

Christ the King Parish

~ in the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface ~

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Second Sunday of Easter

April 7th, 2024.

Christ Jesus is risen, as He said! Doubt no longer... and in grace, believe this Good News!

Here's wishing Parishioners & Friends
born in the month of

MARCH

*a WONDERFUL BIRTHDAY and
a YEAR FILLED WITH GOD'S
ABUNDANT BLESSINGS!*

HAPPY HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



*May our gracious God shine his
face upon you now, and forever!*

Love, Fr. Chrys

PARISH COMMUNITY
ANNUAL MEETING
NEXT SATURDAY,
APRIL 13th, 2024
10:00am - 12noon

Sign-in & Coffee & Snack: 9:30am
Presentations & Discussions: 10:00am
Lunch: 12noon

All Parishioners are invited, welcomed, and encouraged to come and participate in this Parish Community Annual Meeting ('PCAM'). This is your church and your Parish! Let us gather together:

- + to pray...
- + to review how our **Mission, Vision and Values** have been lived out this past year...
- + to build community & fellowship...
- + to hear what has transpired with Committees, Councils, Leagues, and Ministries...
- + to hear about some present happenings in CTK Parish...
- + to ask questions and discuss...
- + and to listen and hear one another...

Snacks, coffee and beverages will be provided, and a luncheon is planned and will be prepared for everyone. In order to plan appropriately, please include your name on the sign-up sheets on the parking lot entrance counter. Hope you will come!

~ Parish Pastoral Council ("PPC")
& Fr. Chrys, Pastor

We are encouraged on this Second Sunday of Easter to doubt no longer, but believe in the Good News. The Risen Lord stands among us – Jesus... Emmanuel... God-with-us – just as he came and stood among his disciples of long ago. He says “Peace be with you! Do not doubt, but believe.” May we walk by faith, and not by sight, and experience the wondrous mystery of the resurrection of Christ through time and beyond it.



FIRST READING (Acts 4:32-35) ~ The first Christian community lived as one heart and mind, with everything shared and done for the common good. They spread the work of Jesus, and encourage one another to keep the faith, and remember their dignity, as the Baptized in Christ. They increased the number of believers by sharing their experience and teaching, fellowship, prayers and breaking of bread, in remembrance of the Risen Lord.

SECOND READING (1 John 5:1-6) ~ Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Son of God has been born of God. God's commandments are not to be a burden to disciples, but rather, the 'guidebook' for living faith-filled lives when put into practice with wisdom, humility and practical common sense.

GOSPEL (John 20:19-31) ~ Hiding in fear behind locked doors, Jesus appears among the gathered community. They recognize the Risen Lord and rejoice at the peace, hope, and truth offered through Christ Jesus. Thomas is not with them at Jesus' appearance, and (like many people), is adamantly doubtful because he has not seen Jesus' risen presence personally. Jesus appears again, and stands among them, offering them peace and blessings. Jesus gently invites Thomas to touch the wounds in His hands and side, to which Thomas humbly and faithfully responds “My Lord and my God!”

We join together as one people baptized in Christ, not because “we occupy the same place in history, but because we share the same destiny: eternal life forever through the resurrection of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ.”

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. This day was established by Pope John Paul II as “a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face with confidence in divine benevolence the difficulties and trials that humankind will experience in the years to come”. In a way similar to Passion Sunday (Palm Sunday) or the Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday), the Second Sunday of Easter bears the additional title of “Divine Mercy”. This is not a new solemnity or feast, nor does it celebrate a new or separate mystery of redemption, but rather it leads into the continuing celebration of God's mercy during the Easter Season. As the octave Day of Easter, the Lectionary readings and prayers highlight the mystery of divine compassion that underlies the Church's Easter faith.



~ Excerpt from Sourcebook- LTD Training Publ.

