

Christ the King Parish

McFarland, Wisconsin

July 31/August 1, 2010
**Eighteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

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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 10:00 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

Take care to guard against
all greed, for though one may be
rich, one's life does not consist of
possessions.

Luke 12:15

40th Anniversary Parish Pictorial Directory

As part of the celebration of Christ the King Parish's 40th anniversary, the parish will publish a pictorial directory. Dates for taking portraits are October 4-9 and October 11-16. The portraits will be taken in the meeting rooms from 2:00 – 9:10 P.M. Monday through Friday, and from 9:30 A.M. - 5:10 P.M. on Saturdays.

Each family photographed will receive a free 8x10 portrait and a free directory. Fr. Steve will be happy to photograph those who are physically unable to come to church. Both St. Dennis in Madison and St. Ann in Stoughton are also sponsoring pictorial directories with Olan Mills this fall. Families will be able to go to these parishes and be included in our pictorial directory. Call the parish office for details.



Those who are physically able but want to submit a picture will be charged \$20 and will receive a free directory. If the picture was taken by a professional photographer, a copyright release from the professional photographer must be presented. These forms are available at the office.

You may go to our parish website (www.myparish.com) to make an appointment. Fill out the photography appointment information and follow the prompts to choose the date and time that is convenient for you and your family. You will also have the opportunity to register after Masses on the weekends of August 28-29, September 11-12 and September 18-19.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion



Those who would like to become Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion this fall must attend a workshop, if they have not done so previously. Workshops are free and you are asked to register at least one week prior to the workshop you wish to

attend by contacting the Office of Worship at 821-3080 or e-mailing worship@straphael.org.

Upcoming workshops:

- Tuesday, August 17 from 7 to 8:30 P.M. at the Bishop O'Connor Catholic Pastoral Center
- Wednesday, September 22 from 7 to 8:30 P.M. at Sacred Hearts Parish in Sun Prairie
- Saturday, September 25 from 9 to 10:30 A.M. at Nativity of Mary Parish in Janesville

Food Pantry Donations

Food will be collected for the McFarland Food Pantry on July 31/August 1 and August 7/8 and to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry on August 14/15, 21/22 and 28/29. Please remember to check the expiration dates of food items you are donating. Thanks to all who donate food throughout the year to these two food pantries.

Coming Soon - Vacation Bible School !



Join us in the bayou for "Crocodile Dock", this year's Vacation Bible School Program. VBS will take place the mornings of August 17-20. Children ages 4 through grade 4 are

invited to learn the story of the Israelites' journey from slavery in Egypt to crossing the Red Sea to freedom.

Adults and middle and high school students are needed to help lead VBS activities. Please let Julie know if you can help one or more days. Registration forms are now available in the parish office or in the back of church.

VBS Preparation Day

Just a reminder that all those who signed up to help during the week of VBS Prep day can participate in the preparation day for VBS will be held on Tuesday, August 3, from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Come help make craft samples, try out the treats and games and get ready for a fantastic VBS volunteer experience.



MASS INTENTIONS

For the Week of August 2, 2010

Monday	8:30 A.M.	† Novena of Masses for Fathers
Tuesday	8:30 A.M.	† Novena of Masses for Mothers
Wednesday	8:30 A.M.	† Novena of Masses for Fathers
Thursday	8:30 A.M.	† Novena of Masses for Mothers
Friday	8:30 A.M.	† Liturgy of the Word / Communion Service
Saturday	5:00 P.M.	† Joseph Kroda
Sunday	8:30 A.M.	† Al and Carol Thompson Family (50th Wedding Anniversary)
	10:00 A.M.	† Parish

Readings for the Week of August 1, 2010



Sunday	Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23 / Col 3:1-5, 9-11 / Lk 12:13-21
Monday	Jer 28:1-17 / Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday	Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 / Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday	Jer 31:1-7 / Mt 15:21-28
Thursday	Jer 31:31-34 / Mt 16:13-23
Friday	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 / 2 Pt 1:16-19 / Lk 9:28b-36
Saturday	Hb 1:12-2:4 / Mt 17:14-20
Sunday	Wis 18:6-9 / Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12 / Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Women's Choir

