

**Second  
Sunday of  
Advent  
Dec. 7, 2025**

**THE HOLY SPIRIT  
shall come upon you**

**LUKE 1:35**

## 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-Friday ..... 9am until 1pm

**Phone** ..... 814-378-7653

**Email** ..... [office@ctk-ic.org](mailto:office@ctk-ic.org)

**Website** ..... [ctk-ic.org](http://ctk-ic.org)

**Facebook** ..... [facebook.com/ctkic](https://facebook.com/ctkic)

**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: 12/11 Immaculate Conception; 12/18 St. Mary of the Assumption;  
12/25 See Christmas Schedule



### **Bulletin Announcements**

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

**SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

# 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 **Donna Kasubick, Kristi Twoey, Lucy Weis, Chester Thompson, Sharon Lance, Tony Kost, Kathy Grace, Jared Gmerek, Clara Tubo, Pam Moyer and, pre-born Madelyn Grace Hughes.**



## Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for **Florence Kasubick by her family.**

## 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

### **Monday, December 8—HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

**8:30 a.m.** • Mass—CTK

**12 p.m.** • Mass—St. Agnes

**6 p.m.** • Mass—IC—Luncheon to follow

### **Wednesday, December 10**

**6 p.m.** • K of C Our Lady of the Valley and CDA Court St. Victoria Christmas party (CTK)

### **Thursday, December 11**

**5:30 p.m.** • Mass and social (IC)

### **Friday, December 12**

**6 p.m.** • Adult Night Out (Christmas Cookies)

### **Sunday, December 14**

**3 p.m.** • Penance Service CTK

• Collection for Retirement Fund for Religious

## Anniversary Wishes

We wish to extend our heartfelt congratulations to **Byron & Judy Reese** who will celebrated their **50th** wedding anniversary on Nov. 29. May the past **50** years fill you with joy and may your years ahead be blessed by the Holy Spirit.

## Mass Intentions

### **Monday, December 8**

**8:30 a.m.** • George Pallo by K of C our Lady of the Valley 10376

**6:00 p.m.** • Rosie Reese by the Fischer Family

### **Tuesday, December 9**

**8:30 a.m.** • Edmond and Joann George by their children and grandchildren

### **Wednesday, December 10**

**8:30 a.m.** • Nancy June Hughes by Fr. Schmolt

### **Thursday, December 11**

**5:30 a.m.** • Jane Moskel by Paula Moskel and family

### **Friday, December 12**

**8:30 a.m.** • William and Mary Stodart by Dave and Micki Stodart

### **Saturday, December 13**

**4 p.m.** • Florence Kasubick by her family

### **Sunday, December 14**

**9 a.m.** • People of the Parish by the Pastor

## Join us this Christmas!

### **December 8 Immaculate Conception**

**8:30 a.m.** - Christ the King

**12:00 p.m.** - St. Agnes

**6 p.m.** - Immaculate Conception Church

### **December 24 Christmas Eve**

**4:00 p.m.** - Christ the King

**6 p.m.** - St. Agnes

**8:00 p.m.** St. Mary of the Assumption

### **December 25 Christmas Day**

**8 a.m.** - St. Severin

**10 a.m.** - Immaculate Conception

**Dec. 31, Mary, Mother of God**

**4 p.m.** - Christ the King

**Jan. 1, Mary, Mother of God**

**8:30 a.m.** - Immaculate Conception

**10 a.m.** - St. Agnes



## Special Mass Times



# DID YOU KNOW?



- The Catholic Church is the largest Christian denomination, with over 1.2 billion members worldwide.
- Brazil has more Catholics than any other country.
- The Catholic Church is responsible for the composition of the Bible.
- The first book to be printed was the Catholic Bible.
- The Catholic Church helped invent sign language through the work of 16th-century Spanish Benedictine Monk Pedro Ponce de León, who used gestures developed by monks to communicate.

## Penance Services

- Sunday, December 14  
3 p.m. Christ the King
- Monday, December 15  
6 p.m. St. Agnes
- Sunday, December 21  
1 p.m. St. Francis

## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

8 a.m. - Noon, Sunday, December 14 th  
Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church Parish  
Hall in Philipsburg

Sponsored by the Knights of  
Knights of Columbus SS. Peter  
and Paul Council #17278

**Everyone is Welcome!**

Breakfast will be a free will offering.  
Santa will arrive around 9:00 a.m.  
[www.knightsofcolumbus17278.com](http://www.knightsofcolumbus17278.com)

Breakfast will include  
Pancakes,  
Sausage,  
Eggs, Coffee &  
Juice.

## THANK YOU

FOR SUPPORTING OUR  
GIVING DAY!

