

Saturday, December 11: Vigil, Third Sunday of Advent 4:00 p.m. Richard Brown (†), Birthday Remembrance, req. by his family.

Sunday, December 12: Third Sunday of Advent 8:00 a.m. For All Interred in St. Joseph Cemetery, West Greenwich, RI (†), req. by Catholic Cemeteries, Inc.

10:00 a.m. **Francis and Mary C. McShane (†),** req. by their family.

Monday, December 13: Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr 9:00 a.m. Stanley LaPlante (†), Birthday Remembrance, req. by his family.

<u>Tuesday, December 14:</u> Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

9:00 a.m. Velma Maynard (†)

Wednesday, December 15: Advent Weekday

9:00 a.m. **Norma Loehr (†),** Fifth Anniversary, req. by her mom and dad.

Thursday, December 16: Advent Weekday

9:00 a.m. **For the Souls of Purgatory (†)**, req. by a parishioner.

Saturday, December 18: Vigil, Fourth Sunday of Advent 4:00 p.m. Todd Blamires (†), Twenty Sixth Anniversary, req. by his family.

Sunday, December 19: Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. **George and Doris Henault (†),** Christmas Remembrance, reg. by their family.

10:00 a.m. **Mary and Richard Fortin (†),** Christmas Remembrance, req. by their family.

The sanctuary lamp is available for memorializing your loved ones in prayer. Call the office to reserve your week.





DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK

December 5: Unavailable due to early transmittal of this weeks bulletin.

Electronic, December 5: Unavailable

Collection, December 5, Church of Christ the King Building Maintenance Fund: Unavailable

Collection, December 8, The Immaculate Conception, of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Unavailable

Second Collection, December 12: Retired Religious

THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, December 15

6:30PM

Cub Scout 13 & Troop 31 Scout Meetings

Parish Center

Please welcome our newest parishioner baptized Sunday, December 5, 2021

Grace Marybeth Furtado

Daughter of Jeffrey and Elizabeth





This year our *Giving Tree* will be for *Project Hand Up*. The tags will all be the same, asking for \$15.00 grocery store gift cards. A basket will be placed at St. Joseph's altar in the

church. Please place your gift cards in the basket by <u>December 12th</u>. Distribution will be **this** week in time for families to shop for their Christmas feast.

Thank you for your continued support!

Christmas Flower Donation envelopes have been included in your budget packets. If you would like to list the name/names of loved ones to be remembered or honored, please PRINT their names on the back of the envelope, place the envelope in the collection basket at any Mass or mail it to the office. A listing will be posted at the church entrances on Christmas.



Advent increases our hope, a hope which does not disappoint. The Lord never lets us down. ~ Pope Francis

Readings for the Week

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9;

Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19, 23;

Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25; Ps 85:9ab, 10, 11-12,

13-14; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12a, 13b;

Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17;

Mt 1:1-17

Saturday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19;

Mt 1:18-25

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-

10; Lk 1:39-45

There are Mass Intentions available for weekdays and weekends. Call the office to reserve your intentions for the Living or the Deceased.



Faith Formation

If you have not joined the **BAND App** yet, please do so asap. Gina will use this App to keep parents informed. You may email Gina for the activation

code. Classes will be held virtually during the winter months. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Gina Vessella, Faith Formation Coordinator at gvessella.ctkww@gmail.com, call the parish office at 401.821.9228, or visit our parish website, ctkwwri.org!

Virtual Class: December 12, 2021, 8:45AM Virtual Class: January 9, 2022, 8:45AM

Ctk Choir Rehearsals are held on Sunday mornings between the 8:00 and 10:00am Masses and Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM in the choir loft. For more information,



please see Mia after the Sunday morning Mass.

All are Welcomed to Join our Choir!



Scout Troop 31 / Cub Scout Pack 13
The Annual Christmas Tree and Wreath
Fundraiser will be held at the Holy
Ghost Society, 11 Ventura St., West
Warwick (near the intersection of Main
St. & Wakefield St.) The stand will open
Friday, Nov. 26 at 12:00PM and remain
open through (approx.) Dec. 14th.

Hours: Weeknights, 4PM-8PM / Weekends, 9AM-8PM Tree prices start at \$39.00. This fundraiser helps the Scouts earn money towards the cost of summer camp. The boys and girls appreciate your support! Thank You!

Grandma's Attic
Shop Hours: Saturdays Only
9:00AM — 1:00PM



Stop in to see all *The Attic* has to offer: Dishes, pots and pans, glassware, knick-knacks, small kitchen appliances, books, bed linens, picture frames, games, puzzles, handbags, children/adult shoes and clothing, Holiday Decorations, etc... Donations may be dropped off anytime during shop hours. Please do NOT leave donations outside. A donation receipt for tax purposes will be provided upon request.

You never know what treasures you will find!!!



Project Hand Up / Be the Change
is in need of non-perishable food
items, paper products, and toiletries.
Donation bins are located at the
church exits.

For information on the services they provide please visit them on Facebook.

Some random thoughts

The movement surrounding John the Baptist engaged people but could take them only so far. The way of life promoted by the Baptist helped solidify people. It gave them a sense of direction. Life was clear. As we hear in today's Gospel story from Luke, the teaching instructs people to act justly. The difficulty happens when we prevent ourselves from growing beyond the Baptist. Acting justly is important but it is not the complete story. Jesus instructs us to love as God loves. Love and justice are inseparable. Our ego-self likes justice because most often it is clear. (These are the rules. We must follow them.) Love is less clear. It is relational, and relationships are often messy. Love requires an awareness that an absolute exists outside of ourselves, and this absolute is infinite. When we settle for something less than infinite (including the institutional church), we are relying on something that is finite. Only an absolute, that is infinite, can sustain us. Everything else might stroke our ego-self but it dies when we die. Love then, requires an openness that only happens with maturity. Maybe this is why Jesus says that John the Baptist is the greatest person born of woman but the least in the Kingdom of God. God is good.

Parish Updates: Christmas falls on a Saturday. We will offer a 4:00 Mass on Christmas Eve (a Friday) and a 10:00 on Christmas morning (a Saturday). There will be NO 4:00 Mass on Saturday afternoon and NO Reconciliation on Saturday afternoon. We will keep to our usual schedule on Sunday morning (8:00 & 10:00).

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2022 Calendars are available to all parishioners! Calendars will be at the church exits "while supplies last". Customized for our parish, we thank the Iannotti



Funeral Home for their continued generosity in donating the calendars for our parishioners.

For up-to-date parish information visit our Website: ctkwwri.org

Congratulations
Winner Week #23, Ticket #680
Brian Picard

