



Roman Catholic Parishes of the South Interlake

Christ the King, Stonewall

St. John Vianney, Teulon

St. Joseph's, Stony Mountain

*February 2, 2025
The Presentation
of the Lord*

LORD'S DAY MASS TIMES:

SUNDAY at 8:30am (STONY MOUNTAIN), 10:00am (STONEWALL) & 11:30am (TEULON)

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Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact Fr. Vijay regarding any upcoming baptism and arrange a time to meet for preparation.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please contact Fr. Vijay.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please contact Fr. Vijay in case of emergency.

Sacrament of Marriage

6 months notice is required prior to the wedding. A weekend retreat or 6 week preparation course is required prior to the marriage. Please contact Fr. Vijay regarding preparation.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Monday, February 3rd**, Christ the King Church—7:30pm—Knights of Columbus meeting
- **Thursday, February 6th**, Christ the King Church—7:00pm—CTK Boiler Committee meeting
- **Tuesday, February 18th**, Christ the King Church—7:30pm—CTK Finance Council meeting
- **Wednesday, February 19th**, Christ the King Church—7:30pm—CTK Pastoral Council meeting

For news around the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, go to: www.archwinnipeg.ca/news.php

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Please submit information for the bulletin by **TUESDAY at NOON** to Ronda at: ckparish@mymts.net

If you choose not to take this bulletin home, kindly return it to the entrance of the church.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 2nd, 2025

The Presentation of the Lord

8:30am, *Stony Mountain* -

For all deceased family members of Debbie & Bob Braid

- requested by Debbie & Bob Braid

10:00am, *Stonewall* -

† Deacon Robert and Bertha Giasson

- requested by their family

11:30am, *Teulon* -

For the intentions of all parishioners

Mon, February 3rd to Sat, February 8th

*** **No Mass** ***



Sunday, February 9th, 2025

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am, *Stony Mountain* -

For the deceased family members of Bob & Debbie Braid

- requested by Bob & Debbie Braid

10:00am, *Stonewall* -

Special intention for Raymond Tymchyshyn

- requested by his family

11:30am, *Teulon* -

For the intentions of all parishioners

PARISH NEWS

Christ the King Parish Catechism

Catechism at Christ the King is after Mass on the following dates: **Feb. 2, Feb. 23, Mar. 2, Mar. 16, and more dates to follow.**

Parents are asked to stay at the Church during class time - you are more than welcome to join us.



Food Bank Donations



There are bins at the entrances of Christ the King Church for donations of non-perishable food items for the Interlake Food Bank. Thank you!

Christ the King Church



Please note: If you see something that needs to be fixed / maintenance at Christ the King Church, please contact Harry Hoff at (204) 461-1214, or Tracey Berg at (204) 467-7418. Thank you!

Church Cleaning at Christ the King



If you would like to volunteer to clean the church, please sign up at the entrance, or contact Tracey at (204) 467-7418. I will be happy to clean with you and show you what's involved.



FEBRUARY 2: World Day of Prayer For Consecrated Life & Feast of The Presentation of the Lord

The World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life is Feb. 2, which is also the feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Celebration of this day of prayer is Feb. 1-2, to allow parishes to highlight the gift of religious life and pray for those discerning a religious vocation.

St. John Paul II established the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life in 1997 to be celebrated in conjunction with the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, also known as Candlemas Day, which highlights the fact that Christ is the light of the world through the symbolic lighting of candles.

"Similarly, consecrated men and women are called to spread the light and love of Jesus Christ through their unique witness of selfless service, such as caring for the poor, the contemplative work of prayer, or through their professional careers."

Prayer for Consecrated Persons

"God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as sisters, brothers, religious priests, consecrated virgins, and hermits, as well as members of Secular Institutes. Renew their knowledge and love of you, and send your Holy Spirit to help them respond generously and courageously to your will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen."

PARISH NEWS

Official Tax Receipts

The 2024 Official Tax Receipts are ready for pick up. The receipts will be available at the main entrance of Christ the King Church and St. John Vianney Church on Sunday, February 2 and Sunday, February 9.



Congratulations



Congratulations to Ivone Abary Tolentino, the newest member of our faith, who was baptized at Christ the King Church on Saturday, January 25, 2025.

