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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Closed Friday Closed daily for lunch: 12:00 noon-12:30 p.m. Bulletin deadline Monday 10:00 a.m.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome to Christ the King Parish. We register new parishioners after every Sunday Mass in the Commons. Registering in the parish is the primary way we have of communicating with you, and is required for Sacramental purposes and for your children's participation in Christian Formation Programs.

Please contact the Parish Office for more information. If you are moving, notify the Parish Office.

BAPTISM

Baptism of children under the age of 8 takes place at regular weekend Masses throughout the year except during Lent. Please contact our Faith Formation

Office at least three months prior to the desired date. All parents must attend a three-hour class.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

For Confirmation preparation of teenagers, please contact our Youth Minister.
For Baptism of older children and adults, all First Communion preparation and Confirmation of adults, please contact our director of Faith Formation. Adults who are considering becoming Catholic are invited to participate in our RCIA program.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the office at least six months in advance to set dates, make arrangements for instruction and for planning the ceremony. Marriage Preparation for the couple is a requirement.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Scheduled on Saturdays, 3:30-5:00 p.m. in the church or by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

This sacrament is administered on request to those who are ill at home, undergoing surgery, are in the hospital, or in a nursing home.

Please consider your Parish Family and/or School in your last will and testament.

EUCHARIST IS CELEBRATED

WEEKENDS

Saturday – 5:30 p.m. Sunday – 8:30, 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

WEEKDAYS

According to Mass Schedule inside.

CTK VISION: To be a vibrant and growing family of God that welcomes and gives an opportunity to everyone to pray and to serve.

CTK MISSION: To seek to be disciples of Jesus Christ by faithfully celebrating the Liturgy, witnessing and proclaiming the gospel, nurturing family life and making the teachings of Jesus Christ central to our lives

CTK GOAL: Our goal as a parish community is to bring the saving grace of Jesus Christ into all our environments.

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 30 TO DEC. 6, 2020

Monday, 11/30	8:30 a.m.	Gianni Di Venti (D)
Tuesday, 12/1	8:30 a.m.	Agata Tricomi (D)
Wednesday, 12/2 (CTK School Only)	8:30 a.m.	
Thursday, 12/3	8:30 a.m.	Guardo & Coco Families (L)
Friday, 12/4	8:30 a.m.	No Mass
Saturday, 12/5	8:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Stephen Rejuney (D)
	8:30 a.m.	Robert Rejuney (D)
Sunday, 12/6	11:00 a.m. (Livestream)	Intentions of Parishioners
	5:00 p.m.	



Please keep our sick & homebound parishioners in your prayers.

If you know someone in need, please contact our office.

Register with CTK Parish: Please remember that it is necessary to register with the parish for the pastor to recommend you or a dear one for Sacraments or Scholarships. Otherwise, the Pastor will have no authority to recommend you. Also, the use of your offertory envelopes indicates to the Parish that you may be eligible for reduced tuition at CTK School.

Mass Intentions: Please contact the office if you wish to have a Mass said for yourself, a loved one or a special intention. The suggested stipend is \$10 for a daily Mass & \$20 for a Sunday Mass.



CTK's Legion of Mary

has resumed meeting on Saturdays at 10 AM in the Church Commons



For more details, contact Tess Rozelle theroze0305@aol.com

New members are always welcome!

The 11 a.m. Sunday Mass and daily Masses are live streamed on CTK's Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/ctknorfolkva

Sunday's Mass is also viewable on our website.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

2nd Sunday of Advent December 6, 2020

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 Psalm 85:9-14 2 Peter 3:8-14

Mark 1:1-8

"That those chosen by Christ to "prepare the way of the Lord" as priests, deacons, brothers and sisters will answer His call, we pray to the Lord."

Considering a call to the priesthood?

The **Office of Vocations** will be hosting discernment gatherings for young men who would like to discern the call to priesthood. If you would like to attend, please email vocations@richmonddiocese.org or call (804)-359-5661.

Informal Discernment gatherings

are held the 1st Saturday of every month. They usually begin with Mass at 10:00 AM followed by a social event and lunch.



Fírst Fríday, December 4th 8:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

On Friday, December 4th, Deacon Mike will lead us in Lauds (Morning Prayer) with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 8:30 AM. All are invited to adore throughout the day. At 6 PM, Deacon Mike will lead us in Vespers (Evening Prayer) with Benediction as we close out the day. If you can commit to a full hour, please contact Janet Ficca.

