



THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 25, 2026

*At once they
left their nets &
FOLLOWED HIM*

MATTHEW 4:20

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 January 25, 2025

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

Monday—Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday—Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14; Mk 4:21-25

Friday 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday—Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mk 4:35-41

Sunday—Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

REPENT FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND

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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 25, 2026

9:00 am +Robert Ward
Req by Elaine Ward

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

11:00 am For the People of the Parish

Sunday, February 1, 2026

9:00 am +Rudolph J. Verdun
Req by Robin L. Johnson

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

11:00 am For the People of the Parish

Sunday, February 8, 2026

9:00 am +Kathleen Moore
Req by Robin L. Johnson

Wednesday, February 11, 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 11, 2026

Offertory	\$2605
Poor Box.....	\$74
Building	\$190
Total	\$2869

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

Send in the Clones

Tom Schmidt

In St. Paul's time, the Church was so new that everyone remembered how they came to the faith. That's not a bad thing. Even today, in helping with the RCIA, I like to hear how the new converts were drawn to the Lord. But it seems that some people in Paul's time actually boasted about who baptized them. They acted as if they were better Christians because of the person whose preaching first attracted them.

Paul, of course, would have no part in those rivalries. In fact, you can almost hear Paul laughing when he talks about people who consider Christ as just another leader of one of the factions. Christ should be the sign of unity for all Christians, not just one congregation. It may be even more difficult to seek unity today, with so many Christian churches and a modern view of diversity as somehow better than unity. While no one says they want to divide the body of Christ, I'm sure you know someone who thinks the only way to have a unified Church is for everyone to pray the same way they do.

Yet even Paul did not expect all believers to be clones of one another. He frequently wrote about people having many different gifts, yet all working to build up the Body of Christ. He doesn't mean that those gifts are divisive or that the Church survives in spite of them. Those differences are necessary; we need all the gifts that the Spirit gives us. So what can we do to help unify the Church?

First, do what Jesus himself did—pray for unity in the Church (John 17:20–21). Pray that you come to know what your own gifts are, have the courage to use them for the Church, and appreciate the gifts of others. Second, Paul was very aware of his own weaknesses. That's what he is talking about in the last line of the reading. Jesus had to die before he could rise from the dead. Without the cross, we would have never heard of the Resurrection. So also, without weakness, how can we experience God's strength? Instead of looking down on those with whom we disagree, look up to see what God may be revealing to you through that person's differences.

Friends and Family and Wellness Sunday

February 1, 2026

On the first Sunday of each month, bring a friend or family member to celebrate Mass with us. There's plenty good room.

For this Wellness Sunday, blood pressures will be taken after Mass in the hall. Please know your numbers.

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.

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.

2025 Contribution Statements

Your 2025 Contribution Statements are available if you need one. Here's how you can get yours:

1. You may email your request for a statement to **ChristtheKingFlint@gmail.com**, and we will print it and have it ready for you to pick up or send it by mail.
2. Call the office, and we will have it ready for you to pick up or send it out to you at your home address. You may even call after office hours and leave a message for us.
3. You may also stop by the parish office to pick up your statement. Office hours are 10:00am-2:00pm Tuesday, and Wednesday.