



The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

November 9, 2025

Lord, may my life
be a temple for
your Holy Spirit

Christ the King Catholic Church

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Mission Statement

Christ the King Roman Catholic Church is a faith community founded in the African American culture to answer God's "Call" to be a guiding light and disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ. Through our gifts and talents, we strive to evangelize and minister to our entire multi-ethnic community.

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Please call the office to make appointments for sacraments, funerals, parish registration, marriage preparation (9 months in advance), jail visits, house blessings, homebound ministry, and for information about the Church.

Scripture Readings

For the Week of November 9, 2025

Sunday—Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Monday—Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday—Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop Wis 2:23-3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday—Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday—Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin Wis 7:22b-8:1; Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25

Friday Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8

Sunday—Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

The temple of God,
which you are, *is holy*

1 Corinthians 3:17

Office Hours—By Appointment
Tuesday—Wednesday 10:00am-2:00 pm

Administrator Fr. Tom Firestone
Office Manager Stephanie Murphy

Sunday Mass 9:00 am
Confession after Mass Wednesday
Daily Mass Wednesday 11:00 am

The deadline for bulletin submission is 10:00am on Tuesdays.
Email parish events to the office.

Mass Intentions & Candle Remembrance

Sunday, November 9, 2025
9:00 am Deceased members of the Watson family
Req. by Thetis Watson

Wednesday, November 12, 2025
11:00 am Eleanor Murphy
Req. by the Murphy family

Sunday, November 16, 2025
9:00 am +Patricia Jackson
Req. by Johnnie M. Metcalfe

Wednesday, November 12, 2025
11:00 am +Vicki Lynn Mille & +Alice Grissom
Req. by Thetis Watson

Stewardship

Your Gifts to God & Parish

October 26, 2025
Offertory.....\$1971.00
Building Fund.....\$210
Donations.....\$600
Funeral Repast.....\$72.92
Total \$2853.92

Online Giving—October 2025
Offertory.....\$6815
Building Fund.....\$75
Poor Box.....\$65
Total \$6955

Please Pray For:

Rena Banks-Rowser
Christopher Boehm
Preston Boehm
Ollie Brown
Annalynn C.

Alex Chan
Lorene Ferguson
James Harrison
Dave Kronner
Aurelia LaValley
Sue Martinus
Thaddeus McCain

Johnnie Metcalfe
Curtis Mitchell
Anita Myles
Wanda Nichols
Nina Poole
John Prince
Roberta Rouse

Joe Rowley
Ruth Schmitter
Carolyn Schannon
Barbara Seneski
Mama Sol
Barbara Staton
Velma Stewart

Camille Turner
Savanna Vaughn
Troy Vaughn
Darlene Verdun
Loretta Washburn
Nancy White

Why all the fuss about buildings?

Tami Urcia

I have to admit, every time we come across a feast day for the dedication of a church, I am tempted to tune out and yawn. I mean what's all the fuss about buildings? Doesn't the Bible tell us over and over again not to focus on the external, the material and the riches of this world? Aren't we supposed to be all about forming hearts and saving souls, about the Church rather than a church?

Well, if the Church has proclaimed this day a feast, then it must have some great significance, so let's find it. The Archbasilica of St. John Lateran in Rome is the cathedral of the Bishop of Rome. In other words, St. Peter's in Vatican City is not the Pope's home church. His cathedra, his bishop's seat, is found at St. John Lateran. This basilica was built on terrain donated by Emperor Constantine himself and celebrated the freedom of worship granted by the Edict of Milan. Wow.

Ok, so maybe this isn't just any old church. Originally this feast was only celebrated in Rome, but in 1726, it was placed on the worldwide calendar. This building holds special significance, reminding Catholics of the courage of the early Christians who fought for freedom of religion and the unity of the universal Church with the Holy See.

Bringing it a little closer to home, this feast could also be a reminder to us of the respect due our own parish church. Do we see it as a place of honor, reverence and community worship? Do we dress, act and keep silence in an appropriate way, considering we are in the physical presence of Almighty God? Do we offer ourselves together with Christ in the Eucharistic sacrifice, uniting ourselves with Catholics throughout the world?

May we celebrate our universal Church today and may we thank God for all of the churches that have been built and dedicated to allow us a space to worship freely. Maybe we should make a fuss about these beautiful buildings after all.



Rev. Norman A. Dukette

November 11, 1890—March 31, 1980

We are remembering Fr. Dukette's birthday this week. This photo of him as a young man is undated, but our history team estimates it to be from around 1900.

KPCLA Thanksgiving Baskets

November 19, 2025

The Ladies are collecting the names of people who might need a Thanksgiving basket. Please submit the name and number in household to Doris Henry no later than noon on November 19. Basket recipients must be present on Sunday, November 23 to collect their baskets. Please see Doris Henry or Margaret Hudspeth with questions or to submit a name.

6th Annual Blankets of Love Benefit Campaign & Concert

Life Line Church of Clio - 9515 N. Clio Rd, Clio

November 21, 2025 6:30-8:30

Free2B Music Ministries is teaming up with Life Line Church- Clio, and you! To help lift spirits of residents at area nursing facilities with a small gift of a wrapped NEW lap blanket. These gifts will be distributed during the month of December as they perform Christmas concert for them. Our goal is to give to these fine nursing homes this year: Maple Woods Manor - Clio, Willowbrook Manor, Flint Suncrest- Lapeer & Briarwood, Flint. If you are unable to attend the benefit concert and would like to make a tax deductible monetary contribution, please send a check to: Free2B Music Ministries, Inc, Blankets of Love, 6142 N. Linden Rd, Mount Morris, MI 48458