Opportunities to Serve @ CTK

- Livestream Camera Person for Daily Masses & Funerals
- Church Cleaning Crew Members
- Ushers & Readers for Daily & Weekend Masses
 - Grounds Crew Members
 - Altar Server Coordinator
 - Peace & Justice Committee Members

To learn more about these opportunities, contact the parish office at (757) 622-1120 or by email at office@christthekingnorfolk.org



THIS WEEK AT CTK

Advent Wreath Making Class	11/29	12:30 – 3:30 PM	Church Commons
Virtual Rosary	12/1	7:00 PM	via phone (757-551-6414)
Cleaning Team 3	12/2	9:30 AM	Church
RCIA- Journey in Faith	12/2	7:00 PM	Ashland House
Divorce Care	12/2	7:00 PM	via Zoom
Spirit of God Prayer Group	12/3	7:00 PM	Church Commons
Virtual Rosary	12/3	7:00 PM	via phone (757-551-6414)
Lauds (Morning Prayer) with Exposition	12/4	8:30 AM	Church
First Friday Adoration	12/4	9 AM - 6 PM	Church
Vespers (Evening Prayer) with Benediction	12/4	6:00 PM	Church
Legion of Mary	12/5	10:00 AM	Church Commons
Children's Church (Ages 2-5)	12/6	10:30 AM	Ashland House
Confirmation Class	12/6	6:30 PM	via Zoom

Click Here to Support our School!



Our Peace & Justice Committee needs you!

Our **Angel Tree** is going up **Sunday**, **November 29**th!

We will be supporting St. Columba, St. Mary's and Catholic Worker again and they have asked for **gift cards only** this year. Please return the gift cards the weekend of Dec. 13th for St. Columba and Dec. 20th for St. Mary's and Catholic Worker.

If you are interested in helping with the **Sandwich Ministry** or have any questions, please feel free to contact Sonia at 822-3204 or email at vazquez1974@hotmail.com



Training is currently being held online!

As we prepare to resume in-person meetings, please remember that **ALL** adults who work with our children (including volunteers) must be VIRTUS certified.

Contact Janet Ficca to register for the class.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

Number of families contributing to operating income during the month of November: 92 out of 350 families

Financial information for the weekend of November 22nd will be posted next weekend.

Online Giving can be done directly at https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/408

4th Annual Make Your Own Advent Wreath!

Sunday, November 29th 12:30 to 3:30 PM

Option 1: Make Your Own Cost for materials: \$25

Option 2: Made for you: \$35





Join us on **Tuesdays & Thursdays** at **7 p.m.** in praying the **Rosary**.

Stephanie Brown will lead us.

Please dial 757-551-6414.

No PIN number required.



Baptismal Preparation for Infants & Children up to age 7

Classes are being held online. Please contact Mrs. Ficca at least 3 weeks before the desired date.





November 29, 2020 | First Sunday of Advent

Is 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7 | 1 Cor 1:3-9 | Mk 13:33-37

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Sometimes I grow nostalgic for the laid-back Advents of my childhood: making a list for Santa, digging into the perforated cardboard Advent calendar for chocolate for breakfast, and lighting the Advent wreath (fire!) each Sunday. We all know, however, that the season can quickly become usurped by things to do – shopping, family, cleaning, etc. Today's readings remind us that this is not what Advent is about. The tone in our Scriptures which begin the Advent season is not subtle. Isaiah asks God to return, to "rend the heavens and come down" – to save and deliver his people. The psalm is equally adamant: "Lord, make us turn to you." We, as a Church, are waiting for the fullness of the Kingdom on earth, and we must prepare.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I'm a cradle Catholic, but for me, Advent was always about waiting to celebrate the birth of Christ. I love pulling out the Nativity scene and lighting the candles each week leading to the celebration of Christ's birth. Only in recent years have I grown in awareness of the dual meaning of Advent - that we Christians also are waiting for Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. I admit, it's always seemed to me something far into the future and perhaps not applicable to my lifetime here on earth. However, as Jesus reminds us in the Gospel, "You do not know when the Lord of the house is coming." And while this is true, it not something to fear, but something to prepare for and look forward to! We wait in joyful hope, asking for the grace to remain faithful to our baptism and to live in a way that makes Christ's presence known to others.

Remember the pre-pandemic holidays? Chances are, you've got some extra time on your hands this season. Why not use it to take a deeper dive into Advent this year, by participating in an online Bible study or reading and praying with the Scriptures each day of Advent.



Volunteer for NEST Today

First Presbyterian will be hosting NEST from December 2nd through January 13th. They have created a form through Sign-Up Genius where you can sign up directly online.

