



"Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, pick up your mat and walk?' But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority to forgive sins on earth"—he said to the paralytic, "I say to you, rise, pick up your mat, and go home." - Mk 2:9-11

ANNOUNCED MASSES THIS WEEK

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

**NO Scheduled Mass today/President's Day/Holiday*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST

9:00 a.m. Timothy E. Cavanaugh *
The McVeigh & Parente Families.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND/Ash Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Mass/with Distribution of Ashes
12:00 noon Mass/with Distribution of Ashes
7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer/with Distribution of Ashes

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

9:00 a.m. Communion Service

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

9:00 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

4:00 p.m. Fred Berlin * his wife, Dolores.
4:00 p.m. Douglas Gniewek * the O'Brien Family.
4:00 p.m. Gil & Lynora Nevins * his parents.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

8:00 a.m. Catherine T. Grober * George & Nancy Stahl.
10:00 a.m. "Better Health" Peggy Kiernan * Kelley Family
10:00 a.m. 1st Anniversary John Brophy * his Family.
10:00 a.m. Audrey Hutson * CTK Resurrection Choir
10:00 a.m. Herbert Zimmer * the Markham Family.
12:00 noon Virginia Govel * Gloria Fant.
12:00 noon Frances Lio * Phil & Linda Carducci
12:00 noon 50TH Anniversary Elizabeth Cahill-McHale *
her daughters.

Readings for the Week of February 19, 2012

Sunday: Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25/2 Cor 1:18-22/Mk 2:1-12
Monday: Jas 3:13-18/Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32
Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

February 12, 2012

Offertory from:

Loose Collection	\$1798.00
Envelopes collected #240	\$5897.00
Total Collection	\$7695.00
Budgeted Need for Last Week	\$10,795.00

Please consider increasing your weekly donation

"CAPITAL DEBT REDUCTION"

Principal Debt as of January 31, 2012	\$600,981
Contributions Received week ending January 22nd	\$163
Total Interest Paid During Calendar Year 2011	\$25,264.99

WE NEED YOU ALL!!

THANK YOU! To all who faithfully continue to contribute. In addition we invite and encourage all members of the "Christ the King Community" to help reduce our Capital Debt. Debt Reduction Envelopes are in the Gathering Space.

PRAY FOR THE SICK... *Ralph Bellanger, Harry Shamlian, Nancy Carmello, Roberta Spinosa, Jeff Boyd, Glenn Brown, Craig Gardner, Dorothy Madigan, Mary Bryant, Jacob Ryan, Rhonda Maury, Ashley Childs Mann, David Cramer, Kyle Hogan, Martha Harris, Donna Marshall, James Robert O'Brien, Valerie Mayone, Francis Morris, Jeanne Fairchild, Katherine Eleanor Vaughn, Susan Oswald, Jodi Lawson, Susan Hungershafer, John Burke, Carol Boucher, Suzanne Philips, Mei Cheng Garvey, Maureen Moran, Rick Rodino, Janice Coburn, Michael Masseau, Savana Viviano, Patricia Heywood, Dean Gray, William Bauer, Megan Gard, Ruth Bohlen, Kathleen Eisenbrown, Sarah Miller, James Fink, Michelle Lance, James Deere, Edward Stelmascyk, Madeleine DelSoldato, Jacqueline Taylor, Michael Kelleher, Shelia Kelleher, Salvatore Salnarno, Kay Oh, Evan Kimmerer, Jim Clark, Janice Cioppa, Thresiamna Joseph, Gloria Grey Kaso, Ray Lamere, Matthew Luccese, Gracie Lawton (infant), Pat Mucci, Brian Kelleher, Ann Ulsamer, Paul Feeney, Jackie (Lennon) Goebel, Mary Esmay, Jack Dougherty, Connie Dominski, Sue Patterson, Peg Maguire, Tracy Lafountain, Sal Salerno, Elaine McCann, Roger Augliera, Elizabeth Curran, Robert Pierce, Daniel Bennison, Kylie Vaughan, Alice Cariseo, Craig Ingraham, Joseph Oppedisano, John Fraser.*

PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED: *Timothy Cavanaugh, Dorothy Coleman Alice Sanelli, Leonard Napierski, Marie Budge, Audrey Hutson, Dr. Louise Chase, Corinne Hennessy, Stanley Sagaitis, Leon Besha, Donna Amato, Helen Cole..*

1ST ANNIVERSARIES/FEBRUARY 2011

Henry (Hank) Thomas (2/1), Michael Ryan (2/4), Michael LaFrank, Sr. (2/14), John Andes (2/17), John Brophy (2/19), Donald Schryver (2/21)

NEXT SUNDAY, our parish will take up the annual Collection for Black and Indian Missions. Our financial contribution helps to support Catholic American Indian communities on reservations, in rural area and inner cities. The collection also supports African American evangelization programs particularly in the south. Let us unite ourselves with the love of Christ in supporting the Black and Indian Mission Collection with generous Hearts.

