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arents are truly the primary catechists of their children.

They prepare the soil and plant the first seeds of faith. On Catechetical Sunday, we not only highlight the work of catechists in parishes and schools, but we also commend parents and quardians and encourage them to take seriously their role of making their Catholic households a place where faith is passed on to the next generation.

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept. 21,2025

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

Marriages: Contact the office at least 6 months prior to anticipated date.

Baptisms: Call rectory for appointment.

Anointing: Call if you have a desire for yourself or a loved one to receive the sacrament.

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 9am (CTK); 11am (St. Agnes)
Saturday: Mass 4pm; Confession 3-3:30pm (CTK)

Weekdays: Monday 12pm (St. Agnes); Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am (CTK); Thursday 5:30pm: 9/25 St. Mary of the Assumption, 10/2 St. Severin, 10/9 Immaculate Conception



Bulletin Announcements

Please submit all bulletin announcements in writing to office@ctk-ic.org at least **two** weeks prior to the anticipated date.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

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 Janie Brungart, Mickles Rebar, Angie Dobish, Clara Tubo, Steve Banks, Donna Kasubick, Kristi Twoey, Lucy Weis, Jackie Yebernetsky, Chester Thompson, Sharon Lance, and Tony Kost.

Sanctuary Lamp



The Sanctuary Lamp burns for Tony and Kathryn Grace for their 51st Wedding Anniversary by their children. (CTK)

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.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, September 21

10 a.m. • Faith Formation Classes Begin

2 p.m. • K of C Bingo

Tuesday, September 23

6 p.m. • The Chosen Viewing Party

Thursday, September 25

6 p.m. • Bible Study (CTK)

7 p.m. • Evangelization Committee Meeting

Sunday-Tuesday September 28-30

6:30 p.m. • Parish Mission (IC)



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, September 23

8:30am • Vicki (Mital) Territo by Bernie and Pat Ropchock

Wednesday, September 24

8:30am • Jennifer Kokoskie by Tony, Natalie & Adam

Friday, September 26

8:30am • Edmond & Joanne George by their children and grandchildren

Saturday, September 27

4pm • Jane Moskel by Patricia Peslipsky

Sunday, September 28

9 am • People of the Parish by the Pastor



Catholic Education Collection

Today is the 2025 Catholic Education Collection! As we bless our catechists, know that half of what you give today will remain at our parish to support our catechists who volunteer for our religious education and faith formation programs! You can make a gift by using the envelope provided in your offertory packet or online at https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZKJ9/campaign/C-14SM2 Thank you! And please remember in your prayers all who are involved in education ministries in our parish and throughout the diocese.

Book Sale!

Hiller Family Memorial Library 405 George St., Houtzdale Saturday, October 11

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Paperback Books: \$.25 or 5 for \$1

Hardcover Books \$.50 each or 3 for \$1

Children's Books FREE!





Life Line
Baby Formula
Drive
Sept. 1-26

Formula can be dropped off in the box in the back of the church.

Life Line is a free, confidential, pro-life support service dedicated to walking alongside expectant mothers and caregivers of children under the age of 2.

In January 2025, the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) had their funding paused, which impacted Life Line. To recoup some of the formula that was lost through EFSP, Life Line has planned a Formula Drive for September 1st- 26th.

Monetary donations can be sent via check to: Life Line 416 Arnold Ave. Clearfield, PA 16830

Parish Mission

Our parish mission will be held at Immaculate Conception Church, September 28, 29 and 30 from 6:30—7:30 p.m.

The mission will be led by Fr. Ian McElarth Associate Director of the Clergy Office. He will speak on "Living the Faith."

Inspired by Mark 3:13-19,

McElarth said he will speak on Living the Christian Life: Our Baptismal Vocation. Sunday, he will teach us how to come to know Jesus more deeply by praying at all times. Monday, McElarth will



teach us how to be with Jesus by encountering Him through the Eucharist. Tuesday, he will teach us how we are sent by Jesus and how we can take Him into the world. Don't miss this opportunity to grow closer to Jesus. Join us! Everyone is welcome to attend.



Prayer Team

Are you willing to pray for others? Fr. Johnathan will be asking the community for prayer requests. He personally will be praying for them and would like to have a team of people also praying need of strength, hope, healing. If you would like to be part of the team please contact

JoAnn at the parish office (814) 378-7653 j.seltzer@ctk-ic.org

Upcoming Events

Sunday, September 28- Tuesday Sept. 30

6:30-7:30p.m. • Parish Mission (IC)

Tuesday, September 30

6 p.m. • The Chosen Viewing Party

Wednesday, October 1

6:30p.m. • K of C Meeting (CTK)

Thursday, October 2

2p.m. • Rosary Altar Society Meeting (IC)

6-7 p.m. • Bible Study (CTK)

Friday, October 3

6:30p.m. • Confession and Adoration

Stewardship

Your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

Sunday & Holy Days

Actual 9/14/25	Actual Total Fiscal YTD	Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)	
\$4,749	\$50,694	\$78,111	(-35.10%)	
Count of envelopes: 163		Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$7,101		

Catholic Services Appeal 2025

Actual 9/14/2025	Actual Total to Date	Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)
\$300	\$42,724	\$72,000	(-40.66%)
Total Pledges: 129		Total Pledged: \$45,431.00	

Please make all checks payable to Christ the King.

5th Annual PA MARCH FOR LIFE

September 22, 2025 in Harrisburg

This is the largest pro-life march in Pennsylvania. Let's unite for life and make our voices heard in support of the dignity of every human life! For more information visit marchforlife.org/Pennsylvania.

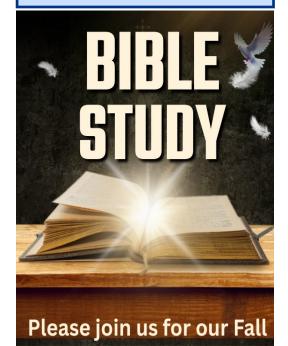
Retreat Opportunity

Bethany Retreat Center will be offering a Harvesting Harmony with Gratitude and Grace Fall Women's Retreat September 26-28. This is a women's retreat designed to offer rest, reflection, and spiritual renewal.

21 Club Winners

Week #18

Barbara Murawski (Elaine Murawski).\$100 Dustin Lucas (John Mahute).....\$50 Joseph Spewock (John Mahute).....\$25



Bible Study Series
Thursdays in the parish
center from 6 to 7 PM.
Each week clergy will
discuss the upcoming
Sunday readings. All are
invited to come and learn.



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Why the Catholic Church Does Infant Baptism



Baptism confers saving grace, the earlier a person comes to baptism, the better.

In infant baptism, though the child is too young to have faith, the parents extend their faith on the child's behalf.

The Scriptures also demonstrate that the early Church baptized babies. In the Book of Acts, for example, St. Peter preached to the crowd:

Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you and to your children and to all that are far off, whomever the Lord our God will call" (Acts 2:38-39).



HOUTZDALE FOOD BANK NEEDS DONATIONS



Please leave non-perishable items in the back of the church.



Pet blessing

October 5, 2025 11 a.m. Christ the King

