

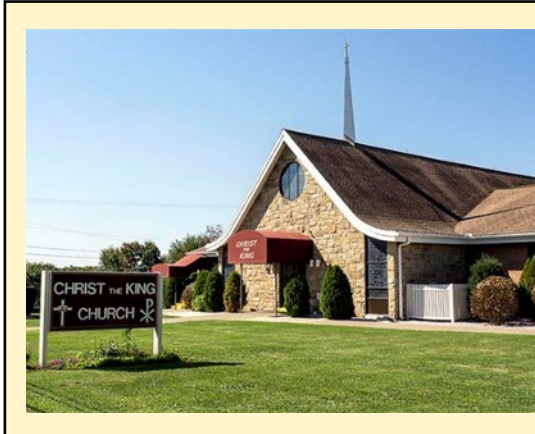
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408 Stone Street · Osceola Mills, PA 16666

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Rev. Johnathan Schmolt, Pastor
Deacon Eugene J. Miller, Deacon Assistant
Rev. Joseph Staszewski, Retired

Office Hours at Christ the King

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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)

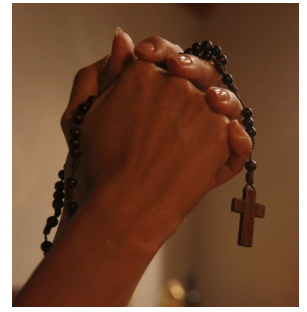
Weekdays: Monday 8:30am (IC); Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30am (CTK); No Mass Tuesday



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: *Joann Bezilla, Clara Tubo, Lane Hawkins, Chris Tekely, Sherri (Murawski) Gehringer, 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, Luke Francisco, Sherri Thompson, Cecilia Demchak, Better Health of Anonymous*



Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Parish burns this week in memory of Evelyn Tubo & Randy Tubo requested by Nancy Callovini.

Parenting Pointers

The day after Thanksgiving is often called “Black Friday” since merchants often start making a profit as Christmas shopping starts. It’s also called “Buy Nothing Day” by those trying to reduce consumerism. Sure, you’re going to buy presents *some* time but buy less, avoid fighting crowds, spend the time playing with your kids today. That’s the most meaningful present you can give.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, November 26 • Christ the King

No Religious Ed. Classes

Tuesday, November 28

6:30pm • Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Stations of the Cross (CTK)

Friday, December 1

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 27

8:30am • James Ernest by Friends & Neighbors (IC)

Tuesday, November 28

No Mass

Wednesday, November 29

8:30am • Richard Ames by Elaine Donley (CTK)

Thursday, November 30

No Mass

Friday, December 1

8:30am • Holy Souls (CTK)

Saturday, December 2

4pm • Evelyn Tubo & Randy Tubo by Nancy Callovini (CTK)

Sunday, December 3

8:30am • People of the Parish by Pastor (IC)

10am • George Pallo by Nancy Francisco (CTK)

Marriage Moments

Did you grow up having a pet (dog, cat, hamster, bird... whatever?) Did one of you bring a pet into your marriage? Do you have a pet now? If so, who is responsible for caring for it? Why? What’s your pet peeve?

Family Perspective

Our actions as parents in feeding the hungry, welcoming strangers or estranged relatives into our homes teach our children moral lessons of life. We clothe our sick or imprisoned neighbors by caring for them and visiting them. The beatitudes are the perfect playbook for Jesus’ expectations of families. Our routine actions make Christ present in all we do.



Christ the King Parish Pastoral Council
(Comprised of Christ the King Church and Immaculate Conception Church)
Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2023

Call to Order- Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Kristi Twoey.

Prayer-Father Johnathan Schmolt led the Council in prayer.

