

HE SAW AND BELIEVED

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.

Anointing: Call if you have a desire for yourself or a loved one to receive the sacrament.

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)

EASTER
SUNDAY

APRIL 20, 2025

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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: *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, Donna Kasubick, Sherri (Murawski) Gehringer, Jeff Peachman, James Ertner, Tina Shadduck, Pat Murray, Carmen Yarger, Mary Surkovich, Sherri Thompson, Sue Portugal, Cecilia Demchak, Anonymous, Jared Gmerek, Leo Frailey, Dinae Herr*

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King burns in memory of Shannon Reifer request by her sister Mary.

Parenting Pointers

On Friday, April 18, Christians remember the crucifixion of Jesus. Each of us also suffers at some time in our life. Parents suffer when our children are hurting. Check out if your child might be feeling discouraged or sad this week. Offer understanding and hope.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, April 20 • Easter Sunday

Monday, April 21

Rectory Closed

Tuesday, April 22

6pm • The Chosen Viewing (CTK)

Thursday, April 24

6:30pm • Evangelization Committee Meeting (CTK)

Friday, April 25

9am • Exposition (CTK; until 10am)

6pm • 21 Club Setup (CTK; until 7:30pm)

Saturday, April 26

9am • 21 Club Meal Prep (CTK; until 6pm)

3pm • 21 Club Party (CTK; until 10pm)

6pm • 21 Club Clean-up (CTK; until 10:30pm)

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 21

8:30am • Rose Casher by Family (IC)

Tuesday, April 22

8:30am • Edmond & Joanne George by Children & Grand-children (CTK)

Wednesday, April 23

8:30am • Sandra Cervenak by Dave & Micki Stodart (CTK)

Thursday, April 24

8:30am • Mary Cervenak by The Joe Cervenak Family (CTK)

Friday, April 25

8:30am • Harry Skebo by Jim & Sherrie Surkovich (CTK)

Saturday, April 26

4pm • Kristi & Dave Twoey's 45th Wedding Anniversary by Family (CTK)

Sunday, April 27

8:30am • Jane Moskel by Altar Rosary Society (IC)

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

Marriage Moment

Today is Easter. Earth Day is April 22. What might they have in common? As Christians celebrate the resurrection of Christ, all creation needs to resurrect hope for the health of Planet Earth. Yes, pray; but also choose one action this week to protect Mother Earth together.

A Family Perspective

Millions of Christians around the world celebrate the Resurrection today. It all began simply on the first Easter with one person telling another: **"Mary told Peter" and "they believed."** Faith is passed from one person to another; it is caught, not taught, and parents are the most effective at passing faith to their children.





Jesus, I Trust in You!

Feast of Divine Mercy

Sunday, April 26 • 3pm

Please join us for an afternoon of Divine Mercy devotions on Sunday, April 27 at 3pm at Christ the King Church. The program includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Topic Presentation, Litany of Reparation in Honor of the Blessed Sacrament, the Rosary, and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Refreshments to follow in Christ the King Parish Center. All are welcome!

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.

CRS Rice Bowl

As our CRS Rice Bowl journey comes to an end, may the Eucharist continue to transform our lives and help us respond to God's call to serve our global family. Let us commit to sharing the joy of the Resurrection with people in our local community and around the world. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl with the Sunday Collection or drop it off at the rectory during business hours. **If writing a check, please make it payable to Christ the King Parish.** Thank you for your generosity!

Wedding Anniversary Celebrations

Mark Your Calendars for the 2025 Wedding Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Persico. Reservations will open Sunday, April 27th. Couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or more wedding anniversaries are invited to attend the annual Diocesan Anniversary Celebration. This years celebrations will be held on Sunday, August 3, 2025 at Our Lady of Peace, Erie, 2:00 pm and Sunday, August 24, 2025 at St. Tobias, Brockway, **3:00 pm**. More information will be coming shortly as will the registration form. We look forward to celebrating this beautiful sacrament with you in August 2025. Mark Your Calendars!

Osceola Mills Food Bank

The Osceola Mills Food Bank is accepting donations of canned fruit, canned goods, toiletries, and nonperishable food items. Donations can be left in the box in the back of Immaculate Conception Church.

Volunteer Weekend

April 25 & 26

Volunteers are needed in the following areas:

- **Friday, April 25**
 - **6-7:30pm:** bake cakes, setup hall, clean tables, bag rolls & butter
- **Saturday, April 26**
 - **9am-6pm:** meal prep, box up take-out desserts, line servers, dish washers, lottery animal sellers, small games of chance workers
 - **6-10:30pm:** dish washers, snack prep, serve drinks, ticket sellers, money counters.

Even if you can only work a few hours, that is still helpful. Please contact Michelle Stine or Kathy Slifko for more information.