All women (no age limit!) of the parish are invited to sing together in a Women's Choir. We will have two rehearsals and then sing at the 10:00 Mass on August 15. Our two rehearsals will be on Sunday, August 8 at 11:00 A.M. (after the 10:00 Mass) and Wednesday, August 11, at 6:30 P.M. This will be a lot of fun. Hope you can join us!

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Tanya Diggins at 838-9797, extension 104 or tanya@myparish.com.



THE PASTOR'S BLOG

Recently prominent American politicians have made an important change in language that, while on the surface seems innocuous, yet represents a profound shift in significance. Traditionally we speak about freedom of religion in America. Unlike many countries in the world, the United States has no official religion that is supported by the state. All religions may practice freely.

The new phrase is "freedom of worship." This is more than simply a shift in words. "Freedom of worship" means that people may gather together to churches/synagogues/mosques to worship. "Freedom of religion" takes the practice of religion beyond worship services.

People of faith know that the exercise of religion is much more than freedom to worship. It's about dressing according to religious rules, preaching openly, and engaging in public discussion. This cannot be confined to a physical building. Religion isn't something we only practice in churches. We have moral duties outside of a house of worship.

This is not only an American movement. France has forbidden headscarves, yarmulkes and large crucifixes in classrooms. The European Court of Human Rights has banned crucifixes from the walls of Italian schools. And the list of countries and limits grows constantly.

Different phraseology has policy implications. Freedom of worship is just part of freedom of religion and the change in phraseology gives a much narrower view of this right. In the words of Mark Twain: "The difference between the almost right word and the right word is really a large matter. It's the difference between the lightning bug and the lightning."

None of this is an accident. These politicians would like to lessen the influence by religion upon public policy. They wish to undercut the influence of churches in political life. Often religions take specific views of policy issues that might counter a political position. And the religious organization that most clearly voices its policy views is the Catholic Church. Mainline Protestant churches keep losing members and influence. Evangelical churches have not grown substantially. Only Catholics and Mormons (and some smaller groups) are growing in numbers. This change in language represents an effort to confine beliefs only within a building and not in the political arena.

Fr. Steve

Weekly Events / August 2 - 8

MONDAY, August 2

7:00 P.M. Adult Faith Formation Committee - St. Ann

TUESDAY, August 3

9:00 A.M. VBS Work Day

12:00 P.M. Love Begins Here Gathering and Lunch

WEDNESDAY, August 4

Staff In-Service Day

THURSDAY, August 5

8:30 A.M. Youth leave for Pilgrimage to National Shrine of St. Maximilian

FRIDAY, August 6

SATURDAY, August 7

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

5:00 P.M. Mass

SUNDAY, August 8

8:30 A.M. Mass

10:00 A.M. Mass

11:00 A.M. Women's Choir Rehearsal

Looking Ahead - Baptism Class

A class for parents wishing to have their children baptized at Christ the King Parish will be held on Monday, August 9, at 7:00 P.M. in the St. Joachim room. Please call the office to let us know that you will be attending.



Our prayers and condolences to these families:

** The Toni and Tom Hovel Family*

Toni's father, *Gerald Goff*, died on July 9. His funeral was held at St. Joseph Parish in Big Bend, WI on July 14.

** The Heidi Norwick Family*

Heidi's father, *Ellsworth Prutzer*, died on July 21. The funeral took place on July 26 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Kenosha, Wisconsin.



God's blessings to these families as they mourn the loss of their loved one.

