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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.

EUCCHARIST 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 DECEMBER 21st TO 27th

Monday, 12/21	8:30 a.m.	
Tuesday, 12/22	8:30 a.m.	
Wednesday, 12/23	8:30 a.m.	
Thursday, 12/24	5:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	
Friday, 12/25	10:00 a.m.	Barb Mytych (L)
Saturday, 12/26	5:30 p.m.	
Sunday, 12/27	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (Livestream) 5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Parishioners Florence Donofrio (D)



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.

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

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Christmas Eve December 24, 2020

Isaiah 62:1-5
Psalm 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25
Matthew 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Christmas Day December 25, 2020

Isaiah 52:7-10
Psalm 98:1-6
Hebrews 1:1-6
John 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

"That, as Joseph and Mary welcomed the gift of the Child Jesus, all mothers and fathers will prayerfully nurture their children's vocations in Christ and especially welcome His call for priests, brothers and sisters, we pray to the Lord."

Feast of the Holy Family December 27, 2020

Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3
Psalm 105:1-6, 8-9
Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17
Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

"That Catholic mothers and fathers will help their children grow strong in their faith, filled with the wisdom of God and encourage openness to vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, we pray to the Lord."

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.

The **11 a.m. Sunday Mass** is live streamed on CTK's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/ctknorfolkva>

We will resume live streaming all daily Masses as soon as some hardware is upgraded.



THIS WEEK AT CTK

Children's Church (Ages 2-5)	12/20	10:30 AM	Ashland House
Faith Formation Gr. 1-6	12/20	9:30 AM	Ashland House
Cleaning Team #2	12/22	9:00 AM	Church
Virtual Rosary	12/22	7:00 PM	via phone (757-551-6414)
Christmas Vigil – Children's Mass	12/24	5:00 PM	Church
Christmas Vigil	12/24	8:00 PM	Church
Christmas Day	12/25	10:00 AM	Church
Legion of Mary	12/26	1:30 PM	Church Commons

Sign-Up for CHRISTMAS Mass

As you know, seating is limited. Please sign-up for Christmas Mass by **Sunday, December 20th** so we can determine if we need to add another Mass.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0549A9AC2DA3FC1-christmas>



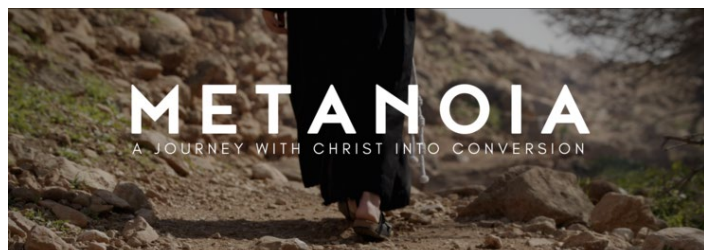
Join us on **Tuesdays & Thursdays at 7 p.m.** in praying the **Rosary** virtually. Stephanie Brown will lead us. Please dial 757-551-6414. No PIN number required.



CTK's *Legion of Mary*

has resumed meeting on **Saturdays at 1:30 PM** in the Church Commons

For more details, contact Tess Rozelle theroze0305@aol.com
New members are always welcome!



Spirit of God Prayer Group – Thursdays @ 7 p.m.
Church Commons – All are welcome!
Will resume Thursday, January 7th with Session 3



DIVORCED? SEPARATED? WE CAN HELP!

- Our next 13-week program begins **Wed, January 13th** via Zoom.
- Additional assistant leaders are needed. Training will be held on **Wednesday, January 6th at 7 p.m.**
- Contact Tess Rozelle at theroze0305@aol.com or Janet Ficca at faith@christthekingnorfolk.org for more information.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

Number of families contributing to operating income during the month of December: 48 out of 346

Financial information for the weekend of December 6th & 13th will be posted next weekend.

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



Christ the King School

is looking for a **part-time, long term sub** for **7th & 8th Grade Language Arts**, beginning January 4, 2021.

Call (757) 625-4951 for full details.

