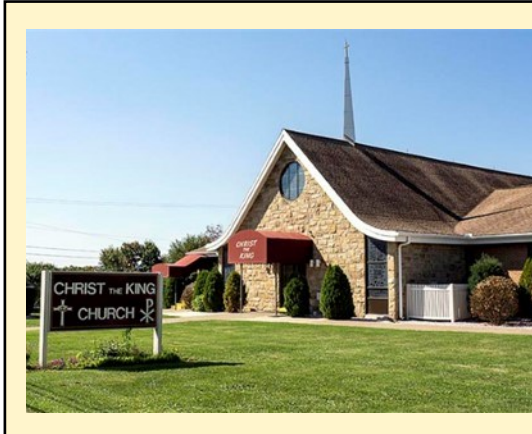


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Rev. Joseph Staszewski, Retired

Office Hours at Christ the King

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday..... 9am until 3pm

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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); Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30am (CTK); No Mass Tuesday

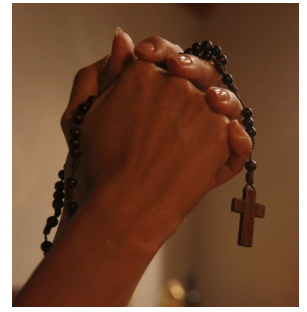
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In order to stay up-to-date on everything happening at Christ the King & Immaculate Conception Parishes, visit our website at <http://ctk-ic.org> or follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/ctkic>.

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: *Sherri (Murawski) Gehringer, Jared Gmerek, Tana Rae Flango, Joann Bezilla, Clara Tubo, Lane Hawkins, Chris Tekely, Jesse Ephraim Messa, Bill Collins, Jr., David Collins, Charles Lockett, Sr., Tim Supenia, John Mahute, Zoey Bryan, Carmen Yarger, Judi Lesko, Roger Witherow, Jamie Washell, Lucy Weis, Mick Patkalitsky, Carol Menard, Luke Francisco*



Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Parish burns this week in memory of husband & father Joe Holenchik requested by Rose & Family.

Marriage Moments

Election Day in the USA is Nov. 7. Do you and your beloved share the same politics? If so, good, problem solved. Just make sure you vote. If not, that's also fine, but have you ever had a calm, respectful discussion about your views. You still don't have to agree, but it will probably strengthen your relationship. Then still vote – even if differently.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, November 5 • 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am • IC Fall Bazaar (IC; until 2pm)

Monday, November 6

Rescheduled • Pastoral Council meeting has been rescheduled for November 13 at 6:30pm

Wednesday, November 8

6:30pm • CDA Memorial Mass (CTK; reception to follow)

Friday, November 10

Cancelled • There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 6

No Mass

Tuesday, November 7

No Mass

Wednesday, November 8

6:30pm • CDA Memorial Mass

Thursday, November 9

No Mass

Friday, November 10

No Mass

Saturday, November 11

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

Sunday, November 12

8:30am • Al Adams by Tina & Clem Warner (IC)

10am • Jerry Demchak by Cecilia, Lisa, John, Mikey, Alisha, Jerry, Orion, & Chance (CTK)

Parenting Pointers

Daylight Savings time ends in most of the USA on November 5. So, your family may lose an hour of sunlight, but think of some fun things you can do in the dark? Listen for animal sounds outside at night; search for signs of life with a flashlight...

Family Perspective



In today's gospel Jesus describes the vocation of marriage and parenting: "The greatest among you must be your servant." Children receive our genes, name and resources; and spouses share a lifelong commitment. A parent's servitude begins at the moment of conception, and the marriage covenant begins on the wedding day. The Lord is present in each of our acts of selfless service.

Come join 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.

Turkey Bingo

Saturday, November 18 • Doors open at 5pm

Christ the King's Annual Turkey Bingo will be on Saturday, November 18 at Christ the King Parish Center. Doors open at 5pm, early bird games begin at 6pm, regular games will start at 7pm. Admission is \$8 and includes 6 cards—additional cards available for purchase. Everyone, including children and everyone in attendance are required to have a paid admission, including children. The kitchen will be open selling ala carte items. Special bingo games as well as instants will be sold on the floor.

Eucharistic Revival Celebration

As part of the National Eucharistic Revival this year we will have two special events in honor of the feast days of our two churches.

Christ the King Church

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Stations of the Cross

Tuesday, November 28 at 6:30pm

Immaculate Conception Church

St. Francis Fall Festival

Sunday, November 12 • 11am until 4pm

St. Francis School in Clearfield will hold its annual Fall Festival on Sunday, November 12 from 11am until 4pm. Join them for delicious dinners, crafters, kids' games, and money and lottery raffles. There will also be a themed basket raffle, a sports raffle, and their Fall Fortune lottery game. Be sure to get your ticket to win the \$10,000 grand prize—only 250 tickets sold. Call 814-

St. Francis School Openings

St. Francis School has immediate openings for the following positions: first grade teacher (long-term substitute or permanent position) and assistant principal/principal. Please contact Dr. Michael Spencer at m Spencer@stfrancisclearfield.org for more information.

Religious Ed. Food Drive

The 4th & 5th grade religious education class at Christ the King is hosting their own food drive to benefit Houtzdale Family Service Center. Items needed are salt, pepper, ketchup, toilet paper, hamburger helper, boxed potatoes, stuffing mix, dry pasta, and sauce. All non-perishable items are accepted, but these are the greatest need. All items should be placed in the box at the back of Christ the King Parish. Deadline for donations is November 5. Thank you for your support!

