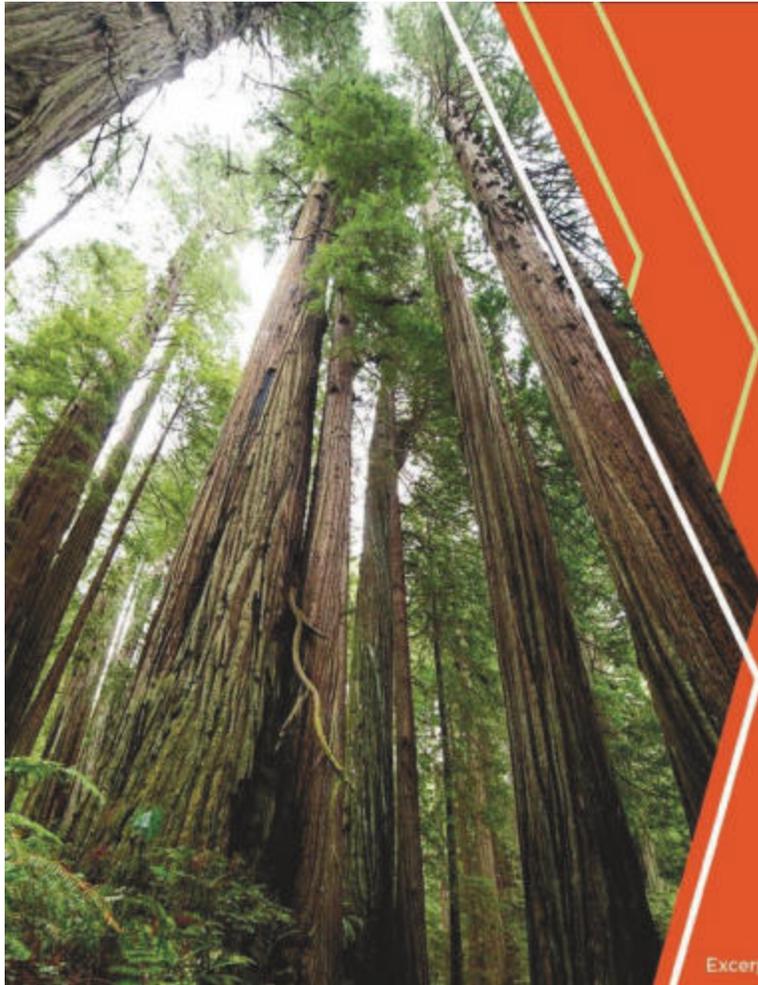


Welcome to Christ the King Parish July 04, 2021



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!"
- Mk 6:2

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Parish Website: www.myparish.com Youth Website:
<https://ctkyouthministry.weebly.com>

New Family Registration

Parish Office or available on parish website:
www.myparish.com

Bulletin – Announcements will be placed as time and space permit.

Daily Mass

Tuesday through Friday - 8:00 a.m.
Holy Rosary prayed after Mass.

Weekend Mass

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday - 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday - 8:00 - 9:00 a.m., in Reconciliation room. 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Weddings by appointment, please notify Father Steve at least four months prior.

Baptism every month - please call parish office.



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Readings for the Week

Readings for the week of July 4, 2021

- Sunday: Ezekiel 2:2-5
2 Corinthians 12:7-10
Mark 6:1-6
- Monday: Genesis 28:10-22
Matthew 9:18-26
- Tuesday: Genesis 32:23-33
Matthew 9:32-38
- Wednesday: Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-7, 17-24
Matthew 10:1-7
- Thursday: Genesis 44:18-21, 23-29; 45:1-5
Matthew 10:7-15
- Friday: Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30
Matthew 10:16-23
- Saturday: Genesis 49:29-32; 50:15-26
Matthew 10:24-33
- Next Sunday: Amos 7:12-15
Ephesians 1:3-14
Mark 6:7-13



The parish staff wish all a very Happy and Safe 4th of July! The parish office will be **Closed on Monday, July 5**



Sunday, July 4 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 Members of Our Parish
10:30 †Ambrose & Julia Gazdecki

Monday, July 5 - Sts. Anthony Zaccaria & Elizabeth of Portugal
8:00 No Mass

Tuesday, July 6 - St. Maria Goretti
8:00 †Novena of Masses for Mothers

Wednesday, July 7
8:00 †Novena of Masses for Fathers

Thursday, July 8
8:00 †Jim Newton

Friday, July 9 - St. Augustine
8:00 †George & Alma Meier

Saturday, July 10
5:00 †Paul Wipperfurth

Sunday, July 11 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 Members of Our Parish
10:30 †Zilmer & Mabel Tainter