Parish Schedule

Saturday, Apr. 6th, 2024	<i>Vigil of Second Sunday of Easter</i> 11:30am Marriage Convalidation - Jude & Joyce Nwajide 4pm Mass ~ For Arnie Ottenbreit+. By wife Charlene & Family
Sunday, Apr. 7th	<i>Second Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i> 9am-10:45am Catechism Classes 9am Mass ~ For Deceased Brother Knights+. By CTK Knights 11am Mass ~ For Arnie Ottenbreit+. By Margaret & Bernie Bourret 12noon Fellowship & Social Committee Meeting - Lennox Hall
Monday, Apr. 8th	Annunciation of the Lord No Mass in our Parish on Mondays.
Tuesday, Apr. 9th	Easter Weekday 10am Mass ~ For Birthday Blessings for Silas Mark. By Jolene Allen
Wednesday, Apr. 10th	Easter Weekday 10am Mass ~ For healing & health for Erin McTaggart, & strength & faithful courage for her Family. By Gayle Fiori
Thursday, Apr. 11th	St. Stanislaus, Bishop 10am Mass w/ SCHOOL ~ For the soul of Dad C. Sachi+, & Poorany Williams & Family. By CTK School Family
Friday, Apr. 12th	Easter Weekday 10am Mass ~ In Thanksgiving & 90 th Birthday Blessings for Irene Giguere. By CTK C.W.L. 11:30am Funeral Mass - Hubert Kondziela+
Saturday, Apr. 13th	<i>Vigil of the Third Sunday of Easter</i> 10-12noon Parish Community Annual Meeting , downstairs in Lennox Hall, followed by luncheon and continued fellowship. 10:30am-12:30pm Confirmation Candidates Visit to Archbishop's House 1pm-3pm Sacramental Prep Classes 4pm Mass ~ For the souls of her sister-in-law Yvonne+ & brother Clifford+ LaRogue. By Florence Friesen
Sunday, Apr. 14th	<i>Third Sunday of Easter</i> 9am-10:45am Catechism Class 9am Mass ~ For Ruben Ladia+ (2 nd year Anniv. of death) By his wife Bernadette & Family 11am Mass ~ In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Good Counsel. By CTK C.W.L.

May we unite our hearts together in prayer for: Arlette, Jean, John, Harold Abs, Valerie Armstrong, Bernie Bourret, Cam Dueck, Meaghan Dueck, Orval Everett, Linda Fulmore, Julien & Joanne Gerard, Gerry Grossman, Lisa Hackett, Heinz Herold, Catherine Holmes, Catherine Hyska, George Kucera, John Laplante, Lois Lecuyer, Olga & Walter Majola, Silvia & Hans J. Müllerleile, Charlene Ottenbreit, Fr. Edmond Paradis, Pamela Rebello, Norbert Remer, Priyantha Subasinghe, Makenna Stratton, Marie Viallet...for all who seek healing and comfort in body, mind or spirit... persons awaiting and recovering from injury or surgery...for a spirit of reconciliation and forgiveness among all peoples and nations... for peace between Ukraine and Russia, Palestine and Israel, and all peoples at war...for victims of violence and injustice...

Our sincere condolences, thoughts & prayers for Aurise Kondziela & her Family, Friends & Parishioners grieving the death of her husband, Hubert Kondziela. ✝





Mass Intentions ~ If you would like our Parish Family to join with you in prayer for a special Mass Intention, you are invited to phone / email the Parish Office, and request your intention on an open available date & time. A suggested stipend is \$10.00.

CTK Sick Visiting Ministry ~ Members of the Team would be happy to arrange with you to bring to your home / care facility / hospital a share of Eucharist and the prayers of our Parish Family. Please phone or email the Parish Office.

HOLY WATER ~ Parishioners & Friends are invited to take a vial of Holy Water home, along with the accompanying prayer-blessing sheet, to bless your homes and your family this holy Easter Season. May our eyes be opened to the generous grace of our Risen Lord showering abundant blessings upon us all.

FOOD BIN for the NEEDY ~ Thank you for your most generous and faithful donations of non-perishable food items for the needy. The bin is at the parking lot entrance, and canned goods, cereals, hygiene items can be dropped in when you come to Mass, or during Office hours.

