

CHRIST the KING

Catholic Church
of Wonder Lake, IL

*Then let us
celebrate with
a feast,
because this son
of mine was dead,
and had
come to
life again;
he was lost,
and has been
found.*

Luke 15:23, 24



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**Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 14, 2010**

Parish Mission Statement

Christ the King Catholic Church is a growing parish community celebrating life through holy, healthy and happy families for the greater honor and glory of God.

POINTS TO PONDER

From our Pastor—Fr. Sabo

*You are here with me always;
everything I have is yours.*

St. Luke, 15:31

Each of us is the prodigal son and painfully aware that sin is the greatest tragedy to occur in history. Without God happiness and *hope for heaven* is impossible. By the very nature of our baptism we are all children of God, and being children, then heirs of an incredible inheritance. Can you imagine such a heart-breaking request: *Father give me the share of your estate that should come to me!*? St. Luke tells us in the Gospel: *that the younger son after a few days collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation.* Why would he want to forsake his family and father's love in exchange for the world's delights, they are fleeting and fail to deliver on their empty promises?! Today's parable of the *Prodigal Son*, addresses the tragedy of personal sin, along with the loneliness of losing the *awareness of the Divine Sonship which has been squandered in loose living.* There is only one remedy for human misery, divine mercy, as illustrated by the Father who *was filled with compassion.* In His love we take hold of our *hope for heaven.*

There are three characters in today's Gospel who struggle with one of the following conditions: the (a) Pharisees and scribes, who resemble "stamp-collectors," or those individuals with photographic memories of every injustice, thus chronic complainers, and incapable of conversion. The second kind of characters suffer from a condition associated with the (b) younger

son, who is what I would like to classify as a "self-seeker," or someone who looks out for himself and a promoter of the pleasure principle. The third category corresponds to the (c) elder brother, who is a "score-keeper," or someone who is not generous in giving of himself, his time or talent without expecting something in return. What an empty existence for anyone who falls prey to one of these curiously contagious conditions! Sinners unfamiliar with God the Father's love fit into one of the three categories, need to stop and reflect for a moment on which one corresponds to their relationship with their loving Father God. The Gospel provides us with a most profitable picture for us to ponder today: a hope that we should take hold of: ***My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours (St. Luke 15:31).*** We should all hopefully find in our faith: a Father's compassionate and comforting embrace, a complete charity, one which holds no resentment or searches for any reason to write-off his sinful son, but rather waits for his return home. What can those of us who *hope for heaven* learn from the parable of the *Prodigal Son*?

When someone justifies sin, or ignores it, repentance and conversion are made impossible, for they have their root in the very depths of the human heart.

Psychoanalysis, cross-examination or medical studies are not enough to bring about justice and peace. Contrition is the first step required to return to Christ, and His Holy Mother, the Church, *the ordinary means of salvation.* In an address given to University Students, Pope John Paul II emphasized the following: *Learn to call what is white, white, and what is black, black; call evil what is evil, and good what is good. Learn to call a sin, sin (1981).* As a Catholic Priest my salvation is contingent upon preaching the Gospel and preparing people for that unexpected moment, when you shall see God as He is, face to face and experience your particular judgment, with only three options: Heaven, Purgatory or Hell. I must remind everyone of the nature and gravity of sin, or there is a greater risk of becoming "blind to sin." *Look to Him that you may be radiant with joy, and your faces may not blush with shame. When the poor one called out, the Lord heard, and from all his distress he saved him (Psalm 34).* Contrition causes conversion, or a turning back to God, who responds to every

sinner like the Father, who in response to seeing his wayward son ordered his servants: *Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it.* What sets us apart as Christians from the violent protests of the unbelieving crowd? We do not rejoice in the death of the sinner, but rather rejoice in their repentance and their return home, to the Catholic Church – a visible part of their inheritance. As a Priest, there is nothing as frustrating as encountering someone on their death bed who refuses to repent, so as to receive the grace of a good confession, anointing and the subsequent gift of a holy death.

