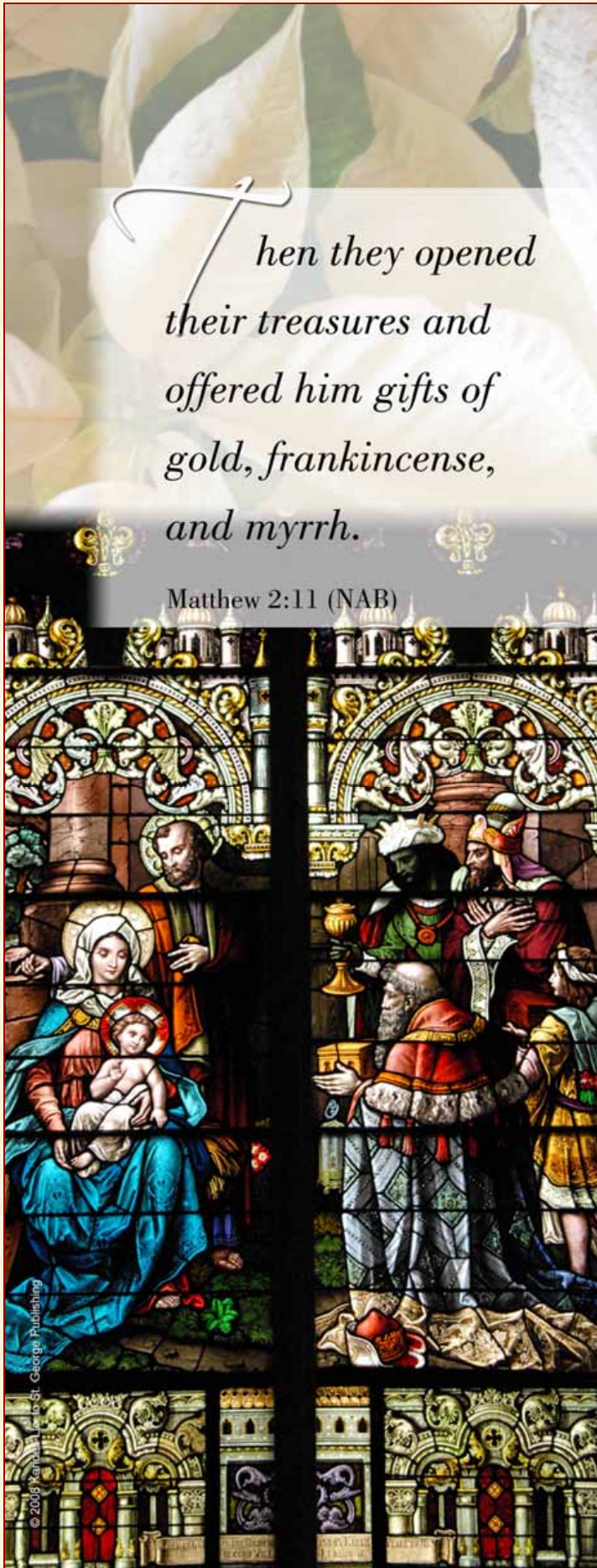


# Christ the King Parish

McFarland, Wisconsin

*Then they opened  
their treasures and  
offered him gifts of  
gold, frankincense,  
and myrrh.*

Matthew 2:11 (NAB)



## January 7/8, 2012 The Epiphany of Our Lord

### Parish Staff

*Fr. D. Stephen Smith, Pastor*  
*Kathie Fritz, Pastoral Associate / DRE*  
*Shileng Yang, Director of Youth Formation*  
*Amy Bexson, ARE*  
*Greg Burnard, Director of Music Ministry*  
*Tammy Lee, Office Manager*  
*Ann Sanner, Executive Secretary*  
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### Parish Center

Box 524 McFarland, WI  
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Office Hours: 7:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Monday  
through Thursday - Office closed on Friday  
Web Site: [www.myparish.com](http://www.myparish.com)  
E-mail: [ctk@myparish.com](mailto:ctk@myparish.com)  
Rectory: 838-8776

### Masses

Weekdays: Monday thru Thursday  
8:30 A.M. in Chapel  
Liturgy of the Word on Friday  
8:30 A.M. in Chapel  
Saturday 5:00 P.M.  
Sunday 8:30 and 10:30 A.M.  
Holy Rosary is prayed in the Chapel 30 minutes  
before each Mass

Bulletin articles are due on Monday morning  
Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 P.M. and by appointment  
Weddings by appointment, please notify Pastor  
at least four months prior  
Baptism every month - Call Parish Office  
New Family Registrations - Call Parish Office

### Generations of Faith

Sunday, January 8, from noon to 2:30 P.M.