JUBILEE 2025 "PILGRIMS OF HOPE"

Characteristics of the jubilee:

Holy Door

From a symbolic viewpoint, the Holy Door takes on a special significance: it is the most powerful sign of the Jubilee, since the ultimate aim of the pilgrim is to pass through it. The opening of the door by the Pope constitutes the official beginning of the Holy Year. Originally, there was only one door, at the Basilica of St. John Lateran, which is the cathedral of the Bishop of Rome. Later, to allow as many pilgrims as possible to take part in the Jubilee experience, the other Roman Basilicas also opened their own holy doors.

In crossing the threshold of the Holy Door, the pilgrim is reminded of the passage from chapter 10 of St John's gospel: "I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture." Passing through the Holy Door expresses the decision to follow and be guided by Jesus, who is the Good Shepherd. The door is a passageway that ushers the pilgrim into the interior of a church. For the Christian community, a church is not only a sacred space, to be approached with respect, with appropriate behavior and dress code, but it is a symbol of the communion that binds every believer to Christ: it is a place of encounter and dialogue, of reconciliation and peace which awaits every pilgrim, the Church is essentially the place of the community of the faithful.

Reconciliation

A Jubilee year is a sign of reconciliation because it establishes a "favorable time" (cf. 2 Corinthians 6:2) for conversion. We are called to put God at the center of our lives, growing toward Him and acknowledging His primacy. Even the Biblical call for the restoration of social justice and respect for the earth stems from a theological reality: if God is the creator of the universe, He must be given priority over every reality and partisan interest. God makes this year holy by bestowing on us His holiness.

As Pope Francis recalled in the 2015 Bull proclaiming the Extraordinary Holy Year, "Mercy is not opposed to justice but expresses God's way of reaching out to the sinner, offering him a new chance to look at himself, convert, and believe. [...] God's justice is his mercy given to everyone as a grace that flows from the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Thus, the Cross of Christ is God's judgement on all of us and on the whole world, because through it he offers us the certainty of love and new life" (Misericordiae Vultus, 21).

In practical terms, reconciliation involves receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation, taking advantage of this time to rediscover the value of confession, and experiencing God's words of forgiveness. Some Jubilee churches stay open continuously to make the sacrament available. You can prepare yourself to receive the sacrament by following a guide.

<https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en/giubileo-2025/segna-del-giubileo.html>



Stewardship of Treasure
 (Includes Visitor envelopes and pre-authorized contributions)
 Thank you for your generosity!

ARCHDIOCESE NEWS

1700th Anniversary of the Council of Nicaea Presentation

2025 marks the 1700th Anniversary of the Council of Nicaea. The Council is known for the Nicene Creed, which was promulgated in 325.

Fr. Gregory Hrykniw, a monk of the Ukrainian Eparchy of Saskatoon, will be at St. John XXIII Parish, 3390 Portage Ave, in Winnipeg, on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, to help us understand the history and beauty of the Nicene Creed. The presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE: Installation of Archbishop Murray Chatlain - April 4, 2025

Most Reverend Murray Chatlain will be installed as the 8th Archbishop of Winnipeg on Friday evening, April 4, 2025, at St. Mary's Cathedral. More information will follow in the coming days.

January 26, 2025

| Parish / Mission | Regular Offertory | Sharing God's Gifts | Building Fund | Food Bank | Initial Envelope |
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| Christ the King | \$1232.51 | \$173.75 | \$53.75 | - | \$5.00 |
| St. John Vianney | \$200.00 | - | - | - | - |
| St. Joseph's | \$205.00 | - | - | - | - |

To look up and learn more about:

- February 5—St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr (Memorial)
- February 6—St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs (Memorial)

Weekly Parish Email

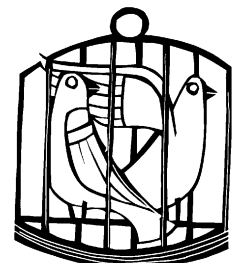
We weekly send out our bulletin. If you would like to get added onto our email list or if you need to update your contact information, please email the parish office at: ckparish@mymts.net.



“A light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.”

(Luke 2.32)

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Bringing Home the Word

The Presentation of the Lord
February 2, 2025

We Belong to God

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Everyone wants to belong to someone or something. In fact, we do not merely *want* to belong; we *need* to belong. However, sometimes we forget to whom we really belong. This feast reminds us to whom Jesus belonged. The reading from Hebrews underscores the fact that Jesus was one of us. He also was a descendant of Abraham; thus, we are his brothers and sisters. But he really belonged to God.