The Holy Father in a recent Apostolic Exhortation, *Reconciliatio et Paenitentia (or Reconciliation and Penance)*, exclaims: *man knows that by a conscious and free act of his will he can change course and go in a direction opposed to God's will, separating himself from God, rejecting loving communion with him, detaching himself from the life principle which God is and consequently choosing death.* Pope Pius XII one day declared: ***the sin of the century is the loss of the sense of sin.*** By placing our hope in Him, the *Father of Mercies*, we turn safely away from the triple-threat of becoming: *a stamp-collector, a self-seeker or a score-keeper.* As Bishop Thomas G. Doran teaches us in his motto: *hope is the anchor of life*, we find fortitude for living our faith in our familiarity with the following: ***God (the Father) has reconciled us to Himself though Christ ... Whoever is in Christ is a new creation (2 Corinthians, 5:17-18).*** Since sin is the greatest tragedy in the world today and the cause of the crucifixion of the innocent, *Lamb of God*, may we imitate the prayer of contrition composed by the contrite son: ***Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called you son.*** We gain confidence by drawing near to God, our faithful and fearless Father, who will respond to all of us who are ready to seek His embrace: ***You are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because this child of God was dead and lost, but has now come home.***

O Mary, Refuge of Sinners & Hope of the Penitent: pray for us. Amen.

Scripture Readings for Week

15 Mon	Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
16 Tue	Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16
17 Wed	Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30
18 Thu	Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
19 Fri	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
20 Sat	Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53
21 SUN	Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14 Jn 8:1-11, or, for Year A Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Welcome Bishop Doran and People of St. Joseph's, Richmond

Welcome Bishop Doran and Congratulations to all being confirmed this weekend, both from St. Joseph and Christ the King Churches. I know you were well prepared and will do a fine job in presenting yourselves before our good Bishop. May your welcoming spirits be rewarded as you serve each other today and at St. Joseph Church in Richmond during the March 27th Theology of the Body Retreat, and again at the April 11th Divine Mercy Retreat here. A big thank you to all who volunteered to make Confirmation Day and Rehearsal so wonderful for all those Confirmed. Your help was and is appreciated immensely.



Early Registration for Religious Ed students has begun and there is a 10% discount for those registrations received and paid for before May. You may pick up a form in the back of the Church, in the school hallway on the bulletin board, or in the RE office. Those interested in volunteering to be a Teacher or Teacher's Aide are also encouraged to fill out a form from the RE office.

Karen Verr, CRE

LADIES' SODALITY

News from DCCW (Diocesan Council of Catholic Women)
Mark Sat. April 10 on your calendar. Call your friends and bring a group with you to the Biennial Convention of the Rockford Diocesan Council of Catholic Women set at Holy Angels Church, 180 S. Russell Ave., Aurora. Her an inspirational talk by Irene Hollenbach of St. Patrick Parish in St. Charles. Activities include business meeting at 9 a.m., Mass at 10:30, lunch at noon and speaker 1-3 p.m. Cost is \$20 for the day; \$10 for speaker only. Register by April 1st with Pat Leatherwood, 141 Wildberry, Aurora 630-978-2271 or paleat@aol.com. Make checks payable to RDCCW. To attend for the Speaker portion ONLY, advance registration is not needed, but please be there by 12:30.

Rediscovering Angels in our Midst with Joan Wester Anderson—Sat., Apr. 17

Would any women like to register for this event as a group? We could carpool from the church parking lot. Mayslake Ministries, is conducting this day at the Double Tree Hotel in Downers Grove from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$65 or \$55 for those who are 55+, clergy, religious and students. Lunch is included. If you are interested in more information you may call Mayslake Ministries at 630-268-9000 or check out the Mayslake web site at: www.mayslakeministries.org. Call Mary K. Yager 815-653-2561 during office hours (8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.) and register for a group outing! We'd leave CTK's parking lot about 7 a.m.