If you did not sign up to attend the Generations of Faith program this Sunday, you are still most welcome to attend. It will begin with a meal, followed by the program. This year we are taking a quick journey through the Bible. This session we will explore a very dark period in Israelite history. After the glory of the kingdom David built and Solomon ruled, Israel literally falls apart. It is split into two kingdoms: Israel in the north and Judah in the south. Both kingdoms are then conquered and led into exile, Israel by Assyria and Judah by Babylon. The future looks bleak. But the story continues.



We have activities for all age groups and a video. Don't worry if you haven't seen the previous videos. We own the set and you can check them out at the office.

Come find just how interesting the Bible can be.

### Adult Faith Formation on The Eucharist

St. Ann's in Stoughton is hosting the first Cluster Speaker Series in the new year. *Full, Conscious and Active: Deepening Your Participation in the Mass* is the topic that Pat Gorman, Ph.D, Director of Worship for the Madison Diocese, will address on Wednesday, January 18, at 7:00 P.M. Full, conscious, and active participation of people in worship is a major guiding principle of the liturgical renewal called for by Vatican Council II. Dr. Gorman will explore how we have or have not fulfilled its vision. There will be time following his presentation for questions.



If you would like to carpool, please call the CTK office by noon on January 17th. We plan to leave the CTK parking lot at 6:20.

### Baptism Preparation Class

We invite parents wishing to have their children baptized to come to a class today (Sunday), at 9:30 A.M. in the St. Joachim room.



### King Fest Family Bingo Night

Christ the King Parish will be hosting its 2nd annual King Fest Family Bingo Night. This event for people of all ages will take place in the parish hall on Saturday, January 28, from 6:00 to 8:15 P.M. A hot dog or bratwurst combo will be available for purchase during the evening, as well as snacks and beverages. No alcohol will be served. Car rides are available for those who need transportation to and from the church. Call Ann at 838-9797 to make arrangements. This event is open to the public. Children must accompanied by an adult.



### Christ the King Ladies Guild Epiphany Shower

Providing Clothing and Essential Items for Infants in Need

(Collection site in parish hall through January 15)

In honor of the Magi bringing gifts for the baby Jesus, Christ the King Ladies Guild will be collecting items for needy infants. The items will be donated to the Teen Pregnancy Helpline in Madison. If you would like to help, bring items to the parish hall through January 15. If you have any questions please call Pat Fuller at 838-3461.



### Religious Education Classes

Classes will be held on the following dates in January:

- Grades Pre-K to Grade 1: January 15 and 22
- Grades 2-5: January 25
- Grades 6-8: January 11
- Grades 9-10: January 15 and 29





## MASS INTENTIONS

### For the Week of January 9, 2012

Monday	8:30 A.M. † Carl Stumpf Family
Tuesday	8:30 A.M. † Sally Krall
Wednesday	8:30 A.M. † Novena of Masses for Fathers
Thursday	8:30 A.M. † Dorothy Volk
Friday	8:30 A.M. † Liturgy of the Word / Communion Service
Saturday	5:00 P.M. † Novena of Masses for the Dead
Sunday	8:30 A.M. † Parish 10:30 A.M. † Florence Moran

### Readings for the Week of January 8, 2012



Sunday	Is 60:1-6 / Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 / Mt 2:1-12
Monday	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 / Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9 / Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday	1 Sm 1:9-20 / Mk 1:21-28 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1:9-20 / Mk 1:14- 20 and 1:21-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20 / Mk 1:29-39
Thursday	1 Sm 4:1-11 / Mk 1:40-45
Friday	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a / Mk 2:1-12
Saturday	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a / Mk 2:13-17
Sunday	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19 / 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20 / Jn 1:35-42

### Stewardship Reflections

*They prostrated themselves and did him homage.  
Then they opened their treasures and offered him  
gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh ...*  
- Matthew 2:11

Notice the distinct order of events in the Magi's visit. First they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we presume to present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what gifts God might be asking us to share. But when we kneel before Him in prayer we will find the answer.



