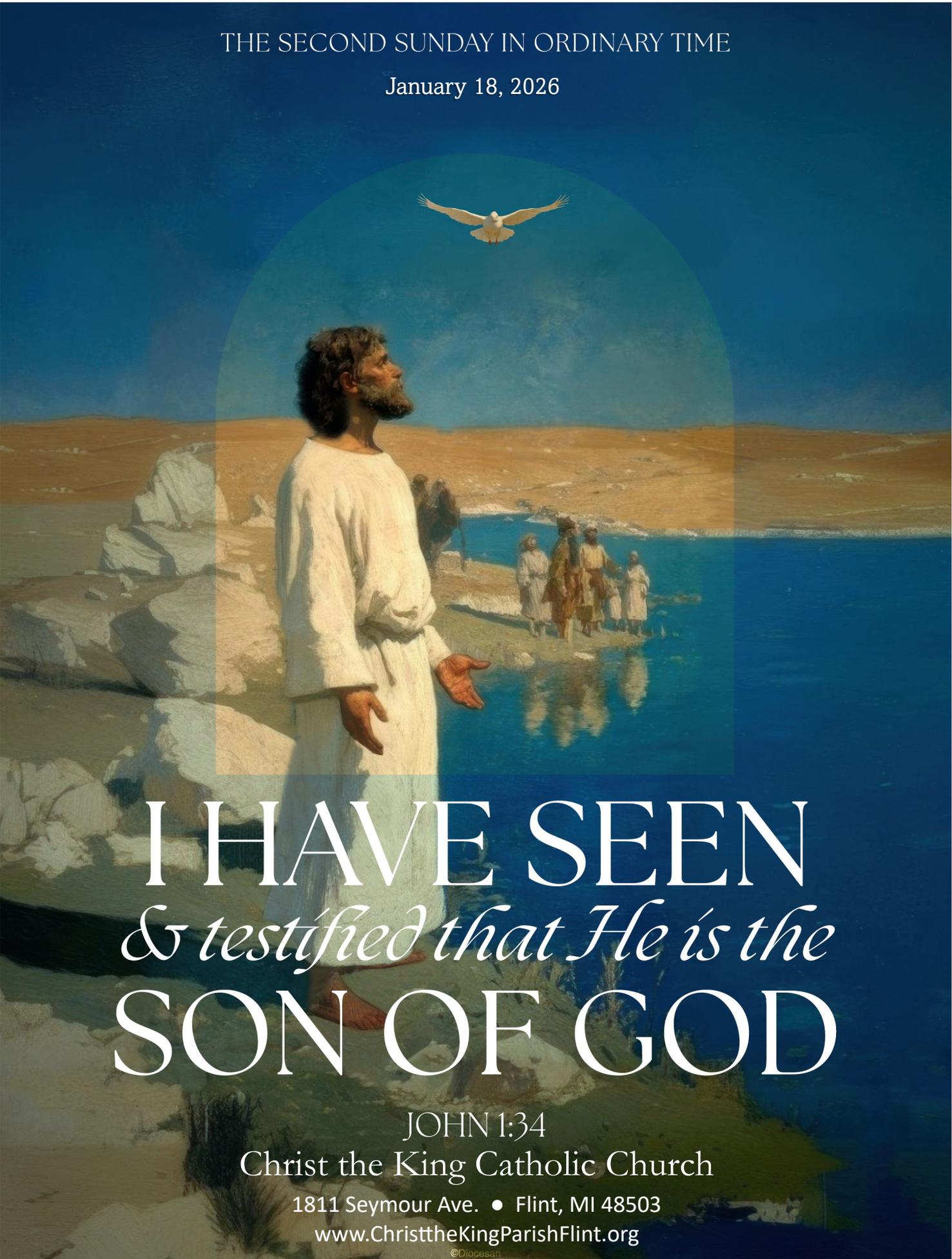


THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 18, 2026



I HAVE SEEN
& testified that He is the
SON OF GOD

JOHN 1:34

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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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If you have an emergency after the office is closed, please call (810)235-1812 and someone will return your call.

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 January 18, 2025

Sunday—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

Monday 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday—Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday—Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn

Children 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13; Mk 3:7-12

Friday 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday—Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-37; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-31

Sunday—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 8:23—9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Ash Wednesday is coming! If you have old palms that you'd like to return for burning, please put them in the basket in the narthex next week. The last day for collection will be Wednesday, February 11.

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, January 18, 2026

9:00 am +Berlin Dobson
Req. by Constance Dobson

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

11:00 am For the People of the Parish

Sunday, January 25, 2026

9:00 am +Robert Ward
Req by Elaine Ward

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

11:00 am For the People of the Parish

The Mass Intention book is open for 2026. Please stop by the office to have your intention noted.

Stewardship

January 1, 2026

Offertory \$442
Poor Box \$36
Total \$478

January 4, 2026

Offertory \$1923
Poor Box \$135
Building \$60
Total \$2118

Please Pray For:

Renae 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
Carolyn Schannon
Barbara Seneski
Mama Sol
Barbara Staton
Velma Stewart
Ernelle Taylor

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

Behold the Lamb of God

Tom Schmidt

I wonder if anyone understood John the Baptist when he called Jesus the Lamb of God. Did they associate that name with the paschal lamb whose blood protected the Israelites from the Angel of Death? After Jesus' death and resurrection, the apostles began to understand that Jesus' blood, shed on the cross, freed us all from sin and death. Yet here is the Baptizer already acting like a disciple before Jesus has gathered any disciples or even begun to preach. In today's Gospel, John the Baptist gives us some hints about discipleship.

First, John trusts God with things he does not understand. He says twice that he did not know Jesus, yet he trusts God's revelation that Jesus would "baptize with the Holy Spirit" (John 1:33). We also may not always understand where God is leading us. If you have lost a loved one, are looking for work when no one is hiring, or are dealing with a serious illness, this is the time to trust that God still loves and cares for you.

John also knew that doing God's work meant that God was working through him. Originally John baptized others as a sign of repentance, but he soon came to see that his real work was to make Jesus "known to Israel" (John 1:31). When we try to do what God wants, it is good to remember that God is the one in control and who decides what the result will be. What looks like failure to us can be success in God's eyes.

John's third hint teaches us that a disciple shares his or her faith in God. So John testifies that Jesus is the Son of God. While that sounds obvious to us, it took courage to say that to people who would have thought it blasphemy. Even today, when Jesus is known throughout the world, we still need to share our faith experiences so those without faith may be attracted to it. Even those with faith can be encouraged by our sharing as well. You may be surprised to find that your own faith deepens the more you share it with others. As we point out the Lamb of God to those who don't know him, we get to know him better ourselves.

Super Bowl Party

February 8, 2026

Please join us once again for fellowship and football on Super Bowl Sunday! Please bring nonperishable and in-date donations for the food pantry, and \$15 for all you can eat snacks and food.



Ushers needed

Please consider joining the team that assists at Masses. If you have questions or want to sign up, see Sam Stewart.

Vianney Nights 2026
Sock Hop
Featuring live music by
Don't Be Cruel

Vianney Night 2026
Sat. Feb. 7, 2026
St. John Vianney Gym
Doors open at 5pm
2319 Bagley St. Flint, Mi
48504

Tickets are \$35 each

This is our **biggest fundraiser of the year** and all proceeds go to benefit the students of SJV!

Dinner, Drinks, Live Auction, Silent Auction, Online Auction, Games, Raffles, Alumni Awards, and more!

New discounted pricing for 2026
only \$35 per ticket.

Tickets are available in the SJV church or school office or you can call Gerri at 810-955-1571 or email SJKids@SJKids.org