Roll Call-Father Johnathan Schmolt, Krist Twoey-President, Deacon Gene Miller-Ex-officio, Robert Chirdon, Jim Rice, Mary Ann Hockman, Tina Stine, Tim Slifko, Floyd Hauth, Ed Vancas and Jenny Leskovansky

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for October 2, 2023, meeting was reviewed, motion to accept minutes made by Robert, second by Ed, vote taken, and minutes approved without opposition.

Old Business:

Stained Glass Windows-Kristi reported she has spoken with Associated Crafts and is still awaiting information from them, she noted it was suggested one of the crates containing the windows be opened to determine the status of the window, council agreed with this idea. Kristi will report back to the council at the next meeting.

Pastoral Council Bylaws-Bylaws were reviewed, changes made related to Parish name after recently announced merger, membership eligibility and typographical errors were noted, all changes will be made, and Council will review and vote on Bylaws at next meeting.

Pastoral Council Membership Application-Application was reviewed, and changes made related to parish name, and requirement for council member to be active church participant. Motion made by Robert, second by Jenny to accept Pastoral Council Membership Application with corrections noted, vote taken, motion passed without opposition.

Immaculate Conception Hall Rental Agreement-Mary Ann presented Immaculate Conception Hall Rental Agreement, discussion was held, after discussion it was suggested to make addition of 'nothing may be attached to walls or ceiling.' Motion made to accept Hall Rental Agreement with addition noted by Mary Ann, second by Jim, vote taken, and motion approved without opposition.

Weber, Murphy, Fox Facility Assessment CTK Church facilities-Discussion was held regarding necessity for assessment, motion made by Robert, second by Mary Ann to recommend acceptance of Weber, Murphy Fox for facility assessment to Finance Committee, vote taken, Floyd and Jim voted in opposition, Tim abstained, motioned passed.

Committee Reports:

Fundraising Committee-Jenny reported Patriot Day Festival Net Profit report has been compiled and net profit from Patriot Day Festival is \$20,242.39. Jenny reported Turkey Bingo is scheduled for Saturday, November 18, 2023. Volunteers are still needed to work on the floor and kitchen.

Cemetery Committee-Father reported markers have been placed at St. Lawrence Cemetery. Father also noted Cemetery committee will be combined, Robert stated he will reach out to an Immaculate Conception member who has been active with their cemetery committee to ask him to join the combined committee.

Building and Grounds Committee-Jenny reported the Building and Grounds Committee will now be combined into one committee for both churches. Jenny reported CTK facility project list includes: steamers, garbage disposal replacement, glass entry door sticking, loose article in center aisle, and multiple other items, the committee reviewed the list and is working on items. Jim R reported IC facility recently had flue, chimney, garage wall cracks and retaining wall repairs. Jim R also reported the parish hall dishwasher is to be installed this week and there are two areas on the church that require attention an area of flashing that is loose and an area of rubber roofing that required repair, both are going to be assessed. Jim R also noted the bilco door to the basement will need replacement in the spring.

Evangelization Committee-Deacon the first meeting of the Evangelization Committee. Posters for Eucharistic Revival have been placed in Christ the King and Immaculate Conception. Plans are in the works for Adoration and Stations of the Cross on Tuesday, November 28 at Christ the King and Adoration and the Rosary on Monday, December 11 at Immaculate Conception. Deacon reported RCIA classes are going well, there is one candidate for Confirmation, a family that wishes to join the church and a few current parishioners who are also attending the program.

New Business-

Land for sale new St. Lawrence Cemetery-Discussion was held regarding parcel of land for sale near St. Lawrence Cemetery, after discussion held, motion made by Tim, second by Robert to recommend Father Johnathan investigate potential for purchase of land, vote taken and motion passed without opposition.

CTK Annual Facility Maintenance Agreement-Bids were reviewed regarding annual facility maintenance agreement for CTK facilities, after discussion held, motion made by Floyd, second by Robert to recommend second bid reviewed to Finance Committee, vote taken and motion passed without opposition.

