

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a Fountain of Mercy for us,

**I Trust In You!**

# DIVINE MERCY

## 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](mailto: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)



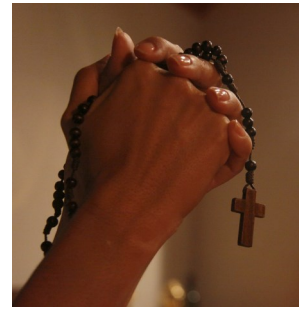
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In order to stay up-to-date on everything happening at Christ the King Parish, visit our website at <http://ctk-ic.org> or follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/ctkic>.

## 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: *Clara Tubo, Lane Hawkins, Chris Tekely, Sherri (Murawski) Gehringer, Bill Collins, Jr., David Collins, Charles Lockett, Sr., John Mahute, Carmen Yarger, Judi Lesko, Roger Witherow, Lucy Weis, Mick Patkalitsky, Luke Francisco, Sherri Thompson, Cecilia Demchak, Better Health of Anonymous, Jared Gmerek, Michael Burns, John Russell, Joann Bezilla, Chris Switala*



## Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at Christ the King Church burns this week in memory of Leroy Greslick, Sr. requested by Joyce & Bud and families.

## Parenting Pointers

April 5 was Golden Rule Day) "Treat others as you would like them to treat you." (Mt. 7:12) It's both common sense and Biblical sense; but sometimes hard to do. This week when you feel angry or irritated at someone, flip the roles and try to treat them with honest love.

## Weekly Schedule

### **Sunday, April 7 • Divine Mercy Sunday**

- 11am** • Religious Ed. Classes (CTK; until 12:15pm)
- 3pm** • Divine Mercy Service (CTK; reception to follow)

### **Tuesday, April 9**

- 6:30pm** • Fundraising Committee Meeting (CTK)

### **Wednesday, April 10**

- 6:30pm** • CDA Meeting (CTK)

### **Friday, April 12**

- 9am** • Exposition (CTK; until 10am)

### **Saturday, April 13**

- 3pm** • 21 Club Party (CTK)

## Mass Intentions

### **Monday, April 8**

- 8:30am** • Joan Walko by Elaine Donley (IC)

### **Tuesday, April 9**

- 8:30am** • Eddie & Joanne George by Dave & Micki Stodart (CTK)

### **Wednesday, April 10**

- 8:30am** • Leroy Greslick, Sr. by Joyce & Bud and Families (CTK)

### **Thursday, April 11**

- 8:30am** • Ray Buynak by Jack & Barb Archer (CTK)

### **Friday, April 12**

- 8:30am** • Christine Yebernetzky Dorman by K of C #10376 (CTK)

### **Saturday, April 13**

- 4pm** • Better Health of Matthew Kitko, Jr. by Shirley Cardinal (CTK)

### **Sunday, April 14**

- 8:30am** • Angeline Walko by Elaine (IC)
- 10am** • People of the Parish by Pastor (CTK)

## Marriage Moments

"Love is not simply a feeling; it is a decision." (Marriage Encounter principle) When the feeling fades – as it does at times – recommit to building your relationship. DO something loving for your spouse. Feelings are passing. Love goes beyond feelings.



## A Family Perspective

In today's gospel Jesus teaches, "Blessed are those who have not seen and believe." Accepting someone as they are, without demanding they prove themselves or meet our expectations, creates a rich relationship. Real mercy begins here.



## Good Shepherd Collection

**Weekend of April 20-21**

In two weeks, we will have our annual Good Shepherd Collection in our parish to assist with the needs of caring for our retired diocesan priests. There is a special need to assist them with the escalating health care costs and long-term care expenses. As more priests become eligible to retire from active ministry in the next few years, our Priest Retirement Plan must be adequately funded to cover their future needs. Please consider a generous gift to the annual Diocesan Good Shepherd Collection on the weekend of April 20 & 21. Use the designated envelope provided or any envelope and mark on it "Good Shepherd Collection."