Liturgical Ministers / August 7 - 8

SATURDAY 5:00 P.M. MASS

Commentator: Barb Kroda
Lector: Anne Nichols
Servers: Ethan Nichols and Linda Budnar
Gift Bearers: R. Budnar Family
EMHC Captain: Mary Anderson
Ushers: Jim Klubertanz
Pat Gallagher
Tony Barresi
Sharon Joswiak
Social: R. and L. Budnar Families
Scrip: Mary Anderson

SUNDAY 8:30 A.M. MASS

Commentator: Michelle Garvey
Lector: Tom Burns
Servers: Brandon Dorn and Allison Hartmann
Gift Bearers: Hartmann Family
EMHC: Curt Bakk
Ushers: Bill Ziech
Dave Ziech
Curt Bakk
Fred Schwartz
Don Tofte
Social: Stransky Family
Scrip: Janelle Stransky

SUNDAY 10:00 A.M. MASS

Commentator: Carolyn Staszewski
Lector: Bob Nolan
Server: Michael Caya
Gift Bearers: Sprang Family
EMHC Captain: Mary Daugherty
Ushers: Bob O'Donnell
Rick Hoffman
Al Orvis
Mike Bergen
Erin Bergen
Social: Daugherty Family
Scrip: Dawn Hass
Nursery Care: Melissa Terrill, Hannah Klecker, Gabi Gothard
Summer Flowers: Betsy Stetenfeld
Harmony: Karen Wagner

Finance Report - Envelope Revenue

July 4, 2010	\$ 6,485
July 11, 2010	\$ 4,100
July 18, 2010	\$ 6,028
July 25, 2010	\$ 7,017

King Fest Coming August 13-15, 2010 to CTK!

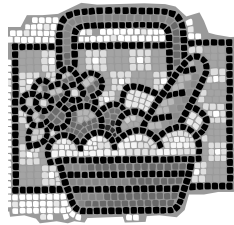
≈ Cakes Needed

King Fest needs your cakes! A cake walk is one of the games and activities being planned for this year. There will be one Saturday morning and another on Saturday evening. We need parishioners to volunteer to drop off a cake by Saturday morning (August 14) at 10:00 A.M. Trick it out, or keep it simple, whichever you prefer. It could even be a dozen cupcakes if that works for you. If you can be one of our cake bosses, please RSVP to Angela Try at angela-try@yahoo.com. If you're not able to volunteer to work a shift at King Fest, this is a great way to still be involved!

≈ Silent Auction Items Needed

Donations are needed for the Silent Auction. Be creative and have fun with the theme baskets you put together!

We would also like to have donations of any gently used items you feel would sell at the Silent Auction. Include your name and phone number on the items you donate and the estimated value of the item(s). Contact Michelle Garvey at 838-3610 or 334-1448 if you have any questions.



Drop off items at the parish office by August 11.

≈ Smelt and Chicken Dinner

Tickets are now on sale at the parish office during office hours and after the weekend Masses. Please purchase in advance so we have an accurate number for our caterer. A limited number of tickets will be sold the day of the event. The dinner will be held on Friday, August 13, from 5:00 to 7:30 P.M. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 12 years of age.

≈ Music All Weekend

King Fest will be filled with music for your listening entertainment. Friday night come and enjoy the smelt/chicken dinner and dance and sing to the music of the *Almost in Time Dixieland Jazz Band*. Saturday night will feature the *O.M.G. Pop Rock Band*. This will be a weekend of fun for the entire family.

≈ Fun Walk on Saturday

King Fest is adding a new event; it's the "Royal Procession". On Saturday August 14 at 9:00 A.M. the Fun Walk will leave from the King Fest grounds at the church and wind through the neighborhoods for 2 ½ miles. The registration fee is \$10 through August 10, and \$12 after that date, including the day of the walk (family rate of \$40). You will receive a limited edition tee-shirt, special tokens to use for King Fest, and balloons. The first 60 adults can get the special King Fest tee shirt. Pick up a registration form at the back of church or in the office. Have fun with friends and family!