We will be helping with NEST from December 23rd to the 30th. If a slot is already filled, please contact Paul or Clayton directly so that they can put you down as backup. There are many other volunteer opportunities in December and January. If you are still able and willing to be a part of NEST, here is how to find the website and sign up:

Go to <u>www.fpcnorfolk.org</u> and click on "NEST" from the dropdown menu under "Serve".

- 1. Read "Ways to Serve"
- 2. If you still wish to sign up, click on the "Sign Up" button. You will see a schedule for December 2nd through January 13th. All positions are listed by date and time with the number of slots needed to be filled. Select the desired "Sign Up" button(s) and you will see a green check mark appear on the button.



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If you are in Kindergarten to Grade 5 and are interested in becoming a Cub Scout, contact our Cubmaster, Matt Little at cubmaster.p628@gmail.com or (757) 695-8048.

We meet on Monday evenings in Ashland House.

- Once you have selected all the time slots that you want to volunteer for, scroll to the orange button at the bottom of the page that says "Submit and Sign Up" to enter your choice.
- 4. Fill in the required info (Name, e-mail, phone number), then click on "Sign Up Now" to finalize your selection.
- 5. If you have any difficulty signing up, contact me at pmsnavy@yahoo.com and I will relay the problem(s) to First Presbyterian.

Thank you! - Paul Schultz

Family Faith Formation for Grades 1 to Grades 8

This year we will be meeting both virtually and inperson! Our virtual classes will be family based through Zoom. Our in-person classes will continue the same lesson with a hands on activity. All may attend either or both.

Virtual Classes - Sundays @ 6:30 p.m.

December 13th - Advent & Christmas January 24th - Unit 2 February 28th - Unit 3 & Lent March 14th - Unit 4 April 11th - Unit 5

In-Person Classes - Sundays @ 9:30 a.m.

December 20th - Advent & Christmas
January 10th - Baptism
February 14th - St. Valentine & Lent
March 28th - Palm Sunday
April 25th - Holy Eucharist & the Mass
May 16th - Year End Celebration

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Alicia at 757-627-6748 or visit their website:
www.stcolumbaministries.com

"Hope is faith holding out its hand in the dark."

Advent is a special time of year to gain spiritual fruits, particularly peace and joy. A special mediator of these graces is our Blessed Mother Mary. In her humanity, she responded with virtue in a special way when the Lord Jesus entered into her life. Her response teaches us lessons that we can best learn from her in the history of salvation.

New at CTK!

Children's Church

All children ages 2 to 5 are Invited to join us during the 11 AM Mass every Sunday! Space and staffing are limited so sign-ups as required using the link below. A small donation of \$2 per child with a maximum of \$5 per family per Sunday would be greatly appreciated. For full details, contact Mrs. Ficca at faith@christthekingnorfolk.org.



https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0549A9AC2DA3FC1-childrens



Curious about the Catholic Faith?

RCIA is a program for adults and older children who are thinking about becoming Catholic.

Join us on Wednesday evenings at 7 PM in Ashland House.

Email Mrs. Ficca to register: faith@christthekingnorfolk.org

Are you an Adult Catholic who never made Your Confirmation?

Contact Mrs. Ficca today. While each case is unique, the preparation is pretty simple and you could be ready in as little as 4 weeks!





This year, Mrs. Ficca will be holding an **Advent Mission Night** on **Tuesday, December 1**st **at 7 p.m. in Ashland House**. It's an opportunity to draw more intentionally into the season of Advent and to obtain the grace associated with Advent devotion. An optional journal will be available for purchase for \$5. Reserve your spot by Sunday, November 29th.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2020-2021

ADORATION DURING ADVENT

8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. every Friday – December 4th, 11th, & 18th Will begin with Lauds (Morning Prayer) @ 8:30 a.m. Will conclude with Vespers (Evening Prayer) @ 6 p.m.

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:30 a.m. & 7 p.m. Masses on Tuesday, December 8th

CHRISTMAS

Children's Vigil Mass at 5 p.m. on Christmas Eve 8 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve 10 a.m. Mass on Christmas Day

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, December 26th 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m. & 5 p.m. Masses on Sunday, December 27th

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

5 p.m. Mass on Thursday, December 31st 10 a.m. Mass on Friday, January 1st

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday, January 2nd 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m. & 5 p.m. Masses on Sunday, January 3rd

Please Note: Mass Times in **bold** will be livestreamed. There will be **NO** morning Mass on Thursday, December 24th; Saturday, December 26th; and Thursday, December 31st.

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