CATHOLICS COME HOME

Meeting Day Changed to Sundays

The group that is meeting to extend a hand of welcome back to the Catholic Church has moved the Lenten meetings from Thursday nights to Sunday mornings to accommodate more people and busy schedules. It is not too late to become part of Catholics Come Home! Stop down in the Church Hall any Sunday morning between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. and you'll find a welcoming group of people who can answer your questions, explain the "fine points" of our Faith Tradition and provide a warm and welcoming atmosphere for you to return to your roots or get more info about becoming part of the Catholic Church.



LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Stations and Simple Supper

Every Friday during Lent we will have a simple meatless soup supper at 5:30 p.m. followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. Join us for a social gathering then complete the evening with this beautiful Lenten devotion.

Operation Rice Bowl

The story of the Prodigal Son helps us refocus on the meaning of Lent. This is a time to change our ways, to turn back to God our Father, and to appreciate and share the gifts we have received. As we begin the second half of our journey with Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, we remember that we are called to be stewards of what God has given us, and we connect our prayers and fasting with our giving.

Rosary Making

Have you ever considered learning how to make rosaries for the missions? Now's your chance! If you are interested in this rosary ministry call Shirley 815-363-0087. You may also contact Karen Verr in the Religious Education office (815) 653-2581 for more information about making rosaries.

Sing a New Song Unto the Lord

If you have any musical ability, please donate your services to one (or all) of our choirs. We are always in need of folks who play keyboard/organ as well as those who enjoy singing. All you need do is introduce yourself to the organist or any choir member at any Mass and they will give you all the details.

It's a "Souper" Soup Sale

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society invites you to participate in a soup sale featuring easy and delicious Turtle Island "Just for Joy" soups. Sale takes place after each Mass during Lent in the classroom hallway. A table is set up with samples and order forms. Payment for the soup is accepted with the order then the following weekend you will be able to pick up your order after Mass; only a one week turn around! A \$5 per package cost is a "souper" deal! If you ordered soup last weekend. You may pick it up today in the corridor after any of the Masses.



Caring for Mother Nature Right Here at Home

The wilder areas on our parish grounds are getting better. Better environmental hygiene means more ecological health. All thanks to our volunteers! And we're looking for a few more occasional helpers.

This spring we'll do two or three Saturday workdays, a couple of hours each. Weather often affects plans, so we're building a phone list rather than announcing dates and times. If you can maybe do some physical work outside for two hours or so, please phone John Shiel, 815-814-6342, for specifics.

FAMILY LIFE OFFICE

For more information on any event in this column, call 815-965-5011 or register online at www.familylife.dpsrfd.org

Day of Healing, Care and Welcome for Divorced Catholics with Rose Sweet—Mar. 21

Join Rose as she brings a message that offers real solutions for real needs after divorce...even if it has been some time or you've remarried. Rose's teaching is firmly rooted in Scripture, Sacred Tradition and Pope John Paul II's profound teaching on the Theology of the Body. Reconciliation, Adoration, and Sunday Mass will be included. Location: Bishop Lane Retreat Center Rockford, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost for the day is \$25 and includes lunch.

Healing Childhood Hurts March 26-28

This retreat focuses on embracing adulthood by celebrating our uniqueness through the healing and forgiveness of early childhood hurts and losses. It helps free you to experience greater self-esteem, a closer relationship with significant people in your life and a deeper personal relationship with God. The retreat takes place at Bishop Lane Retreat Center in Rockford. For questions or to register, please call the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart at 630-892-2371.

