

Advent

LORD make us turn to you;

let us see your face

and we shall be saved.

Psalm 80



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Friday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

Bulletin deadline: Friday by 12:00 noon

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

ANOIDING 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 6th TO December 12th

Monday, 12/6		No Mass
Tuesday, 12/7	8:30 a.m.	
Wednesday, 12/8 Immaculate Conception	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Henry Okobi (L) CTK School Mass Phyllis Lee (D)
Thursday, 12/9	8:30 a.m.	
Friday, 12/10	8:30 a.m.	Michelle Muñoz (L)
Saturday, 12/11	8:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	
Sunday, 12/12	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (Livestream) 5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Parishioners Tony Quezon (D) Fr. Matthias (L)

Liturgical Ministers for December 11th & 12th

	5:30 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM	5:00 PM
Altar Serv. 1	A. Litkowski	S. Okobi	J. Satchivi	K. Killian
Altar Serv. 2	L. Litkowski	G. McIntyre-Stevens	H. Gonzalez	C. Courtenay
Child. Lit. 1	x	x	J. Ficca	x
Child. Lit. 2	x	x	C. Connor	x
Eucharistic	x	x	x	x
Reader 1	C. Goodwyn	B. Okobi	T. Owuama	E. Hunley
Reader 2		O. Okobi	V. Satchivi	J. Ficca
Usher 1	C. Rannigan	T. Duncan	P. Daugherty	K. Brink
Usher 2	J. Fellowes	G. Duncan	E. Webb	P. Brink
Usher 3	x	x	T. Womack	x

On the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, Wednesday, December 8th**, His Eminence Timothy P. Broglio, Archbishop of the Military Services, will celebrate **Holy Mass at Naval Station Norfolk @ 6 PM.**

A Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration from 5 PM - 6 PM will precede Holy Mass for the safety of those left behind in Afghanistan. We invite military families and all others with base access to participate in this great moment as we commemorate the 80th anniversary of the consecration of *Our Lady of Victory Catholic Chapel* on Christmas Eve, 1941. Light refreshments and hors d'oeuvres to follow.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

December 12th, 2021

Third Sunday of Advent

Zephaniah 3:14 – 18a9

Psalm: Isaiah 12:2 – 6

Philippians 4:4 – 7

Luke 3:10 – 18

Scriptures are #999 in the Hymnal.

Vocations

Do you rejoice in the Lord? Is He asking you to consider a vocation as a priest? Call the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

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. Stipend should be paid at the time of request.

Flowers:

If you would like to have flowers placed in the church in memory of a loved one, please contact Cassandra Goodwyn (757) 544-8915. Full arrangements range from \$75 to \$125 but other options include cut flowers and plants.



Please keep our sick & homebound parishioners in your prayers. If you know someone in need, please contact our office.

Liturgical Ministers for December 8th

8:30 A.M

Altar Servers: S. Killian, A. Toro

Reader: B. Pelleck

7:00 P.M.

Altar Servers: S. Killian, R. Vicente, H. Gonzalez

Eucharistic: Deacon Brown

Reader: S. Brown

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 or online giving indicates to the Parish that you may be eligible for reduced tuition at CTK School.



Confirmation Class	12/5	6:15 PM	Office Conference Room
Cleaning Team #1	12/6	6:30 PM	Church
Cub Scouts	12/6	6:30 PM	Ashland House
Liturgy Committee Meeting	12/7	7:00 PM	Office Conference Room
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Masses	12/8	8:30 AM & 7:00 PM	Church
Family Faith Night	12/8	5:00 – 6:45 PM	Ashland House
Cantor / Choir Practice	12/9	6:30 / 7:00 PM	Church
Virtual Rosary	12/9	7:00 PM	via phone (757-551-6414)
Spirit of God Prayer Group	12/9	7:00 PM	Church Commons
First Friday Adoration / Vespers (5:30 PM)	12/10	9:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Church
Circulo d'Oracione Prayer Group	12/10	7:00 PM	Church Commons
RCIA	12/12	9:30 AM	Conference Room
Youth Mass / Youth Group	12/12	5:00 / 6:00 PM	Church / Ashland House

Welcome Weekend – December 11th & 12th



Please join us in welcoming all of the families who have joined Christ the King Parish from January 2020 through November 2021 after all Masses next weekend!

