



Mass Schedule

Sundays 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m. Mondays 7:00 a.m. Tuesdays (only when school schedules) 8:05 a.m.

Wednesdays 6:00 p.m. Thursdays 6:00 p.m.

Fridays (First Fri. only) 7:00 a.m. Saturdays 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Confession: Saturdays 3:30 p.m. (and by request)

Christ the King School Principal Alan Mila, 615.292.9465

Marriage Preparation Fr. Anh Tuan Phan, 615.292.2884 (at least six months in advance)

Infant Baptism Kathy Skinner, 615.292.2884 (by third trimester)

Nursery (infants to age three) during 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Masses Community Room of the Parish Center Jaimie Gorman, 615.777.8908 Pastoral Care Margaret Emsweller, 615.777.8918

Adult Education and Inquiries about becoming Catholic Jon Stotts, 615.777.8910

Parish Religious Education Program (PreK-8th) Jaimie Gorman, 615.777.8908

Music Ministry Lucia Huskey, 615.777.8907

Business Office Dawnne Stephens, 615-777-8904

For ministry leaders and other information, please visit ctk.org.

SUNDAY'S READINGS (#1007)

FIRST READING:

"I prayed for this child, and the LORD granted my request. Now I, in turn, give him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the LORD." (1 Sm 1:27-28)

PSALM:

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord. (Ps 84)

SECOND READING:

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. And so we are. (1 Jn 3:1)

GOSPEL:

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. (Lk 2:46)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2021

Sunday: The Holy Family

Monday: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist Tuesday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

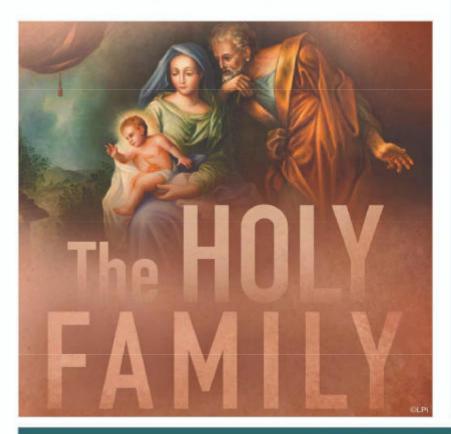
Wednesday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr Friday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve

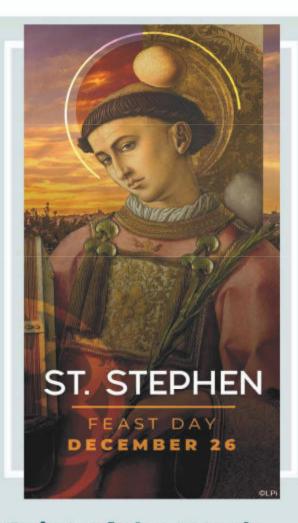
Saturday: New Year's Day, Mary, The Holy Mother of God;

World Day of Peace

Next Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and

Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church





Saint of the Week

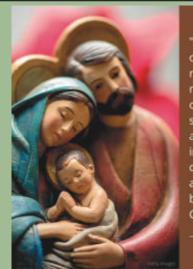
The Acts of the Apostles tells the story of St. Stephen, the first Christian martyr. A man filled with grace and power, he worked great wonders among the people. Some Jews debated with St. Stephen but could not match his wisdom and spirit. Eventually, a charge of blasphemy was brought up against him, and the local population demanded that he be tried and sentenced. He was seized and carried before the Sanhedrin.

Despite the danger he faced, in front of the Sanhedrin and his accusers, St. Stephen gave a long speech about the history of Israel and the blessings that God had given upon His chosen people. He talked about how Israel had become disobedient despite God's abundant mercy. This enraged his accusers, and eventually the crowd dragged him out of the city and stoned him to death.

Even in his final moments, St. Stephen displayed great forgiveness and even asked God not to hold the sins of his attackers against them. Hundreds of years after his death, he is still a role model for us to follow.

Sunday, December 26, 2021

Please refer to the parish app or website for current Mass information.



"Holy Family of Nazareth, make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family and its beauty in God's plan."

The parish office will be closed Dec. 23 - Jan. 2.

