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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

Christ the King Phone 814-378-7653

Immaculate Conception Phone 814-339-7321

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)

3rd Sunday in
Ordinary Time

01/21/2024

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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>.

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: *Joann Bezilla, Clara Tubo, Lane Hawkins, Chris Tekely, Sherri (Murawski) Gehringer, Bill Collins, Jr., David Collins, Charles Lockett, Sr., 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, Jared Gmerek, Lori McCracken, Christine Dorman*



Marriage Moments

During the long, usually cold, nights of winter, plan a warm surprise for your beloved. Perhaps you both might independently choose the same surprise. What a surprise that would be!

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Church burns this week in memory of Tom Kasubick requested by family.

Flowers

Flowers at Christ the King altar this week are in memory of John Priselac, Jr. by mom.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, January 21 • 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

11am • Religious Ed. Classes Resume (CTK; until 12:15pm)

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

Friday, January 26

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 22

8:30am • Catherine Vancas by Mary Ann Pazmino & Mary Temo (IC)

Tuesday, January 23

8:30am • Carol Menard by Peter W. Siano (CTK)

Wednesday, January 24

8:30am • Tom Kasubick by Family (CTK)

Thursday, January 25

8:30am • Stephen Gresh by Family (CTK)

Friday, January 26

8:30am • Fred & Pauline Sherkel by Micki & Dave Stodart (CTK)

Saturday, January 27

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

Sunday, January 28

8:30am • Mary Humenay by The Marilyn Adams Family (IC)

10am • John Priselac, Jr. by Mom (CTK)

In Memoriam

We remember Lord, those who have died before us marked with the sign of the cross, especially **Rosemarie Weierick** of Christ the King Parish. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.



Parenting Pointers

Jan. 19th was National Popcorn Day. Who would've thought? Besides eating popcorn are there other fun things you can do with it? Make a picture by gluing it to paper. Try to toss it into each other's mouth. Use popcorn as tokens for a board game. Be creative.



January 8, 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

At the end of January, we celebrate both the memorial of St. Francis DeSales and the feast of the conversion of St. Paul. Each of these men is considered a patron of communications — saints we need to turn to for guidance today more than ever. St. Francis was a journalist and author while St. Paul is a patron of publishers and writers.

Even though they did not have the same technology we use, we all are charged with the same mission: to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ. In a changing media landscape, today the Diocese of Erie offers insightful, vetted news and information as well as stories and insights in a variety of formats.

Faith magazine remains our flagship publication with in-depth features and interviews from every corner of the diocese, as well as news and information. It's mailed — free of charge — to each household registered in a parish on a quarterly basis. Have you subscribed to the *Diocese of Erie-News* yet? This resource shows up in your inbox every Wednesday morning with local, national and international news of interest to Catholics. It also promotes events offered by parishes and ministries and includes reminders about holy days as well as links to timely resources for deepening your faith. Sign up for free at www.nwpaCatholic.com. We include much of this information through social media as well, and now create videos, available on the diocesan YouTube channel, to let those we cover share their stories in their own words.

I am grateful for your generous support of the annual *Help Spread the Faith* communications collection and I encourage you to take advantage of all that is offered. Please help us continue this essential outreach by participating the 2024 *Help Spread the Faith* collection scheduled for the weekend of January 27/28.

Sincerely in Christ,

+*Lawrence T. Persico*

The Most Rev. Lawrence T. Persico
Bishop of Erie

TRAVELING CHALICE MINISTRY



To our community of faith in Christ the King Parish,

We began a month or so ago to pray at the beginning of Mass the Diocesan Prayer for Vocations. Now the Evangelization Committee wants to further this effort by creating an opportunity for families to pray in their homes for vocations. This is often times where vocations begin and where they can be discussed and nurtured.

