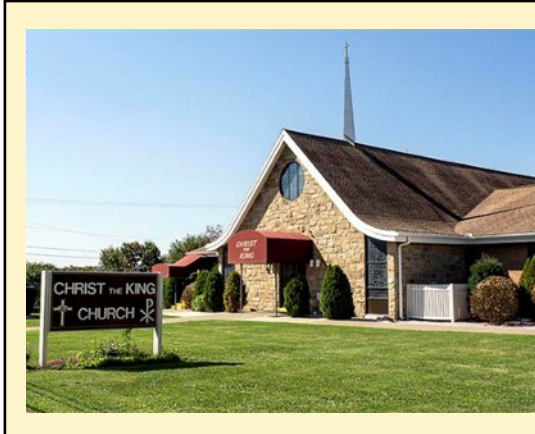




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Christ the King Parish



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

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.

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.

St. Nicholas invites you

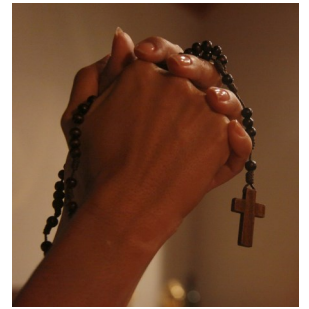


to have lunch with him on December 7, 2024

- 11:00 Gather in Christ the King
 Parish Center
 Registration - Opening craft
 Singing Christmas Carols
- 11:15 St. Nicholas arrives
- 11:30 Lunch is served
- 12:00 Story time with St. Nicholas
- 12:15 St. Nicholas distributes
 gifts to children
- 12:30 Photo opportunity
 with St. Nicholas
 (bring a camera or cell phone)

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: *Sherri (Murawski) Gehringer, David Collins, John Mahute, Carmen Yarger, Judi Lesko, Lucy Weis, Mick Patkalitsky, Luke Francisco, Sherri Thompson, Cecilia Demchak, Better Health of Anonymous, Jared Gmerek, Michael Burns, 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*



Marriage Moments

Thanksgiving week in USA: Whether or not you travel over Thanksgiving, remember those who can't afford a plane ticket, gas, or even a pair of shoes, or worse – don't have a loved one with whom to share the day. Our bounty is not deserved, but a gift. Give some of it away.

Parenting Pointers

The Friday after Thanksgiving is the biggest buying day of the year. Try buying yourself some time by spending time as a family today – and this doesn't mean shopping. Perhaps travel back in time to the days of the Pilgrims. See if you can live for a day without electricity or automobiles, much less computers or phones.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, November 24 • Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

9:30am • Coffee, Donuts, 50/50 (IC)

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

Thursday, November 28 • Thanksgiving

Rectory Closed

8:30am • Mass of Thanksgiving (CTK)

Friday, November 29

9am • Exposition (CTK; until 10am)

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 25

8:30am • Tim Supenia by Laura & John Lukens (IC)

Tuesday, November 26

8:30am • Jeanette Gavlak by Robbie Ball (CTK)

Wednesday, November 27

8:30am • Roger Witherow by Tom & Linda Witherow (CTK)

Thursday, November 28

8:30am • In Thanksgiving for Successful Transplant Surgery by Elaine Murawski (CTK)

Friday, November 29

8:30am • Chris Tekely by Ali Jacoby (CTK)

Saturday, November 30

4pm • Eddie & Joanne George by Carrie & Pat Listach (CTK)

Sunday, December 1

8:30am • Lois McIntire by The Joseph Dugan Family (IC)

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

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Church burns this week in thanksgiving for a successful surgery of Sherri Murawski Gehringer by Carol & Larry Kokoskie.



A Family Perspective

When we are young, our parents “tell us about Jesus” and we believe what our parents believe. At some point we must leave our parents faith and ask Pilate's question: “Are you the King?” Pilate is just asking these questions on our behalf.

Landscape Help Needed

Christ the King Church is looking for some volunteers to tend to the landscaping around the church, parish center, and rectory grounds. Currently, the hedges in front of the church need trimmed and the weeds need pulled from between the stone along the sidewalk. If you're able to take care of this in the immediate future, please call the rectory to give us a heads-up. Thank you!

Christmas Cookie & Soup Sale

Saturday, December 7 • 9am until Noon

St. Timothy Church in Curwensville will hold their annual Christmas Cookie & Soup Sale on Saturday, December 7 from 9am until noon. Goods for sale include breads, cookies, nut rolls, cinnamon buns, and various soups.



Giving Tree

The Giving Tree will be up and tags will be available the week of November 25. More information to follow.

Bulletin Sponsor

Did you ever notice the ads on the back of the bulletin and wonder how you can get your name or business on there too? Now is your opportunity. If you're interested in advertising on the back of this bulletin, call the rectory during business hours and talk to Ali. Sponsors do not need to be businesses, personal sponsors are also accepted. Bulletin sponsors are necessary to eliminate the cost of printing the bulletin.



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>.