Parish Council and Ministry Leaders will be on hand after all Masses to meet you.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!

On behalf of the Parish Council, I wish to thank everyone who helped us celebrate our Feast Day on November 20th & 21st!
~ Sandy Butterfield

Installation Mass with Bishop Knestout Saturday, December 18th at 5:30 PM

Please join us on **Saturday, December 18th** at the 5:30 PM Mass as Bishop Knestout officially installs Fr. Joseph Wamala as our pastor!
As small reception will follow the Mass.



Adoration during Advent Friday, December 10th & 17th 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Every Friday during Advent, we will have Mass at 8:30 a.m. followed by Adoration throughout the day. At 5:30 PM, we will end with Vespers (Evening Prayer) and Benediction as we close out the day. If you can commit to a full hour, please contact Janet Ficca.



Seniors Age 55 & Better Luncheon

Seniors age 55 & better are invited to meet for lunch on the **2nd Tuesday** of the month at **12:00 noon**.

Please join us **Tuesday, December 14th**, at the Olive Garden at J.A.N.A.F in Norfolk.

Please contact **Miss Evie at 757-853-2206** to RSVP



I'm still have room for a few more children in **Grades 3-8** to sing one or two songs with the cantor prior to the start of Mass on Christmas Eve, and one song with the cantor during Communion. Rehearsals are on Sunday afternoons.
Please email me at music@christthekingnorfolk.org.
Thank you! B. J. Atkinson

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

December Special Collections:

Budget Deficit & Capital Improvements N.E.S.T.
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
CTK School Roof Christmas Flowers
Christmas Catholic Charities

- Please note that it is not necessary to divide up monthly donations into weekly envelopes.
- **All Online Giving** (including special collections) can be done directly at
www.osvhub.com/christthekingnorfolk/funds

**"PREPARE THE WAY
OF THE LORD, MAKE
STRAIGHT HIS
PATHS."
(Lk 3:4)**

December 5, 2021 | Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9 | Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 | Lk 3:1-6

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

Today we have blogs and life coaches, Facebook groups and self-help books, all of which can help us become better human beings. These resources come to mind as I read St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians – I think St. Paul would be the ultimate life coach! All of his letters to the early Church offer wisdom, encouragement, and instruction, and the words we heard today are particularly significant as we prepare for Jesus' coming this Advent: "the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus." Unlike some of our modern-day resources, Paul's words go beyond simply helpful advice; they are rooted in faith and prayer, and in the truth of the Paschal Mystery. These words assure us that we are not alone on our journey, that what God has promised in the person of his Son will come to fruition: Christ will come again! And so, as John the Baptist did, we who are disciples are meant to witness to his coming, announcing the Good News and preparing for his – second – coming. Repent. Believe. "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." How do we do this? Engage with Scripture – read it and really hear what the Word of God is saying to you. Pray for insight, that the grace of God might transform you to go forth and announce the Gospel.

ACTIONS Re-read today's Gospel, and then consider how Saint Paul followed in John the Baptist's footsteps in his Letter to the Philippians. Think of ways you, like John and Paul, can encourage one another, and be a voice crying out in the desert. Participate in the sacrament of reconciliation and pray that God may cleanse your heart to welcome him at Christmas, and when he comes again.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Even pre-Google, I spent more time than perhaps I should have hunting down the perfect gifts, especially for my young boys. I'd scour the ads, then get up early on Black Friday and hit the stores in search of deals and hard-to-find items. Perhaps that's why these words from St. Paul stopped me in my tracks: "And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, *to discern what is of value* [italics added], so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ." During Advent, these words can both assure and challenge us – to grow in love, knowledge, and a sense of what really matters during our time on earth. For me the challenge will be to spend less time shopping this season and more time focusing on deepening my relationship with God, who is preparing to turn the darkness into light. This doesn't mean we can't take delight in finding that perfect gift; but we ought also to increase our recognition that all gifts come from God, including our ability to have access to and means to purchase material gifts. We can find joy in God's presence (and presents?) among us.