King Fest

BAKE SALE

AUGUST 13th – 15th

There will be a bake sale in the parish hall during our upcoming King Fest. We are asking the women of our parish to help support our Annual King Fest by baking delicious desserts such as cookies, bars, cupcakes, pies, etc. to sell. If you are able to help out, baked goods can be dropped off in the parish hall on Friday or Saturday (August 13,14) in the afternoon. For more information call Karen Gramann at 838-9512.

Time to Register for Religious Education

Registration forms for students Pre-K through Confirmation will be available on the parish website

(www.myparish.com) under the religious education link August 1. Forms may be completed online and then printed and signed, or you may print them first, then complete and sign them. Please mail completed forms with payment to Christ the King Parish, P.O. Box 524, McFarland, WI 53558.



Registration forms are due to the parish office by August 27, 2010. Volunteer forms are located under the same link and may be sent with registration materials.

Pre-K students are those children who will be age 4 by September 1, 2010. Confirmation students are those beginning their junior year of high school. Families without children in the home may use the same form to register for Generations of Faith.

If you do not have access to a computer or are unable to print the forms, you may pick up copies in the parish office during regular office hours or call to request that forms be mailed to you. Please call Julie or Sarabeth at 838-9797 if you have any questions.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone when classes begin in mid-September. Please continue to watch the bulletin and check the website for dates and time for classes, parent meetings, and other important religious education information.

Faith Sharing on Next Sunday's Gospel August 1, 2010 - Vigilant Disciple

Take 10 minutes to share your faith with your family or friends, at the beginning of parish committee meetings, etc. For an opening and closing prayer, and a reflection on the Gospel, go to www.myparish.com.

Proclaim the Gospel:

Luke 12:32-48 (Vigilant and Faithful Servants)
(Other readings: Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19))

Invitation to Share:

In Hebrews we see that the early Christians were discouraged as a result of persecution. Yet they were to have faith – not that everything would turn out as they wanted,

but that their eternal life had already been won through Jesus' death and resurrection. Does this reflect my faith? If not, what can I do to move in that direction?



If you would like to learn more about faith sharing opportunities or resources, contact Julie Allington at 838-8324.

Catechists Needed!

Religious education classes will begin in September, and catechists are needed in our Sunday and Wednesday programs. Please consider teaching and sharing your faith with our students. Classroom aides and substitute teachers are needed as well.

Students in grades Pre-K - 1 meet two Sunday mornings a month between Masses, October through March.

Students in grades 2 - 5 meet two Wednesday evening a month (alternating with grades 6 - 8), from 6:00 to 7:15 P.M., September through early May.

Students in grades 6 - 8 meet two Wednesday evening a month (alternating with grades 2 - 5), from 6:30 to 8:00 P.M., September through early May.

Students in grades 9 - 10 meet two Sunday evenings a month, from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M., September through early May.

Please contact Julie or Sarabeth at the parish office and let us know which grade(s) you would be interested in teaching or aiding. Sarabeth and Julie will also answer any questions you may have.

All adult volunteers must have attended a Protecting God's Children Adult Awareness class. If you would like to volunteer, but have not attended a class, we have classes scheduled on August 29 from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and September 21 from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M. For more information on this class, please see the article below.



Protecting God's Children Adult Awareness Session

We will hold Protecting God's Children Adult Awareness Sessions on Sunday, August 29, from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and on Tuesday, September 21, from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M. All adults working with children in our parish are required to have attended a session. If you plan to volunteer in any activity with children and have not attended a session, please register for one. To register, go to www.Virtus.org and click on the registration link. If the class at CTK does not work with your schedule, you may view all sessions available in the Madison diocese and choose one that works for you.

As adults, we are all responsible for keeping our children safe from child sexual predators. These sessions help attendees understand the techniques predators use to entice children, and concrete ways to stop them. While required for any adult in the parish who works with children, the class is recommended for every adult in the parish.

If you have questions, please contact Kathie, Julie or Sarabeth at the parish office.