### PASTOR'S BLOG

Today is the Feast of the Epiphany – the second to the last day of the Christmas Season with the final day on Monday, The Baptism of the Lord – I would like to thank all of those who gave me Christmas greetings, sent me cards and gave me gifts. On Tuesday we start Ordinary Time that will continue until Ash Wednesday on Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Last fall I wrote about the expiration of an indult that meant the end of the reception of Holy Communion under both species – consecrated bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Jesus. However, that indult only stated that the laity could no longer perform the first purification of the Communion vessels – the Communion cups and plates. It said nothing about not receiving Holy Communion under both species.

Bishop Morlino has now asked that Holy Communion be received in our diocese only under the species of the consecrated bread. A bishop has the authority in his diocese to eliminate the reception of Communion under both species. But he does not do this capriciously. There are still certain occasions when we will be able to drink from the cup such as Corpus Christi and First Communions.

Not drinking from the cup does not deprive you of anything. Christ is present under both forms of the Eucharist so there is no need to drink from the cup. I might add that those who cannot eat gluten (contained in the consecrated bread) can arrange to drink from the cup. But they need to speak with me before Mass so that I can have them approach the altar to drink from the cup. Or we can arrange for gluten-free hosts, but I would have to know this in advance and I don't mean two minutes before I walk down the aisle.

Another reason for not drinking from the Precious Blood is spilling. I strongly agree with Bishop Morlino on this. I try to place a purificator cloth under my lips when I drink from the cup. By the way, if a priest does not consume any of the Precious Blood it is not a valid Mass. EMHCs have reported to me that very seldom they see consecrated wine running down someone's chin. I know nobody does this on purpose, but it does happen.

Bishop Morlino has left the timing for eliminating drinking from the cup to the individual pastor. Some pastors began the First Sunday of Advent when the Roman Missal, Third Edition was introduced. I thought that was throwing too much at people at one time. I believe that the First Sunday of Lent would be best for our parish. This will be the weekend of Feb. 25-26, 2012.

*Fr. Steve*

**Weekly Events / January 9 - January 15**

**MONDAY, January 9**

10:30 A.M. Staff Meeting - St. Joachim

**TUESDAY, January 10**

6:30 P.M. Little Rock Scripture Study - St. Joachim

7:00 P.M. Pastoral Council - St. Ann

**WEDNESDAY, January 11**

12:30 P.M. Little Rock Scripture Study - St. Joachim

6:30 P.M. Religious Education Classes - Grades 6-8

7:00 P.M. Book Club - St. Joachim

**THURSDAY, January 12**

7:00 P.M. Choir Practice (8:30 Choir)

**FRIDAY, January 13**

Office Closed

**SATURDAY, January 14**

9:00 A.M. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Chapel

5:00 P.M. Mass

**SUNDAY, January 15**

8:30 A.M. Mass

9:30 A.M. Religious Education Classes - Pre-K-Gr. 1

9:30 A.M. KingFest Bingo Meeting - St. Ann

9:30 A.M. Choir Practice (10:30 Choir)

10:30 A.M. Mass

6:30 P.M. Religious Education Classes - Grades 9-10

**First Eucharist Parent Meeting**

Wednesday, January 25, from 6:00 to 7:15 P.M.



Parents of children preparing to celebrate First Eucharist this spring should plan to attend an information meeting in the St. Ann room on Wednesday, January 25.

Please join the children in church for prayer at 6:00 P.M. Following prayer, the children will be dismissed to religious education classes and parents will receive important information about dates, the retreat, ways to help their children prepare for this sacrament, and more. We expect at least one parent of each child preparing for this sacrament to attend this important meeting. If you have questions or concerns, contact Kathie at the parish office (838-9797).

