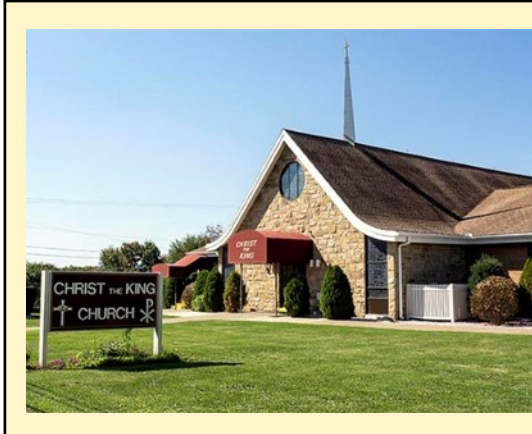




# THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME

## 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)

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#### **Bulletin Announcements**

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

## 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: *Cecilia Demchak, 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, Jane Moskel, Audrey (Yarger) Gardner, Donna Kasubick, Sherri (Murawski) Gehringer, Jeff Peachman, James Ertner, Tina Shadduck, Pat Murray, Carmen Yarger*



## Marriage Moments

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (John 15:13) On your wedding day you laid your very life into the hands of another person without knowing what the future held. (Leif Kehrwald, *Marriage & the Spirituality of Intimacy*) Sometimes it is hard to love uncondition-

## Parenting Pointers

Let your children know when you see them acting responsibly, talking initiative, or being helpful. Use phrases like, "I

## 2025 Offertory Envelopes

If you have not already picked up your box of 2025 offertory envelopes, they can be found in the back of both churches. Immaculate Envelopes are in Osceola Mills for parishioners who regularly attend Mass at ICC, the rest are at CTK. These boxes will remain in the churches for a few more weeks before being stored in the office where you can call to make

### Weekly Schedule

**Sunday, January 26 • 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9:30am** • Coffee, Donuts, 50/50 (IC)

**11am** • Religious Ed. Class (CTK)

**Wednesday, January 29**

**4pm** • K of C Spaghetti Dinner (CTK; until 6:30pm)

**Friday, January 31**

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

## Mass Intentions

**Monday, January 27**

**8:30am** • Leo Hughes by Ed & Mary Vancas (IC)

**Tuesday, January 28**

**8:30am** • Agnes Rusnak by Court St. Victoria (CTK)

**Wednesday, January 29**

**8:30am** • Edmond George by Children & Grandchildren (CTK)

**Thursday, January 30**

**8:30am** • Lillian Kowalczyk by The Wulderk Family (CTK)

**Friday, January 31**

**8:30am** • Healing from cancer of Jeff Peachman by Eliane Murawski (CTK)

**Saturday, February 1**

**4pm** • John Priselac, Jr. by Mom (CTK)

**Sunday, February 2**

**8:30am** • Joanne Supenia by Laura & John Lukens (IC)

**10am** • People of the Parish by Pastor (CTK)

## Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Church burns this week in memory of Francis & Matilda Leskovansky requested by Paul &



## A Family Perspective

In today's gospel, Jesus was 'praised by all' except in his hometown of Nazareth, where 'the eyes of all were intently on him.' Acceptance can be difficult to find at home due to unrealistic EXPECTATIONS. Jesus chal-

## 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

## Sanctuary Lamp

If you would like the Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Church to burn in memory or in honor of someone, please call the rectory to schedule a

## Year-End Statements

If you would like a list of gifts you gave to the parish in 2024 for tax purposes, please contact the

## 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**

## 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

## 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 elimi-

## Lenten Presentation: The Cross as a Christian Symbol

**Monday, March 10**

As a way to enrich your Lenten experience, a lecture by Mike Lucas, local artist, will detail the significance, origin, and use of the cross as a symbol within early Christianity will take place in Christ the King Parish Center on Monday, March 10. With particular attention given to the changing perception of the cross after Constantine and Helena. This change will generally be described as a transformation from object of humiliation to victory. 18 stone carvings done by Mr. Lucas will be presented as visual aids to reinforce the lecture. This lecture aims to take an in depth look at the central symbol of Christianity in order to contemplate it anew and not take it for granted; to better understand the historical backdrop of early Christianity; to consider the brutality of the cross and compare that to the triumphant symbol it has become; and to remind ourselves of the diversity of the traditions within Ca-