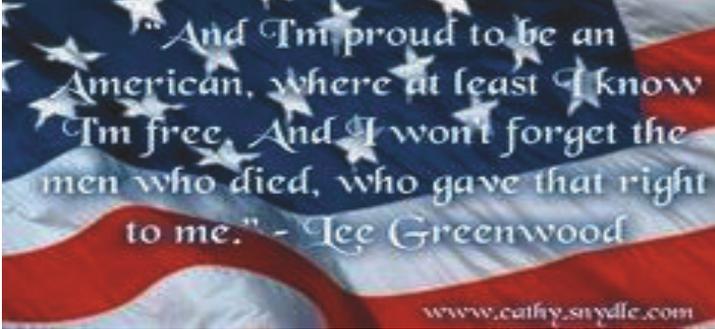

Congratulations Father Steve on the 2nd Anniversary of Your Ordination! June 28, 2019 - Feast of the Sacred Heart

Bishop Hying made mention of the Feast of the Sacred Heart, saying “all that this solemnity represents is poured into your life, today, that Jesus has called you to be an extension of his life, his death, and his resurrection in this world.”

God Bless You Father, Today and Always!



Please join us in fellowship hall after Sunday Mass this weekend. Enjoy refreshments and some social time with our parish family!



“And I’m proud to be an American, where at least I know I’m free. And I won’t forget the men who died, who gave that right to me.” - Lee Greenwood

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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's all so ordinary that we can easily miss it. The seagulls hunting and diving for mollusks at the beach offer a display of determination and precision as they gather their food for the day. It's simply what these creatures do. Yet, there's a magical artfulness and skill to their work that speaks volumes about the One who breathed life into their being. This is pretty much the way it is with God's presence. God comes in common ways through common things and ordinary people. Sadly, we are so engulfed in our little worlds of order and ideas to notice the beauty and wonder of it all. Many have numbed themselves to the Divine spark at the essence of all life because that's just the way it is. What's so special about it? A sunset is a sunset and a seagull is a seagull. That's precisely what they thought about Jesus too. After all, isn't he just the carpenter's son? What merit can his words possibly have?

If we're looking for God to come in an event that is so dramatic and intense that it knocks our socks off, then think again. When pondering God's relationship with His people and God's action in our lives, we have to go back to the stable and the recurring, creative, unending power of God's presence. It was a quiet, run of the mill kind of night. There was nothing spectacular or extraordinary. To the naked eye, a woman gave birth to a child and there wasn't anything extraordinary to see. We have a hard time understanding God's ordinary-ness. Jesus grew up in an ordinary town, had neighbors and did normal human things. Perhaps that's why we don't always like the Gospel. It doesn't dazzle us with extraordinary things but simply challenges us to take a different look at our ordinary stuff. That makes us uncomfortable. We prefer things as they are. Our lack of faith can even cause us to take offense at what Jesus says and does, dismissing it as folly.

God's life-giving presence continues to sustain that seagull in flight and keep all things in being regardless of whether we have the faith to see and understand this. Our personal agendas, preconceived ideas, misconceptions, and expectations can often cause us to be hardened and blinded to what God is doing or desiring to do. While God continues to do what he has done for all eternity, faith is needed for God's presence to bear fruit. The blinders we wear and the expectations we bring to life can often prevent us from seeing graced moments that radiate with God's graceful presence. They also prevent God's transforming, healing, and hope filled vision for our world from being realized. Without faith, God won't be able to do much for us either.

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Observances for the week of July 4, 2021

Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Independence Day

Monday: St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Tuesday: St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

Friday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest & Companions



**June & July
Monday-Thursday
8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

The Kindergartener

A Kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom as the children drew pictures. The teacher would occasionally walk around and see each child's artwork. As she approached one little girl who was working especially hard, she asked what the drawing was.

The little girl told her: "I'm drawing God!" "But sweetie," the teacher replied, "no one actually knows what God looks like."

Automatically, the little girl continued drawing and said, "well, they certainly will in a minute!"

No Pushing

A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran, she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!" As she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again. As she ran, she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late ... But please don't shove me either!"

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-CHOIR PRACTICE-

*Sing a new song to the Lord;
praise him in the assembly of
his faithful people!*
~ Psalm 149 ~

We are happy to invite all adults and welcome high school students to join our choir! Rehearsals are 7:00 P.M. on Wednesdays for the 8:30 choir, 3:00 P.M. on

Thursdays for the Women’s Summer Outreach Choir and 9:40 A.M. on Sundays for the 10:30 choir.

No audition is required—Just a strong faith and a love of singing.

Please contact Jeanne at jeanne@myparish.com for more information.



Are you a people person? We need volunteers to help with our Sunday socials. If you can help, please call Mary Orvis at 838-6606.