The ritual of presentation, a ritual that was and continues to be common in religious Israel, was meant to remind

everyone to whom we belong. True, only male infants were so presented. This reflects the custom of tracing lineage in the family, tribe, or clan through the male line, with women participating through the agency of men. This cultural gender bias need not prevent us from understanding the profound meaning of the presentation: though one of us, Jesus belonged to God.

The gospel story tells of a man and a woman who recognized that this child would be the One through whom God saves all people. It also describes two important religious insights. First, it acknowledges that the child we cherish as one of us really belongs to God. Second, it illustrates how each child has a mission to the world to somehow make it a better place. So even with its gender and cultural bias, this feast is about us as well as Jesus. We all belong to God, and we all have a mission to the world. †

Sunday Readings

Malachi 3:1–4

And the LORD whom you seek will come suddenly to his temple; / The messenger of the covenant whom you desire.

Hebrews 2:14–18

Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Luke 2:22–40 or 2:22–32

[Simeon said,] “Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation.”



***Sometimes we forget to
whom we really belong.***

A Word from Pope Francis

[God's] loving plan...embraces and connects the generations.... For the young, this means being ready to break free from the fleeting present in which virtual reality can entrap us, preventing us from doing something productive. For the elderly, it means not dwelling on the loss of physical strength and thinking with regret about missed opportunities. Let us all look ahead!

MESSAGE FOR WORLD DAY FOR
GRANDPARENTS AND ELDERLY,
ROME, JULY 23, 2023



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS REFLECTION

- How do I value the energy of the young and the wisdom of the old?
- What can I do to make connections among the generations?

What an Impact One Family Can Have!

Letter to Families from Pope Francis



The evangelist Luke tells us that the Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph, in keeping with the Law of Moses, took the Baby Jesus to the Temple to offer him to the Lord, and that an elderly man and woman, Simeon and Anna, moved by the Holy Spirit, went to meet them and acknowledged Jesus as the Messiah. (See Luke 2:22–38) Simeon took him in his arms and thanked God that he had finally “seen” salvation. Anna, despite her advanced age, found new vigor and began to speak to everyone about the Baby Jesus. It is a beautiful image: two young parents and two elderly people, brought together by Jesus. He is the

one who brings together and unites generations! He is the inexhaustible font of that love which overcomes every occasion of self-absorption, solitude, and sadness. In your journey as a family, you share so many beautiful moments: meals, rest, housework, leisure, prayer, trips and pilgrimages, and times of mutual support.... Nevertheless, if there is no love then there is no joy, and authentic love comes to us from Jesus. †

From *Advent and Christmas Wisdom from Pope Francis* by John Cleary (826467). To order, visit Liguori.org or call 800-325-9521.

Wisdom from Catholic UPDATE

From “Preparing for Our Final Journey: Life is Changed, Not Ended”

The Catholic funeral is one of the Church’s greatest gifts. It celebrates the belief in resurrection and forgiveness. A funeral is an opportunity for those left behind to say goodbye. It can also be a way in which the deceased says goodbye to their loved ones. Talking about your funeral and making preparations may be a comfort for those who will mourn your passing. Everything you do to prepare for your death—the legal matters, the bequests you make, the provision for your survivors, and your funeral—all of these should be done with one concern in mind: building up the community of those left behind. Help them love each other after you are gone. This will be your greatest gift. Think about it: have you kept in mind the well-being of your loved ones after you die? Do your plans reflect your love for them? Try this exercise: write your own eulogy. Include all those virtues for which you would like to be remembered. Then, live it. Live your own eulogy.

Catholic Update—a subscription newsletter published eleven times a year—explores Church tradition and teaching on contemporary topics. Liguori.org • 800-325-9521.



Faithful God, bless parents who are trying to raise children to know you, and inspire leaders to find ways to assist families who are struggling. Amen.

The Redemptorists

WEEKDAY READINGS

February 3–8

Monday, Weekday:
Heb 11:32–40 / Mk 5:1–20

Tuesday, Weekday:
Heb 12:1–4 / Mk 5:21–43

Wednesday, St. Agatha:
Heb 12:4–7, 11–15 / Mk 6:1–6

Thursday, St. Paul Miki and Companions:
Heb 12:18–19, 21–24 / Mk 6:7–13

Friday, Weekday:
Heb 13:1–8 / Mk 6:14–29

Saturday, Weekday:
Heb 13:15–17, 20–21 / Mk 6:30–34