K of C Elimino Extravaganza

Tickets are available now for the Knights of Columbus #10376 Elimino Extravaganza on Sunday, December 31 at Christ the King Parish Center. Hors d'oeuvres will be served at 5pm, buffet dinner from 6:30 until 7:30pm, prize drawings will be 7:45 until 8:45pm, and dancing from 9pm until 11pm. Purchase your tickets by calling Jim Hawkins at 814-937-9775 or Rob Yebernetsky at 814-553-7413.

IC Stewardship

October 29, 2023

Adults..... \$1,665.00
Loose..... \$81.00

Maintenance/Fuel

Adults..... \$110.00

Cemetery

Adults..... \$165.00

Holy Days

Adults..... \$120.00

Diocesan Collections

Adults..... \$40.00

Christmas Flowers

Adults..... \$30.00

Weekly Adult Envelopes 61
Maintenance/Fuel Envelopes 8
Cemetery Envelopes 9
Holy Days Envelopes 7
Diocesan Collections Envelopes..... 5
Christmas Flowers Envelopes 1



October 30, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

On the weekend of November 18-19, a second collection will be taken up in our parishes for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD).

This annual collection supports the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops working to break the cycle of poverty by helping people with low income participate in decisions that affect their lives, families, and communities. CCHD offers a hand up, not a handout. Additionally, CCHD helps to educate the public on poverty related issues, using the perspective of Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching.

CCHD has made over 9,000 grants to support people living in poverty break the cycle of poverty, and over 200 organizations are supported each year through the annual collection taken up in dioceses. Half of the funds from this collection remain in the Diocese of Erie to fight poverty in our local communities. The Gospel message compels us to assist others in finding creative solutions to poverty, so that we are able to break the cycle of dependence and powerlessness in society.

This work is not possible without the support of dedicated Catholics like you. Your contributions are helping to build more merciful and just communities in the Diocese of Erie and throughout the country. Please consider helping us to uphold human dignity and eradicate poverty by giving generously to the second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

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

Christ the King Cemetery Clean-up

Please remove all flowers and decorations from your loved ones' graves in Christ the King cemeteries, which include St. Lawrence (Houtzdale), Immaculate Conception (Madera), St. Barbara & Sacred Heart (Brisbin), St. Ignatius & Old Ginter Cemetery (Boy Scouts), no later than November 1. Any decoration left at the grave after November 1 will be removed by Christ the King volunteers; decorations still in good condition will be held at the pole building for a limited time and can be claimed by calling the rectory during business hours, decorations in poor condition will be disposed of—done at the crew's discretion. Wreaths and winter decorations can be placed at the grave after November 15. If you would like to help with this clean-up, please call the office.

Evangelization Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 16 • 6:30pm at CTK Rectory

The Evangelization Committee will meet on Thursday, November 16 at 6:30pm in Christ the King Rectory. We will discuss the upcoming Eucharistic Revival planned events as well as future ideas for activities and faith formation planned for the new year.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 5

9:30am • IC Fall Bazaar (IC; until 2pm)

Wednesday, November 8

6:30pm • CDA Memorial Mass (CTK; reception to follow)

Sunday, November 12

11am • Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting (CTK)

Monday, November 13

6:30pm • Pastoral Council (IC & CTK)

Tuesday, November 14

6:30pm • Fundraising Committee Meeting (CTK)

Wednesday, November 15

6:30pm • Altar Rosary Society Meeting (CTK)

CTK Stewardship

October 29, 2023

Adults \$3,913.00
Children..... \$1.50
Loose..... \$198.00

Special Gifts

Adults..... \$177.00

World Mission Sunday

Adults..... \$10.00

Weekly Adult Envelopes 119
Weekly Children Envelopes 3
Special Gift Envelopes..... 5
Mission Sunday Envelopes..... 1

October Lottery Calendars (Week #4)

#699 Sherrie Surkovich \$100
#951 Claudia Wilson \$100
#650 Judy (Elaine) Hair \$100
#979 Ann Veres..... \$100
#464 Judy Reese \$100
#970 Cassandra Kitko..... \$200
#637 Jim Cervenak, Sr. \$200

CSA 2023

When making a CSA pledge or one-time gift, payments need to be received by **Monday, November 20** for the next report. Checks should be made payable to **Christ the King** or **Immaculate Conception**, respectively.

2024 Mass Schedule is Open

The 2024 Mass calendar is now open. You may call in to schedule Masses for the 2024 year. Please understand we have two parish families that are interested in scheduling and a limited number of Masses. The secretary will do her best to accommodate all requests, but not all desired dates will be available. Mass intentions and Sanctuary Lamps are a \$10 donation.

K of C Wine Walk

Friday, November 10 • 5pm until 8pm

The Knights of Columbus #16090 Curwensville/Grampian will host a Wine Walk on Friday, November 10 from 5pm until 8pm in conjunction with the Curwensville Merchants "Home for the Holidays" promotion. Wine from many local wineries, as well as distilleries and breweries will be featured. A drawing for \$500 will highlight the evening. Mark your calendars and come join the fun. Food will be available. Advanced tickets cost \$20 and can be purchased by calling St. Timothy's Church at 814-236-1845, Sean at 814-577-0748, Pete at 814-592-1718, or Rick at 814-541-2483. Tickets can also be purchased at the door for \$25.

November Remembrance Table

All Month Long

As in past years, Christ the King will have a Remembrance Table setup in the front of the church for everyone to display photographs of deceased loved ones. This table, and these pictures, will be on display throughout the entire month of November. Beginning November 1, bring your framed photograph and place it on the table yourself. The photos will remain there until the last weekend of November, when we ask that you please take your picture back with you. If you'd like, you may place a label on your frame with the person's name on it.

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