Joyful Again—April 10-11

This event offers help in resolving grief felt inside after the death of a spouse. Learn how others are coping with their loss, what others have found helpful and that you are not alone in your grief. The retreat begins at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday morning and ends at 3:15 p.m. Sunday. The cost is \$90 which includes meals and private lodging. For more info contact the number at the head of this column.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Miss Wonder Lake Pageant

Wonder Lake Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Miss Wonder Lake Pageant for girls between the ages of 16 and 21 who live in the Wonder Lake area. The winner will go to the Miss McHenry County Pageant in August. If you know a girl who would like to participate direct them to the Chamber's website: www.wonderlake.org or to the Chamber office. Deadline for applications is March 15, 2010.

HOLY APOSTLES

5211 W. Bull Valley Rd., McHenry

Magnificat ~ McHenry Chapter

invites you to weekly prayer meetings. Thursday mornings from 9:30am - 12 noon at Church of Holy Apostles. There is no cost and babysitting is provided. Light refreshments are served. Upcoming guest speakers:

- ☺ March 18 — Fr. Steven Sabo
- ☺ April 8 — Joan Carter McHugh

Mom's Group

Mothers with young children (newborn to 12 years of age) please join us for faith and fellowship the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Church of Holy Apostles in Angels/Archangels Room. For more information on this group contact Church of Holy Apostles 815-385-5673.

ST. JOHN—Johnsburg

Easter Bunny Breakfast—Mar. 20

St. John the Baptist Catholic School invites you from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Sat. March 20 at 2304 W. Church St. for a fabulous buffet breakfast, pictures with the Easter Bunny and complimentary face painting. Adult tickets are \$7, Children 3-9 years of age are \$4 and children under two eat free. Easter egg hunts will be held at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Bake & Gift Sale—Mar. 13-14



The Knights of Columbus Ladies' Auxiliary of St. John the Baptist Church invites you to their Easter Bake and Gift Sale. Religious articles, Communion gifts, an Easter Raffle, and great homemade baked items will be

available after all Masses NEXT Weekend, Saturday and Sunday, March 13-14, in St. John the Baptist School, 2302 W. Church St., Johnsburg. See you there!

Introduction to Pre-School 101

You and your preschool son or daughter (ages 2 1/2 to 4) are cordially invited to attend Preschool 101 to acquaint children to a preschool classroom setting. Class will include free play, simple art activity, as well as music and movement. Join us: St. John the Baptist School, Preschool Room, Wednesday, March 24, 1 and 2 p.m. RSVP by calling 815-385-3959 .

CALLED & CHOSEN

Marriage Encounter

"Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come" (Second Reading)

Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter help you renew your marriage/priesthood. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are:

- March 12-14 in Madison, WI
- April 16-18 in Rockford, IL
- April 30- May 2 in Rockford, IL
- June 11-13 in Rockford, IL

Dates fill fast, early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653. For a weekend en Español: June 4-6 contact Hugo & Gaby at: 630-690-2094.



Nun Run—April 5-9

The Vocations Office of our diocese is sponsoring this discernment activity for single women ages 18-35. Visits will be made to Sisters of different orders with different apostolates. This trip includes visits to various religious communities in Indiana & Michigan. Cost is \$75. Deadline for registration is March 29. Call the Vocations Office at 815-399-4300 x 387 or visit www.rockvoc.org.

Come & See—March 26-28

The Sisters of Providence of St. Mary of the Woods, Inc. invite Catholic women exploring a call to religious life to attend this weekend event. "Faith Without Action is Dead" will be the theme for the weekend. Registration is Friday at 7:15 p.m. and the weekend ends at 2 p.m. on Sunday. For more information contact:

Sister Bernice Kuper at
812-535-2895 or email
bkuper@spsmw.org

Monthly Pro-Life Mass

Tuesday, April 6
Holy Cross Parish
2300 Main Street
Batavia, IL 60510
Mass at 7:00 p.m.
followed by Rosary
Refreshments follow.
Call the Diocese for more information at
815-877-LIFE



SHARING GOD'S GIFTS

Christ the King Catholic Church
Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)
March 14, 2010

