PALM SUNDAY

"Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!"

MARCH 24, 2024



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Christ the King Parish



Christ the King Church 123 Good Street · Houtzdale, PA 16651

Clergy

Rev. Johnathan Schmolt, Pastor Deacon Eugene J. Miller, Deacon Assistant Rev. Joseph Staszewski, Retired

Office Hours at Christ the King	5
Monday, Tuosday, Modnosday	Thursday

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	9am until 3pm
Christ the King Phone	814-378-7653

Immaculate Conception Phone	
Office email	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); Tuesday-Friday 8:30am (CTK)



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.

Immaculate Conception Mission Church 408 Stone Street · Osceola Mills, PA 16666

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: *Clara Tubo, Lane Hawkins, Chris Tekely, Sherri (Murawski) Gehringer, Bill Collins, Jr., David Collins, Charles Lockett, Sr., John Mahute, Carmen Yarger, Judi Lesko, Roger Witherow, Jamie Washell, Lucy Weis, Mick Patkalitsky, Luke Francisco, Sherri Thompson, Cecilia Demchak, Better Health of Anonymous, Jared Gmerek, Michael Burns, John Russell, Joann Bezilla*



Marriage Moments

From the ecstasy of Palm Sunday to the crucifixion on Good Friday; it all seems so incompatible and surreal. Is your life ever like this roller coaster? How do you calm each other in the midst of joy and tragedy?

Parenting Pointers

Today is Palm Sunday. Tell your children the story of how the people praised Jesus by waving palms. Of course just a few days later we remember Jesus' crucifixion on Good Friday. Copy the attached link and place it in your web browser learn how to make a palm cross with your child. (http:// www.youtube.com/watch?v=kmtg7m7Ion8)

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, March 24 • Palm Sunday

11am • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK; until 12:15pm)3pm • Penance Service (St. Francis, Clearfield)

Thursday, March 28 • Holy Thursday

7pm • Mass for Holy Thursday (CTK) 8pm • Exposition (CTK Chapel; until 11pm)

Friday, March 29 • Good Friday

3pm • Passion of the Lord Service (IC)**7pm** • Stations of the Cross (CTK)

Saturday, March 30 • Holy Saturday

12pm • Blessing of Easter Baskets (CTK)
9pm • Easter Vigil Mass (CTK)
No 3pm Confession or 4pm Mass

Sunday, March 31 • Easter Sunday

8:30am • Mass (IC) 10am • Mass (CTK) No Religious Ed. Class

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 25

8:30am • Al Adams by Marilyn Adams Family (IC)

Tuesday, March 26

8:30am • Michael Multhauf by Jim & Arleen Multhauf (CTK)

Wednesday, March 27

8:30am • Eddie George by Dave & Micki Stodart (CTK)

Thursday, March 28 • Holy Thursday

7pm • Sandy Cervenak by Joe & Family (CTK) **8pm** • Adoration (CTK Chapel; until 11pm)

Friday, March 29 • Good Friday

3pm • Celebration of our Lord's Passion (IC)7pm • Stations of the Cross (CTK)

Saturday, March 30 • Holy Saturday

12pm • Blessing of Easter Baskets (CTK) 9pm • People of the Parish by Pastor (CTK)

Sunday, March 31 • Easter Sunday

8:30am • James Davis by The Davis Family (IC)10am • Msgr. Robert Malene by Elaine Donley & Family (CTK)

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Church burns this week in memory of Steve & Anna Mahute requested by John Mahute.

In Memoriam

We remember Lord, those who have died before us marked with the sign of the cross, especially *James Cervenak* of our parish. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.



A Family Perspective

The Passion of Jesus makes it clear, no one escapes suffering. Suffering is inevitable but no one should suffer alone. That is one of the primary roles of families, to stand with and support each other in suffering.

Christ the King Parish Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting Minutes Sunday, March 10, 2024

Present: Jack Archer, Jim Leskovansky, Bud Greslick, Ed Vancas, Jim Rice and Jenny Leskovansky **Absent:** Tony Miller, Jerry Dufour, Father Johnathan Schmolt

Old Business

- CTK Parish Center Kitchen Steamers: No report at this meeting.
- CTK Parish Center Garbage Disposal: Jim L and Jack said they'll work on leaking water line and Jim L and Tony are to work on garbage disposal.
- CTK Center Aisle Floor: Jim L. will be meeting with mason this week to review project.
- IC Plaster: It was noted that after discussion at Pastoral Council it was determined there may be additional leaks and prior to fixing plaster the roof needs further investigation. Father is working on having evaluation of roof.

New Business

- **CTK Parish Center Floor Waxing:** Still awaiting response from SCI Houtzdale about potential for inmate work crew. Jack will be contacting Clearfield Wholesale to have equipment serviced.
- **CTK:** Circuit breakers in CTK sacristy, 2nd floor rectory light fixture not working and heating blowers need evaluated-Jack and Jim L stated they will investigate these issues.
- IC: Bilco Door needs replaced, Jim R noted this will be replaced in the spring and the K of C Council 2250 will be purchasing the door.

Next Meeting will be held Sunday, April 14, 2024, at 11 am in CTK-Parish Center.

Respectfully submitted, Jenny Leskovansky Secretary

Congratulations to those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation!

