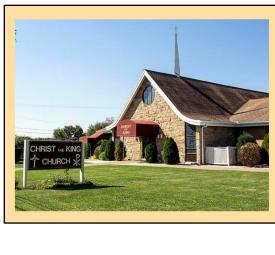
At the name of Jesus every knee should bend





October 1, 2023

Christ the King

123 Good Street · Houtzdale, PA 16651

Immaculate Conception

408 Stone Street · Osceola Mills, PA 16666

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

Office Hours at Christ the King

Marriages

Arrangements begin 4 to 6 months prior to anticipated date.

Baptisms

Call rectory for appointment.

Mass Schedule

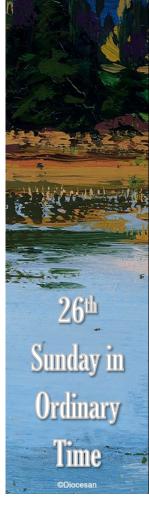
Sunday: 8:30am (IC), 10am (CTK)

Saturday: Mass 4pm; Confession 3-3:30pm (CTK)

Weekdays: Monday 8:30am (IC); Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30am (CTK); No Mass Tuesday

Holy Days: 8:30am (IC), 6:30pm (CTK)

All business is conducted at Christ the King rectory in Houtzdale.



Prayer Chain

Christ the King & Immaculate Conception 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, Jared Gmerek, Tana Rae Flango, Joann Bezilla, Clara Tubo, Lane Hawkins, Chris Tekely, Jesse Ephraim Messa, Bill Collins, Jr., David Collins, Charles Lockett, Sr., Susan Schorr, Tim Supenia, John Mahute, Zoey Bryan, Carmen Yarger, Judi Lesko, Roger Witherow, James Ernest, Jamie Washell, Lucy Weis



Parenting Pointers

September 29 was a full moon. Fantasize about what it might be like to live on the moon or another planet. If your child is young, read the "Goodnight Moon" book.

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Parish burns this week for the better health of Carmen Yarger requested by Nancy Yarger & family.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, October 1 • 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
11am • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK; until 12:15pm)

Monday, October 2

6:30pm • Parish Council Meeting (CTK)

Wednesday, October 4

6:30pm • K of C #10376 Meeting (CTK)

Thursday, October 5

2pm • Altar Rosary Society Meeting (IC)

Friday, October 6

9am • Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (CTK; until 10am)

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 2

8:30am • George Tubo & Valentine Bezilla by Clara Tubo & Family (IC)

Tuesday, October 3

No Mass

Wednesday, October 4

No Mass

Thursday, October 5

No Mass

Friday, October 6

No Mass

Saturday, October 7

4pm • Larry Yarger by Ali, Josh, Chloe, & Violet (CTK)

Sunday, October 8

8:30am • People of the Parish by Pastor (IC)

10am • Eleanor Jasper by Family (CTK)

Marriage

We wish to congratulate *Adrianna Powell & Cedric Wilt*, of our parish, who were married at Christ the King on Saturday, September 23, 2023. May their years ahead be filled with the blessings of the Lord.



Family Perspective

In today's gospel Jesus asked, "What is your opinion?" We sometimes think our opinion is dogma or fact, when an opinion is only how we perceive a situation or how we feel about something. Arguments over opinions often cause great divides in families. Tread lightly on the opinions of others; the heart you break may be your own.

New Email Address

We have a new email address! Please update your records and send all future correspondence to office@ctk-ic.org.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Needed

Christ the King and Immaculate Conception are in need of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve your parish and the Lord. If you're interested, please call the rectory and add your name to the list and we will let you know when classes will be scheduled.

Respect Life Month

"Radical solidarity compels us to come alongside vulnerable mothers in profound friendship, compassion, and support for both them and their preborn children. It requires us to address the fundamental challenges that lead an expectant mother to believe she is unable to welcome the child God has entrusted to her. We must do all we can to provide mothers, children, and families with the support they need to flourish. This cannot be accomplished by laws or policy alone, but requires the continual transformation of our own hearts."

How is God calling you to help?

Christ the King is in need of Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Gift Bearers, and Lectors. If you or your family would like to serve in any of these ministries, please call Ali at the rectory at 814-378-7653 during business hours.

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.

In Memoriam

We remember Lord, those who have died before us marked with the sign of the cross, especially *Thomas Lieb*, brother of Tina Warner of Immaculate Conception Parish. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

JJ Powell

Two times a year JJ Powell makes a donation to Immaculate Conception Parish through their Church Program. Donations are calculated based on the number of gallons delivered to the associated church members between January 1 and December 31 of each year. Parishioners who receive fuel from JJ Powell can participate in the Church Program at any time through the year by calling their office at 814-342-3190 and telling them which church you attend.

No Tuesday Mass

Father Joe Staszewski will be unavailable for the next several weeks, so there will be no Tuesday Mass until his return.



Prebaptismal Classes to Resume

The pastors of the parishes in the Clearfield Deanery are planning to resume Prebaptismal Classes in the near future. Anyone considering baptism for their child will need to attend this one-time class as well as the prospective Godparents. Godparents should be Catholics in good standing, meaning they regularly practice their faith and receive Communion. For more information, call the rectory during office hours. When a schedule for these classes has been released, an announcement will be made in the bulletin.