How can I share MY Talents?
Call for more information about:

Bereavement Ministry

Michael-Maria Leary 815-728-1989

Building & Grounds

Lou Karmas 815-728-8047

Choirs

5 p.m. Mary Beth Valle 815-337-1952

8 a.m. Sue Keener 815-728-0672

10 a.m. Marie McQuillin 815-728-0254

Door-to-Door Ministry Contact

Bob Anderson 815-653-9865

Extraordinary Ministers

Terri Gilmer 815-728-0900

Finance Council

Bill Pilarski 815-653-2514

Knights of Columbus Council #8473

Tom Armbrust 815-451-6649

Land Stewardship Committee

John Shiel 815-653-9377

Legion of Mary

Phyllis Hartline 815-728-7279

Life in the Spirit Charismatic Prayer Group

Phyllis Hartline 815-728-7279

Liturgical Environment

Alice Ziemann 815-653-4509

Liturgy

Father Sabo 815-653-2561

Library

Carole Woodward 815-728-1271

Meals on Wheels

Barb Dicker 815-653-9524

Public Action to Deliver Shelter (P.A.D.S.)

Lynn Bauer 815-728-0150

Parish Council

Chuck Valle 815-337-1952

Parish Photographer & Publicity

Bill McKinney 815-728-1878

Respect Life Ministry

Colleen Dumais 815-648-4911

Religious Ed./Youth Ministry

Karen Verr 815-653-2581

R.C.I.A.

Father Sabo 815-653-2561

Sacristy

Phyllis Hartline 815-260-3637

St. Vincent de Paul Society (for Assistance)

Help Line 815-653-2501

St. Vincent DePaul Soc. (become a member)

Joe Ziemann 815-653-4509

Society of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Nancy Russo 815-653-2075

Sunday Coffee Socials

Call Parish Office 815-653-2561

SHARING TALENTS THIS WEEKEND

Bulletin Inserts : Fri. Mar. 12—Coventri Lorez
Saturday and Sunday March 13-14

Lectors: 5 p.m. Rick Goins
8 a.m. Jim Bronson
10 a.m. Stan Cebrzynski

Extraordinary Ministers:

5 p.m. Colleen Dumais
8 a.m. Deacons
10 a.m. Vickie Romme

Altar Servers:

5 p.m. Volunteer Needed
8 a.m. Blake Hartmann
10 a.m. Victor Nellesen

Money Counters:

Barb Weston, A.J. Nowoj, Laurie Kaminski

SHARING TREASURE



*That He may be Lord
of our lives and King
of our hearts!*

Income 3/4/10 through 3/10/10

Envelopes & Offertory..... \$4,986.00

The Observer..... \$28.00

St. Vincent dePaul..... \$820.00

Bills Paid 3/3/10—3/9/10..... \$4,795.93

Our Lady of Good Remedy, pray for us!

INVESTMENTS

Strange Paradox

The strangest paradox is that as we accept the heavy yoke of Christ, all our burdens become lighter. As we accept stewardship of God's grace and give ourselves to the Kingdom's cause, we become rich. At the very heart of Christian stewardship is the act of service, even at great cost. But the wonderful thing is that Christian service does something to us, as well as to the people whom we serve.



**Pledged \$23,079 (goal \$28,400)
Donors 128 (parish families 473)
May God bless all our donors!**

Weekday Masses:

Monday 7:00 p.m.

Tues, Wed., Thurs., and Fri.: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

To fulfill Sunday/Holiday Obligation

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Holy Day: 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Confessions:

Saturdays: 8:30 a.m. and at 3:45 p.m.

Sundays: 9:30 a.m.

Mondays: 6:30 p.m.

Tuesdays from 7:15 p.m.

Wednesdays through Fridays 7:30 a.m.

First Fridays: 8:30 a.m.

Also by appointment,
call Father Sabo 815-653-2561.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mondays 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Tuesdays 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Wednesdays through Sundays 7-8 a.m.