CTK Rectory HVAC-Father Johnathan reviewed bids received thus far for repair or replacement of CTK Rectory HVAC system, after discussion it was noted, he is still awaiting one more bid and issue tabled to next meeting while awaiting additional bid.

Christ the King-Immaculate Conception Merger-Father reviewed Decree by Bishop Persico announcing merger of Christ the King Church and Immaculate Conception Church effective December 1, 2023. Father noted mass times will not change. Father further noted final decisions regarding how finances of churches will be merged will be discussed by the Finance Committee and determined at a later date.

Immaculate Conception Bazaar-Mary Ann thanked all parishioners from both churches for their support of the Immaculate Conception Altar Rosary Society Roast Beef Dinner and Bazaar. She reported the net profit for the event was \$8,298, which is almost double their previous best net profit. She noted they were so busy they ran out of food and hoped to grow the event next year.

Continued from Pastoral Council Meeting...

Next meeting set for Monday, January 8, 2024 at 6:30 pm

Adjournment-Tina made motion, second by Jenny to adjourn meeting, vote taken, motion passed without opposition. Meeting adjourned

**Fundraising Committee Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2023**

Patriot Day Festival-Net profit for the event is \$20,242.39.

Lottery Calendar-No net profit available yet.

21 Club-Michelle reported ticket sales are going well, no report on the number of tickets sold so far. It was noted the Super 50/50 was not as popular as the previous year's lottery animals and next dinner we will resume lottery animal raffle sale.

Turkey Bingo-Saturday, November 18, 2023, doors open at 5 pm, early birds at 6 pm and regular games at 7 pm. Prize for regular games is \$20 gift card for meat dept at Shop n Save. Menu will include sloppy joes, hot dogs, hamburgers, French fries, nacho cheese and hot dot sauce for hot dogs and French fries, candy bars and bags of chips.

Paddle Party-Saturday, March 2, 2024, we'll begin planning for prizes at January meeting.

Patriot Day Festival 2024-Sunday, September 8, 2024.

Parish Donations-Traci noted that in the Erie Faith Magazine a parish in Erie uses QR codes in the church to allow parishioners and attendees to make donations via their cell phones, she further reported that our website does not have a donation tab for the Parish or the option to have direct draft donations. Jenny noted she'll bring these items to Father Johnathan and see how we can get these options instituted.

Next Fundraising Meeting: Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 6:30 pm

**Christ the King Parish-
(Comprised of Christ the King Church and Immaculate Conception Church)
Building and Grounds Committee
Sunday, November 12, 2023**

Present: Jerry Dufour, Tony Miller, Jack Archer, Bud Greslick, Jim Leskovansky, Jim Rice, Father Johnathan, and Jenny Leskovansky. Father suggested with merger of Christ the King and Immaculate Conception the two Building and Grounds Committees should merge as well. From this date on there will be one Christ the King Parish Building and Grounds committee that is responsible for Christ the King Church facilities and Immaculate Church facilities related issues.

Old Business

CTK Kitchen Drains-Father said Bloom has not cleared drains yet.

CTK Parish Center Kitchen Steamers-Tony will look at steamers to see if removal is an option to allow for rearranging kitchen to make it more functional.

CTK Parish Center Garbage Disposal-Discussion was held regarding potential repair of garbage disposal, per Bloom it is not repairable and will need replaced, Jim L. and Tony agreed to investigate getting a new one.

CTK Facility Project List-List reviewed, and multiple projects were discussed, and members of committee agreed to address projects.

IC Chimney & Flue-Jim R. reported Paul Demko was at IC and repair work was done on church flue, rectory chimney, garage and retaining wall.

IC Parish Hall-Jim R reported new dishwasher to be installed this week in the parish hall.

IC Grounds-Jim R reported the use of high lift for chimney repairs caused disruption of grass and that area has been repaired and reseeded.

IC Church Roof-Jim R reported there is an area of church roof that needs flashing sealed and another area that may require repair of rubber roofing.