Lottery Calendars Still Available

We have a limited number of Lottery Calendars for the month of October available for purchase. Cost is only \$20 per calendar, which gives you 31 chances to win anywhere from \$100-\$500! Winners are determined by the Pennsylvania Lottery announced each evening. Calendars can be purchased by calling the rectory during business hours or contacting Elaine Murawski at 814-378-7550.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, October 1

11am • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK; until 12:15pm)

Monday, October 2

6:30pm • Parish Council Meeting (CTK)

Wednesday, October 4

6:30pm • K of C #10376 Meeting (CTK)

Thursday, October 5

2pm • Altar Rosary Society Meeting (IC)

Friday, October 6

9am • Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (CTK; until 10am)

Sunday, October 8

11am • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK; until 12:15pm)

12pm • Blessing of Animals (CTK Parking Lot)

Monday, October 9

9am • Confirmation Retreat (CTK)

Tuesday, October 10

6:30pm • Fundraising Committee Meeting (CTK)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday

Every Friday, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for a holy hour from 9am, the end of morning Mass, until 10am. Because the Blessed Sacrament should never be left alone, we ask that you please set aside some time to sit in prayerful meditation at that time.

Octoberfest

Sunday, October 29 • 8:30am until 2pm

Ss. Peter & Paul Church at 400 S. Fourth Street in Philipsburg is inviting all members of the local communities to attend their annual Octoberfest Fundraising Event on Sunday, October 29 in their parish hall. The day begins with a delicious brunch that will be served from 8:30am until 12 noon and costs only \$8. Then enjoy a vast array of theme baskets. Table after table is filled with wonderfully stuffed theme baskets. There will also be a 50/50 Raffle, gift card trees, raffle, religious items, and rip-offs. All events take place Sunday, October 29 from 8:30am until 2pm. All proceeds benefit Ss. Peter & Paul Altar Rosary Society.



IC Stewardship

September 24, 2023

Adults	\$1,595.00
Loose	\$60.00

Monthly Maintenance

Adults	

Catholic Education

Adults	\$160.00
Weekly Adult Envelopes	45
Maintenance Envelopes	1
Catholic Education Envelopes	9

CSA 2023

Number of Families	91
Number of Gifts	31
Parish Goal	\$13,539.00
Total Pledged	\$13,739.00
Total Paid	\$12,189.00

When making a CSA pledge or one-time gift, payments need to be received by **Monday**, **October 23** for the next report. Checks should be made payable to *Christ the King* or *Immaculate Conception*, respectively.

RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Do you know someone who may be interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith? Inquiring minds may want to know and this is an opportunity to invite them to our RCIA program. We will begin instruction on October 12, 2023 at 6:00 PM. Instruction will last for about an hour and a half. Instruction will run every other week and be held in the rectory. We are also looking for individuals who might be interested in assisting and sharing their faith in this program. You may also be interested in a refresher program. This too would be a good time for you to come and participate. You might learn something you didn't know. Please call the Rectory Office to sign up or if you have further questions talk to Fr. Jonathan or Deacon Gene.



Follow us on Facebook!

In order to stay up-to-date on everything happening at Christ the King & Immaculate Conception Churches, follow us on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/ctkic



80 & Over Dinner

Saturday, October 28 • 1pm

It's back! The 80 & Over Dinner will be held at St. Barbara's Parish at 76 Emery Avenue in Houtzdale on Saturday, October 28 at 1pm. This meal is free for everyone 80+, accompanying guests pay just \$10. If the fee is a hardship, no worries! The Moshannon Valley Ministerium will waive it. Join us for a wonderful time together. This dinner is sponsored by the Moshannon Valley Ministerium/Houtzdale Lions Club.

Lottery Calendars Available Now!

Lottery Calendars for the month of October are now available for purchase. Calendars will be sold after weekend Masses. Calendars cost \$20 each. Anyone interested in selling calendars on their own should contact Elaine Murawski at 814-378-7550. Additional calendars can be purchased at the rectory during business hours. Proceeds benefit Christ the King Parish Center.

CTK Stewardship

September 10, 2023

\$6.50
\$145.00
\$209.00
\$233.00
124
6

Adults \$2,840.00

21 Club Winners (Week #20)

Lindsay Myers (Robert Yebernetsky)	\$100
Rick Hemphill (John Mahute)	. \$50
John Howe (Leon Hansel)	. \$25

Special Gift Envelopes 4

Catholic Education Envelopes 12

CSA 2023

Number of Families	448
Number of Gifts	82
Parish Goal	\$30,844.00
Total Pledged	\$34,720.00
Total Paid	\$30,945.00

When making a CSA pledge or one-time gift, payments need to be received by **Monday**, **October 23** for the next report. Checks should be made payable to *Christ the King* or *Immaculate Conception*, respectively.

Attn: Ushers

The yearly diocesan October Count will begin next weekend, October 7 & 8. Please count all in attendance at each weekend Mass—4pm and 10am at Christ the King, and 8:30am at Immaculate Conception—mark the total in the appropriate box on the paper in the back of the church; for Immaculate Conception, that's the clipboard in the back and for Christ the King, that's inside the closet door of the ushers' closet. Thank you.

IC Altar Rosary Society Meeting

Thursday, October 5 • 2pm

The Immaculate Conception Altar Rosary Society will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, October 5 at 2pm in the Immaculate Conception Social Hall. Final plans will be discussed for the Annual Fall Bazaar coming up on November 5. We are in need of basket raffle donations as well as volunteers for the Bazaar. To offer help, please call Janet Hauth at 814-339-7778 or 814-215-4789.

4th Degree K of C Meeting

The 4th Degree Knights of Columbus September meeting has been cancelled. The next regular meeting will be on October 25 and will be held at the Osceola Mills VFW. It will be the Fall dinner meeting and the cost will be \$8. The meal will include spaghetti, salad, roll, and beverage. Members and ladies are welcome.

In Memoriam

We remember Lord, those who have died before us marked with the sign of the cross, especially *Betty Rodkey* and *Ray Wulderk*, both of Christ the King Parish. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.