

**WELL DONE**  
my good & faithful  
servant  
Matthew 25:21



### Christ the King

*123 Good Street · Houtzdale, PA 16651*

### Immaculate Conception

*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

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**Immaculate Conception Phone** ..... 814-339-7321

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

#### 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

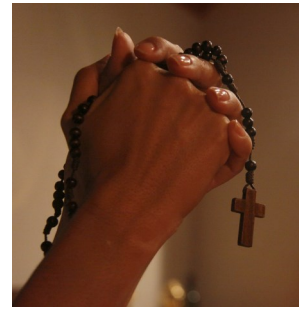
33<sup>rd</sup>  
Sunday in  
Ordinary  
Time  
11/19/2023



In order to stay up-to-date on everything happening at Christ the King & Immaculate Conception Parishes, visit our website at <http://ctk-ic.org> or follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/ctkic>.

## 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 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, Sherri Thompson, Cecilia Demchak, Better Health of Anonymous*



## Marriage Moments

“When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls.” (Proverbs 31:10) This scripture should probably have a parallel statement about a worthy husband. Why don't each of you write a note to each other about a talent that your beloved brings to your life together.

## Parenting Pointers

It's a few weeks before many families face the frenzy of preparing for Christmas. Why not pick 1 or 2 rooms in your home to clear of clutter. What's clutter and what's essential? Discuss it with your children. Then agree to give away or throw away at least 1 item from each person.

## Weekly Schedule

**Sunday, November 19 • 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 11am** • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK Parish Center)
- 2pm** • K of C Bingo (CTK; doors open at 1pm)

**Thursday, November 23 • Thanksgiving**

- 8:30am** • Mass for Thanksgiving (CTK)

**Friday, November 24**

- CANCELLED** • Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Sunday, November 26**

- No Religious Ed. Classes**

## Mass Intentions

**Monday, November 20**

**No Mass**

**Tuesday, November 21**

**No Mass**

**Wednesday, November 22**

- 8:30am** • Carolyn Fudrow by Jim Zalno (CTK)

**Thursday, November 23 • Thanksgiving**

- 8:30am** • Mr. & Mrs. Francis Leskovansky & Frank Jr. by Robbie Ball (CTK)

**Friday, November 24**

**No Mass**

**Saturday, November 25**

- 4pm** • People of the Parish by Pastor (CTK)

**Sunday, November 26**

- 8:30am** • Leo Hughes by Tony & Lou Ann Zavala (IC)
- 10am** • Ann Richtscheit by Joann Richtscheit, great-grandsons Trace, Kobie, Wyatt, & Jameson (CTK)

## Sanctuary Lamp

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



## Family Perspective

As the man in today's gospel entrusted his servants with his money, so God has 'entrusted' our family to us. Like the good servants we are expected, not to play it safe, but to selflessly and totally invest ourselves in each other.

## 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 instants 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

## Thank You From the 4th & 5th Grade Class

Christ the King Religious Education Program's 4th & 5th grade class would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all who donated to their food drive benefitting Houtzdale's Community Action. They were able to bless them with 18 bags of non-perishable items! They are planning to do another food drive in the Spring.



## IC Stewardship

**November 12, 2023**

Adults..... \$1,205.00  
Loose.....\$7.00

### **Maintenance**

Adults.....\$110.00

### **Fuel**

Adults.....\$180.00

### **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

Adults.....\$25.00

### **All Saints**

Adults.....\$245.00

### **All Souls**

Adults.....\$180.00

Weekly Adult Envelopes .....46

Maintenance Envelopes .....3

Fuel Envelopes .....7

Human Development Envelopes .....1

All Saints Envelopes .....16

All Souls Envelopes .....9

## 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.

## Attention Engaged Couples

Planning your wedding in **2024**? An Engagement Encounter is scheduled for January 19-21 at St. Mark Catholic Center in Erie. Call the Family Life Office at 814-824-1261 or email [familylife@erieRCD.org](mailto:familylife@erieRCD.org). Visit <https://www.erieRCD.org/familylifeoffice/> for more information and registration. EE satisfies diocesan requirements for marriage preparation. Catholic and Inter-faith couples are encouraged to attend. Remember, "A wedding is one day, but marriage is for a lifetime."

