

Behold the
Bridegroom!
 Come out to meet Him!
 Matthew 25:6



Christ the King

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

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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

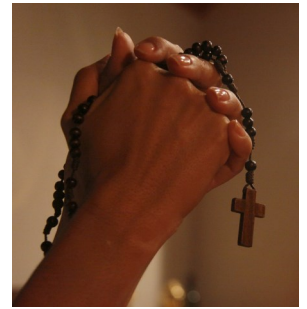
32nd
 Sunday in
 Ordinary
 Time
 11/12/2023



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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., Tim Supenia, John Mahute, Zoey Bryan, Carmen Yarger, Judi Lesko, Roger Witherow, Jamie Washell, Lucy Weis, Mick Patkalitsky, Luke Francisco*



Marriage Moments

“Resplendent and unfading is wisdom.” (Wisdom 6:12) Other than deciding to marry each other, what is a wise action or decision that your beloved has made. The more recent the better. Tell each other your example.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, November 12 • 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 11am • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK)
- 11am • Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting (CTK)

Monday, November 13

- 6:30pm • Pastoral Council Meeting (CTK Parish Center)

Tuesday, November 14

- 6:30pm • Fundraising Committee Meeting (CTK)

Wednesday, November 15

- CANCELLED** • Altar Rosary Society Meeting (CTK)

Thursday, November 16

- 6:30pm • Evangelization Committee Meeting (CTK Rectory)

Friday, November 17

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

Saturday, November 18

- 5pm • Turkey Bingo (CTK)

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 13

- 8:30am • Tom Kasubick by Joyce & Rick & Families (IC)

Tuesday, November 14

- No Mass

Wednesday, November 15

- 8:30am • John & Mary Horgas by daughter Cathy (CTK)

Thursday, November 16

- 8:30am • Florence Kasubick by K of C Our Lady of the Valley #10376 (CTK)

Friday, November 17

- 8:30am • Kathy Pino by Robbie Ball (CTK)

Saturday, November 18

- 4pm • Rich Murawski by Peggy Slifko (CTK)

Sunday, November 19

- 8:30am • People of the Parish by Pastor (IC)
- 10am • Alice Mahute by John Mahute (CTK)

Parenting Pointers

“Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.” (Mt. 25: 13) Another way of saying this is the classic Boy Scout motto, “Be prepared.” Children are notorious for waiting till the last moment to do a task. How do you as a parent help your child plan ahead without being overbearing? (Notes, a chart, natural consequences...?)



Family Perspective

The bridesmaids in today’s gospel were considered ‘foolish’ because they let their lamps go out. Don’t be foolish. Pay attention to the small acts necessary to keep the flame alive in all your relationships.

Come join Christ the King 21 Club!

We give away a total of \$10,00 in cash prizes! 20 weekly drawings of \$100, \$50 & \$25, totaling \$3,500; the first drawing will be November 12. For the 21st week, we offer an appreciation party for all ticket holders, which includes dinner, dancing, and our grand prize drawing where we'll give away a total of \$6,500—you could win up to \$2,000. Entertainment at the party will be provided by The Moore Brothers; a 50/50 raffle, lottery animals, and instant will be sold all day long. 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, John Mahute, Karen Martin, Elaine Murawski, Judy Reese, Cindy Slifko, Michelle Stine, Kristi Twoey, Robert Yebernetsky, or by calling the rectory at 814-378-7653.



Eucharistic Revival Celebration

As part of the National Eucharistic Revival this year we will have two special events in honor of the feast days of our two churches.

Christ the King Church

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Stations of the Cross

Tuesday, November 28 at 6:30pm

Immaculate Conception Church

Open/Close Times for the Churches

Immaculate Conception, Osceola Mills

Friday-Sunday • 8am until noon

Christ the King, Houtzdale

Monday-Friday • 7:30am until 2:30pm

Saturday & Sunday • 7am until end of Mass

November Remembrance Table

All Month Long

As in past years, Christ the King will have a Remembrance Table setup in the front of the church for everyone to display photographs of deceased loved ones. This table, and these pictures, will be on display throughout the entire month of November. Beginning November 1, bring your framed photograph and place it on the table yourself. The photos will remain there until the last weekend of November, when we ask that you please take your picture back with you. If you'd like, you may place a label on your frame with the person's name on it.

IC Stewardship

November 5, 2023

Adults..... \$925.00
Loose..... \$85.00

Maintenance

Adults..... \$125.00

All Saints

Adults..... \$30.00

All Souls

Adults..... \$30.00

Weekly Adult Envelopes38
Maintenance Envelopes6
All Saints Envelopes3
All Souls Envelopes3

CSA 2023

Number of Families88
Number of Gifts31
Parish Goal..... \$13,539.00
Total Pledged \$13,739.00
Total Paid \$12,689.00

When making a CSA pledge or one-time gift, payments need to be received by **Monday, November 20** for the next report. Checks should be made payable to **Christ the King** or **Immaculate Conception**, respectively.