## Child Protection & Creating Safe Environments

**Child Abuse Prevention Month**

**Reporting Child Abuse:** It is every adult's moral responsibility to report known or suspected abuse or neglect of a minor to the responsible authorities. Physical and sexual abuse of minors are pervasive societal problems, and only concerted and sustained efforts by all adults in every segment of society can help to protect children and youth. In the 2022 Pennsylvania statewide report there were 4,992 substantiated reports of child abuse and 440 more cases in the court system. 2,056 or 38.2% of the substantiated reports were for sexual abuse, 1,501 were physical abuse. 62.2% of the victims were female. Parents remain the persons most responsible for abuse of their children. *To report child abuse, call Childline at 1-800-932-0323 (anytime 24/7). For particular questions on reporting abuse in the Diocese of Erie, you may call the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth at 814-824-1195.*

## 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

## 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.

## 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 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.

## Stewardship

Your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

### *Sunday & Holy Days*

Actual 03/31/2024	Actual Total Fiscal YTD	Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage Over (Under)
\$9,022	\$106,773	\$118,465	(9.9%)
Count of envelopes: 124/529		Weekly Budgeted Offertory: \$6,235	
<i>Catholic Services Appeal 2024</i>			
Actual 03/31/2024	Actual Total to Date	Parish Goal	Percentage Over (Under)
\$505	\$28,684	\$72,000	(60.2%)
Total Pledges: 109/529		Total Pledged: \$39,609.25	
Good Friday/Holy Land collection: \$1,384			

## K of C Spaghetti Dinner

**Wednesday, April 17 • 4:30pm**

The Knights of Columbus Council #2250 will host a Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday, April 17 from 4:30pm until 6:30pm at the Osceola Mills VFW. Cost is \$8; eat-in or take-out.

## Evangelization Committee Meeting

**Thursday, April 25 • 6:30pm**

There will be an Evangelization Committee Meeting on Thursday, April 25 at 6:30pm in the Christ the King Rectory.



## Online Giving

Did you know that Christ the King Parish has implemented 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.

## Join the Cemetery Committee!

**First meeting April 22 at 6:30pm**

Christ the King Parish is looking for parishioners who are interested in keeping a check on our cemeteries. Meetings will be quarterly through the year. The first meeting will be on Monday, April 22 at 6:30pm in the Christ the King Rectory.

## 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 \_\_\_\_\_

## Upcoming Events

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### **Sunday, April 21**

**11am** • Last Day of Religious Ed. Classes

## K of C Scholarship

Our Lady of the Valley council #10376 will be awarding a \$1,000 scholarship to a high school senior entering a college or professional/trade school in Fall 2024. Applications are due back no later than April 12, and can be found in the back of Christ the King Church.



## 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.

## Chaplet of Divine Mercy Novena

Please join us for an afternoon of Divine Mercy Devotions including Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, topic presentation, Praises of the Divine Mercy, the Rosary, and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament today, April 7 at 3pm at Christ the King Church. Refreshments to follow in Christ the King Parish Center. All are welcome!

## 21 Club Party

The 21 Club Party is quickly approaching and will be held on Saturday, April 13. Letters have been mailed to all current ticket holders. The party will include dinner, drinks, live entertainment provided by The Moore Brothers, as well as various opportunities to win on small games of chance, and our grand prize drawing where you could win up to \$2,000—need not be present to win the grand prize. All ticket holders are eligible to win! If you would like to purchase a 21 Club ticket for just \$21, call the office during business hours or contact one of our many sellers. This party only happens twice a year.

**Additional sellers are needed;** if you're interested in becoming a seller, call the office for more information. **Volunteers are needed** to help setup the evening before and to work the day of. This is a great opportunity for students in need of service hours. Please use the sign up sheets in the back of the church or contact the office to add your name.

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