

Christ the King Parish





Christ the King Church

123 Good Street · Houtzdale, PA 16651

Immaculate Conception Mission Church

408 Stone Street · Osceola Mills, PA 16666

Clergy

Rev. Johnathan Schmolt, Pastor Deacon Eugene J. Miller, Deacon Assistant Rev. Joseph Staszewski, Retired

Office Hours at Christ the King

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday......9am until 3pm

Marriages

Arrangements begin 4 to 6 months prior to anticipated date.

Baptisms

Call rectory for appointment.

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:30am (IC), 10am (CTK)

Saturday: Mass 4pm; Confession 3-3:30pm (CTK)
Weekdays: Monday 8:30am (IC); Tuesday-Friday 8:30am (CTK)

11TH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY
TIME
JUNE 16, 2024



In order to stay up-to-date on everything happening at Christ the King Parish, visit our website at http://ctk-ic.org or follow us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/ctkic.

Prayer Chain

Christ the King Parish would like to use the power of prayer to help all those in need. If you or a loved one is in need of prayer, please contact the rectory. Names will remain on the list for three months, at which time they will be removed to allow space for more names. If someone is still in need of prayer, call to renew that name. Please pray for: Sherri (Murawski) Gehringer, Bill Collins, Jr., David Collins, Charles Lockett, Sr., John Mahute, Carmen Yarger, Judi Lesko, Roger Witherow, Lucy Weis, Mick Patkalitsky, Luke Francisco, Sherri Thompson, Cecilia Demchak, Better Health of Anonymous, Jared Gmerek, Michael Burns, John Russell, Joann Bezilla, Chris Switala, Stephen Sypa, Linda Nolder, Clara Tubo, Tim Stine, Michael Moskel, Joan Manos



Parenting Pointers

Today is Father's Day and June 19 is Juneteenth which celebrates the end of slavery in the USA. Do these days have anything in common? Perhaps free a father of heavy work on June 16 by becoming his "slave for a day." Then reflect on how *freely* serving one another regardless of gender or race can strengthen society.

Marriage Moments

Do you sometimes feel like a hamster racing around a wheel? Are you very busy but never caught up? STOP for one minute. Be silent. Turn off the TV, radio, computer, etc., and turn toward your spouse. Silently thank God for your life companion.

Flowers

Flowers at the altar at Christ the King Church last weekend were in memory of Edward Thompson by his wife Debbie.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, June 16 • 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2pm • K of C Bingo (CTK; doors open at 1pm)

Wednesday, June 19

6:30pm • Festival Planning Meeting (CTK)

Friday, June 21

9am • Exposition (CTK; until 10am)

Mass Intentions

Monday, June 17

8:30am • Edmond George by Ann & Kenneth Bushnell (IC)

Tuesday, June 18

8:30am • Ray Buynak by Carol & Larry Kokoskie & Family (CTK)

Wednesday, June 19

8:30am • Phillip Kerfoot by Cathy (CTK)

Thursday, June 20

8:30am • Peggy Aborsold by Tony Kost (CTK)

Friday, June 21

8:30am • Pauline Giza Murawski by daughter Peggy (CTK)

Saturday, June 22

4pm • People of the Parish by Pastor (CTK)

Sunday, June 23

8:30am • Joanne & George Supenia, Tim Supenia by Jim Rice (IC)

10am • Paul Murawski Family by Doris Kitko & Family (CTK)

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Church burns this week for the better health of Diane Henry requested by Beverly Dufour.



A Family Perspective

Parenting is a lot like the story of the farmer in the gospel parable today. All growth is the Lord's work. We have no control over the process. In fact the farmer doesn't even understand it, for the seed grows even when he sleeps. As parents we can influence our children but can't guarantee results.

Apply now!

There are currently two vacant seats on Christ the King Parish Pastoral Council. If you or someone you know would be a good candidate to join, please send a nomination to Father Johnathan. This will be a 3-year term, council meets the first Monday of every month except July and December. Call the rectory for more information.

Homebound?