These young adults from the Christ the King Parish Religious Education Program received the Sacrament of Confirmation on March 12, 2024: (front row L to R) *Father Johnathan Schmolt, Justin Anderson, Valent Cervenak, Jocelyn Vereshak, Bishop Lawrence Persico, Mali Thompson, Grier Williams, Avery Dillon*; (back row L to R) *Rocco Reifer, Landon Buck, Carter Berg, Kameron Robinson, Chloe Beningo, Whitney Guth* (of Immaculate Conception Parish, Brookeville). May God bless them as they continue their faith journey throughout adulthood.



Christ the King Parish Fundraising Committee Meeting Minutes Monday, March 11, 2024

Paddle Party: Paddle Party was held Saturday, March 2, 2024. Net profit not available at this time, will be reported at the next meeting. This year we had the addition of 2 Bingo games each with a large prize, this was very popular and will continue next year. Discussion was held regarding entry fee, it was decided the entry fee (which includes 1 paddle) will be raised to \$5 next year, additional paddles will remain \$1 each.

21 Club: Cindy reported Father has inquired if any changes are possible to increase net profit for 21 club. Discussion was held and it was determined to keep ticket price as is and continue large lottery animal raffle and 50/50. It was decided to have an additional raffle at the 21 Club Party that will be a Gift Card Frame (picture frame full of gift cards), this raffle ticket will be \$5. Donations of gift cards will be accepted until Friday, April 5 either by bringing to the rectory or deposit in collection basket in an envelope marked 21 Club Raffle. Discussion was also held regarding the need for additional sellers for 21 club tickets, there is at least one seller who may be retiring in the future and ticket sales are the heart of the 21 Club success. Anyone who is interested in becoming a seller should reach out to Cindy Slifko or any of the current sellers for information. It was also noted that with the upcoming 21 Club Dinner on Saturday, April 13, 2024, we are in need of a large number of volunteers to work the floor, sell raffle tickets and work the kitchen. Volunteers will be needed the Friday evening before as well as multiple shifts on Saturday. Please consider volunteering as you are able, even a few hours is helpful. This is a large fundraiser for our parish and all help is greatly appreciated!!

Lottery Calendar: July 2024, calendar sales will begin in May at a cost of \$20 with same prizes as previous calendar.

Patriot Day Festival 2024: Sunday, September 8, 2024 at Christ the King Parish Center

Turkey Bingo: Saturday, November 16, 2024 at Christ the King Parish Center

Next Fundraising Meeting: Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at 6:30 pm

Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 24

9:30am • Pierogi Sale (IC) 11am • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK; until 12:15pm)

Thursday, March 28 • Holy Thursday

7pm • Mass for Holy Thursday (CTK) 8pm • Exposition (CTK Chapel; until 11pm)

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Sunday, March 31 • Easter Sunday

8:30am • Mass (IC) 10am • Mass (CTK) No Religious Ed. Class

Monday, April 1

Office Closed No Pastoral Council Meeting

Scholarship Opportunities

CDA Scholarship

Court St. Victoria #646 will be warding two \$500 scholarships to high school seniors entering a college or professional/trade school in Fall 2024. Applications are due back no later than April 1, and can be found in the back of both Christ the King and Immaculate Conception Churches.

K of C Scholarship

Our Lady of the Valley council #10376 will be awarding a \$1,000 scholarship to a high school senior entering a college or professional/trade school in Fall 2024. Applications are due back no later than April 12, and can be found in the back of Christ the King Church.

Baptism

With joy, we welcome into the family of God, *Emilia Belle Vancas*, child of Joseph & Erika Vancas of Christ the King Parish. May God bless them in their duties as Christian parents and may we all share our faith with them.

4th Grade Food Drive

Donations accepted until April 7

Christ the King Parish's 4th grade religious education class is hosting a Spring Food Drive to benefit Houtzdale's Community Action. Items needed are salt & pepper, condiments, flour, canned fruit, peanut butter & jelly, hamburger/ tuna helper, boxed potatoes, pasta sauce, and dry pasta. Items can be placed in the labeled brown box in the back of Chris the King Church. Donations will be accepted until April 7. Thank you for your kindness and generosity!

Chaplet of Divine Mercy Novena

In preparation of the Feast of the Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 7, our Lord specifically asked that the Divine Mercy Chaplet be recited as a novena, especially on the 9 days before the Feast of Mercy. Jesus said, "By this novena, I will grant every possible grace to souls" (Diary, 796). Parishioners are encouraged to pray the novena at home, which begins on Good Friday. Each day, the novena starts with a prayer and then the Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed. The novena is 9 days and ends on Saturday, April 6. Copies of the novena are in the back of the church.

Stewardship					
Your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.					
Sunday & Holy Days					
Actual 03/17/2024	Actual Total Fiscal YTD		Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)	
\$6,281	\$93,096		\$105,995	(12.2%)	
Count of envelopes: 1	78/529		Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$6,235		
Catholic Services Appeal 2024					
Actual 03/17/2024	Actual Total to Date		Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)	
\$1,060	\$27,954		\$72,000	(61.2%)	
Total Pledges: 106/529			Total Pledged: \$39,534.25		

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, Karen Martin, Elaine Murawski, Judy Reese, Cindy Slifko, Michelle Stine, Kristi Twoey, Robert Yebernetsky, or by calling the rectory at 814-378-7653.

21 Club Winners (Week #19)

Clayton Walk (Michelle Stine)	\$100
Liz Kirsch (Elaine Murawski)	\$50
Jacqueline McAfee (Leon Hansel)	\$25



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