As a committee we have decided to begin the Traveling Chalice Ministry within our parish to further enhance our efforts to pray for vocations. The chalice is offered to help serve as a visible reminder of your commitment to pray together as a family for vocations during the week and a reminder that the Mass does not end with the closing prayer. Instead, we take home with us from the Mass the joy, the gratitude, and the mission to share the love of Christ with others in our families and our workplaces. To be clear, **we are not praying to the chalice.**

If you are interested in hosting the chalice for a week, please fill out this form completely at the bottom of this page and return it in the collection basket. We will then schedule you to take the chalice home on an agreed upon week. At the end of the week the volunteer family returns the traveling chalice at the beginning of the following weekend's Masses and places it on the table in the front of the church. It will then be presented to the next volunteer family during the offertory portion of the Mass for the following week.

As an outreach in our prayer life and the need to pray for vocations in our Catholic Church, the Traveling Chalice Prayer Ministry will begin in our parish on the First Weekend of Lent, **February 17 and 18, 2024.**

The chalice is consecrated (**reserved for sacred use**) to hold the Precious Blood of Jesus. Please do not drink out of it at home. We suggest that you place it in some prominent place in the house, for example, in the center of your dining room table upon the Corporal provided. The families who wish to do this evangelistic work will keep the chalice in their homes for a week and pray daily for vocations.

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____

Preferred Mass: 4:00pm 8:30am 10:00am

Please circle preferred Mass to receive and return The Traveling Chalice. We look forward to an active participation by our parishioners to strengthen our faith life as we enter this most holy season.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, January 21

11am • Religious Ed. Classes Resume (until 12:15pm)

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

Friday, January 26

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

Sunday, January 28

11am • Religious Ed. Classes Resume (until 12:15pm)

Thursday, February 1

2pm • Altar Rosary Society Meeting (IC basement)

Friday, February 2

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

Sunday, February 4

11am • Religious Ed. Classes Resume (until 12:15pm)

2023 Year-End Statements Available

If you're interested in receiving your 2023 year-end contribution statement for tax purposes, please contact the rectory. Please specify whether you'd like your statement mailed or emailed.

Baptism

With joy, we welcome into the family of God, **Simon Anthony Chirdon**, son of Robert & Mary Kathryn Chirdon of Christ the King Parish. May God bless them in their duties as Christian parents and may we all share our faith with them.

Help Spread the Faith Collection

Next weekend, we will take up the Help Spread the Faith Communication Collection. This collection helps fund the Diocese of Erie Communications Office, which is responsible for spreading the word of God by sending the Faith Life magazine, posting on the diocese's social media, and much more. Please be generous.

St. Francis Open House

St. Francis School in Clearfield will hold an Open House on Sunday, January 28 from 11am until 2pm. Everyone is invited to attend. Private tours are available for interested families. Children do not have to be school age to attend the open house. They welcome "Future Families" to tour the school as well. St. Francis offers an excellent education to students from pre-school 3 through grade 8. Bussing is available for all local school districts. Call 814-765-2618 for more information.

K of C Chicken & Rib BBQ

Sunday, February 25 • 11am until 1pm

The Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of the Valley Council #10376, will hold their Chicken & Rib BBQ on Sunday, February 25 from 11am until 1pm at Christ the King Parish Center. Meal includes chicken or ribs, scalloped potatoes, baked beans, applesauce, and roll. The CDA Court St. Victoria #646 will hold a Soup & Bake Sale in conjunction with the bbq. Rib dinners cost \$15, chicken dinners cost \$12. Advance ticket sales only. Tickets can be purchased from any K of C member.

Stewardship

Your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

Sunday & Holy Days

Actual 01/14/2024	Actual Total Fiscal YTD	Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)
\$5,045	\$49,824	\$40,520	23.0%
Count of envelopes: 138/529		Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$5,065	

Catholic Services Appeal 2023

Actual 01/14/2024	Actual Total to Date	Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)
\$1,752	\$49,261	\$44,383	11.0%
Total Pledges: 120/529		Total Pledged: \$51,174	

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.

21 Club Winners (Week #10)

Marty Wood (John Mahute) \$100
Caryn Southern (Elaine Murawski) \$50
Ruth Depto (John Mahute) \$25

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