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Sacraments/Services

Reconciliation ~ 15 Minutes Before Masses

Baptism ~ Parent instruction required (Recommended before birth)

Marriage ~ Contact us at least 6 months, prior to the date.

Religious Ed Classes ~ Sept. - May on Sunday at 9:00 AM

Ministry of Care ~ Bring communion, visit homes, hospitals, or nursing facilities.

PLEASE inform the office if your personal data changes
(Address, phone, status, etc.)

To register at Christ the King church,
please fill out the blue or yellow registration sheet found in the Narthex.

Office hours: Tuesday 8-4 and Wednesday 8-4

Bulletin deadline: Wednesday at noon Food Pantry hours-Mondays from 11-2

The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: local law enforcement Sheriff: (270) 237-3210 or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331). To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church, call Scott Ingram, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (English) at 270-852-8380 or Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinators (Spanish) at 270-880-8360. You may also visit the Office of Safe Environment (owensborodiocese.org/safe) for more information. To make a report of sexual abuse of a minor and related misconduct by bishops, go to ReportBishopAbuse.org or call 1-800-276-1562

Christ the King Catholic Church

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Our Parish COMMUNITY

February 22, 2026

First Sunday of Lent (A)

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 / Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19 / Matthew 4:1-11



**"Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert
to be tempted by the devil."**

MATTHEW 4:1



Jesus for the Win

MIGUEL DULICK

The account of the temptations could be presented as a comical play. Pope Francis insisted, "Don't talk to the devil!" Indeed, Jesus does not engage in dialogue with Satan, much less any negotiation or any business. Stones become bread? Jesus may have fasted for forty days, but he's had plenty to eat—"every word that comes forth from the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:4). Nor will Jesus "test" his Father by jumping off the "parapet of the temple" (like the bell tower of a gothic church). (See Matthew 5-7.) You don't play God, and you don't play *with* God. Satan really beclowns himself with the last temptation—promising the whole world if Jesus would just take a knee? No one would fall for that, would they?

Except—most of us. We'd do the bread; we'd do the jump; we'd definitely do the world! Look at the first reading, from Genesis. Adam and Eve give up paradise for a piece of fruit! It's a sad story because Eve does chat with the serpent, answering questions, allowing for a different point of view. But, as they say on Facebook, Satan "destroys" her! And Adam, too. If they didn't sew fig leaves for each other, the whole story would be unbearable. Even as they realize their sin, there is a little tenderness.

Saint Paul explains it clearly. Sin entered the world, but with Jesus Christ, there is an "overflow" of grace for the many. (See Romans 5:15.) And that's what Lent is about—a flood of grace. ●

Reflect

What grace do I pray for this Lent—for myself and for someone who is struggling?



LEARN ABOUT
THE AUTHORS
OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY



Lector
Mar. 1st- Vera Gothard
Mar. 8th- Mike Kiene
Mar. 15th-?

Attendance
Feb 15 84

Time	Mass Intentions
Sun. 2/22 11:00 AM	People of the Parish
Tues. 2/24 5:00 PM	Prayers that Nancy Guthrie is found and comes home alive
Wed. 2/25 8:00 AM	Peace in our country

July 2025- June 2026	Collection Last Week	Total Amount Collected to Last Sunday	Budget Needed to 2/15/26
Regular Collection	\$647.00	\$41,767.00	\$44,336.88
Donations/Gifts	\$157.00	\$4,636.27	\$4,458.35
Building Fund		\$5,310.00	\$8,279.78
Miscellaneous:	\$27.50	\$10,442.62	\$7,161.62
Total Income Collected	\$831.50	\$62,155.89	\$64,263.63

For the family

Great protector of the family, St. Gerard, we ask your prayers for all parents, that they may receive the grace to live in the love of God and bring up their children to know and love him with all their hearts.

We ask you to pray that those who take the lives of unborn innocents and attack the dignity of motherhood may come to see the error of their ways, and that all men may value the holiness of Christian family life.

God, our loving Father, your love gives life to the world. Bless and make holy all human love, especially the life-giving love of husband and wife. May your love fill the hearts and homes of all families, so that the world may enjoy the peace and happiness promised by your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Ministry Schedule for Mar. 1st

Greeters/Gift- Vargo family
Servers(s)- Jonathan Garcia & Jared Magana
Cup Minister- Vera Gothard & Dave Gripp
Host Minister-Terri Anderson
Refreshments- Pauline, Valerie and Nancy C.
Counters- Mike Kiene & Carol Wheat

Prayer List

Shanna Wilkes	Dave Gripp
Gary & Nancy P	Nancy W.
George Campise	Bill & Wendy W.
Dolorse & Ronald	Jessie W.
Johnny & Emily	Nicole & Nathan Sim
Bill Grapes	Fran. W.
Rose Ann Kiene	Barbara & Joe O.
Leroy & Jean Jansen	Tom & Nancy Stuller
Patty W.	Frances & Charles
Doc Hall	Clara & IG W.
John Vargo	Sharon & Ralph G
Jerry Shulte	Mary & Ken W.
Al Wheeler	Keith Evans
Alberta Kiene & Family	Terry Stemmler
The Gripp family	Elesha P.
Chris P.	The McGinty family
The Sim family	

Dear Padre

February 22, 2026

I was taught that it is a requirement to fast at least one hour before receiving Communion. However, I've seen donuts out before Mass begins and hear candy wrappers being crumpled around me. This seems disrespectful to me.

It is important to use the correct words when describing a particular action. In this case, “requirement” does not really capture the full meaning and understanding of what the Church teaches. A better understanding is that it is a discipline and a practice of the Church to ordinarily observe the eucharistic fast for one hour before receiving holy Communion. If you are of a certain age, you may remember that there have been changes regarding the eucharistic fast. A “requirement” might suggest that the fast is integral to the sacrament itself. It is not.

The second part of your question seems to be a matter of perception. Based on your perception, you judge something to be not quite right. But, consider that there are many reasons why hospitality may be set up before Mass. The crumpling of wrappers could be something other than what you identify. Regardless, you are not required to assume the burden of policing what is taking place at Mass. It is much better to participate, celebrate, and be grateful for the sacrament that we gather to experience as a community of faith. ●

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Dates to Remember

Feb. 28th - Spaghetti Dinner/Auction
5:00 pm -7:00 pm

Mar. 6th- Stations of the Cross 4:00 pm

Mar. 6th- Knights of Columbus Fish Fry 5:00-7:00 pm

Auction

Only 6 days left!!!

Please bring in “Auction items” and place on a table in the community hall.



An excellent New Year’s resolution is to attend a Cursillo weekend retreat at Gasper River.

Date

Men: Feb. 26-Mar. 1

Women: Mar. 5-8

Contact Fr. Tom Buckman for more information