## Paddle Party Donations Needed

**Saturday, March 8**

Our annual Paddle Party Fundraiser is coming up on Saturday, March 8. This is a very fun and successful event that includes the entire community. In order for it to be successful, we are in need of donations. Donations of baskets or newly purchased items valued at \$25 or more can be left in the boxes in the back of the churches; gift cards, admission tickets, etc. valued at \$25 or more can be put in the collection basket or sent to the office in an envelope

## The Chosen

**Tuesday, January 7 • 6pm**

Showing and discussion of this well-talked-about TV series about the life of Jesus will occur in the Christ the King Parish Center. All are welcome. Viewings will resume January 7.

## In Memoriam

We remember Lord, those who have died before us marked with the sign of the cross, especially **Helen Kostyak** of Christ the King and **Sister Barbara Ann Vavreck, SSJ**, sister of Bernadette Johnson of Christ the King. May their souls, and the souls of

## 21 Club Winners

**Week #10**

**Russell Mason, Sr.** (Michelle Stine) ..... \$100

**Kathleen Dufour** (Alvin Gmerek) ..... \$50

**Chester Hawkins** (Leon Hansel) ..... \$25

# Fundraising Committee Meeting Minutes

*January 16, 2025*

**Big Cash Raffle**-Bob and Bud from Knights of Columbus presented an idea for Big Cash Raffle in conjunction with Fundraising Committee. Discussion was held and it was agreed that the two groups would work together on this raffle. Tickets will be \$100 with a top prize of \$10,000 and 5 prizes of \$500 each. Tickets can be purchased by an individual or a group of up to 4 people. There will be 250 tickets available for sale, and prizes will be drawn at Patriot Day Festival. Michelle will discuss with Allison if we are able to sell tickets online.

**Lenten Fish Dinner**-Bob and Bud from Knights of Columbus presented ideas for Lenten Fish Dinner on Fridays during Lent. Discussion was held and it was agreed that the two groups would work together and host two Fish Dinners. Dates for the dinners are **Friday, March 14, 2025, and Friday, March 28, 2025**, dinner served from 4-6:30 or until sold out, 175 meals will be prepared. Menu: Baked or fried fish, a rotation of macaroni and cheese or halushki, stewed tomatoes, green beans, roll, dessert and drink. Meals will be eat in or take-out and cost \$14. Donations of desserts are welcomed by parishioners.

**21 Club**-No net profit currently.

**Turkey Bingo**-No net profit currently.

**Paddle Party- Saturday, March 8, 2025.** Menu was discussed and it will include sloppy joe's, hot dogs, French fries, snack bags and candy bars. Doors open at 11 am Bidding starts at 12 noon. We will have vendors and a few bingo games for larger prizes as in the past. Entry fee is \$5 and \$2 for each additional Paddle. Donations of baskets or gift cards are being requested from parishioners, details about donations will be in the bulletin.

**Ham Bingo**-We will host a Ham Bingo on **Saturday, April 5, 2025**, doors open at 5 pm. \$8 entry, all must have a paid entry. 20 regular games with prize of \$30 gift card and specials will be sold. Menu will include sloppy joe's, hot dogs, French fries, snack bags, candy bars ad pie. There will also be a lottery animal raffle.

**21 Club**-Next Dinner will be **Saturday, April 26, 2025**. Schedule change is: Dinner will be served 3 pm-6 pm, bar open at 6:30 pm, Moore Brothers 7 pm-10 pm. Michelle reported 1045 tickets have been sold.

**Lottery Calendar**- Discussion was held and due to increase in fundraising events lottery calendar will not be sold this year.