#iGIVECATHOLIC  
ON GIVING TUESDAY

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*V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.*

*R. Be it done unto me according to Thy word.*

*Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee.*

©Diocese - The Annunciation - Luca Giordano 1672

Christ the King, Houtzdale • Immaculate Conception,

## Upcoming Events

**Sunday, December 14**

**3 p.m.** • Penance Service CTK

**Monday, December 15**

**6 p.m.** • Penance Service St. Agnes

**Wednesday, December 17**

**6:30 p.m.** • Fundraising Committee (CTK)

**6 p.m.** • St Acutis Teen Group Christmas Wrapping at Bethany Youth Center. Frenchville (CTK)

**Sunday, December 21**

**1 p.m.** • Penance Service St. Francis

**2 p.m.** • K of C Bingo

**Wednesday, December 24 Christmas Eve**

**4 p.m.** • Mass CTK

**Thursday, December 25 Christmas Day Holiday of Obligation**

**10 a.m.** • Mass IC

## Stewardship

Your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

### Sunday & Holy Days

Actual 11/30/25	Actual Total Fiscal YTD	Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)
\$4,551.00	\$101,927	\$156,222	(-34.76%)
Count of Envelopes: 146 Local Needs: \$50		Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$7,101	

### Catholic Services Appeal 2025

Actual 11/30/2025	Actual Total to Date	Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)
\$0	\$45,609	\$72,000	(-36.65%)
Total Pledges: 129		Total Pledged: \$47,302.00	

**Please make all checks payable to Christ the King.**

### REMINDER:

Please return the information card, which was included with your family's Christmas card, to the parish office.

## 21 Club Winners

### Week #2

**Megan Kokoskie** (Elaine Murawski)...\$100  
**Ron & Sue Knee** (Robert Yebernetsky).\$50  
**Louise & Geoffrey Crankshaw** (Leon Hansel).....\$25

### Week #3

**Jack Taylor** (Cindy Slifko).....\$100  
**Tina Ricketts** (Donna Glinksy).....\$50  
**Annette Freeburg** (Elaine Murawski).....\$25

**Need a ticket? Call the parish office.**



## LAWN MOWING BIDS

Christ the King Parish is accepting bids for grass mowing at its cemeteries for the 2026 year. Bids should be submitted by December 10, 2025. Full bid details can be found on our website at [ctk-ic.org](http://ctk-ic.org)

Bids should be submitted to:  
**Christ the King Parish**  
**Attn: Fr. Johnathan Schmolt**  
**123 Good Street**  
**Houtzdale, PA 16651**

## THE GIVING TREE

**Reminder the Giving Tree is in the church. Parishioners are welcome to take a tag to help a family in need. Please be sure to attach the gift tag to the wrapped gift so it is given to correct person. Gifts should be placed under the tree at the church by Dec. 9.**





## Bishop Persico Publishes Prayer for New Bishop

O Almighty God,  
Pour forth the Holy Spirit upon the Holy Father  
and those who assist him  
in the discernment of our new bishop.  
May the one chosen have the strength  
to be a compassionate leader,  
who models humility and joy.  
Grant him the wisdom of Solomon,  
the courage of the apostles,  
and the tenderness of your Son, the Good  
Shepherd.

We also pray for the Diocese of Erie  
that he is called to serve.  
May we welcome him with open hearts  
and work with him in a spirit of synodality,  
called to listen, collaborate, and build unity.

Through the intercession of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church,  
St. Joseph, the protector of the Church,  
and St. Patrick, the patron of our diocese,  
may we journey the path of life  
with an unwavering focus  
on the hope we have in Christ.

For he lives and reigns forever and ever.  
Amen.

Join us after the 6 p.m. Mass,  
Monday, Dec. 8 at Immaculate  
Conception for dinner!



## SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING



Safe environment  
training will be held  
during Faith Formation  
classes on December 7.  
We'll have two groups  
watching two different  
DVDs. K-4 will watch  
Timon and Pumbaa:  
Safety Smart Online and  
5-9 will watch The  
Internet and You: Staying  
Safe.

Soup &  
Sandwiches  
after 5:30  
p.m. Mass at  
Immaculate  
Conception  
12/11



**Teens,  
this is your chance to  
give back by helping  
kids in need.**

The St. Carlo Acutis Teen Group  
will be wrapping Christmas  
Packages at Bethany Youth  
Center, Frenchville, from  
6-7:30 p.m. Wednesday,  
December 17.

**All teens welcome!**



**CORRECTION:** Donna Kasubick should have been listed as a  
member of Christ the King Church in the November 23 bulletin.