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY NOTES:
10th Grade Social Justice Program – has been rescheduled for Sunday March 25th from 3-8pm at St. Matthew's Church.

SETTING UP FOR EVENING PRAYERS *If you would be interested in setting up for any of the Evening Prayers on the Mondays of Lent please contact the parish office.*

THE LANDINGS – Would you like to return to your Catholic Faith? Then Landings is for you. Landings is an 8 week welcoming, informative program that gives you the opportunity to air your questions and be heard. Please call Pat at 577-1074 or write Maureen at ctkffym@gmail.com to get started. We've missed you. We are starting February 8th.

PRAYER SHAWLS: Our CTK Prayer Shawl Ministry is now one year old, and so far, our knitters have given away 24 prayer shawls. Each shawl is woven in prayer – prayers for healing, hope, love, peace, courage, acceptance. How comforting it is to be wrapped in warmth and blessings! Who would benefit from a prayer shawl? Anyone you might know who is experiencing a stressful situation in life, such as illness (cancer, heart, etc.), surgery, pregnancy, accident, depression, addiction, grief, divorce, etc. There is no charge for a shawl. If interested, please call Maryann Markham at 456-5301.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR ALTAR SERVERS at this time. A training class for all new Servers will be held in the next several weeks. This is a very important Ministry and we would like to add to the existing group. If you have ever considered becoming an Altar Server, please call or send an email to Pat Kasuba at 283-3990 or ckasuba@nycap.rr.com. We appreciate your consideration.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER March Weekend in Cooperstown Call 518-279-3243 or email mealbany@juno.com Renew your love affair with your spouse.

INCOME TAX STATEMENT –Contact Kathy at 456-1644 if you would like a statement of your 2011 church contributions, or e-mail: ctkathy@nycap.rr.com

JERSEY BOYS TICKETS – *If you had reserved tickets for Jersey Boys, they are available in the parish office during office hours. (Mon-Thurs 9am-4:30pm and Fridays 9am-12noon). If those hours are not convenient, please let me know and I will mail them. LouAnn Cleary 456-1644.*

FOOD PANTRY –
Canned meats are needed at the food pantry

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:
Believe that life is worth living and your belief will help create the fact - William James

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

Ash Wednesday is this week. Plan ahead to truly grow in grace and thanksgiving by behaving in a special way during the season of Lent. During Lent we have Evening Prayer each Monday at 7:00 p.m., The Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7 p.m. and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. Let your parish help you to prepare for a truly blessed Easter by participating in any or all of these events!

Best wishes and Congratulations to Orlando and Antonia Raponi on the occasion of their 65th Anniversary. May God's blessing continue to be with them always.

Today I am asking you to help us pay for a new speaker system for our Church. We tested the system at all of our Christmas Masses this year and the feedback was extremely positive. The current system has a number of "dead spots" because of the unique 8 sided configuration of the Church. The new system will be a vast improvement for all of us, especially those with hearing impairments. We had not budgeted this expense for this year so I need to ask your help in paying the cost which is \$33,000. A second collection will be taken today at all of our Masses. One parishioner was so enthusiastic after our Christmas Masses that he and his wife have generously donated \$5000 toward the cost. You will truly notice a great difference!

Lenten Fast and Abstinence: An Invitation to Awareness
"What are you hungry for?" Sometimes the answer is obvious: pizza, Chinese food, a juicy steak. Our spiritual hungers are rarely that easy to identify. The season of Lent, our 40-day preparation for Easter, is our annual invitation to grow in awareness of those deeper hungers. We need Lent to help us recognize that our meaning and mission are rooted in Jesus' dying and rising. Together with those preparing for baptism, we join in outward signs of our inner conversion. Our year-round prayer, fasting and almsgiving take on new meaning during this season.

Catholics were once well known for their practice of not eating meat on Friday – a specific form of fasting called Abstinence. Stories abound of the lengths Catholics would go to keep this law. Of course, as with any law, it was not that difficult to meet the letter of the law and violate its spirit. One might enjoy a fine lobster dinner or fish fry at a local restaurant and still meet the law's requirements. Catholics were also called to limit their food intake on a variety of other fast days. The reforms which followed the Second Vatican Council sought to simplify the often complicated questions that arose regarding fast and abstinence while re-emphasizing the continuing need for such practices. The current laws took effect in 1966. They read simply: "Catholics who have celebrated their 14th Birthday are bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and each Friday of Lent. Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, in addition to abstaining from meat, should fast, i.e., eat only one full meal on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday smaller quantities of food may be taken at two other meals but no food should be consumed at any other time during those two days. The obligation of fasting ceases with the celebration of ones 59th birthday."

