



DISTRIBUTION OF
HOLY COMMUNION
11:45 AM - 12:30 PM



IN LOVING MEMORY

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of:
*Michael DaCruz, F. Keats Boyd, Jr., Alfreda Maldari, Brett Baker, T
helma Anne Gardner, Paul Myrick, David LaRochelle, Edward Walsh,
Daniel Coon, Pasquale & Carmela DeFranzo, and Raymond Ayers,
Donald Ludwig, Kevin Johnson, David & Shirley Hamblen, Michael Gorman,
Louis Panaccione, Doris Marcotte, Jim Keefe, Florence Jacques,
Jonathan Scudder, and James W. Cameron*



Saturday, August 8, 2026

4:00 PM Fr. M. Chmurski
Edward Walsh

Sunday, August 9, 2026

7:00 AM Fr. E. Healey
Daniel Coon

8:30 AM Fr. E. Healey
The People of the Parish

10:30 AM Fr. T. Wyndham
Pasquale & Carmela DeFranzo

5:30 PM Msgr. J. Darcy
Raymond Ayers

Monday, August 10, 2026

8:30 AM Fr. E. Healey
Donald Ludwig

Tuesday, August 11, 2026

8:30 AM Fr. E. Healey
Kevin Johnson

Wednesday, August 12, 2026

8:30 AM Fr. C. Hughes
David & Shirley Hamblen

Thursday, August 15, 2026

8:30 AM Fr. T. Wyndham
Michael Gorman

Friday, August 14, 2026

8:30 AM Fr. J. Prusaitis
Doris Marcotte
4:00 PM Msgr. J. Darcy
The Diocese of Fall River

Saturday, August 15, 2026

8:30 AM Fr. E. Healey
Louis Panaccione
4:00 PM Msgr. J. Darcy
Jim Keefe

Sunday, August 16, 2026

7:00 AM Fr. E. Healey
Florence Jacques

8:30 AM Fr. T. Wyndham
Jonathan Scudder

10:30 AM Fr. J. Prusaitis
The People of the Parish

5:30 PM Fr. E. Healey
James W. Cameron

The Pastor's Pen

THE WEEKLY COLUMN BY FR. EDWARD HEALEY



Respect for Life-Further Eroding: The Massachusetts State legislature beginning with the House of Representatives and concluding with a vote in the State Senate on July 31st has removed all restrictions on late term abortions. Previously, Massachusetts set a limit on abortion at 24 weeks of pregnancy, with some exceptions for the life of the mother or drastic medical complications involving the unborn child. If the governor signs the bill, which there is little doubt she will, abortion until birth will be allowed at the discretion of the doctor and patient! While proponents will tell us that this will be rare, you only have to go to the web page of the Abortion Survivors Network to find more than enough cases in which a late-term abortion ended with the delivery of a living infant! Thankfully, at the moment there are still protections under law in such cases that the child, even though unwanted, must be given proper medical attention. Yet the whole situation ends up to be quite schizoid, for what would be infanticide one day will soon be quite legal just the previous day. Bluntly this doesn't pass the moral disgust test; yet that is what we must apply in judging this and all such situations, because in our pluralistic society we have come to the point where what is truly morally indefensible is being legalized! This becomes ever clearer when one dares take a deeper dive into the life of a child in the womb who begins reflexive movements and even swallowing by 14 weeks, who responds to external sounds between 20 and 24 weeks, and who if born prematurely at 24 weeks has a 50% chance of survival, and at 26 to 28 weeks that survival rate rises to 80 to 90%! Thus while moral reasoning always finds abortion abhorrent, from a purely secular and scientific point of view there are solid developmental reasons to ban abortion after 24 weeks of gestation for at this point this cannot be demeaned and dismissed as a clump of tissue or even simply a developing fetus, as proponents of abortion would be quick to claim. Rather, this is undeniably a growing, feeling, waking, sleeping, dreaming child until birth at full term. Yet to take the life of that child a week or even a day before his or her birth at the discretion of the woman carrying that child and her doctor is about to become legally acceptable in our State. Yet again, the intrinsic value of human life is being denied as our culture assigns value only to the degree that any particular life is esteemed or wanted by those upon whom it must temporarily depend! With this latest legislation our State has certainly traveled quite a distance down the slippery moral slope away from the divine prohibition that "thou shall not kill"! Yet other "unwanted" lives or those judged unproductive or burdensome have already been targeted unsuccessfully in our Commonwealth, but don't think for a moment that proponents of "mercy killing" like those of abortion will ever give up until they see that also

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Collection August 1st and 2nd, 2026

First Collection	Second Collection
Offertory	Building & Maintenance
\$12,480.00	\$5,175.00

Online Giving Week of July 27, 2026

First Collection: \$2,093.00
Second Collection: \$1,120.00
Faith Formation: \$150.00
Annual Collection: \$50.00
Matthew 25: \$751.00
CTK Pantry Project: \$1,355.00
Building/Grounds: \$230.00

Total: \$5,749.00

Thank You for Your Continued Support!
Consider using online giving to donate
to the Weekly Collections, Scan the QR Code
to donate.