If you or a loved one are homebound, but wish to receive Communion and keep up with church news by receiving a mailed bulletin please call the rectory during business hours. Father Johnathan will add you to his Communion Call list.

Stewardship					
Your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.					
Sunday & Holy Days					
Actual 06/09/2024	Actual Total Fiscal YTD		Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)	
\$5,662	\$158,131		\$180,815	(12.5%)	
Count of envelopes: 169			Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$6,235		
Catholic Services Appeal 2024					
Actual 06/09/2024	Actual Total to Date		Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)	
\$1,049	\$43,310		\$72,000	(39.8%)	
Total Pledges: 143		Total Pledged: \$49,229.80			
Please make all checks payable to Christ the King.					

Bulletin Sponsor

Did you ever notice the ads on the back of the bulletin and wonder how you can get your name or business on there too? Now is your opportunity. If you're interested in advertising on the back of this bulletin, call the rectory during business hours and talk to Ali. Sponsors do not need to be businesses, personal sponsors are also accepted. Bulletin sponsors are necessary to eliminate the cost of printing the bulletin.

Bulletin Announcements

All announcements for the bulletin need to be submitted in writing via email or dropped off at Christ the King rectory **at least two weeks prior** to the anticipated weekend. Any announcements given after that cut-off may not be included in the bulletin due to time and space constraints. Email address is listed on the front of this bulletin.

National Eucharistic Congress Watch Party

Wednesday, July 17 at 7:00pm - 9:00pm at Christ the King Parish Center

Join together as a parish to watch the opening of the Eucharistic Congress which will feature the arrival of the Eucharistic Pilgrimages and opening talks.

Houtzdale Food Bank

The Moshannon Valley Ministerium is asking everyone in the community to consider donating any of the following requested items to the Houtzdale Food Bank:

- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Denture cleaner
- Face soap
- Shave cream
- Razors
- Mouthwash
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Tampons/pads
- Kleenex
- Laundry soap
- Dish liquid
- Paper towels
- Floor cleaner like Mr. Clean

If you're able to donate, please deliver the items at your convenience to the Central Pennsylvania Community Action located at 40 Terrace Dr. #3, Houtzdale.

Lottery Calendars on sale now!

Lottery Calendars benefitting Christ the King Parish Center are on sale now. Calendars cost \$20 each and give you a chance to win every day of the month. Each calendar will contain two three-digit numbers, if your number is drawn by the Pennsylvania daily lottery, you're a winner! To purchase, call the rectory with your name and phone number and one of our sellers will be in touch. If you're interested in being a seller, please contact Elaine Murawski and she will give you a packet. Good luck! And thank you for your support!

Christ the King 21 Club

The 21 Club is one of our largest fundraisers and takes place just twice a year. For 20 weeks, three numbers are pulled at random for a prize of \$100, \$50, and \$25. For the 21st week, we thank our 21 Club members by hosting an appreciation party, which includes dinner, drinks, small games of chance, and dancing, with entertainment provided by The Moor Brothers; and the grand prize drawing takes place where you could win up to \$2,000. Tickets cost just \$21 and can be purchased from any one of our sellers: Jack Archer, Marie Fleming, Tom Fulare, Alvin Gmerek, Ray Graham, Beth Greslick, Leon Hansel, Elizabeth Lockett, Karen Martin, Elaine Murawski, Judy Reese, Cindy Slifko, Michelle Stine, Kristi Twoey, Robert Yebernetsky, or by calling the rectory at 814-378-7653.