Contributions for the 2021 tax year must be postmarked by December 31.





Want to contribute online, request a Mass intention, RSVP for an event, or make a purchase? Our QR code will help you do so more quickly!

REPORT of COLLECTIONS

WEEK 24 — DECEMBER 12, 2021

Regular

47,000.25

Tuition Assistance

880.00

Registered Households

2063

*Due to publisher deadlines for the holiday season, the financial report may be delayed.

Please prayerfully consider Christ the King Parish and the Diocese of Nashville in your estate planning.

Call 615-292-2884 with questions.

In 2021, participating member status is based on a minimum of \$950 in annual offertory contributions, which is used to determine eligibility for reduced school tuition rates.

MASS INTENTIONS of the WEEK

DECEMBER 26TH THROUGH JANUARY 1ST

Masses this week:

Sun. 7 am, 8:30 am, 11 am, 6 pm; Mon. 7 am; Wed. and Thur. 6 pm; Fri. 6 pm; Sat. 9 am and 4:30 pm

Sun. 7:00 am - Gia Indrigo by John & Georgia Indrigo

Sun. 8:30 am - Patricia Francescon

Sun. 11 am - Pat Green by Alice Valiquette

Sun. 6 pm - The People of the Parish

Mon. 7 am - Richard Lux by Vicki Dukehart

Wed. 6 pm - Int. Sean Patrick Wilson by M & Beisel

Thur. 6 pm - Patsy Williams

Fri. 6 pm - Pat Strobel by Valerie & Emillie Cox

Sat. 9 am - Phliancey Pallen by Frank & Lois Schindler

Sat. 4:30 pm - Polly McKenzie by Bob & Lori Ogden by Warner & Marilyn Hassell

JANUARY 2ND THROUGH 8TH

Masses this week:

Sun. 7 am, 8:30 am, 11 am, 6 pm; Mon. 7 am; Tue. 8:05 am; Wed. and Thur. 6 pm; Fri. 7 am; Sat. 9 am and 4:30 pm

Sun. 7:00 am - George Pierce by Bob & Lori Ogden

Sun. 8:30 am - Pat Rohling by Alice Valiquette

Sun. 11 am - Edna Mangialardi by Gino Mangialardi

Sun. 6 pm - The People of the Parish

Mon. 7 am - Pat Green by Cathy Turnmyre

Tue. 8:05 am - James Ragghianti

Wed. 6 pm - Chester Frydrych

by John & Celeste Norman

Thur. 6 pm - Betsy Moran by Mick & Shannon Beisel

Fri. 7 am - Joyce Shrum by Pat & Priscilla Watson

Sat. 9 am - Philancey Pallen by Bill & Liz Heaney

Sat. 4:30 pm - Cal Everhart by Vicki Dukehart



May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



FLOWER MEMORIALS

Contributions to the Altar Flower Fund are in memory or in honor of those listed or provided by:

† Stephen Burk by Eni Burk Paul & Teresa Davis

† Martin & Kitty Gilmore and † John Gorham

by The Gorham, Shuff, & Gilmore Families

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† Martin E. Simmons & J. Carter Simmons by the Simmons Family

CHILDREN and YOUTH

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ADULT LEADERS

We are seeking adult leaders during the 8:30 and 11:00 liturgies for Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW). This is a commitment that will occur every one to two months, during the mass. The children of our parish look forward to this time together to hear God's Word and reflect at an age-appropriate level. Please reach out to Jaimie Gorman if you are interested. For more information on this ministry, visit ctk.org/childrens-liturgy.



FROM our SCHOOL

Christ the King School has limited openings for the 2021-2022 school year and applications are still being accepted. Applications for the 2022-2023 school year are open as well. Please contact Jeanette Neuhoff Vogt '76 for more information.

KINDERGARTEN SCREENING

If you are interested in your child attending Christ the King School, and your child is not currently enrolled in CKS, please submit an online application. An information email will be sent to those interested. Screening questionnaires will be sent to those who have applied. The date for kindergarten screening new students is January 13, 2022. Please contact Jeanette Neuhoff Vogt '76 with any questions at jeanette.vogt@cks-nashville.org or 615-777-8976.