Stewardship				
Your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.				
Sunday & Holy Days				
Actual 11/10/2024	Actual Total Fiscal YTD		Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)
\$6,199	\$96,148		\$100,225	(4.1%)
Count of envelopes: 242			Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$5,275	
Catholic Services Appeal 2024				
Actual 11/10/2024	Actual Total to Date		Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)
\$0	\$57,010		\$72,000	(20.8%)
Total Pledges: 159			Total Pledged: \$58,188.55	
Catholic Campaign for Human Development: \$10				
Mission Sunday: \$25				
Please make all checks payable to Christ the King.				

Lunch with Saint Nick

Saturday, December 7 • 11am until 1pm

St. Nicholas invites you to have lunch with him at Christ the King Parish Center on Saturday, December 9 from 11am until 1pm. Arrive at 11am to register and make a craft while you wait for St. Nick to arrive. Lunch will be served followed by story time. St. Nicholas will distribute gifts to all the children with caroling to follow. At 12:30, get your cameras ready for a photo opportunity before departing at 1pm. This event is free for the community; all are welcome.

21 Club Winners

Week #1

Billy Carpenter (Michelle Stine) \$100
Amy Gunsallus (Michelle Stine) \$50
James Bumbarger (John Mahute) \$25

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 1

NO Religious Ed. Class

Thursday, December 5

2pm • Altar Rosary Society Meeting (IC)

Friday, December 6

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

Saturday, December 7

11am • Lunch with St. Nick (CTK; until 1pm)

Sunday, December 8

11am • Religious Ed. (CTK; until 12:15pm)
12:30pm • 4th Degree K of C Christmas Party (CTK)

Monday, December 9 • Holy Day of Obligation

8:30am • Mass for the Immaculate Conception of Mary (CTK)
6pm • Mass for the Immaculate Conception of Mary (IC)
7pm • Reception to Celebrate Immaculate Conception Church's 100th Anniversary (IC)

Wednesday, December 11

6pm • K of C Christmas Party (CTK)
6:30pm • CDA Christmas Party (CTK)

Thursday, December 12

6:30pm • Evangelization Committee Meeting (CTK)

Friday, December 13

9am • Exposition (CTK; until 10am)

Sunday, December 15

11am • Religious Ed. Christmas Pageant (CTK)
2pm • K of C Bingo (CTK; doors open at 1pm)
3pm • Advent Penance Service (CTK)

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.

Baptism

With joy, we welcome into the family of God, **Lucas Andrew Pompa**, child of Andrew & Alison Pompa of Christ the King Parish, who was baptized on November 17, 2024. May God bless them in their duties as Christian parents and may we all share our faith with them.

Profession of Faith

Congratulations to **Alison Pompa** for making her Profession of Faith and received the Sacrament of Confirmation and shared in the Holy Eucharist on November 17, 2024. May we welcome her with open arms and keep her in your prayers as she continues her faith journey.

The Chosen

Tuesday, November 26 • 6pm

Showing 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. Please note that this will be the last viewing until after the holidays. Viewings will resume January 7.

Christmas Downtown

Sunday, December 1 • 2pm

The Houtzdale Community Partnership Association invites everyone to attend this year's Christmas Downtown on Sunday, December 1 at 2pm at the Dave Wulderk Memorial Pavilion on the corner of Good and Eliza Streets in Houtzdale. This event is free for the community. There will be an appearance by Santa & Mrs. Claus, treats and goodies provided by various community sponsors, and plenty of fun. This year's theme will be Candy Cane Lane.



Online Giving

You can now donate to the Weekly Offertory, the 2024 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.



Immaculate Conception Church's 100th Year Anniversary

Monday, December 9 • Immaculate Conception Church, Osceola Mills

This year marks the 100th year of the dedication of the church building of Immaculate Conception in Osceola Mills. To celebrate this milestone, we invite all parishioners from both Osceola Mills and Houtzdale to celebrate in the Eucharist at the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Mass on Monday evening, November 9 at 6pm with a formal reception to follow. Invitations to commemorate this event have been mailed to all registered families. Because this will be a formal, sit-down dinner, we ask that all those planning to attend contact the office to reserve their seat. You can RSVP by either calling Ali at 814-378-7653 during normal business hours or by emailing office@ctk-ic.org. This dinner is free to those attending, but you must have made your reservation no later than December 2.

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

Seeking Collection Counters

Christ the King Parish is still in need of volunteers to count the offertory collection. If you are a discrete and reliable person, or know someone who is, please contact Father Johnathan. With enough help, the intention is that you will only need to volunteer a few hours of your time one Sunday per month. Call the rectory for more information.

K of C Elimino

Tuesday, December 31

Knights of Columbus #10376 will host their Elimino Extravaganza at Christ the King Parish Center on December 31. Tickets are available for purchase by calling Jim Hawkins 814-672-5618 or Rob Yebernetsky 814-553-7413.

Christ the King Parish Registration

Please fill out this portion and return to the office if you are not a current member of Christ the King Parish and would like to join, or if you would like to update your information.

Name (plus list of family members living in same household) _____

Mailing address _____

Primary phone number (accepts texts Y/N) _____

Secondary phone number (accepts texts Y/N) _____

Email address _____

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