

THE HOLY FAMILY OF *Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

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)

*The child
grew and
became strong,
filled with
wisdom; and
the favor
of God
was upon him.*

Luke 2:40

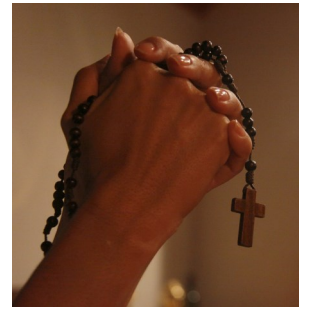
12/31/2023



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., 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*



Marriage Moments

Ask your spouse if there's one little annoying habit that he/she would like you to work on changing. You don't HAVE to do it, but the best part of a New Year's resolution might be making an effort to please the one you love most.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, December 31 • The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

No Religious Ed. Class

Monday, January 1 • Not a Holy Day of Obligation

8:30am • Mass for Solemnity of Mary (IC)

Wednesday, January 3

6:30pm • K of C Meeting (CTK)

1pm • Red Cross Blood Drive (CTK; until 6pm)

Friday, January 5

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 1

8:30am • George & Joanne Supenia by Tim & Cindy Supenia (IC)

Tuesday, January 2

8:30am • Anthony & Marie Flango by Family (CTK)

Wednesday, January 3

8:30am • Kathy Pino by Robbie Ball (CTK)

Thursday, January 4

8:30am • Joseph & Mary Frank by Daughters & Families (CTK)

Friday, January 5

8:30am • Holy Souls (CTK)

Saturday, January 6

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

Sunday, January 7

8:30am • Tim Supenia by Marilyn Adams (IC)

10am • Pete Giza by daughter Peggy Slifko (CTK)

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Church burns this week in memory of Raymond Buynak.



Parenting Pointers

The days between Christmas and New Years can be a happy but also hectic family time. Perhaps you're hosting relatives or traveling to visit them. Ask your child which Christmas routines they like and which they don't? What would they substitute?

Stewardship

Your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

Sunday & Holy Days

Actual 12/24/2023	Actual Total Fiscal YTD	Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)
\$13,358	\$34,036	\$20,260	68.0%
Count of envelopes: 164/529		Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$5,065	

Catholic Services Appeal 2023

Actual 12/24/2023	Actual Total to Date	Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)
\$160	\$47,259	\$44,383	6.5%
Total Pledges: 114/529		Total Pledged: \$50,939	

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.

In Memoriam

If a loved one has passed and you would like their name listed in the bulletin for prayers, please call the rectory. The secretary doesn't always know whose relative has passed on, but she would like to include them for prayers.



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.

JJ Powell

Two times a year JJ Powell makes a donation to Immaculate Conception Parish through their Church Program. Donations are calculated based on the number of gallons delivered to the associated church members between January 1 and December 31 of each year. Parishioners who receive fuel from JJ Powell can participate in the Church Program at any time through the year by calling their office at 814-342-3190.

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 #7)

Ken Jacobson (Elaine Murawski)	\$100
Rick Hemphill (John Mahute)	\$50
Clayton Ireland (Ray Graham)	\$25



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Open/Close Times for the Churches

Immaculate Conception, Osceola Mills

Monday-Sunday • 8am until noon

Christ the King, Houtzdale

Monday-Friday • 7:30am until 2:30pm

Saturday & Sunday • 7am until end of Mass

Religious Education

A reminder that there will be no Religious Education classes for all grades on Sunday, December 31. Classes will resume on Sunday, January 7, 2024. We wish you all a happy holiday!

Bulletin Announcements

All announcements for the bulletin need to be submitted in writing via email or dropped off at Christ the King rectory **at least two weeks prior** to the anticipated weekend. Any announcements given after that cut-off may not be included in the bulletin due to time and space constraints. Email address is listed on the front of this bulletin.

Engagement Encounter

Next to your own wedding day, Engagement Encounter is a weekend you will never forget! EE still has a few openings for its **January 19-21** weekend at St. Mark Catholic Center in Erie. Call the Family Life Office at 814-824-1261 or email familylife@erieRCD.org. Visit <https://www.erieRCD.org/familylifeoffice/> to register. Space is limited; register today! Interfaith couples are encouraged to attend.

Upcoming Events

Monday, January 1 • Not Holy Day This Year

8:30am • Mass for Solemnity of Mary (IC)

Wednesday, January 3

1pm • Red Cross Blood Drive (CTK; until 6pm)

6:30pm • K of C Meeting (CTK)

Thursday, January 4

2pm • Altar Rosary Society Meeting (IC Basement)

Friday, January 5

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

Sunday, January 7

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

Monday, January 8

6:30pm • Pastoral Council Meeting (CTK)

Tuesday, January 9

6:30pm • Fundraising Committee Meeting (CTK)

Wednesday, January 10

6:30pm • CDA Meeting (CTK)

Finance Council Advertisement

Finance Council Nominations

Dear Parishioners,

Due to the merger of Immaculate Conception into Christ the King, the finance councils for the previously separate parishes have ended and a new combined finance council needs to be formed. In forming the new finance council, I am seeking nominations from you for parishioners whom you would recommend to be on Finance Council.

Nominations need to be written and can be sent to Fr. Johnathan by email, dropped into the collection basket, or delivered to the office. When nominating a person, please provide the following information:

- Your name
- The person being nominated
- Why you are nominating the person
- Why you believe the person is qualified to be on the Finance Council

Nominations will be accepted through January 1, 2024. Thank you for helping me find the best people to advise me about our financial affairs.

Peace in Christ,

Fr. Johnathan Schmolt, Pastor

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