5th grade gathers 310 boxes of cocoa collected for the Ladies of Charity Christmas baskets



Buddy the Elf visited PreK-1st grade

NEWS for the PARISH

SPECIAL MASS TIMES TO NOTE

New Year's Schedule:

Fri. Dec. 31 - 6 pm Sat. Jan. 1 - 9 am (not a day of obligation this year) Sat. Jan. 1 - 4:30 pm (regular weekend Mass)

ANGEL TREE



Thank you for participating in our annual parish giving tree. While the St. Vincent de Paul gifts have been completed, we still have tuition assistance tags on our board

(also available on WeShare) as well as a need for Kroger cards for the needy.

BEREAVEMENT MEALS



Thank you for the response from so many to assist with food for families after a funeral. We are in need of a few more individuals who are willing to donate a food item every 3 months or so. If you would like assist in our efforts to serve our bereaved families, contact Margaret at 615-777-8918 or email her at margaret.emsweller@ctk-nashville.org for more information.

PRAYER SHAWL KNITTING CIRCLE

We have a prayer shawl knitting circle, did you know? We are busy and would love to have you join us! We primarily knit and crochet shawls for CTK's pastoral care ministry. We also knit scarves for our Room in the Inn guests during the chilly winter months. We recently partnered with the Nashville Anti-Human Trafficking Coalition to make shawls for the women who are rescued and freed from trafficking.

We meet every Tuesday from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. in the Villa, 3007 Oakland Ave, behind the parish center. If you would like to learn how to knit or crochet, we have great teachers. Don't be shy! Knitting at home is great, too! Contact Krysta at 615-495-2998 or krystajane@comcast.net.

We CELEBRATE!

The baptism of

Evelyn Renae Scudellari

NEWS FROM BABY RUTH LANE

On Saturday, December 11, the Knights of Columbus put on its annual Christmas party for the residents of Mur-Ci Homes and their caregivers – but with a twist. Because of COVID and the medical fragility of the residents, they could not come to our campus. So, the Knights took the party to them with dinner and dessert for more than 200 people, Christmas presents for the 72 residents, decorations and crafts for each of the nine group homes in Antioch, and a special visit by Santa himself. Go to https://

patrickwatson.smugmug.com to see photos. Because of your generous financial support, we also were able to provide gifts for their caregivers at the staff Christmas party to express gratitude for their dedication in nursing those dependent on others for virtually every necessity. Special thanks go out to Ms. Sarah Witt's third-grade class for personalized Christmas cards for all the residents. Save the date for next year's party on December 10, 2022, when we hope it returns to CTK, and discover the real meaning of Christmas!



Thank you to our Knights of Columbus for preparing food to deliver and for making this event happen, despite the COVID changes. Thank you to all who supported this special celebration!

ADULT FORMATION



ADULT CONFIRMATION

Are you a baptized, Catholic adult who celebrated Eucharist as a child but was never confirmed? During the Easter season, the bishop celebrates Confir-

mation with adults in our diocese just like you. If you would like to join those preparing for adult confirmation this spring, contact Jon Stotts.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Director of Development - Christ the King School seeks a Director of Development. For info and qualifications, see dioceseofnashville.com/job/director-of-development. For details or to apply, email alan.mila@cksnashville.org.

Nashville Catholic Radio - There are multiple ways to listen: on your phone, download the free app; on your radioat 100.5 FM; streaming at NashvilleCR.com; or ask your smart speaker to "Play Nashville Catholic Radio". Monday-Thursday from 11 am—Noon, hear shows from the Nashville Diocese about the Nashville Diocese.

World Marriage Day Celebration - The annual diocesan celebration is Feb. 6 at 2:30 pm at the Cathedral of the Incarnation for couples celebrating their 25th or 50th anniversaries. Mass with Bishop Spalding, followed by light reception. Contact the parish office by January 3 to be sure you receive a formal invitation.

Cooks and Nursing Assistants Needed - The Sisters of Mercy Convent is seeking full and part-time cooks as well as nursing assistants. To apply, contact Gregg McGil at 615-885-1863.