**Parish Apparel Sale Fundraiser**-Tina reported she has reached out and got some details about potential apparel sale, it was discussed apparel sale may be a good item for Patriot Day Festival, Tina will research items and report at subsequent meetings what items we can sell.

Next Fundraising Meeting: Wednesday, February 19, 2025, at 6:30 pm

## Catholic Communications Collection

Today, we take up the collection for the Catholic Communications Collection (CCC). Your support helps CCC connect Catholics with Christ in the United States using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect will remain here in the Diocese of Erie to support local efforts. The other half supports the communication activities of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops and some projects across the United States and abroad. Be part of this campaign to spread the gospel message. Support the collection

## K of C Spaghetti Dinner

**Wednesday, January 29 • 4pm to 6:30pm**

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a spaghetti dinner on Wednesday, January 29 from 4pm until 6:30pm at Christ the King Parish Center, eat-in or

## Men's & Women's Conferences

The Evangelization Committee is hosting an on-site participation in the Men's and Women's Conferences put on by the Diocese of Erie. The 22:23 Men's Conference will take place on **Saturday, March 1** from 8:30am until 1pm. The 1:38 Women's Conference will happen on **Saturday, April 5** from 8am until 1pm. Each conference will be live streamed and shown inside Christ the King Parish Center. Posters for each conference can be found on the bulletin board in the entrance of each



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, February 2

11am • Religious Ed. Class (CTK)

### Monday, February 3

6:30pm • Pastoral Council Meeting (CTK)

### Tuesday, February 4

6pm • The Chosen Viewing (CTK)

### Wednesday, February 5

6:30pm • K of C Meeting (CTK)

### Thursday, February 6

2pm • Altar Rosary Society Meeting (IC)

### Friday, February 7

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

### Sunday, February 9

11am • Religious Ed. Class (CTK)

### Tuesday, February 11

6pm • The Chosen Viewing (CTK)

### Wednesday, February 12

6:30pm • Fundraising Committee Meeting (CTK)

6:30pm • CDA Meeting (CTK)

### Thursday, February 13

6:30pm • Sacrament of First Reconciliation (CTK)

## K of C Winter BBQ

### Sunday, February 23 • 11am until 1pm

Knights of Columbus Our Lady of the Valley #10376 will hold their Winter BBQ on Sunday, February 23 from 11am until 1pm at Christ the King Parish Center. Rib dinners cost \$15, chicken dinners cost \$12 and include scalloped potatoes, baked beans, apple sauce, and roll. Tickets are advanced sale only,

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Actual 01/12/2025	Actual Total Fiscal YTD		Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)
\$5,401	\$151,241		\$152,975	(1.1%)
Count of envelopes: 181			Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$5,275	
Catholic Services Appeal 2024				
Actual 01/12/2025	Actual Total to Date		Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)
\$220	\$60,384		\$72,000	(16.1%)
Total Pledges: 161			Total Pledged: \$60,368.90	
Religious Retirement: \$15				
Please make all checks payable to Christ the King.				

## St. Francis School Open House

### Sunday, January 26 • 11am until 2pm

St. Francis School in Clearfield will hold an Open House on Sunday, January 26 from 11am until 2pm. Everyone is invited to attend and visit our school. Private tours will be available for any interested families. Children do not have to school age to attend the open house. We welcome "Future Families" to come and tour as well. St. Francis offers an excellent education to students from pre-school through 8th grade. Bussing is available from all local school districts. Go and see if St. Francis School is the right fit for your children. Call

## DCC Open House

### Sunday, January 26 • 12pm until 2pm

Dubois Central Catholic School will hold an open house on Sunday, January 26 from noon until 2pm. There will be special guest appearances by Spider-man and Spider-Gwen, guided school tours for preschool through grade 12, kindergarten enrollment packets available, and you'll be able to meet the teachers and staff. Children will be able to make their own superhero cape or crown. For



## 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.

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