Saturdays also at 3:45-4:45 p.m.

Also, on the First Friday of each month,
adoration begins immediately following the
8:00 a.m. Mass and ends at Noon

Religious Education

Classes for Grades Pre-K through High School begin in September and end in May. Call R. E. Office 815-653-2581 to register. Classes for Grades 5-High School, Confirmation & RCIA meet 6:45-8 p.m. on Wednesdays and Grades PK-4 meet from 9:00-9:50 a.m. every Sunday.

Staff

Pastor:

Father Steven Sabo 815-653-2561

Deacon:

Deacon Mark Raz 815-653-2561

Coordinator of Religious Education:

Mrs. Karen Verr 815-653-2581

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Mrs. Mary K. Yager 815-653-2561

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R. E. Office Information

R. E. Office Phone: 815-653-2581

Church Hall Phone: 815-728-1259

Mass Intentions for the Week Ahead Monday, March 15

7 p.m. Special Intentions of Misericordia,
Shannon Apts. Staff req. by
Kathleen Reese and Family

Tuesday, March 16

8 a.m. Elisabeth Gerich req. by
Ron & Trudie Gohl

Wednesday, March 17—St. Patrick

8 a.m. Dolores Ehrhardt
req. by Family

Thursday, March 18—St. Cyril of Jerusalem

8 a.m. Elisabeth Gerich req. by
Valle Family

Friday, March 19—St. Joseph

8 a.m. In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph
req. by Goorsky Family

Saturday, March 20

8 a.m. Richard Garrelts req. by Family
5 p.m. For the People of the Parish

Sunday, March 21—5th Sunday of Lent

8 a.m. Frank "Rich" Brisinte req. by
Toni Brisinte
10 a.m. Czeslaw & Konstancja Lasiewicki
req. by Anastazeja Kaluza



Ministry Schedule Next Week

Bulletin Inserts : Fri. Mar. 19—Char Kurzeja
Saturday and Sunday March 20-21

Lectors: 5 p.m. Lynn Bauer
8 a.m. Ken Johnson
10 a.m. Jenny Nellessen

Extraordinary Ministers:

5 p.m. Phyllis Hartline
8 a.m. Deacons
10 a.m. Lynn Knaack

Altar Servers:

5 p.m. Volunteer Needed
8 a.m. Patrick Sullivan
10 a.m. Mike Gilmer

Money Counters:

Juan Enriquez, Tom Armburst, Steve Saunders



Sanctuary Light Dedication

March 1-14, 2010

For Rev. Dorrance E. Tranel through the loving
request of Rich & Mary K. Yager

March 15-28, 2010

For David Beaver-Crews through the loving
request of his sisters

Each candle is blessed before it is burned.

PETITION

Book of Prayer

Please write all your prayer intentions in the
book provided near the main entry. In gratitude
we pray for **Jeremy Trowbridge, Keith Romke
Christopher DiTomo and Jacob Valle** as well
as all those studying for service in the Church.

Pray For Our Military Personnel

We ask God to bless all those
serving in the armed forces:

- 1st Lt. Rosa Castillo (USAF)
- Kenneth Ebacher (ARMY)
- Micah Grosskopf (USAF)
- Laura Hrdlicka (USN)
- 1st Lt. Therese M. Janecke (ARMY)
- Robert Kelly Jr. (ARMY)
- Pvt. John C. Kurchina (ARMY)
- MSgt. Michael Litt (USAF)
- Christopher Lorr (USAF)
- Michael Lorr (USAF)
- Steve T. Lowe (USN)
- Lt. Joseph Mongelluzzo (ARMY)
- CW2 Brent H. Peters (ARMY)
- SPC Eric Roge (ARMY)
- Lt. Col. Daniel Thoele (USMC)
- Capt. Tim Ungaro (ARMY)
- 1st Lt. Nathan Valle (USAF)
- Sgt. Richard J. Vicere (USMC)
- SSgt. William R. Vincent (USAF)
- PFC Rodney Ward (USMC)



To add a loved one's name to this list contact
the Parish Office 815-653-2561.

