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...all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Lk 3:6

PEACE

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

Phone 814-378-7653
Email..... office@ctk-ic.org
Website www.ctk-ic.org

Marriages
Contact the office at least 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)



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



CHRIST THE KING PARISH
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Christmas Pageant

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11AM

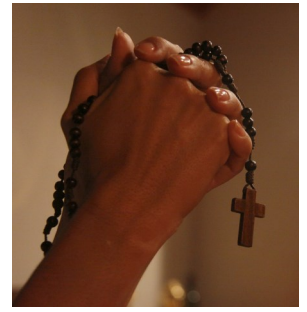
CHRIST THE KING PARISH CENTER

Light refreshments will be served.



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, David Collins, John Mahute, Carmen Yarger, Judi Lesko, 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, Clara Tubo, Tim Stine, Michael Moskel, Joan Manos, Cory Shawver, Ed Holden, Jr., Judy Reese, Dave Stodart, Bill Moyer*



Marriage Moments

What puts passion into your marriage? For newlyweds this may come easily. For others perhaps it's been awhile. Often rekindling romance is a matter of doing something new together. Be creative before the year ends.

Parenting Pointers

Politics has put a lot of stress on the USA this year. Seek out someone you may have different political views with. Listen first. You don't have to agree, but at least try to understand. Perhaps your child will notice your careful listening.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, December 8 • 2nd Sunday of Advent

- 11am** • Religious Ed. (CTK; until 12:15pm)
- 12:30pm** • 4th Degree K of C Christmas Party (CTK)

Monday, December 9 • Holy Day of Obligation

- 8:30am** • Mass for the Immaculate Conception of Mary (CTK)
- 6pm** • Mass for the Immaculate Conception of Mary (IC)
- 7pm** • Reception to Celebrate Immaculate Conception Church's 100th Anniversary (IC)

Wednesday, December 11

- 6pm** • K of C Christmas Party (CTK)
- 6pm** • CDA Christmas Party (CTK)

Friday, December 13

- 9am** • Exposition (CTK; until 10am)

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 9 • The Immaculate Conception of Mary

- 8:30am** • Larry Clark by Tony & Kathy Grace (CTK)
- 6pm** • People of the Parish by Pastor (IC)

Tuesday, December 10

- 8:30am** • Jennifer Kokoskie by Tony, Natalie, & Adam (CTK)

Wednesday, December 11

- 8:30am** • Michael Biancuzzo by Chloe & Violet Jacoby (CTK)

Thursday, December 12

- 8:30am** • William & Mary Stodart by Dave & Micki Stodart (CTK)

Friday, December 13

- 8:30am** • Florence Kasubick by Family (CTK)

Saturday, December 14

- 4pm** • George Pallo by John, Cheryl (Slifko), Ashby, & Abby Marino (CTK)

Sunday, December 15

- 8:30am** • People of the Parish by Pastor (IC)
- 10am** • Joseph Portugal, Jr. by wife Sue (CTK)

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Church burns this week in memory of Florence Kasubick requested by Family.



A Family Perspective

Today's gospel highlights the similar vocations of John the Baptist and parents. Like the Baptist, parents are called to make "rough ways smooth" and to "prepare the way of the Lord" for their families. This Advent, reflect and ask: **"Does my life hinder or help my family to know Jesus?"**

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.

Child Protection & Creating Safe Environments

Be vigilant.

It is vitally important that we are constantly vigilant concerning the behaviors of those who interact with children and communicating our concerns to the appropriate parties. Each one of us can play an important role in strengthening this culture of prevention. For example, we can better prevent abuse by ensuring that the signs of abuse are identified and reported. Noticing these warning signs, taking them seriously, and reporting them could prevent abuse in the future. When we witness inappropriate behavior or something that just doesn't seem quite right, we must report our concerns through the appropriate channels. For particular questions in the Diocese of Erie, you may call the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth at 814-824-1195.

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

Stewardship				
Your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.				
<i>Sunday & Holy Days</i>				
Actual 11/24/2024	Actual Total Fiscal YTD		Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)
\$4,074	\$104,561		\$110,775	(5.6%)
Count of envelopes: 163			Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$5,275	
<i>Catholic Services Appeal 2024</i>				
Actual 11/24/2024	Actual Total to Date		Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)
\$365	\$58,145		\$72,000	(19.2%)
Total Pledges: 159			Total Pledged: \$59,179.55	
Catholic Campaign for Human Development: \$10				
<i>Please make all checks payable to Christ the King.</i>				

Seeking Collection Counters

Christ the King Parish is still in need of volunteers to count the offertory collection. If you are a discrete and reliable person, or know someone who is, please contact Father Johnathan. With enough help, the intention is that you will only need to volunteer a few hours of your time one Sunday per month. Call the rectory for more information.

Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is designed to assist families with needs, focusing on clothing and household necessities. The need may be due to job loss, illness of wage earner, relocation, or other troubles. Your support helps them to make it over the hump so they can put their financial resources into household expenses.

The tree is up in Christ the King Church. Feel free to take a tag from the tree and fulfill the family's wishes. Please attach the gift tag to the wrapped present. If you choose to include a gift receipt, please put it in a separate envelope and attach it to the outside of the package. The envelope will be given to the parents. **All gifts must be returned no later than December 10.** Thank you for your generosity.



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>.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 15

- 11am • Religious Ed. Christmas Pageant (CTK)
- 2pm • K of C Bingo (CTK; doors open at 1pm)
- 3pm • Advent Penance Service (CTK)

Friday, December 20

- 9am • Exposition (CTK; until 10am)

Sunday, December 22

- NO Religious Ed. Class

Monday, December 23—January 1

- Rectory Closed

Tuesday, December 24 • Holy Day of Obligation

- 4pm • Christmas Vigil Mass (CTK)
- 8pm • Christmas Vigil Mass (CTK)

Wednesday, December 25 • Holy Day of Obligation

- 8:30am • Christmas Mass (IC)

Sunday, December 29

- 9:30am • Coffee, Donuts, 50/50 (IC)
- NO Religious Ed. Class

Tuesday, December 31 • Holy Day of Obligation

- 4pm • Solemnity of Mary Vigil Mass (CTK)

Wednesday, January 1 • Holy Day of Obligation

- 8:30am • Solemnity of Mary Mass (IC)

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.

Religious Retirement Collection

Support those who have given a lifetime.

Women and men religious have dedicated their lives to service—praying, teaching, and caring for those in need—usually for little to no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. Your donation provides for their essential care, medicine, and daily needs of thousands of senior women and men religious. Please give generously.

K of C Elimino

Tuesday, December 31

Knights of Columbus #10376 will host their Elimino Extravaganza at Christ the King Parish Center on December 31. Tickets are available for purchase by calling Jim Hawkins 814-672-5618 or Rob Yebernetsky 814-553-7413.

21 Club Winners

Week #2

Robbie Ball (John Mahute)	\$100
Larry Yelko (Leon Hansel)	\$50
Wendy Nolf (Leon Hansel)	\$25

Week #3

Brandon & Krysten Knee (Robert Y.)	\$100
Tina Shaddock (Elaine Murawski)	\$50
Ryan Sayers (Elaine Murawski)	\$25



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.



Christ the King Parish Religious Education Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 15 • 11am

Enjoy the sounds of the holiday season performed by Christ the King Parish's religious education program on Sunday, December 15 at 11am in Christ the King Parish Center. Light refreshments will be served.

Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 15 • 4pm

The Osceola Mills United Methodist Church would like to invite the community to help celebrate the 100th year of their pipe organ. A Christmas Concert will be performed on Sunday, December 15 at 4pm at the Osceola Mills United Methodist Church located at 303 Curtin Street, Osceola Mills.

Christmas in Clearfield Home & Business Tour

Sunday, December 8 • 1pm until 5pm

Get your tickets now for the Christmas in Clearfield Home & Business Tour, happening on Sunday, December 8 from 1pm until 5pm. The tour begins at St. Francis School where there will be a Christmas Basket Raffle and entertainment. Tour the beautiful decorations at 7 local, private homes plus four local businesses. Horse drawn carriage rides will be available starting at the Little League Field—tickets for the carriage rides are separate from the home tour. Visit the St. Francis School Facebook event page for more details. All proceeds benefit St. Francis School.

Moshannon Valley Community Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 22 • 2pm

The Moshannon Valley Community Choir presents "How Great Our Joy" for the 2024 Christmas season. The concert will be held at the Moshannon Valley Jr./Sr. High School auditorium on Sunday, December 22 at 2pm.

Christmas Penance Services

Sunday, December 15

3pm • Christ the King, Houtzdale

Monday, December 16

6pm • St. Agnes, Morrisdale

Sunday, December 22

2pm • St. Francis, Clearfield

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