## Advent Penance Services

**Sunday, December 10**

**3pm • Christ the King, Houtzdale**

**Sunday, December 17**

**3pm • St. Francis, Clearfield**

## Fall Bazaar Winners

The Fall Bazaar & Roast Beef Dinner held at Immaculate Conception Church on November 5 was a great success because of the hard work of everyone who prepared and fulfilled all aspects of the event. The cooperation of our faith community was outstanding and an inspiration to everyone involved. Thank you!

The winners of the prize raffle are:

1. Gas Fire Pit Table: Mark Rice
2. Lottery Tree: Jeannette Lockey
3. 9gal Shopvac: Mike Burns

## Bulletin Announcements

All announcements for the bulletin need to be submitted in writing via email or dropped off at Christ the King rectory at least two weeks prior to the anticipated weekend. Any announcements given after that cut-off may not be included in the bulletin due to time and space constraints. Email address is listed on the front of this bulletin.

## Christmas Giving Tree

**Return Gifts Sunday, December 10**

The Christmas Giving Tree will be displayed in Christ the King Church on Wednesday, November 22. All gifts must be returned by Sunday, December 10 as they will be delivered to Bethany Retreat Center. Please attach the provided gift tag identifying the name and need of each person. If you would like to give a gift receipt, please enclose it in an envelope so that it will be given directly to the parents.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The holidays are here! In all the preparations, will you think lovingly of your spouse? Or will you pile on expectations? It is a busy time. Consider this: a weekend away after the holidays to just be the two of you—husband and wife—and refocus on being that couple. Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a faith-based enrichment for any married couple. The next planned event will be February 9-11, 2024 at the Hampton Inn & Suites in Grove City, PA. Application fee is \$75. Scholarships are available. Go to [www.WWME.org](http://www.WWME.org) for more information and to apply.

## 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.



# 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.

# Christmas Cookie & Soup Sale

## *Saturday, December 2 • 9am until noon*

St. Timothy Church in Curwensville is hosting a Christmas Cookie & Soup Sale on Saturday, December 2 from 9am until noon in their parish hall. Call 814-236-1845 for details.

## CTK Stewardship

### *November 12, 2023*

Adults.....	\$3,161.00
Children.....	\$5.00
Loose.....	\$195.00

### *Special Gifts*

Adults.....	\$140.00
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### *All Souls*

Adults.....	\$570.00
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Weekly Adult Envelopes .....	102
Weekly Children Envelopes .....	1
Special Gift Envelopes .....	3
All Souls Envelopes .....	37

### *21 Club Winners (Week #1)*

Jerold Hooven (Michelle Stine).....	\$100
Sandy Zapsky (Elaine Murawski).....	\$50
Russell Mason, Sr. (Michelle Stine).....	\$25

### *CSA 2023*

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.



# Upcoming Events

## *Sunday, November 19*

**11am** • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK Parish Center)

**2pm** • K of C Bingo (CTK; doors open at 1pm)

## *Friday, November 24*

**CANCELLED** • Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

## *Sunday, November 26*

**No Religious Ed. Classes**

## *Tuesday, November 28*

**6:30pm** • Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (CTK)

## *Friday, December 1*

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

## *Sunday, December 3*

**11am** • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK Parish Center)

**5pm** • 4th Degree K of C Christmas Party (CTK)

## *Friday, December 8*

**8:30am** • Mass for Immaculate Conception of Mary (CTK)

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

**6:30pm** • Mass for Immaculate Conception of Mary (IC; reception with light refreshments to follow)

## *Sunday, December 10*

**11am** • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK Parish Center)

**3pm** • Advent Penance Service (CTK)

# US Bishops' International Justice and Peace Committee offers statement on Israel and Palestine

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](http://www.usccb.org/newsroom).

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