**Liturgical Ministers / January 14 - 15**

**SATURDAY 5:00 P.M. MASS**

Commentator: Volunteer  
Lector: Mike Roltgen  
Server: Rollie Budnar  
Gift Bearers: M. Roltgen Family  
EMHC Captain: Anita O'Keefe  
Ushers: Tim Benishek  
John Feldner  
Bob Tercek  
Mike Roltgen  
Social: No Social  
Scrip: Beth Kolk

**SUNDAY 8:30 A.M. MASS**

Commentator: Paul Neuman  
Lector: Karen Wagner  
Servers: Claire Heller and Anna Amstadt  
Gift Bearers: Bakk Family  
EMHC: Sarah Harrington  
Ushers: Vince Wagner  
Dave Ebert  
Mac McCormick  
Bill Garvey  
Chuck Mulcahy  
Social: McCaulley Family  
Scrip: Amy Muetting

**SUNDAY 10:30 A.M. MASS**

Commentator: Joan Eads  
Lector: Christine Wittleder  
Servers: Athena Try and Carl Try  
Gift Bearers: A. Sprang Family  
EMHC Captain: Lorna Walk  
Ushers: Eric Walk  
Jonathon Walk  
Mike Brennan  
Social: Quinn Family  
Scrip: Sandra Sommer

Nursery Care: Volunteer  
Harmony: Dennis Bennett

**Finance Report  
Envelope Giving**

January 2, 2012 \$ 9,679



## Calling All Kids of Faith

On Thursday, January 26th, the Kids of Faith group will meet at the McFarland High School for Open Swim from 7:15 to 8:15 P.M. Please wear school appropriate swim suits and bring a towel. The cost is \$1 per child and \$2 per adult (only if swimming) to be paid to the pool staff.



Parent chaperones will be needed for both the boys and girls locker rooms. If you can help and have attended a Protecting God's Children Adult Awareness Session, please contact Amy.

If your child will be attending, please RSVP to Amy@myparish.com by January 23. A permission slip is needed to attend and they are available at the parish office.

Kids of Faith is open to all children in grades 3-5.

## CTK Book Club

The next book that will be read by the book club is *At Home: A Short History of Private Life* by Bill Bryson. The author writes in the introduction of this book: "Houses are amazingly complex repositories.



What I found, to my surprise, is that whatever happens in the world - whatever is discovered or created or bitterly fought over - eventually ends up, in

one way or another, in your house. Wars, famines, the Industrial Revolution - they are all there in your sofas and chests of drawers, tucked into the folds of your curtains .... Houses aren't refuges from history. They are where history ends up."

Books are available in Kathie's office. This book will be discussed when the book club meets on Wednesday, January 11 at 7:00 P.M. in the St. Joachim Room. The CTK Book Club is open to all those who love to read.

## Youth News

### ► Resurrection Rally

The registration for Resurrection Rally is due January 22. For more information and to receive a registration form, contact shileng@myparish.com or call 838-9797, ext. 105.

### ► Revolution of Love

For the High School Faith Formation class on January 29, students will attend the Revolution of Love event that will be held at Sacred Hearts Parish in Sun Prairie. The focus of the night will be *Taboo Topics*. There will be workshops on homosexuality, cohabiting and pornography. All high school students and parents are welcome to attend. Carpools will leave from Christ the King Parish at 5:15 P.M. and return at 9:15. Permission slips will be e-mailed to all high school parents and also be available at the parish office.



## News Around the Diocese

### • Pancake Breakfast

The Cottage Grove Knights of Columbus will host a Pancake and French Toast Breakfast on Sunday, January 15, from 8:00 to 11:30 A.M. at St. Patrick Catholic Church (434 N. Main Street) in Cottage Grove. All proceeds will be used to benefit the Cottage Grove Food Pantry.

### • Informational Session

All are invited to attend an informational session on Tuesday, January 10, at Our Lady Queen of Peace at 7:00 P.M. Dr. Michael Kloess and Rev. Patrick Norris will discuss the topic *In Vitro Fertilization: Does the End Justify the Means?* Advance registration is appreciated. For registration or questions, please contact Vicky Franchino at vfranchino@tds.net.

### • Lunch and Learn Session

Immaculate Heart of Mary School (4913 Schofield St., Monona) is having a **Lunch and Learn Session** in January for parents to learn about the school's educational program. The Kindergarten Session will take place on Thursday, January 12, from 11:30 to 12:30. The 4K Session will be held on Thursday, January 19, from 11:30 to 12:30. If you would like additional information, call 222-8831 or visit [www.ihmcatholicsschool.org](http://www.ihmcatholicsschool.org).