHYSICIAN
ASSISTED SUICIDE**

Let your legislators know you are opposed to PAS. This year bills have been introduced to legalize assisted suicide in Massachusetts. **House bill H.1194** and **Senate bill S.1225** have both been referred to the Joint Committee on Public Health. Public hearings were held in September and opposition was expressed at that hearing. Now the Legislature will decide if the bill should come out of committee and made into law. At this critical stage it is important that we contact legislators to let them know we don't want this legislation passed. *To send a letter to the key legislators listed below it is important to list their Room number.* Otherwise, the address is the same for all: 24 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02133. Please consider writing to:

Sen. Harriette Chandler (President), Room 333
Sen. Richard J. Ross (Minority leader), Room 419
Rep. Robert A. DeLeo (House Speaker), Room 356
Rep. Bradley H. Jones, Jr., Room 124

NEXT SATURDAY

**18th Annual Diocesan Catholic
Men's Conference at Assumption College**

All men are invited to this important annual Conference, scheduled for Assumption College **for next Saturday, March 17**. You can find a brochure in our book rack in the foyer. You can purchase tickets already and are encouraged to do so now. Hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: **Elvis Grbac** (retired NFL quarterback, 49ers, Ravens, Chiefs), **Robert Rogers** (lay minister, musician), **Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio** (theologian), **Father David Cavanagh** (priest of Opus Dei), and **Ryan Tremblay** (musician, songwriter). Bishops and diocesan and religious priests will hear those confessions. Bishop McManus will offer Mass. Visit our website - **www.firstmensconf.org** - for information and ticket purchases. **TICKETS WILL NOT BE MAILED AFTER THIS COMING WEDNESDAY.** For further information or registration, call 508-929-4345.

Lenten Prayer Program

Marie Anne Center
St. Bernard's Church, 228 Lincoln Street
508-736-6986
Tuesday mornings, 10:00-11:30 am

Speakers are: **March 13**, Sr. Maureen Hickey, PBVM (Nurse Administrator/Presentation Health), "Come Out of the Tomb;" **March 20**, Mr. Ernie Rivard (Pastoral Assistant, St. Rose of Lima Parish), "This Lent: Make Me New, Lord."

CHRIST THE KING PRAYER LINE

If you know of someone who could use our prayerful support please contact either Mindy at 508-754-5361 or by email at mindy1052@gmail.com.

PLEASE USE OUR HOPE FOR HOUSING CARDS

Please purchase 'Hope for Housing' food cards. Here's how they work: (1) You purchase food gift cards in various amounts of \$10 to \$100; (2) You use the food cards for your grocery shopping; (3) You receive the full face value of the card you purchase; (4) What you don't spend remains on your card for later use; and (5) The supermarket donates 5% to 10% of what you spend to prevent family homelessness.

Notre Dame Academy Open House

NDA is inviting all prospective students and their families to an **Open House on Sunday, March 25** from 2:00-4:00 pm. NDA is the only Catholic private and independent college preparatory school for young women in grades 7-12 in Central Massachusetts. Please go on the school's website - www.nda-worc.org - to pre-register.

Thank You, Adorers

Our thanks to all those who came during the 24-hour period of adoration and confessions this past Friday and Saturday. We would not have been able to leave the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar were it not for your generosity of time. We hope that you found your prayerful presence here a time of peace and that you felt a bit closer to the Lord. We are also very grateful to the priests who came to join us and hear confessions. Many found peace and comfort in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Be Generous to Catholic Relief Services

We remind you of the national **C.R.S. Collection next week-end**. Through your generosity, you can help ease the burdens of our brothers and sisters in some of the most marginalized communities around the globe.

Enrich your Lent by Volunteering

We often challenge ourselves during Lent. How can you make a difference in this world and in your own life? Would you consider saying "Yes" to Jesus by spending some very special time with hospice patients? Can you spare one or two hours a week volunteering with patients at the end of life? Notre Dame Hospice is looking for kind, compassionate people. Our volunteers give the precious gift of their time to our hospice patients. They provide companionship in so many ways: sharing stories and experiences, reading, praying or just sitting quietly holding their hand. We also find that pet therapy brings a lot of joy to our patients, if you happen to have a dog. If you feel called to assist us in this important mission of volunteering, please contact, Debbie Karalus, Hospice Volunteer Coordinator at ND Hospice 508-852-5505 or email at dkaralus@notredamehealthcare.org. What a great way to be Christ to others!

Highlights of the Week Ahead

Sunday, March 11

10:00-11:00 am - Grades 1-6, Religious Education
12:00-4:00 pm - CYC Musical Rehearsal, Hall
6:00-7:00 pm - Grades 7-10, Religious Education

Monday, March 12

Masses at 7:00 am & 5:30 pm
3:30 pm - Witness for Life Committee
10:45 am - Mass at Jewish Healthcare Center

Tuesday, March 13

Masses at 7:00 am & 5:30 pm
7:00-8:00 pm - Confessions
7:00-9:00 pm - CYC Musical rehearsals

Wednesday, March 14

Masses at 7:00 am & 5:30 pm
7:00-9:00 pm - Boy Scouts, Hall
7:30 pm - Folk Group Rehearsal

Thursday, March 15

Masses at 7:00 am & 5:30 pm
4:15-5:15 pm - Youth Choir Rehearsal
6:00-7:00 pm - CYC Reps/Advisors Meet
7:00-9:00 pm - CYC Musical Rehearsal
7:00-8:30 pm - Festival Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 16

Masses at 7:00 am & 5:30 pm
3:30 pm - Daisies, Hall
6:00 pm - Cub Scouts, Hall

Saturday, March 17 - St. Patrick's Day

Masses at 8:00 am and 4:00 pm
9:00 am-5:00 pm - *Catholic Men's Conference*,
Assumption College
9:00 am-2:00 pm - CYC Musical Rehearsal, Hall

Sunday, March 18

10:00-11:00 am - Grades 1-6, Religious Education
12:00-4:00 pm - CYC Musical Rehearsal, Hall
6:00-7:00 pm - Grades 7-10, Religious Education

Religious Education Classes This Weekend

Religious Education classes for **Grades 1-6** will meet **today, Sunday, March 11**, from 10:00-11:00 am. **Religious Education** classes for **Grades 7-10** will meet **today, Sunday, March 11**, from 6:00-7:00 pm.

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The Annual Partners in Charity Appeal Provides for:

Charity

Clergy Retirement, Retired Priests Health Ministry, Catholic Charities
Haitian Apostolate, McAuley Nazareth Home for Boys
Pernet Family Health Services, Seminarian Health Insurance
St. John's Diocesan Cemetery System, Diocesan Development & Stewardship

Education

Catholic Campus Ministry, Catholic Schools Department
The Office of Religious Education, Ongoing Priestly Formation
New Evangelization Worcester for Youth & Young Adults
Catholic School Grants-in-Aid
Seminarian Education, Central Catholic Schools Subsidy
Advanced Studies for Clergy and Laity
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