

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	
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)

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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.

3RD SUNDAY OF Easter May 4, 2025

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, Pat Murray, Carmen Yarger, Mary Surkovich, Sherri Thompson, Sue Portugal, Cecilia Demchak, Anonymous, Jared Gmerek, Leo Frailey, Diane Herr

Marriage Moment

"When you work with people, it is a lot like mining for gold. You do not look for the dirt. You look for the gold." (Andrew Carnegie) What affirming nugget can you say to your beloved today? It helps if it's specific. It's essential that it's true.

Sanctuary Lamp The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King burns in memory of Florence Kasubick requested by Family.

Weekly Schedule 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 9am • Exposition (CTK; until 10am)

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 5

8:30am • Charlie Mineweaser by Wife & Family (IC)

Tuesday, May 6

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

Wednesday, May 7

8:30am • Gerald J. Gmerek by Gertie Abernethy (CTK)

Thursday, May 8

8:30am • Mary A. Frank & Mary Jo Dumbleton by Family (CTK)

Friday, May 9 8:30am • Roger Witherow by Family (CTK)

Saturday, May 10

4pm • Gertrude Dugan by Children (CTK)

Sunday, May 11

8:30am • People of the Parish by Pastor (IC) 10am • Ann Richstcheit by daughter Joanne (CTK)

Parenting Pointers

A North Carolina University study found that children of workaholics have the same anxiety levels and depression as children of alcoholics. So how do you know if you're working too much? Are you more excited about going to work than spending time with your family? Parenting is work, but "good work".



A Family Perspective

Jesus invited the disciples to "Come and have breakfast." Just like the Last Supper, Jesus shows us at this beach breakfast that meals are about more than just eating. They are opportunities to share prayer, listen to each other's stories, and support one another in love.



April 14, 2025

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

When you look back on your life, you can easily remember times when your life was transformed by the ministry of your parish priest as he celebrated the Sacraments with you and your family. Our priests have given their lives to our Lord and to you, dedicating themselves to the celebration of the Eucharist, ministry and service. I imagine that, like me, many of you have feelings of gratitude toward these priests who have served you so well over the years.

On the weekend of May 10 - 11, our annual Good Shepherd Collection for retired diocesan priests will be taken in our parishes. This is our opportunity to express our gratitude with a financial gift to those priests who spent their lives in service to the Church. We look to you, the people of our Diocese, to help with the care of those priests who are retired now and those who will retire in future years.

I thank you in advance for your generosity to our annual Good Shepherd Collection for the support and care of our retired diocesan priests. If you prefer to make your gift online, simply scan the QR code below to access the online giving site for the Good Shepherd Collection.

Finally, I ask you to remember all our priests in your prayers. Pray for those who are currently serving you, those who have retired and those who have died. Please also pray for vocations to the priesthood. We pray that others will follow in the footsteps of those who have given their lives as Good Shepherds, leading you, the People of God, by their priestly ministry.

I wish you and your families a blessed Easter Season.

Scan to Give

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persíco

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL Bishop of Erie





Wedding Anniversary Celebrations Registration is now open!

Couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or more wedding anniversaries are invited to attend the annual Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations on Sunday, August 3 at Our Lady of Peace, Erie at 2:00 pm or Sunday, August 24 at St. Tobias, Brockway at 3:00 pm. Celebrations include Mass with Bishop Persico followed by a light reception. To register for either event or to receive a certificate by mail, complete the online registration at https://www.eriercd.org/ familylifeoffice/anniv.html, contact your parish office, or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at (814) 824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 24 for the Erie celebration, until August 14 for the Brockway celebration or until September 11 to be mailed to you.

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

The Chosen Tuesday, May 6 • 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.

Baccalaureate Sunday, May 18 • 6:30pm

The Moshannon Valley Ministerium and the Moshannon Valley School District Class of 2025 welcome your presence at the Moshannon Valley Baccalaureate Service on Sunday, May 18 at 6:30pm in the Moshannon Valley High School Auditorium. Light refreshments will follow.

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.

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.

48th Annual Rosary March

The Clearfield Chapter of the World Apostolate of Fatima (The Blue Army) extends an invitation to join them at the 48th Annual Rosary March on Sunday, May 4 at 3pm at the Clearfield County Fair Grounds. The march will take place inside the Expo I building with the Rosary procession taking place outside, weather permitting. The day will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by the Rosary and Eucharistic procession. This year's guest speaker will be Catherine Moran, speaker, author, and radio personality. She is the custodian of the Traveling Pilgrim Virgin Icon of Our Lady of Fatima and has appeared with the icon on EWTN Live. Other highlights of the program include Crowning of the Erie Diocesan Pilgrim Virgin Statue and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Various booths will be setup where you can purchase books, religious items, and food.



Baptism

With joy, we welcome into the family of God, *Jamesha "Jazz" Samuel*, who was Baptized, Confirmed, and received her First Communion on April 19, 2025. May God bless Jazz in her faith journey and may our parish family continue to pray for her success.



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, May 11

Second Collection: Good Shepherd 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)

Thursday, May 156:30pm • Scripture Study Series (CTK)

Friday, May 16 9am • Exposition (CTK; until 10am)

Sunday, May 18 2pm • K of C Bingo (CTK; doors open at 1pm)

Monday, May 19 6:30pm • Finance Council Meeting (CTK)

Tuesday, May 206pm • The Chosen Viewing (CTK)

Wednesday, May 21

6pm • Mike Lucas Presentation (St. Mary's Ukranian, Ramey)6:30pm • Fundraising Committee Meeting (CTK)

Thursday, May 22
6:30pm • Scripture Study Series (CTK)

Friday, May 23 9am • Exposition (CTK; until 10am)

Sunday, May 25 Second Collection: International Needs

9:30am • Coffee, Donuts, 50/50 (IC)

Stewardship					
Your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.					
Sunday & Holy Days					
Actual 04/20/2025	Actual Total Fiscal YTD		Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)	
\$6,940	\$224,445		\$226,825	(1.0%)	
Count of envelopes: 266			Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$5,275		
Catholic Services Appeal 2025					
Actual 04/20/2025	Actual Total to Date		Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)	
\$545	\$29,665		\$72,000	(58.8%)	
Total Pledges: 105	Total Pledges: 105		Total Pledged: \$37,711.00		
Good Friday: \$755; CRS Rice Bowl: \$110					
Please make all checks payable to Christ the King.					

Thank you!

I'd like to express my gratitude to everyone who has shared kind words, fond memories, and cards and gifts. I'm lucky to have grown such close relationships with you over the past 15 years, and hearing from you all has made quite an impact on me. I may no longer be in the office, but I will still see you at Mass and parish events. Thank you! -Ali Jacoby

May Crowning Sunday, May 11 • 10am Mass

On Sunday, May 11, the Crowning of the Blessed Mother statue will take place at the 10am Mass at Christ the King Church. During the entrance hymn, all women, children, and religious education students are encouraged to come forward to receive a carnation to place in the vase at the Blessed Mother statue. After the carnations have been distributed, Father Johnathan will read a prayer and then the Blessed Mother will be crowned. All are welcome to participate.

Spring Scripture Study Series Thursday evenings at 6:30pm

There will be a Spring Scripture Study Series at Christ the King Parish Center on Thursday evenings at 6:30pm beginning May 15 and running through June 19. There will be no meeting held on Ascension Thursday, May 19. All are welcome.



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.