Sanctuary Lights August 9th thru 15th Church

*A Special Intention
Chapel*

*In Memory of
Paul Myrick & David LaRoche*



GIANNA
JACQUELYN DAVIS



Prayer Opportunity

Join us for a meaningful time
of prayer and service on
Wednesday, August 19th,
from 1:00 - 3:00 PM in Classroom A
to pray the Rosary and make
rosaries together.

The rosaries created will be donated to
Build the Faith, a nonprofit founded by
9-year-old Christina Dangond and her par-
ents during Christina's battle with cancer.
Build the Faith uses proceeds from the sale
of rosaries to help build churches in
impoverished areas around the world.

All are welcome! Come for prayer,
fellowship, and the opportunity to give
alms in a hands-on way. Contact Deb Egan
at: egand555@gmail.com
for more information.



TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
AT THE PARISH ENTRANCES
OR THROUGH THE PARISH OFFICE



FAITH *Sharing* GROUP

A peer-to-peer group
where you can share your
life challenges
and apply your Christian faith.
All Are Welcome! 2nd and 4th
Sunday of each month
4:00pm - 5:00pm Classroom A
Sponsored by the Mental Health Ministry



THE JERICHO GROUP

A Men's Ministry at
Christ the King Parish

The Jericho Group allows men to
deepen their faith and further their
relationships with Jesus Christ, while
discerning the greater purpose in
their lives in the context of other
men of the community.

To learn more go to
christthekingparish.com/the-jericho-group



WHAT'S MISSING?

Do you have questions about your Catholic faith
Do you know why you are Catholic?
Religion and faith may at times be confusing.
Of course, God is mystery, and not
all questions have an answer.

However, the idea is to explore that area
between black and white, to find the spiritual
rainbow who is our Lord, Jesus Christ.
Please join us for discussion and prayer.

This process is for those who want to bridge
the gaps in their journey of faith.

Will resume in the Fall.



SCHEDULING LITURGICAL MINISTERS

The scheduling for Lectors, Eucharistic
Ministers and Altar Servers will start on
August 11th for September.

All requests for dates you are unable to
serve for the next schedule, should be
made by leaving a message at
508-477-7700, ext. 28 or by email to
carol@christthekingparish.com



Faith Formation is looking for assistance with our program for the upcoming school year.

We are in need of substitute catechists, classroom assistants and hallway monitors. If you are interested and can help please contact Jane Costello at jane@christthekingparish.com

Faith Formation Registration

Registration for 2026/2027 Year is Open
Visit www.christthekingparish.com/yff/ to register today.

NEW PROGRAMS ADD:

Kindergarten, held on the 1st Sunday of each month at 9:30am -10:30am, no tuition fee.

Teen Small Group for grades 10-12, held on the 1st Sunday of each month following the 5:30pm Mass, 6:15pm-7:30pm
Pizza and discussion
no tuition fee

Please register before August 30th



BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

B/P Clinic The Parish Nurses will be holding our monthly Blood Pressure Screening on Sunday, August 16th after the 10:30 Mass.

The Screening is held in the Msgr Tosti Conference Room.

All are welcome.



CTK PANTRY WISH LIST



ADULT WOMEN'S DEPENDS
SIZES S/M, L, AND XL,
AND **DIAPERS** SIZE 5T/6T

DOG AND CAT FOOD
WET (CANS) AND
DRY (KIBBLE)



DROP OFF AT FOOD PANTRY
WEDNESDAY MORNINGS OR
AT THE PARISH OFFICE
MON.-FRI. 9-1, SAT. /SUN. 9:00-12:00 PM.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US
SUPPORT OUR LOCAL FAMILIES.



Christ the King Parish

THRIFT SHOP

benefiting St. Vincent de Paul

Upscale Thrift Shop, Clothing - Jewelry - Housewares and so much more!

SHOP HOURS

Tues., Thurs. & Sat. 9AM-3PM
Donations 9AM-12 Noon
Phone 508-420-0949

We will be limiting clothing donations to 1 bag per visit.



GOOD MORNING COFFEE and TEA

Please join us after
8:30 AM Mass every Monday,
Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday
in Classroom D
All are welcome!



St John of the
Cross Lay
Carmelites meet
at 11:30 every
third Sunday.