CTK KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS Council #8124
 > **Meat Draw** ~ Tickets are now available for the Meat Draw for Miller's Meat products. Draw will be held on Monday, June 17th. There will be 3 (three) x \$500.00 prizes. Tickets are \$5 each, or 5 tickets for \$20.00. Available online, or see one of the Knights after Mass for assistance. Proceeds will go to CTK Parish & the Knights various charities.

CTK C.W.L. News ~ Members of The Catholic Women's League would like to thank EVERYONE who made the Easter Services and the Vigil luncheon such a BLESSING for all. ALLELUIA! ~ CTK CWL

MUSICAL FUNDRAISER CONCERT for CTK Parish Building Fund, featuring *Andre V and The Maze* performing Classic country and Classic Rock songs. Saturday, Apr. 20th 2024, from 7-9pm in CTK gymnasium. Tickets are \$15.00, available after each Mass time, at the Parish during Office hours, or phone 204-233-9221.

Stewardship Offerings received: Easter weekend:
 + Sunday White Envs. \$5,213.00
 + Building (Blue box & pew envs.) \$5,973.80
 + Good Friday: Donations for Holy Land \$1,566.30
Thank you for your faithful generosity and support.

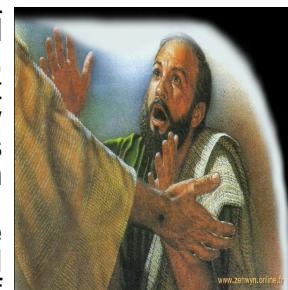
CLEARLY WRITTEN ~ If you wish to receive an Income Tax Receipt for the donations that you give to Christ the King Parish this year, please clearly & legibly write your name (at least) & address on your envelopes - blank, blue or issued numbered envelopes. (Attaching a personal address label onto your envelope is a great help, too.)

O Risen Christ Jesus, appear to the world in its anxiety, disbelief, and in the fear that binds and constricts. Breathe within us, your Holy Spirit's hope, bringing new life and peace to your cherished and beloved people.

Sincere Thanks & Blessings to all who helped make our Lent, Triduum and Easter Seasons so beautiful, symbolic, prayerful and meaningful! Thank you to all who ministered and worked together so willingly and faithfully in the many and various aspects of our Parish Family life together. Thank you, Everyone, for sharing of your time, your talents, and your Selves to build community and to nurture the body of Christ in worship, celebration and fellowship. May we go out now, and share the blessings, Good News and joy of the Risen Christ by the way we continue to live and love one another as God's Easter people!

Blessed Easter Season to All!

The gift, support, and importance of a faith community is best expressed and appreciated in today's Gospel passage: After the crucifixion, the disciples lived in grief and fear, and hid behind closed and locked doors. They were broken-hearted, fractured by disbelief, doubt... and yet clinging to hope. Even through the obstacles, the Risen Jesus appears among the disciples, and tenderly breathes His Spirit and new life into them, offering peace and blessing, and a renewed sense of truth, promise, and mission. Thomas does not experience the support, love and joy because, for whatever reason, he has chosen to not be present and together with the gathered community.



Jesus encourages us, revealing that we are blessed when we have not seen, and yet believe in the truth and promise of resurrection. Enriched with the richness and promise of the Cross, may we support, encourage and love one another. May we doubt no longer, but believe, and proclaim the Good News by the ways we live the Risen Lord's example of love in the world.

The joy and mystery of the Resurrection requires that we spread the Good News to others. We can easily forget to do this in our selfish preoccupations... Today, let us share little joyous bits of Good News with family and friends, and those we encounter, by reflecting the greater light of the love and mercy of God. May we burst with Good News.

We often don't recognize the resurrection when it is staring us in the face. What if we lived as if we really believed resurrection was possible? How differently would we treat those around us? How differently would we treat ourselves?

