

**Christ the King Parish**  
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### Dear Parishioners,

The safety and health of each parishioner have been in my daily prayers as together we continue to face the ups and downs of the pandemic. Many of you, I know, have endured great pain and personal loss, faced numerous concerns and struggles that have developed, and dealt with the sadness of isolation. Sadly, the uncertainty continues.

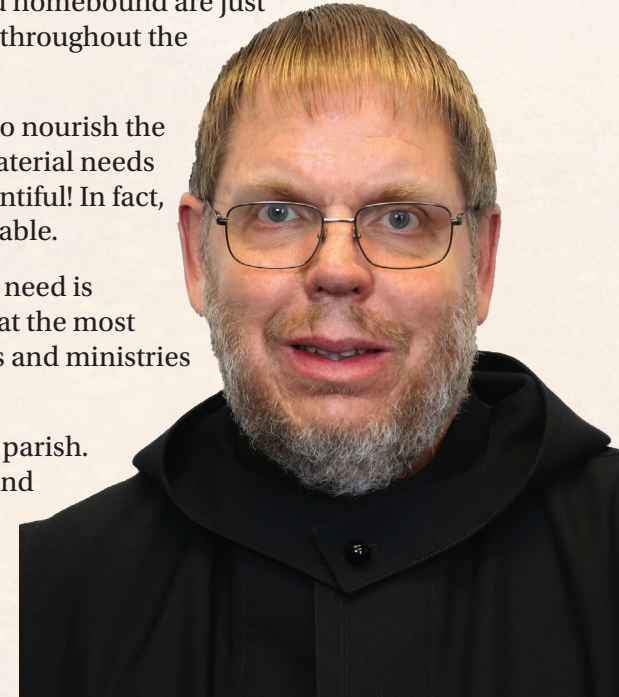
I hope you have benefitted from diocesan services like streamed Masses and parish services like phone calls and special mailings. Special collections to support mission work at home and around the world, food drives to help the hungry, volunteers who cleaned and sanitized our churches to protect our at-risk parishioners, and our outreach efforts that made a crucial connection with the elderly and homebound are just a few examples of the outpouring of love we saw in the name of Jesus Christ throughout the pandemic.

I want you to know that through it all, Christ the King Parish has continued to nourish the seeds of faith that have been planted, seeking to care for the spiritual and material needs of our entire parish community. The good news is: the harvest has been bountiful! In fact, the support provided by you, our faithful parishioners, has been just remarkable.

As excited as I am about the impact of our outreach, I also realize that much need is still on the horizon. Economic uncertainty and continued isolation mean that the most vulnerable among us will need our help—now more than ever. Our missions and ministries cannot continue to meet these needs without your help.

I want to sincerely thank you for all that you have given to, and done for, our parish. Remember: Your contributions keep this parish and her ministries vibrant and impactful. As you remember your parish as this year continues, prayerfully consider increasing your stewardship so we can continue God's work.

*Yours in Christ,*  
**Father James H. Loew, OSB**



Growing Support for our  
**FAITH**  
Community



**Christ the King Parish Annual Report 2021**

## Flowers that Feed the Soul: Our Ministry Listing

- **Greeters** - Welcome people as they enter the church, and assist those with baby carriers, wheelchairs, and walkers.
- **Ushers** - Take up the offertory and distribute bulletins after Mass. They also assist as needed with emergencies or other necessary concerns.
- **Lectors** - Proclaim the word of God during Mass or other liturgical functions. Lectors devote time to preparation and understanding of sacred Scripture.
- **Altar Servers** - Assist the priest in preparing for Mass. The servers take part in the liturgy by performing tasks to help the priest celebrate Eucharist. Children who received their first holy Communion can be altar servers
- **Music Ministry** - Choirs and cantors provide musical support of full and active participation in the liturgy.
- **Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** - Assist the priest by distributing the Eucharist at Mass.
- **Money Counters** - Assist in counting the Sunday and Holy Day collections according to established guidelines.
- **Religious Formation Volunteers/Youth Ministry Volunteers** - Assist in forming the next generation of Christ's disciples.
- **Ministry of Care** - Provide pastoral care to the sick and homebound of the parish. The ministers take the Eucharist to the sick where they are at home, a personal care home or a nursing home.
- **Ministry of Consolation/Funeral Luncheon Ministers** - These important positions help ease the burden of those suffering from loss of a family member or friend.
- **Raffle Ticket Volunteers** - Assist with an important fundraising opportunity to help raise money for our church community.
- **Fundraising Volunteers** - The many fundraisers at the parish, such as the bake sales, pierogi sale, Halloween party, bingo, rummage sale and special dinners simply could not happen without the help of our dedicated volunteers.





# Cultivate the Garden Within: Capital Improvements



Your contributions to our parish help maintain the parish complex, making it the center of prayer in our community. Over the last three years we completed parking lot sealing, air conditioning refurbishing, tree care on the church grounds and cemetery, and some needed masonry work.

## Parish Financials

	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
<b>Offertory</b>	\$ 243,225	\$ 231,651	\$ 268,260
<b>Other Ordinary Income</b> <i>(monthly collections, votive candles)</i>	32,838	28,915	33,037
<b>Extraordinary Income</b> <i>(bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)</i>	32,350	34,816	68,721
<b>Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund</b>	1,310	220	—
<b>Other Non-Assessable Income</b> <i>(The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements, and PPP Loan)</i>	220,238	137,097	78,515
<b>Special Collections</b>	14,937	22,827	20,513
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 544,898</b>	<b>\$ 455,526</b>	<b>\$ 469,046</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Administration	\$ 84,908	\$ 91,245	\$ 102,119
Church	26,227	30,901	53,795
Rectory	400	22	10,666
Education and Ministry	45,157	66,487	64,757
General Expenses	201,176	216,019	203,325
Special Collections	13,937	22,719	21,478
Extraordinary Expenses	92,039	22,125	29,284
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>463,844</b>	<b>449,518</b>	<b>485,424</b>
<b>Net Operating Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 81,054</b>	<b>\$ 6,008</b>	<b>\$ (16,378)</b>

## Our Garden



### Registered Households

2021: 432  
2020: 447  
2019: 459

### Single Member Households

176



### Baptisms

2021: 11  
2020: 6  
2019: 6

### Weddings

2021: 1  
2020: 1  
2019: 4



### Funerals

2021: 48  
2020: 48  
2019: 40



## Weathering COVID-19

Just as God has provided for you, you have provided for our parish. Your investment is like the tilling of the soil, helping us to grow stronger.

Despite the pandemic, our parish offertory remained strong, primarily due to the generosity of our parishioners; but it was greatly assisted by online giving and a record-breaking Diocesan Lenten Appeal.

As I am sure you can imagine, our parish suffered from the loss of fundraising monies. This year, our major in-person fundraisers were postponed.

We do have some exciting events on our calendar. Please consider attending:

- **Halloween Dance: Saturday, Oct. 30, in Assumption Hall. Doors open at 7 PM, buffet opens at 8 PM. Must be 21 or older; costumes optional.**
- **Bishop Larry J. Kulick's visit to Christ the King Parish: Sunday, Nov. 21, at the 9:30 AM Mass, with reception to follow in Assumption Hall.**
- **Advent Walk: Sunday, Dec. 5 (details to come).**
- **Various social fundraisers to be announced.**

I do want to call your attention to our restructured faith formation program that consists of active youth from our parish and those of Saint Gertrude Parish. This program, under the direction of Katie Tylinski, will go a long way toward planting the seeds of faith in the next generation of our parish.

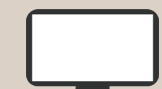
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9:00AM - 4:00PM



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