Our Angel Tree Needs You!



We are doing our Angel Tree a little differently this year. In addition to \$25 gift cards to Walmart, Target or Foodlion, we currently have 2 families that we are working with:

Family #1 – 5 boys, ages 3 to 16; food being provided by St. Columba

Family #2 – twins, 1 boy & 1 girl, age 6 and 1 boy, age 4

If you would like to "adopt" one of the children, contact Janet Ficca for full details.
If you know of anyone else in need, please contact our office as soon as possible.



St. Columba Ecumenical Ministries

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

Current Needs

Granola Bars, Individually Wrapped Beef Jerky,
Disposable Masks, Scarfs and Gloves,
Gently used or new men's clothing and belts

Food for Christmas----Cranberry, yams, stuffing,
canned fruit and non-perishable foods.

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



Make a Difference Through Your IRA

During this time of giving, a distribution from your IRA is a great way to give back to our parish! Did you know: if you are 72 or older, you can make your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your IRA straight to our parish.

Giving through your IRA is EASY! To learn how you can make an impact through your IRA right now, contact your financial advisor or Maggie Keenan at the Catholic Community Foundation - 804-622-5221 or mkeen@richmonddiocese.org.

IMPORTANT: Please make your gift as soon as possible so you can ensure it is received by December 31st, 2021!



PreK to Grade 5: Sundays, 9:30 to 10:45 AM

Please complete Interactive Reviews for Lessons 1 to 10 by December 19th – [Finding God 2021](#)

Grades 6 to 12: Sundays, 6:00 to 7:30 PM

December 19th
January 23rd
February 20th

March 20th
April 24th
May 15th

Confirmation Classes for Teens (Grade 10+) & Adults

Classes will be held on the 1st Sunday of each month from **6:15 to 8 PM** in person and via Zoom.



Our next class is **TONIGHT (12/5)**.

Sponsors are highly encouraged to attend with their candidate.



DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE 2022

February 11-13, 2022

DYC is open to all students in **Grades 8 to 12** but we are limited to **4 participants** this year!

Please go to:

<https://evangelizerichmond.org/events/diocesan-youth-conference-2022/> for full details.

Please contact Mrs. Ficca as soon as possible if interested in attending.

Save the Date!

All Youth Group members are invited to join us on Tuesday, December 28th from 3 to 5 PM!



MARCH FOR LIFE 2022

ANNUAL OFFICE FOR EVANGELIZATION PILGRIMAGE
JANUARY 20-21, 2022



March for Life

Our goal is to have 4 girls and 4 boys participate!

Registration is Now Live!

January 20-21, 2022

For 8th-12th Grade Teens

Contact Mrs. Ficca as soon as possible to reserve your space!

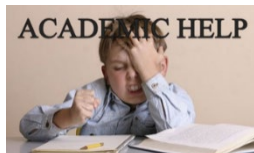
Altar Servers Needed

- Do you have a child in the third grade or higher?
- Have they made their First Holy Communion?

Then this ministry is for them! Please contact Kay Killian at kay747@cox.net for more information.

Family Faith Night

On **December 8th**, help will be available from 5 to 6:45 PM only due to Mass at 7 PM.



All ages are welcome to participate in **all** activities; however, parents must stay with their children – no drop offs. Contact Mrs. Ficca for full details at faith@christthekingnorfolk.org.



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