

Seminary Update



Dear CtK,

Merry Christmas! It's such a wonderful season here in St. Paul with the fresh blanket of snow. A professor pointed out to me there's a certain brightness in winter because the snow reflects light so well. There are no shadows in the day where there is snow! Check it out it's really neat! The semester is coming to a close! I have 3 papers and 2 finals. Mercy. I'm excited to go home for Christmas and celebrate God's birth with the family. All the Helena seminarians are well. Here's a picture of us after a street walk with the poor. We invited the Boise, Idaho guys to join us. The men of the west have to stick together haha. Really all is well. I went on a treadmill for the first time, got to enjoy Jane Austen's Sense and Sensibility put on by a local Catholic theatre, and just attended the St. Thomas University Christmas Concert. God is good. Please keep praying for us seminarians and know of our prayers for you.

Your brother in Christ Jesus,

James

Poinsettia's donated in the loving memory of...

Charlie Gibson

Eloise Gibson

Ida & Willis McGuiness

Lea & Brad Carver

Clyde & Verda Rummel

Joe & Ann Copperi

Violet O'Dell

Christy Schilke Pyron

Fred Bodholt

Erik Bodholt

Poul Bodholt

Shamus McCarthy

Chuck Douglass

Carl Maehl, Sr.

John MacKinnon

And they had just settled down to a long winters nap...

WE WILL BE TAKING THE WEEK AFTER CHRISTMAS OFF FOR SOME REST.

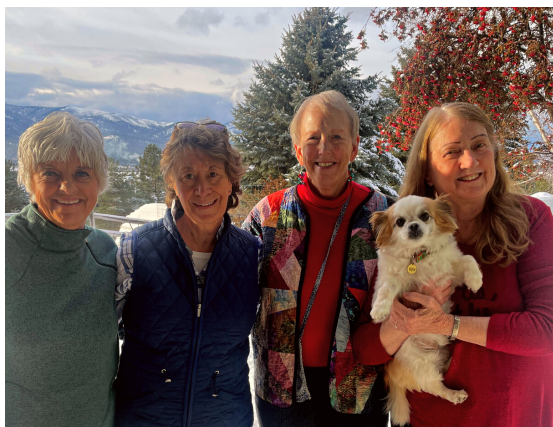


Christ the King Office will be closed Dec. 26-30.

There will not be Daily Mass Dec. 26-30.



We had a very generous year with the **Annual Giving Tree**. We gave over 400 gifts to many individuals and 28 families. Thank you for the beautiful gifts and cards that you donated, they warmed our hearts. We thank our elves who helped us organize and sort the gifts. A special thank you to Sue Ledger, Collen Frank, Cindy Hewitt and Cathy Schwenk. Because of you, we are able to bless many at Christmas.



We Love our volunteer secretaries (l-r): Annette Rummel, Kathy Newman, Casey Schilke & Colleen Frank. Contact the office to join the team!

Our building maintenance managers Toby and Melissa Magstad wish you and yours a Merry Christmas!



**Patti Cassidy
Director of
Evangelization &
Discipleship**

**Patti would love to
find a faith
formation
opportunity at Ctk.**



**Introducing
Holly Zeile.
She is our K-5
Event
Coordinator.
She has a
great love for
the faith and
wants to share
it with you!**

Faith Formation at Christ the King

There is something for everyone at Christ the King – a formation opportunity for each age and stage of life. It's not too late to join!

Sacramental Prep for Infant Baptism – offered 4-6 times per year. Contact Felicia Schallenberger at 406-212-4770 to register for the next series for parents wishing to have their infant child (up to age 7) baptized. For older children, contact Patti Cassidy

Sunday School /Religious Education for children in preschool-5th grade – begins in September on Sunday mornings after Mass(see schedule online) and continues through April. It's never too late to join – children are always welcome.

Children's Liturgy of the Word – runs through the school year for K-5 aged children during Sunday AM Mass. Children are sent with a catechist team to hear the Word of God on their level and return to the assembly during the offertory. New children always welcome.

Sacramental Prep for First Communion – begins September with First Reconciliation and continues in January with First Eucharist for children in second or third grade who are baptized.

Youth Ministry for Middle School (MS)and High School (HS) – begins in September and continues through May through a collaborative with other Missoula area parishes. Youth group meets on Wednesdays at 6-7PM (MS) and 7:30-9PM HS.

Confirmation also coordinated through the collaborative. Contact Heidi Gengo for more info hgengo@ctkmsla.org – schedule available on our website.

Catholicism Class for any adult – continues on Tuesdays from 6-7:30 PM through the academic year. Check schedule for dates and topics. Also, part of RCIA process. Contact Patti Cassidy.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) or Becoming Catholic. Contact Patti Cassidy for information on becoming Catholic or receiving sacraments as an adult Catholic.

Adult Formation Opportunities – Retreats, bible studies and small groups for adults of all ages take place throughout the year. Info available on our website, in bulletins or contact the parish office.

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