IC Church Bilco Door-Jim R reported the bilco door to the church basement is in poor condition and will need replaced in the spring.

New Business

CTK Parish Center-Jack reported ice machine is getting repaired and will be placed on a preventive maintenance schedule.

Discussion was held regarding scheduling of meetings, it was decided to move meetings to 2nd Sunday of Month and skip December, next meeting will be 2nd Sunday in January.

Next Meeting will be held Sunday, January 14, 2024, at 11 am in CTK-Parish Center.

Holiday Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 24

- 5pm** • Christmas Vigil Mass (IC)
- 9pm** • Christmas Vigil Mass (CTK)

Monday, December 25

- 9am** • Christmas Day Mass (CTK)

Patriot Day Thank You

Many have been curious to know what the net profit was for this year's festival. We are pleased to share that the 2023 Patriot Day Festival brought in \$20,242.39! We wish to once again extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated their resources, time, and talents to this year's festival. Without your generosity, this would not have been possible. We look forward to seeing you all again next year, September 8, 2024.

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

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with the Rosary
- Monday, December 11 at 6:30pm

Please plan on attending and praying at these special events.

Christmas Giving Tree

Return Gifts Sunday, December 10

The Christmas Giving Tree will be displayed in Christ the King Church on Wednesday, November 22. All gifts must be returned by Sunday, December 10 as they will be delivered to Bethany Retreat Center. Please attach the provided gift tag identifying the name and need of each person. If you would like to give a fit receipt, please enclose it in an envelope so that it will be given directly to the parents.

Advent Penance Services

Sunday, December 10

- 3pm** • Christ the King, Houtzdale

Sunday, December 17

- 3pm** • St. Francis, Clearfield

Monday, December 18

- 6pm** • St. Agnes, Morrisdale

Stewardship

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, this week's bulletin had to be sent to the publisher before last weekend's collection was taken. The offertory amounts will be posted in next weekend's bulletin.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 26

No Religious Ed. Classes

Tuesday, November 28

6:30pm • Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Stations of the Cross (CTK)

Friday, December 1

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

Sunday, December 3

- 11am** • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK Parish Center)
- 5pm** • 4th Degree K of C Christmas Party (CTK)

Friday, December 8

- 8:30am** • Mass for Immaculate Conception of Mary (CTK)
- 9am** • Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (CTK; until 10am)
- 6:30pm** • Mass for Immaculate Conception of Mary (IC; reception with light refreshments to follow)

K of C & CDA Christmas Parties

K of C Christmas Party • Wednesday, December 13, 6:30pm

Knights of Columbus Our Lady of the Valley Council will be having their Christmas Party Wednesday, December 13, at 6:30PM. Anyone interested in joining the Knights of Columbus is welcome to come to the party. There will not be a meeting on December 6.

CDA Christmas Party • Wednesday, December 13, 6pm

Catholic Daughters Court St. Victoria will be holding their Christmas Party Wednesday, December 13, at 6PM. All members are to bring a covered dish. Anyone interested in joining Catholic Daughters is welcome to attend the party.

Christmas Cookie & Soup Sale

Saturday, December 2 • 9am until noon

St. Timothy Church in Curwensville is hosting a Christmas Cookie & Soup Sale on Saturday, December 2 from 9am until noon in their parish hall. Call 814-236-1845 for details.

Looking for the Perfect Christmas Gift?

If your family is planning a wedding in 2024, consider giving a gift that helps couples plan for lifelong marriage. Give your children the gift of Engagement Encounter. The next EE weekend will be held on January 19-21 at St. Mark Catholic Center in Erie. Space is limited and early registrations are encouraged. For more information, contact the Family Life Office at 814-824-1261 or familylife@erieRCD.org. Register at <https://www.erieRCD.org/familylifeoffice/>. Remember, "A wedding is one day, but marriage is for a lifetime."

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