Please call Pam for more info:
508-681-8299



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 13388
CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST, 2026

BLOOD DRIVE

9:40 AM – 4:00 PM – BLOOD MOBILE
MONDAY, AUGUST 24th, 2026
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY CALL
508-862-5378
“COME JOIN US”
CONTACT GRAND KNIGHT
JOE MOONEY ~ 610-283-1983



Please fill out form and return with payment of \$20/ family to:
Jeanne Dennis, 23 Meadowbrook Rd, Mashpee, MA 02649 by August 18, 2026

NAME _____

Address _____

PHONE _____ # Attending _____



enshrined in law. Our concern should be compounded by what has just occurred with lifting any restrictions on late term abortions as it can only indicate that the majority of those presently serving in both branches of our State Legislature possess moral compasses that are dangerously defective!! As Catholic Christian people our message must be clear that a moral wrong cannot ever be made right by making it legal, and ultimately divine law is much higher than any civil law, thus the degree of our respect for it and obedience to it will be far more consequential in the long run and especially in the end!

The Feast of the Assumption – The Value of the Devalued Human Body: On August 15th we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, affirming that as bearer of the Christ, Mary's body was not allowed to undergo corruption, but rather was assumed along with her sinless soul into heaven at her passing. Whatever is said of Mary applies eventually to all the baptized, reminding us that our bodies too, frail and corrupt as they may be now, will on the last day be raised and remade by God and glorified as they are reunited with our souls. Thus being reminded of the future of our bodies in heaven should redouble our respect and consequent treatment of the human body both in life and in death! This is why the church only permits but does not prefer cremation, and insists that cremains be properly buried or entombed, never kept on a mantle at home, nor divided and distributed or scattered in any manner! If we wouldn't keep the corpse of our loved ones at length in our living rooms, or toss them on a beach or drop them off a boat or from a plane, or cut them up to distribute as mementoes, or place pieces of their flesh in a locket to wear as jewelry then we should not do any of that with their cremains either!! Let us remember that the corporal work of mercy is to BURY the dead!

Masses for the Feast of the Assumption: Because it falls on a Saturday Feast Day Masses will be Friday, August 14th at 4:00 PM and Saturday, August 15th at 8:30 AM; while the obligation to attend Mass on this holy day is lifted because of its proximity to Sunday, we remind you that while no sin is committed by absence from Mass this year yet neither is any grace received! So all are encouraged to celebrate this important Feast of Mary – which is also the Patronal Feast of our Diocese of Fall River and thus of our Cathedral Church as well!

Many Thanks! Gratitude is rightly expressed to all those in our parish who responded to the Annual Catholic Appeal to assist Bishop DaCunha in supporting the apostolates, ministries, and agencies of our Diocese of Fall River in this new fiscal year. A total of 380 households contributed \$113,359, an increase of \$8,244 from last year. While other Christian denominations may emphasize salvation by faith alone, we as Catholics adhere to the more ancient and fundamental understanding that while faith saves us, works bear witness to the authenticity and depth of that faith and are therefore essential! All who contributed are thus participating in all the good works that will be carried out by our diocese in our name as the Catholic people of Southeastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod and the Islands. Let us trust that God who is never outdone in generosity will in turn and in measure bless each contributor for theirs!

Christ the King Annual Golf Classic: On Monday September 14th we will hold our annual golf tournament, the proceeds of which benefit our Matthew 25 Fund and in particular to provide support to those in need of finding or maintaining their housing. Those who golf are urged to sign up, as are those who wish to contribute to various forms of sponsorship, or donate a gift card to local restaurants or stores for the silent auction. The support of many are needed to make this annual fundraiser a success, so let us all discern a way in which we can best play our part!

Respect Life Ministry
respect love protect

WEEKLY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2, 2026

BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS, FOR THEY WILL BE CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD. (MT 5:9)

SUNDAY 1KGS 19: 9A, 11-13A/ PS 85/ ROM 9: 1-5/ MT 14: 22-33

MONDAY 2COR 9: 6-10/ PS 112/ JN 12: 24-26

TUESDAY EZEK 2: 8 – 3:4/ PS 119/ MT 18: 1-5, 10, 12-14

WEDNESDAY EZEK 9: 1-7; 10: 18-22/ PS 113/ MT 18: 15-20

THURSDAY EZEK 12: 1-12/ PS 78/ MT 18: 21 – 19:1

FRIDAY EZEK 16: 1-15, 60, 63 OR 59-63/ PS (IS 12)/ MT 19: 3-12

SATURDAY RV 11: 19A; 12: 1-6A, 10AB/ PS 45/ 1COR 15: 20-27/ LK 1: 39-56

NEXT SUNDAY IS 56: 1, 6-7/ PS 67/ ROM 11: 13-15, 29-32/ MT 15: 21-28



"For an algorithm, an error is a flaw to be corrected; for a person, however, an error can be a catalyst for profound change. A person's future is not calculable, but depends on one's freedom — elevated by the inexhaustible grace of God — and on the relationships cultivated."

Pope Leo XIV