21 Club Winners (Week #5)

Steve Hamrick (Judy Reese)	. \$100
Gene Wardo (Robert Yebernetsky)	\$50
Emma Mahute (John Mahute)	\$25

Be Cautious About Sharing Personal Info

A scam is being perpetrated across the country by malicious individuals preying on churches and members of the clergy. The scam plays on your sympathies or natural inclination to be helpful. Any communication asking you to purchase gift cards should be considered a scam. Always verify such requests by calling the parish directly. Don't use phone numbers in the fraudulent email. Always look for the parish's official phone number found on the diocesan website or in the parish's Sunday bulletin. In this age when personal data can be misused by scam artists, please be aware that the Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie, its clergy and entities such as parishes and schools will never solicit your personal or business information by any method unless initiated by you. Should you receive an unsolicited request for money or personal information — including a request for gift cards of any type — exercise extreme caution. Contact the person or entity by using official contact information only. Financial fraud like the gift card scam can be reported to the Federal Trade Commission here: https://ReportFraud.ftc.gov. To learn more, read this article: https://consumer.ftc.gov/articles/avoiding-and-reportinggift-card-scams from the FTC.

Substitute Secretary Needed

Ali is looking for a few people to keep on call to fill in on days that she will be unable to work. You will be paid for your time. Please call the rectory for more information.



Open/Close Times for Churches

Immaculate Conception, Osceola Mills
Sunday-Friday • 8am until noon

Christ the King, Houtzdale

Monday-Friday • 7:30am until 2:30pm Saturday & Sunday • 7:30am until end of Mass

Register now for the 2024-2025 religious ed. school year!

If your child will be attending kindergarten in the upcoming school year, or will be joining us for the first time, you can now register them for our religious education program. The religious ed. school year is scheduled to run from mid-September to the end of April; classes are every Sunday from 11am until 12:15pm at Christ the King Parish Center. Enrollment is free! To obtain a registration form, go to our website ctk-ic.org, click on the tab Religious Education, and either email the form or return it in the collection basket at weekend Mass. For more information, contact Cassandra Kitko, our religious ed. coordinator, by emailing c.kitko@ctk-ic.org or by calling the office during business hours.



June 3, 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On June 29th, the Church will celebrate the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, the two Apostles who shed their blood for Christ in Rome. The Peter's Pence Collection is taken up every year throughout the Church on or near that Solemnity. This year the collection will be taken up on the weekend of June 29 and 30.

The Peter's Pence Collection supports the charitable works of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, the successor of St. Peter, as he responds to some of the most urgent needs of people throughout the world, including relief to victims of natural disasters such as earthquakes and floods. Peter's Pence also helps our Holy Father support seminaries and religious houses, orphanages, AIDS treatment centers, and other medical facilities in developing nations, as well as many other charitable works.

From the beginning the Church has made it a priority to help the most in need among our brothers and sisters in the human family. Your prayers and contributions will allow this important work to continue.

Through our support of the Peter's Pence Collection, we are also helping to strengthen the ties that bind us together as the Family of God. Thank you for your generosity.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL Bishop of Erie





SUPPORT THE WORKS OF THE HOLY FATHER THROUGH THE

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Be a sign of

mercy.

urkey and Syria are situated in a region that experiences frequent, major earthquakes. In early February 2023, central Turkey's most powerful earthquake since 1939 struck with a magnitude of 7.8. More than 10,000 aftershocks continued for weeks afterward, including a powerful magnitude 6.4 aftershock that struck the biblical city of Antioch, known as Antakya. More than 50,000 people in Turkey and neighboring Syria were killed by the initial earthquake, followed by more deaths and the destruction of structures damaged by the first earthquake. UN officials estimated that more than 1.5 million people were left homeless in what is believed to be the largest natural disaster in Turkey's history.

In a mid-February meeting with Turkey's new ambassador to the Holy See, Pope Francis asked what sort of aid Turkey most needed. Within 24 hours, Cardinal Konrad Krajewski, the papal almoner and prefect of the Vatican's Dicastery for the Service of Charity, organized a shipment of canned food, diapers, thermal garments, and other necessities, to be sent from Rome to a warehouse in Turkey for distribution to those in need. At the same time, economic aid to Syrian victims was entrusted to the apostolic nunciature in Syria. In addition to this material relief, the Vatican's prefect for the Dicastery for the Eastern Churches, Archbishop Claudio Gugerotti, visited Syria and Turkey to provide a ministry of presence to victims.