St. Columba Ecumenical Ministries

is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping those who are homeless and low-income.

Current Needs:

Pine Sol, Bathroom Cleaner, Razors, Bottled Water, Travel Size Hygiene Items, Nonperishable Food Items

Please bring donations to the church. The collection box is inside the TV cabinet in the Church Commons.

For more information, please contact Alicia at 757-627-6748 or visit their website: www.stcolumbaministries.com



December 20, 2020 | Fourth Sunday of Advent

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16 | Rom 16:25-27 | Lk 1:26-38

Written by
THE
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GROW AS A DISCIPLE

PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

During Advent, we await the One who is perfect grace, light, and joy. The Christ Child's arrival during a time when darkness has been increasing each day, and our anticipation of that arrival, emphasize his salvific role. For if even the smallest light is a glimmer of hope in the night, how much more is Christ's perfect and all-consuming light a life-saving flare in the darkness of sin and death. As we hear the angel Gabriel say of Christ, in his visitation to Mary: "He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High ... and of his kingdom there will be no end." Emmanuel, God with us, is the reason for our hope, and the reason for our joy.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I don't know about you, but despite my best intentions, I have been known to get a little swallowed up in the commercialism of Christmas. But this last week of Advent feels like a chance to reorder my mind and heart. One way to do this is by focusing on the "O Antiphons," prayed during the Church's evening prayer from December 17-23. Each antiphon begins with the word "O," and is followed by a title for the Messiah, found in Scripture, and a petition for him to come and save his people. Although this may sound overly complicated, you most likely know of these without realizing it: they have been transposed into the verses of the hymn, *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*. Today's first reading speaks of David, who thought he could build a place for God to dwell, but he can't. Instead, for us, whom God created and fashioned in his own image, God created a dwelling for his Son, so that he might enter into our human history as one of us; and in doing so, dwell among us and within us forever. Come, Lord Jesus.

INVITE

When lighting the final candle on your Advent wreath, invite your family to help you make the prayer interactive. Focus on the lesser-known verses of *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*, such as the one below – it is an ancient prayer still very relevant today.

O King of the Nations

O come, Desire of nations, bind
In one the hearts of humankind;
O bid our sad divisions cease,
And be for us our King of Peace.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel.*

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Volunteer for NEST Today

First Presbyterian on Colonial Ave will be hosting NEST from December 2nd through January 13th. We have created a form through Sign-Up Genius where you can sign up directly online for the week we will be helping with: **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.

To sign-up, go to:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0549a9ac2da3fc1-nest>

- ✓ 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.
- ✓ 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.
- ✓ Fill in the required info (Name, e-mail, phone number), then click on "Sign Up Now" to finalize your selection.
- ✓ If you have any difficulty signing up, please contact Janet Ficca at faith@christthekingnorfolk.org



Christmas Flower Dedications 2020



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Josephine Wallis

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Brain Paul Picone

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE ~ 2020-2021

CHRISTMAS

Children's Vigil Mass at 5 p.m. & 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.



Family Faith Formation for Grades 1 to 6

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

NO MORE ZOOM MEETINGS!

If you can't meet face to face, contact Mrs. Ficca and your child's catechist will work with you and your child one on one.



Grades 6 to 12

Youth Group is Back!

Sundays @ 6:15 p.m.

All middle & high school students are invited to participate in our upcoming Youth Group activities.

December 20th - Deck the Halls

Join us for hot chocolate and cookies as we decorate the church for Christmas!

January 10th - Remembering our Baptism



Preparation for First Reconciliation

In Church - Parents & Children

Tuesday, January 19th @ 6:30 PM

➤ Before Meeting:

Parents - Watch Forgiven Sessions 1 & 2

Children - Complete Sessions 1, 2 & 3

Tuesday, February 16th @ 6:30 PM

➤ Before Meeting:

Parents - Watch Forgiven Episode 3 & 5

Children - Complete Sessions 4 & 5



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>



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.



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!



Baptismal Preparation for Infants & Children up to age 7

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