Summer Youth Ministry

➤ Pilgrimage to National Shrine of St. Maximilian Kolbe

Want to learn more about the saints? Consider joining us for a day pilgrimage to the National Shrine of St. Maximilian Kolbe in Marytown, Illinois. We will go on this pilgrimage on Thursday, August 5, leaving CTK at 8:30 A.M. and returning at 5:00 P.M. Our day will include learning about the history of Marytown, St. Maximilian Kolbe, tour of a Holocaust exhibit, Holy Mass, rosary, lunch, visit the gift shop and walk the grounds. The day will end with a special blessing.

St. Maximilian was a Polish Franciscan friar who volunteered to die in place of a stranger in the Nazi concentration camp of Auschwitz in Poland.



Permission slips and \$10.00 for transportation costs are due no later than Monday, August 2 to the parish office. If you have any questions or would like to chaperone, please contact Sarabeth at 838-9797, ext. 105 or sarabeth@myparish.com.

➤ Blessing of College Students

Fr. Steve will give a special blessing to all of our returning college students during the 10:00 Mass on Sunday, August 22. Please join us to receive God's blessing as you embark on another year of study. A reception will follow the Mass in the parish hall.

➤ Save the Date!

On Sunday, August 29, the youth of the parish have the opportunity to attend Mass at St. Paul's Catholic Center. We will conclude the evening with some delicious ice cream from Cold Stone Creamery. Meet at Christ the King Parish at 5:30 P.M. We will return at 8:15 P.M. This event is free, but a permission slip is required.

Reflections on Love Begins Here Service Week Willa Papalia Beatty

Let me just say that creepy basements are not my forte! Of course I sensed God's presence the whole week working but, I especially sensed him by my side in the church's ... basement. It was the end of the second day and I was still fired up about a good day's work and the showers. I was one day late so I was still trying to learn everybody's name, let alone what a whole day's schedule was like. I didn't know that praying the rosary was part of every day. Don't get me wrong, I was excited to pray but, not in a basement. Anyways, we were all waiting outside for the doors to be unlocked. I'm standing there thinking "OK this is going to be great! A little time to hang with God and reflect on my day." That's when it hit me. "It's in the basement; it's going to be dark, small and creepy." As my stomach hit the floor, my heart immediately started to pound! I took one look down the stairs and said to myself, "there is no way anybody could pay me enough to go down there!" but seeing that I was in the middle of the group there was no way out of this. So, I made my way down the cold stone stairs. Waiting at the bottom was a small room filled with candles, benches and pictures of holy people. For me, walking in there was like walking into my worst nightmare, the feeling of being trapped overwhelmed my body. I followed a few girls to a bench, sat down, shut my eyes and started counting down the minute before I could leave again. But the longer I sat there, the more I became comfortable with the cool darkness surrounding me. It took a few minutes before my eyes adjusted but once they did I was able to notice a picture of Jesus holding his arms out, welcoming people into his place of worship. Instantly I felt relieved! I thought "Hey, if Jesus can do this, so can I!"



Willa (left) and Friend

- Willa Papalia-Beatty

Anyone Interested?

I am trying to find out if we can get enough people to get the group discount for one of the Overture's productions this season. "Legally Blonde" will be on the Overture stage from April 5-10, 2011. Group rates are available for the performances on April 7th, the matinee on the 9th and the 11th, and the evening performances on the 11th.

We're also planning on attending the Armory's Christmas production, "It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas" which runs from November 12-December 23. The Armory is a dinner theater in Janesville. There are group rates for 20 or more for this production also. We'll also be trying to gather a group to go to a St. Bernard's Players production once we know what they're producing.

At this point I'm just assessing interest. Once we know who is definitely interested, we can begin to look at specific dates. So please let me know if you would be potentially interested in any of these by calling the parish office at 838-9797 or e-mailing kathie@myparish.com.

- Kathie Fritz