Prayer for Our Troops

*Lord, hold our troops
In Your loving hands.*

Protect them as they protect us.

Bless them and their families

For the selfless acts they perform

For us in our time of need, and

Bring them home safely.

May their sacrifices bring about

A lasting and just peace in those lands.

*I ask this in the name of Jesus,
our Lord and Savior. Amen.*

ROSARY

Come Pray with Us!

- ☪ Monday—6:30 p.m.
(before 7:00 p.m. Mass)
- ☪ Tuesday through Sunday at 7:30 a.m.
(before the 8:00 a.m. Mass)
- ☪ Saturday at 4:30 p.m.
(before the 5:00 p.m. Mass)



SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 14—4th Sunday of Lent

- Adoration 7-8 a.m.
- Rosary 7:30 a.m.
- Masses 8 a.m and 10 a.m.
- Confessions 9:30 a.m.
- **NO R.E. Classes**
- Confirmation Candidates Meet 10:30 a.m.
- Coffee Social 9-Noon
- Confirmation Noon
- SVDP Food Pantry

Monday, March 15

- Rosary 6:30 p.m.
- Confessions 6:30 p.m.
- Mass 7:00 p.m. Hosting Home School
- Adoration 7:30-8:30 p.m.
- Knights of Columbus Mtg. 7:30 p.m.
- Narcotics Anonymous 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 16

- Rosary 7:30 a.m.
- Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Scripture Study 9:00 a.m.
- Adoration 7-8 p.m.
- Confession 7:15 p.m.
- P.A.D.S. 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.
- A.A. 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 17—St. Patrick

- Adoration 7-8 a.m.
- Rosary 7:30 a.m.
- Confessions 7:30 a.m.
- Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Life in the Spirit Prayer-6:30 p.m.
- R. E. for 5—HS—6:45 p.m.--8:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 18—St. Cyril of Jerusalem

- Adoration 7-8 a.m.
- Rosary 7:30 a.m.
- Confessions 7:30 a.m.
- Mass 8:00 a.m.
- A.A. 10:00 a.m.
- Catholics Come Home 7 p.m.
- Finance Council 7 p.m.

Friday, March 19—St. Joseph

Abstain from eating meat

- Adoration 7-8 a.m.
- Rosary 7:30 a.m.
- Confessions 7:30 a.m.
- Mass 8:00 a.m.
- TOPS 10 a.m.
- Simple Soup Supper 5:30 p.m.
- Stations of the Cross 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 20

- Adoration 7-8 a.m. & 3:45-4:45 p.m.
- Rosary 7:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.
- Mass 8:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.
- Confessions 8:30 a.m. & 3:45 p.m.
- Legion of Mary Meeting 10 a.m.
- SVDP Food Pantry

Sunday, March 21—5th Sunday of Lent

- Adoration 7-8 a.m.
- Rosary 7:30 a.m.
- Masses 8 a.m and 10 a.m.
- R.E. Classes 9:00 to 9:50 a.m.
- Confessions 9:30 a.m.
- Coffee Social 9-Noon
- SVDP Food Pantry

CELEBRATING OUR FAITH

Christ the King Catholic Church
Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)
March 14, 2010

Just Moved into the Area?

New parishioners are most welcome! Register at the parish office or call for a registration form 815-653-2561.

Wish to Enroll in Religious Education Classes?

You and your children are always welcome in our programs. Contact the Parish Office 815-653-2561.

Would you like a visit?

If you or a loved one are homebound and would like to receive a visit so that you may receive the sacraments, just call the parish office 815-653-2561.

Have you moved or changed phone numbers?

We need your help to keep parish information up-to-date. Contact parish office 815-653-2561.