The spirit of the law may invite us to fast from other activities as well: from Television or computer games, from eating out or from gossiping. These minimum requirements make the most sense when they are combined with prayer and almsgiving. These age-old disciplines reflect our most fundamental concerns: our relationship with God (prayer), with our bodies (fasting) and with each other (almsgiving).

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS THIS WEEK

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

*NO Scheduled Mass today

*All Church/School Offices Closed

*Early Childhood Education Center Closed

*NO Faith Formation Classes

5:45-9:00 P.M. CYO Basketball/gym

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9:00 a.m. Mass/Rosary following

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9:00 a.m. Mass./with distribution of Ashes

12:00 noon Mass/with distribution of Ashes

7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer/with Distribution of Ashes

5:45-9:00 p.m. CYO Basketball/gym

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

9:00 a.m. Communion Service

9:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet/Rosary following

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament through Friday at 9:00am

5:45-9:00pm CYO Basketball/gym

7:00 pm. Knights of Columbus (*First Degree*) Meeting

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

9:00 a.m. Mass/Rosary following

5:45-9:00 p.m. CYO Basketball/gym

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross/Church

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

8:30-10:15 a.m. Zumba @/Knights Chapel

9:00am-7pm CYO Basketball/gym

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

10:00 a.m. CLOW/Knights Chapel

11:00 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal/Knights Chapel

1:30-7:30pm CYO Basketball/gym

CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE DURING THE 10AM MASS

AARP MEETING – Tuesday, February 28th at 1:00 p.m. the AARP will hold their monthly meeting in the Knights Chapel. Our speaker is Mark Quandt, Executive Director of the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York. Please join us. Refreshments will be served. For any questions please call Karen Curren at 765-2058.

LECTIO DIVINA – There will not be a specific day and time for a Lectio Divina prayer meeting. If you want to meet for Lectio Divina, please contact Patricia Bruno at 459-2723 pjb824@aol.com, and she will arrange to share in this monastic contemplative prayer with you. Information, there are pamphlets in the Gathering Space.

CANCELLATION OF DAILY MASS due to INCLEMENT WEATHER. With winter now upon us, please listen to the **SCHOOL CLOSING announcements** on **Radio/TV** and note that if the **GUILDERLAND CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT and/or CHRIST THE KING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER** is **CLOSED or DELAYED** due to weather conditions, the **9:00 A.M. DAILY MASS** will also be **cancelled**. The **CHURCH OFFICES** will also close.

With the beginning of Lent this year we are going to be changing the day and time of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. The last **Thursday** overnight Adoration will take place February 16/17. Adoration will begin again on **Tuesday**, February 28 from 10a.m. until 10 p.m. We have had to make this change because of overnight safety and security concerns and because of a lack of people to cover the 24 hour period. Instead of “giving up” something for Lent, why not add to your Spiritual live by increasing your Prayer. Commit yourself to come and pray for a half hour, an hour, or even make a quick visit on Tuesdays beginning this Lent. For more information, or to make a specific time commitment please contact Kristin at 858-0435 or kgarbo@aol.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. PATRICK’S DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will be serving their Annual St. Patrick’s Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner on Saturday, March 17 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. Cost is \$12.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under twelve. Please call Kathy at the parish office (456-1644) on weekdays for reservations. Tickets will be on sale in the Gathering Space after Masses on the weekends of February 25-26, March 3-4 and March 10-11.

NEW SKETE CHEESECAKE and FRUITCAKE SALE

The Knights of Columbus are holding their 8th Annual gourmet cheesecake and fruitcake sale to support their charitable giving program. They will be taking orders in the Gathering Space after weekend Masses from February 25th through March 11th. Order forms are available at the bulletin board in the Gathering Space and from the Knights when they are taking orders. Cakes may be picked up after Palm Sunday Masses on March 31 and April 1. For additional information, please contact John Hodgson at 518-852-7909.

CHRIST THE KING BASKETBALL SCORES

6 TH	CTK W 65	vs	ICG	26
6 TH	CTK B 54	vs	St. Helen’s	44
6 TH	CTK W 50	vs	CTK B	36
6 TH	CTK B 52	vs	St. John’s	31
6 TH	CTK W 48	vs	St. Clements	28
7 TH & 8 TH	CTK 37	vs	SMS	45

The Sisters of Mercy invite you to join us in Friday, March 2, at 7:00 p.m. in our Motherhouse Chapel, 634 New Scotland Ave., Albany, [near St. Peter’s Hospital] for our monthly hour of prayer for peace. As we embrace the spirit of Lent, we pray for the grace to live in faithfulness to the beatitude, *Blessed are the Peacemakers*. You are invited to pray with us again Fridays April 13 & May 4.

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