The Prophecy of You and Me

Prophet. There’s a heaviness to this word. It’s weighted down with meaning. We think of prophets and we think of Charlton Heston with wild hair and a booming voice, reaching out his hand to work wonders of nature by the grace of God. We think of prophets and we think of ancient Biblical history — someone far away, someone so removed from our everyday life. A prophet is someone who knows something we don’t.

When I let you in on this secret, it might scare you at first: in a way, God is calling you to be a prophet. He is calling me. He is calling anyone who hears the truth of the Gospel. However, there is no need for the megaphone and the wild locusts. This prophet gig might not be what you’re thinking.

What does a prophet do? He hears and testifies to the truth, even when it’s uncomfortable, even when it’s unpopular, even when it results in, as Paul says, “weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions and constraints.” A prophet doesn’t have to be smart or rich or ordained; heck, he doesn’t even have to be particularly willing.

All a prophet has to do is listen to the truth. The truth we receive from Christ, through the Gospel and the sacraments, is a mighty gift. But it is a gift that we are not meant to simply keep for ourselves. In possessing it, we are compelled to also pass it on, to share it, to let the Spirit set us on our feet.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Would you like to volunteer at Christ The King?

We are looking for more Lectors, Ushers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

If interested please contact Nikki Moore at nikkijo.moore@charter.net.



HAPPY 4th of July!

Enjoy the Holiday Weekend. We hope Scrip gift cards have contributed to your celebration!



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◆ Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.



New members or returning members are always welcome to join our Christ the King parish family! We are a vibrant and growing parish that is active within our local community as well as the greater Madison area.

Adults who are 18 years and older are welcome to register with us. You may visit or call the parish office at 838-9797 or register online at www.myparish.com. **Welcome!**



2021 Outdoor Rosary Rallies
“Solidarity in Freedom”

Come join the 10th Annual Rosary Rallies for Religious Freedom at the Christ the King outdoor Marian Garden, on Thursdays through October 28, at 6:30-7:30 p.m.

This year’s theme is **Solidarity in Freedom**. The Church promotes Religious freedom through her solidarity with all people who seek the good, and hope for fulfillment in truth. The fulfillment of hope is found in Jesus Christ. In the Incarnation, Jesus establishes solidarity with us. We imitate the Incarnate Son of God when we practice solidarity with others, primarily through service to our suffering brothers and sisters.

But today, more than ever, efforts to erode and eliminate Religious Freedom are gaining momentum. What can we do? One thing is to join others in prayer at the Rosary Rallies for Religious Freedom.

Please bring a chair and dress appropriately for conditions. Attend as many as you are able.

For questions or more information, please contact Julie Allington at 715-862-2523 or julieallington@gmail.com.

Agrace Offers Three Virtual Support Groups in July

In July, grief support specialists from Agrace are offering three virtual (accessible with a tablet, computer or smartphone) grief support groups for adults:

- **Bridges Support Group** meets July 7 and July 21, from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- **COVID-19 Loss Group** meets every other Wednesday. In July, meetings are July 14 and 28, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- **LGBTQ+ Spouse/Partner Loss Group** is a six-week series that meets Tuesdays, July 20 to August 24, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Pre-registration is required for all groups. For details, fees or to register, visit Agrace.org/GriefGroups or call (608) 327-7118.

Agrace is seeking volunteers to visit with hospice patients or support its Madison-area thrift stores. Call (608) 327-7163 or visit Agrace.org/Volunteer to fill out an application.



Madison Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

The MDCCW is calling all Catholic women to help us become a stronger Voice in fulfilling our mission, “To support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service”. They would like women in our parish to complete a short survey by July 14, 2021. Please go to mdccw.com

Resurrection Cemetery

Resurrection Cemetery at 2705 Regent Street, Madison, offers graves, crypts, niches, vaults, monuments, and vases. Our regular office hours are Monday thru Friday, 8am to 4pm. Since we are often busy with funerals, you might want to call 608-238-5561 for an appointment. You can also browse available property at www.madisondiocese.org/cemeteries.

Monthly Food Pantry Donations



Every month we collect food for the McFarland Food Pantry and St. Vincent de Paul Pantry. Place food in the labeled bins in the vestibule in the church.

McFarland Food Pantry - 2nd & 3rd weekend
 St. Vincent de Paul Pantry - 4th & 5th weekend

Please check the expiration dates of donated food items.

Thank you to all who have been so generous with their contributions to both these food pantries.

Change of Address



If you are planning to change your address or leave the parish, please call the parish office at 838-9797 or email: mary@myparish.com, so we can update our parish records.

The office must also notify the Catholic Herald office of any address changes. They do not forward the newspaper or cancel the paper without notification. The paper continues to be sent to the old address.

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