Christ gives us the fullness of life, joyfulness, meaning, and eventually eternal happiness in the community of heaven. It will be our richest dreams and imaginations fulfilled. It will be joy and peace beyond what we know in this life. Help us, O Risen Lord, to become faithful beacons of light and goodness, that we may more accurately reflect Your love for all your people.

In believing that everything we possess is a gift from God, we make a conscious decision to share it. Thus, our grateful hearts lead us to joyful generosity, not out of obligation or duty or fear, but out of humble gratitude to God and love of others. May our hearts be deeply touched during this Easter Season, to truly live the resurrection and new life that the Risen Lord offers to us each day. May all our senses be opened and our hearts be softened to receive the grace of the Risen Lord offering abundant blessings in our lives all the time.



Children's Corner

Dear Girls & Boys, Alleluia !
 Jesus is risen ! Alleluia ! Alleluia !
 What a wondrous gift the Lord has given to his precious people. Even when we doubt, the Lord urges us to have faith and believe. Thomas was a loyal disciple, wanting to believe, not wanting to doubt. Jesus blesses us, offering us the grace of Holy Spirit, to believe, even though we have not seen. Alleluia !



**ACTIVE AMONG APPEARED BELIEVE BLESSED
 BREATHED CARE COURAGE DISCIPLESHIP DOUBT
 FAITH FEET FINGER GATHER HANDS LOYALTY
 MARKS 'MY LORD AND MY GOD' NAILS NOT
 OFFER PEACE RECEIVE SEE SEEN SEND
 SCARS SIDE STOOD TEND TOGETHER TOUCH
 TRUTH UNLESS WORSHIP YET**

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Christ Jesus hung in total solidarity with the pain of the world ... After the cross, we know that God is not watching human pain, nor apparently always stopping human pain, as much as God is found hanging with us alongside all human pain.
 Jesus redeemed the world "by the blood of the cross". It was not some kind of heavenly transaction, or "paying a price" to (ease the wrath of) God, as much as a cosmic communion with all that humanity has ever loved and ever suffered. If he was paying any price, it was for the hard and resistant skin around our souls.
 ~ Adapted from *The Great Themes of Scripture*

Faith Formation News

> Catechism Classes - Sundays from 9am-10:45am. Families are invited to come to the church right after Catechism Classes to celebrate and worship God at the 11am Mass.
 > Blessing for First Eucharist Candidates ~ Sunday, Apr. 21st at 11am Mass.
 > Sacramental Preparation Classes - Saturdays from 1:00-3:00pm. Please refer to your schedule for Saturday dates.
 For questions or concerns for any of the above, please email Suzette suzette@cktp.ca or phone 431-373-0572.

There is hope in our world... While going downstairs to Lennox Hall, a little 5 year old asked one of our Elders if she needed some help. Thank you for being so attentive, Little Girl. God blesses you.

Abundant Blessings
 to the young Children who celebrated
 the Sacrament of Penance
 for the first time
 on Saturday, March 23rd, 2024
 in Christ the King Parish.

Mateo Cruzat
 Samantha Daylo
 Rhianne Daylo
 Nina Dvorski
 Momoreoluwa Krakue
 Joshua Labongo
 Oswald Okodugha

Sophia Okoye
 Oghenerwakpo Oniesi
 Crislyn Quimio
 Sean Tse
 Sofia Tumambing
 Michelle Uyah

Children, may you choose often to come to the Lord Jesus in the celebration of the Sacrament of Penance, humbly seeking the grace of Jesus's gentle healing, generous forgiveness, and peace in your heart and soul.

CHRIST THE KING PARISH MISSION

Christ the King is a Roman Catholic Parish called to share generously our time, talents and treasures in the making of disciples of Christ.
 (Matthew 28:18-20)

VISION

To be an inclusive and caring community of service where everyone is invited and welcomed to be nourished fully through word, witness and worship.

VALUES

Inviting, Welcoming and Outreach
 Building Relationships
 Faith and Worship
 Compassion and Generosity