Want more Information about Sacraments?

PLEASE NOTE!!

In the Hospital?

If you or a loved one are in the hospital, please call the parish office 815-653-2561 immediately. Due to privacy laws, the hospitals do not notify us when you are admitted. We want to visit those in the hospital, but need to hear from you.

Baptisms take place by appointment. Meet with Father Sabo at least three months before making any other arrangements 815-653-2561

1st Confession-1st Holy Communion or Confirmation: Contact Father Sabo at the Parish Office 815-653-2561.

Marriage: Preparation for Catholic wedding ceremony in the Diocese of Rockford takes place in steps over a period of at least 6 months. Therefore, meet with Father Sabo at least 6 months before making any other arrangements such as flowers, reception etc.

Anointing of the Sick is a sacrament of healing and comfort. Call the parish office as soon as someone becomes ill. Also, for chronic illnesses, this sacrament is offered twice a year. Watch the bulletin or call the parish office 815-653-2561 for more information.

Holy Orders: If you feel that God is calling you to begin the process of becoming a priest, contact Father Sabo at the parish office 815-653-2561.

Seeking more information about the Catholic faith?

Our R.C.I.A (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) team is always ready to help folks understand the teachings, rituals and practices of the Catholic faith. Call Fr. Sabo 815-653-2561.

Word of Life

Mother Teresa said that Christ comes to us in the distressing disguise of the poor. She also said that it is a terrible poverty that a child must die so that people might live as they wish. Taken together, I believe that the poorest of the poor are those whose poverty lies in the loss of a child. We should consider them the face of Christ in our lives and help them with a kind word, a listening ear, a healing embrace. Only love can overcome the tragedy of abortion, and that love must begin with each of us.

~ Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight, Knights of Columbus,
Address at the 25th Anniversary Celebration of Project Rachel

PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

Catholics Come Home

Thursdays during Lent 7-8 p.m. in St. Benedict Room (

Knights of Columbus

3rd Monday each month 7:30 in the church hall.

Ladies Sodality (Society of the Immac. Heart of Mary)

2nd Monday of each month 6:30 p.m. (St. Faustina Room)

Legion of Mary (For men and women)

Every Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Father Tranel Meeting Room

Life in the Spirit Charismatic Prayer Group

Every Wednesday evening from 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. in the Father Tranel Meeting Room (at the back of church).

St. Vincent dePaul Society

2nd & 4th Saturdays 8:30 a.m. in the St. Kolbe Room

OUR CUP OVERFLOWS

Principal Needed

St. Mary Catholic School, a Pre-K-8 Catholic school in Woodstock, Illinois, seeks a Principal for the 2010-2011 school year. We are fully accredited by the Illinois State Board of Education and the Diocese of Rockford. Requirements include: vibrant Catholic faith, active and practicing Catholic, Master's degree in Education, type 75 certificate, min. of 5 yrs teaching experience, administrative experience (in a Catholic school preferred), excellent communication, administrative & organizational skills, collaborative leadership style, knowledgeable about elementary curriculum & effective instructional practices. For consideration please complete the online application at www.stmary-woodstock.org. All questions and inquiries should be directed to: Msgr. Aaron Brodeski, St. Mary Catholic Church, 312 Lincoln Ave., Woodstock, IL 60098, abrodeski@stmary-woodstock.org, (815) 338-3377

Thanks to YOU We Feed the Hungry!

Christ the King is one of 12 churches in the area that deliver Meals on Wheels. Meals are picked up at Northern Illinois Medical Center in McHenry and are delivered to the homebound in our area. Thanks to all our drivers for their continuing help and support of this ministry. Our remaining dates in 2010 are:

April 5-9	June 14-18	Sept. 27-Oct. 1	Jan. 10-14, 2011
April 20-24	July 19-23	Nov. 1-5	
May 10-14	Aug. 23-27	Dec. 6-10	

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