K of C Elimino Extravaganza

Tickets are available now for the Knights of Columbus #10376 Elimino Extravaganza on Sunday, December 31 at Christ the King Parish Center. Hors d'oeuvres will be served at 5pm, buffet dinner from 6:30 until 7:30pm, prize drawings will be 7:45 until 8:45pm, and dancing from 9pm until 11pm. Purchase your tickets by calling Jim Hawkins at 814-937-9775 or Rob Yebernetsky at 814-553-7413.

Planning Your Wedding in 2024?

Congratulations! An **Engagement Encounter weekend** is scheduled for January 19-21 at St. Mark Catholic Center in Erie. EE satisfies diocesan requirements for marriage in the Church. Catholic and interfaith couples are encouraged to attend. Call the Family Life Office at 814-824-1261, or email familylife@erieRCD.org. For more information and registration visit <https://www.erieRCD.org/familylifeoffice/>. Remember, "A wedding is one day, but marriage is for a lifetime."

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.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Sound familiar? My marriage = Busy life with little time for my spouse. Pay attention! Consider a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to be just "wife and husband;" to refocus on the two of you. WWME is a faith-based enrichment for any married couple. The next weekend is February 9-11, 2024 at the Hampton Inn & Suites in Grove City. Application fee is \$75. Scholarships are available. Info call 330-305-9963 or go to www.WWME.org.

Advent Penance Services

Sunday, December 10

3pm • Christ the King, Houtzdale

Sunday, December 17

3pm • St. Francis, Clearfield

Turkey Bingo

Saturday, November 18 • Doors open at 5pm

Christ the King's Annual Turkey Bingo will be on Saturday, November 18 at Christ the King Parish Center. Doors open at 5pm, early bird games begin at 6pm, regular games will start at 7pm. Admission is \$8 and includes 6 cards—additional cards available for purchase. Everyone, including children and everyone in attendance are required to have a paid admission, including children. The kitchen will be open selling ala carte items. Special bingo games as well as instants will be sold on the floor.

Christmas Giving Tree

The Christmas Giving Tree will be displayed in Christ the King Church on Wednesday, November 22. When taking a tag, please attach it to your wrapped gift when returning it back to the tree. Return date will be posted in next week's bulletin. All gifts must be returned by then as they will be delivered to Bethany Retreat Center.

USCCB Calls For Lasting Solution in the Middle East

In response to the escalating Israel-Hamas war, Bishop David J. Malloy of Rockford, Illinois, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on International Justice and Peace, has issued a statement saying, "We must not grow weary of offering our prayers and support for peace and justice for all concerned," and that "a lasting solution respecting the rights, needs, and aspirations of both Israelis and Palestinians remains essential to these ends." His statement and other resources for Catholics interested in commentary on national and international from the US bishops and the Vatican can be found at www.usccb.org/newsroom.



Child Protection

November is National Homeless Youth Awareness Month

We consider our homes to be safe places for our children, but in the United States up to 2.5 million youth experience homelessness every year. Each year up to 50,000 youth sleep on the streets for six months or more. One of the main causes of youth homelessness is family instability, which includes child abuse and/or neglect, domestic violence, parental substance abuse and family conflict. The website of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network (www.nctsn.org) offers information on a range of child safety topics. For additional resources on recognizing and reporting child abuse visit www.eriecd.org/childprotection/

CTK Stewardship

November 5, 2023

Adults \$3,514.00
 Children \$8.40
 Loose \$247.00

Special Gifts

Adults \$140.00

World Mission Sunday

Adults \$15.00

All Saints

Adults \$837.00
 Children \$2.00
 Loose \$177.00

Weekly Adult Envelopes 123
 Weekly Children Envelopes 9
 Special Gift Envelopes 4
 Mission Sunday Envelopes 1
 All Saints Adult Envelopes 61
 All Saints Children Envelopes 4

October Lottery Calendars (Week #5)

#039 Tim Elder \$100
 #227 Claudia Wilson \$500

CSA 2023

Number of Families 448
 Number of Gifts 82
 Parish Goal \$30,844.00
 Total Pledged \$35,220.00
 Total Paid \$31,955.00

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Upcoming Events

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Monday, November 13

6:30pm • Pastoral Council Meeting (CTK Parish Center)

Tuesday, November 14

6:30pm • Fundraising Committee Meeting (CTK)

Thursday, November 16

6:30pm • Evangelization Committee Meeting (CTK Rectory)

Friday, November 17

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

Saturday, November 18

5pm • Turkey Bingo (CTK)

Friday, November 24

CANCELLED • Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, November 26

No Religious Ed. Classes

2024 Mass Schedule is Open

The 2024 Mass calendar is now open. You may call in to schedule Masses for the 2024 year. Please understand we have two parish families that are interested in scheduling and a limited number of Masses. The secretary will do her best to accommodate all requests, but not all desired dates will be available. Mass intentions and Sanctuary Lamps are a \$10 donation.

In Memoriam

We remember Lord, those who have died before us marked with the sign of the cross, especially **Maryan Dombroski** of Christ the King Parish, and **Carol Menard**, sister of Peggy Slifko of Christ the King Parish. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

Evangelization Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 16 • 6:30pm at CTK Rectory

The Evangelization Committee will meet on Thursday, November 16 at 6:30pm in Christ the King Rectory. We will discuss the upcoming Eucharistic Revival planned events as well as future ideas for activities and faith formation planned for the new year.

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