The Holy Father's charitable outreach to victims of war, migrants and refugees, the poor, and those affected by illness and natural disasters is supported by your contributions to the Peter's Pence Collection. When you participate in the collection, you join Catholics across the globe in supporting the pope's mission of mercy as well as the Holy See dicasteries that assist his ministry.

For more information on Peter's Pence, please visit the Vatican's Peter's Pence website: www.obolodisanpietro.va/ en/cos-e-l-obolo.html (English) or www.obolodisanpietro.va/ es/cos-e-l-obolo.html (español).

A Tradition of Support for the Holy Father

Support for such papal efforts is rooted in the scriptural message exhorting us to take care of the poor, and it expresses unity with the Holy Father in two ways: through the ongoing activities of the Holy See and through the charitable works of the Holy Father on behalf of those most in need.

How You Can Help

Pray for the Holy Father, for those he serves in compassion, and for the ongoing activities of the Holy See, all of which benefit from the Peter's Pence Collection.

SHARE

Share this bulletin insert with anyone who might be interested.

GIVE

Give generously to this collection as a sign of mercy to those who suffer around the globe and of your support for the ongoing work of the Holy See. By doing so, you help build up the Church so that it can minister to all for generations to come.





Online Giving

You can now donate to the Weekly Offertory, the 2024 Catholic Service Appeal, and special collections online. When setting up for online giving, you can either make a one-time donation or setup recurring payments. Giving online is fast, easy, and secure. Simply go to our parish website at http://ctk-ic.org and click the link in the top right corner that says "DONATE NOW" or scan the QR code with your mobile device.

Upcoming Events

Friday, June 28

9am • Exposition (CTK; until 10am)

Saturday, June 29

1pm • CDA Meeting (CTK)

Sunday, June 30

9:30am • Coffee, Donuts, 50/50 (IC)

Wednesday, July 3

1pm • Red Cross Blood Drive (CTK; until 6:30pm)

6:30pm • K of C Meeting (CTK)

Thursday, July 4

Rectory Closed

Friday, July 5

6:30pm • Confession, Exposition (CTK; until 7:30pm)

Wednesday, July 10

6:30pm • CDA Picnic (CTK)

Thursday, July 11

6:30pm • Evangelization Committee Meeting (CTK)

Wedding Anniversary Celebrations with Bishop Persico

Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60, or more years of marriage in 2024 will be held at two locations in the Diocese of Erie this summer:

- Sunday, August 4 at St. George, Erie at 2pm
- Sunday, August 18 at Beloved Disciple, Grove City at 2pm Couples and/or parish staff may complete a registration form online at www.erieRCD.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html or by calling the Marriage & Family Life Office at 814-824-1210. Registration ends July 21 for the Erie celebration and August 4 for the Grove City celebration.

CDA Meeting

Saturday, June 29

The Catholic Daughters Court St. Victoria meeting on June 12 has been rescheduled to June 29 at 1pm at Christ the King Parish Center.

Red Cross Needs You

Christ the King Parish Center is the host to Red Cross Blood Drives every other month throughout the year and the Red Cross is seeking volunteers for these events. They're looking for familiar faces to welcome the donors when they arrive to check-in and provide a parish presence. If you're interested, please call Karen at the Red Cross at 724-237-9645.

Monthly Confessions & Exposition

First Friday of the Month • 6:30pm until 7:30pm

As an ongoing practice at Christ the King Parish, Father Johnathan will offer Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions each First Friday of the month beginning at 6:30pm at Christ the King Church. This is a monthly opportunity to take some time with God and experience His mercy, especially for those who cannot come to Saturday confessions at 3pm. Please take advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Father Johnathan is also available by appointment to share God's mercy if needed.

Patriot Day Festival Planning Meeting

Wednesday, June 19 • 6:30pm

Our annual Patriot Day Festival, scheduled for September 8, will be here before we know it! A planning meeting will take place on Wednesday, June 19 at 6:30pm at Christ the King Parish Center. All are welcome. Volunteers will be needed in all areas. We will begin accepting basket raffle donations in July. More information to follow.

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