Father Ryan 2022 Legacy Gala (February 5), Music City Center, Nashville. We will honor Father Charles Strobel, a 1961 graduate of the school and the Founding Director of Room In The Inn. Dinner, dancing, silent, and live auction. Tickets: fatherryan.org/gala.

Together in Holiness Marriage Retreat Day - "Family, A Believing and Evangelizing Community" - Married and engaged couples are invited to hear talks about the role of family in evangelization. Speakers include Dr. Ryan Hanning, Sr. Elizabeth Allen, O.P., and Damon Owen. If you are a parishioner and would like to attend, please contact Kathy in the parish office about a gift of the registration fee.



Prayer for Family Commitment

Dear God our Father. you have called all Christian families to be a sign of your love to the world. Help us to be generous with the gifts of life and love that you have showered on our family. May we share them so that our homes become true signs of unitive and fruitful love. Let us never forget to thank you each day for all that sustains us and to look to Christ. who comes to us in the events of family life, in the sacraments of the Church, and in service to the poor. In all of this, our family becomes a living expression of your Church, a hallowed home of life and love. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may all of us spouses, parents, and children share, as members of his Body, in Jesus' mission to build a civilization of love. Father, we ask this in Jesus' name in union with the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available to parishioners whose health has changed or who anticipate surgery in the near future. Through this special anointing, the sick person receives the Holy Spirit's gifts of strength, faith, peace, and courage. Call Kathy in the parish office or Margaret at 615-777-8918 to arrange an appointment with Fr. Dexter or Fr. Phan.

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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

CREDO - YOUNG ADULTS - credo@ctk.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Jim Blackstock, info@ctk.org

PRAYER CHAIN - Call 615-777-8918 / prayerchain@ctk.org

ROOM IN THE INN - ctkroomintheinn@gmail.com

SCOUTING - Boy Scouts (John Green 615-500-8528);

Girl Scouts (615-383-0490)

WOMEN'S COUNCIL - Pat Lavorini & Genie Herron Gathers 3rd Tue of each month, 10 am and 6:30 pm

For a complete list of parish organizations, the parish event calendar and more, please visit our web site, ctk.org.



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BLESS THE CHILDREN

Holy families aren't necessarily picture-perfect. But they are faithful and consistent in their values and goals. Like Mary and Joseph and biblical parents before them, holy families consecrate their children early and often to the care of God. They do this by baptizing them and seeing to their sacramental preparation. They do this by praying for and with their little ones. They provide them a religious education and share faith-filled practices of compassion and charity. All the children in our lives look to us for love and acceptance, guidance and Christian example. Teach the children well.



UPDATE YOUR PARISH INFORMATION

We have many phone numbers and email addresses in our system that are outdated. Landlines have been eliminated, and names have been changed. If joined before 2020, please go to **ctk.org/join-our-parish** and click on "Update Existing Family Information."

Tools for Building a Domestic Church

According to the Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on the Church: "The family, is so to speak, the domestic church." (Lumen Gentium #11) This means that it is in the context of the family that we first learn who God is and to prayerfully seek His will for us. In the following bullet points you will find some suggestions on how to build your "domestic church" through a life of prayer that can help all the members of your family.

- Begin praying as a family. Find a time that works for your family. Use the liturgy of the Church as a model for prayer, and try to include heartfelt unstructured prayer as well.
- Pray a Family Rosary (each member leads a decade, and everyone shares intentions).
- Have a crucifix in a prominent place in the home, and in every bedroom.
- Begin family traditions based on the seasons celebrated in the liturgical calendar.
- Teach stewardship and charity to your children, through word and example.
- Demonstrate love for your spouse, your children, your neighbors, and the world. Remind children that they are loved by God and have been given gifts to serve others.
- Talk freely about the presence of God in the joys and sorrows of your life.
- Participate in the lay ministries and activities of your parish community.
- Allow your children to witness you in private prayer. Encourage your children to pray daily on their own, to listen for God's call, and if heard, to respond.

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For more ideas on how to build your home as a Domestic Church, go to: www.domestic-church.com or visit The Family Fully Alive, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.







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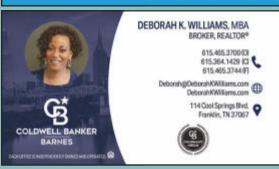
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