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

Child Protection & Creating Safe Environments

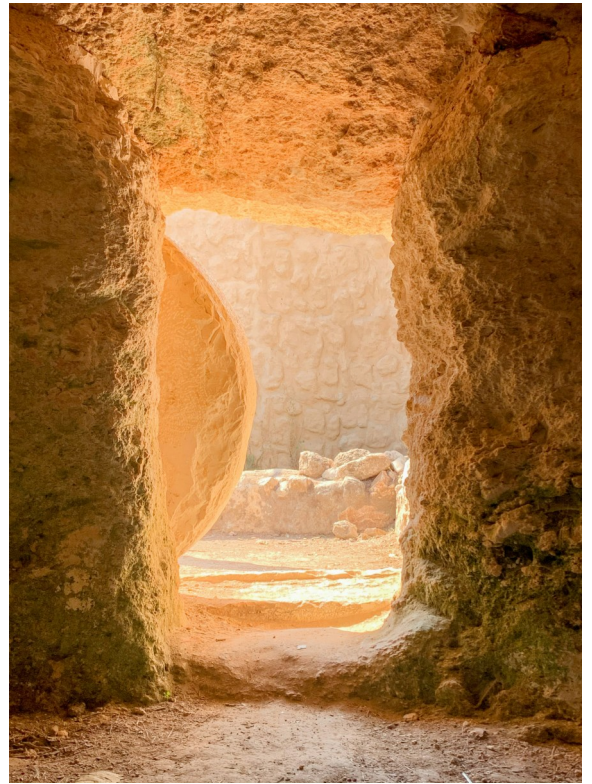
Child Abuse Prevention Month: Be Vigilant

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. In the Diocese of Erie for particular questions, you may call the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth at 814-824-1195.

4th Degree K of C Meeting

Wednesday, April 23 • 6pm

The next meeting for the S. John Paul II 4th Degree Knights of Columbus will be held at the Osceola Mills VFW building. It will be our spring spaghetti dinner meeting held by the Osceola Mills Council #2250. Dinner will be at 6pm, the meeting will follow. Cost for the meal is \$10. Contact Jack Archer at 814-378-5624 or James Rice at 814-339-7199 by April 21 if you are planning to attend.



Easter Blessings

Alleluia! The Lord is risen! May the blessings of this holy season be upon you and your family. Happy Easter!

† Father Johnathan Schmolt

Sanctuary Lamp

If you would like the Sanctuary Lamp at Immaculate Conception Church or Christ the King Church to burn in memory or in honor of someone, please call the rectory to schedule a week. A donation of \$10 is appreciated.

The Chosen

Tuesday, April 15 • 6pm

Viewing 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 are every Tuesday evening at 6pm.

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.

K of C Bingo Cancelled

Sunday, April 20

The Knights of Columbus Bingo scheduled for Sunday, April 20 has been cancelled due to the celebration of Easter. The next bingo will be on Sunday, May 18 at 2pm, doors will open at 1pm.

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, April 27 • Divine Mercy Sunday

9:30am • Coffee, Donuts, 50/50 (IC)
11am • Reception for Ali (CTK)
3pm • Divine Mercy Service (CTK)

Tuesday, April 29

6pm • *The Chosen* Viewing (CTK)

Thursday, May 1

2pm • Altar Rosary Society Meeting (IC)

Friday, May 2

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

Sunday, May 4

10am • Sacrament of First Holy Communion (CTK)

Monday, May 5

6:30pm • Pastoral Council Meeting (CTK)

Tuesday, May 6

6pm • *The Chosen* Viewing (CTK)

Wednesday, May 7

1pm • Red Cross Blood Drive (CTK; until 6pm)
6:30pm • K of C Meeting (CTK)

Friday, May 9

8:30am • Adoration (CTK; until 9:30am)

Sunday, May 11

10am • May Crowning (CTK)
11am • Building & Grounds Committee Meeting (CTK)

Tuesday, May 13

6pm • *The Chosen* Viewing (CTK)

Wednesday, May 14

6:30pm • CDA Meeting (CTK)

Stewardship

Your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

Sunday & Holy Days

Actual 04/06/2025	Actual Total Fiscal YTD		Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)
\$5,961	\$211,236		\$216,275	(2.3%)
Count of envelopes: 226			Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$5,275	

Catholic Services Appeal 2025

Actual 04/06/2025	Actual Total to Date		Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)
\$950	\$28,690		\$72,000	(60.2%)
Total Pledges: 103			Total Pledged: \$36,354.00	

Please make all checks payable to Christ the King.

Positions Available

Information is listed on our website at www.ctk-ic.org for two open staff positions:

1. Secretary—Receptionist
2. Outreach Director

Please check the website for job descriptions and to submit a résumé.

Reception for Ali

Sunday, April 27 • 11am

There will be a reception to honor Ali Jacoby, our parish secretary, after the 10am Mass on Sunday, April 27 at Christ the King Parish Center. After 15 years of service, Ali will be resigning from her position, officially, on May 1. She will be truly missed, and we want to show her our gratitude for her dedication to this parish. Please join us in celebrating Ali.

K of C Spaghetti Dinner

Wednesday, April 23 • 4pm until 7pm

The Knights of Columbus Council 2250 will have a spaghetti dinner on April 23 at the Osceola Mills VFW from 4-7pm. Meals cost \$10 each.



Online Giving

You can now donate to the Weekly Offertory, the 2025 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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