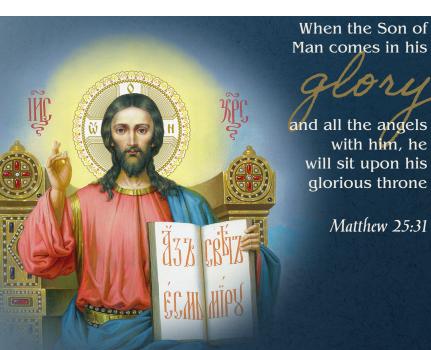


CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NOVEMBER 26, 2023 | SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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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: Thursday by 3:00 p.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 and 11:00 a.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 NOVEMBER 27th TO DECEMBER 3rd

Monday, 11/27		No Mass		
Tuesday, 11/28	8:30 a.m.	Mary Alice & Clarence Carter (D)		
Wednesday, 11/29	8:30 a.m.	Patty & Gene Phelps (D)		
Thursday, 11/30	8:30 a.m.	Linda & Clyde Enmon (D)		
Friday, 12/1	8:30 a.m.	Deceased Member of the Sacred Heart O.S.F.		
Saturday, 12/2	8:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Fred Capps (L) A Personal Intention		
	8:30 a.m.	Intentions of Parishioners		
Sunday, 12/3	11:00 a.m. (Livestream)	Tony Quezon (D)		

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.

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 \$100 to \$150, but we have other options.



8:30 AM Mass: 2nd & 4th Sundays 11:00 AM Mass – Every Sunday

Two additional teams are needed at 8:30 and at least one additional team is needed for the 5th Sunday of each month for the 11 AM Mass. Please contact Janet Ficca at (757) 646-2684 or through the office for more info and / or to volunteer.

	Liturgical Ministers for December 2 nd & 3 rd				
	Saturday, 12/2	Sunday, De	Sunday, December 3 rd		
	5:30 PM 8:30 AM		11:00 AM		
Altar Serv.1	S. Killian	S. Stevens	J. Adenko		
Altar Serv. 2	B. Clark	G. Stevens	D. Satchivi		
Altar Serv. 3	х	х	х		
Child. Lit. 1	х	х	P. Brink		
Child. Lit. 2	х	х	B. Stamps		
ЕМНС	M. Agnese	J. Radford	J. Womack		
Reader 1	Reader Needed	J. Ficca	C. Goodwyn		
Reader 2	Reader Needed	Reader Needed	Reader Needed		
Usher 1	C. Rannigan	T. Duncan	K. Brink		
Usher 2	J. Fellowes	G. Duncan	T. Womack		
Livestream	х	х	x H. Luettel		

Next Sunday's Readings

First Sunday of Advent

December 3rd, 2023

Isaiah 63:16b – 17, 19b; 64:2 – 7 Psalm 80:2 – 3, 15 – 16, 18 – 19 1 Corinthians 1:3 – 9 Mark 13:33 – 37

Scriptures are # 992 in Hymnal.

Vocations Awareness

"I was hungry and you gave me to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink."

Is Christ calling you to serve Him in others as a sister, brother, deacon or priest?

Call Father Matthew Kiehl at 804-359-5661 or email him at vocations@richmonddiocese.org

CTK 75 Special Collection

Please support our parish with this special collection!

For **November** and **December**, we are asking everyone to give a little extra to reduce our current deficit. Every little bit helps. Envelopes are in a basket on the baptismal font or you can bring your own – just label them CTK 75 and include your name.

Thank you for your generosity!

Happy Feast Day!



THIS WEEK AT CTK

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Make Your Own Advent Wreath	11/26	2:00 PM	Church Commons	
Cub Scout Pack Meeting / Boy Scouts	11/27	6:30 PM / 7:00 PM	Ashland House / School	
Parish Council Meeting	11/28	6:00 PM	Conference Room	
Peace & Justice Committee Meeting	11/28	6:00 PM	Ashland House	
Legion of Mary	11/28	7:15 PM	Ashland House	
Cleaning Team #3	11/29	9:30 AM	Church	
Divorce Care	11/29	6:30 PM	Conference Room	
Becoming Catholic	11/29	7:00 PM	Conference Room	
First Reconciliation Class	11/30	6:00 PM	Ashland House	
Virtual Rosary	11/30	7:00 PM	via phone (757)551-6414	
Spirit of God Prayer Group	11/30	7:00 PM	Church Commons	
First Friday Adoration / Vespers (5:30 PM)	12/1	9:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Church Commons	
Memorial Mass for Georges Sama	12/1	7:00 PM	Church	
That Man Is You (TMIY)	12/2	6:00 AM	Church Commons	
Faith Formation Class for Pre-K – Grade 8	12/3	9:45 AM	Ashland House	
Faith Formation Class for Grades 9 – 12	12/3	12:15 PM	Ashland House	

Holiday Help

If you know of a parishioner who could use a little help this year with Christmas, please contact the office.



I'm looking for kids in **Grades 3-8** who would love to sing for the Lord for our **Children's Mass on Christmas Eve**.

Rehearsal time to be determined.

A choir mom/dad is needed who is VIRTUS trained.

Please email me at <u>music@christthekingnorfolk.org</u> if interested as soon as possible. Include your children's names, ages, and other musical experiences, such as chorus or music lessons. Thank you! B. J. Atkinson

Annual Make Your Own Advent Wreath Sunday, November 26th at 2 PM

Option 1: Make Your Own – Cost for materials: \$35

Option 2: Made for you – \$50

Email or text Mrs. Ficca as soon as possible to sign-up to make your own or order a finished one.

Space & materials are limited.





Curious about the Catholic Faith?

Need to Receive any of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion)?

 Becoming Catholic is a program for adults and older teens who are thinking about becoming Catholic and for adults who never received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. We meet most
 Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in Ashland House. All are welcome!

Contact Janet Ficca for more info at <u>faith@christthekingnorfolk.org</u>

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

December Special Collections:



CTK 75, Catholic Charities, Christmas Flowers, Christmas, Capital Improvements, Budget Deficit, and Feast of the Immaculate Conception

All Online Giving (including special collections) can be done by scanning the QR code above or by going directly to:

https://osvhub.com/christthekingnorfolk/giving/funds



November 26, 2023 | The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Ez 34:11-12, 15-17 | 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 | Mt 25:31-46

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

The paradoxical ways we have come to understand Jesus can give us spiritual whiplash. He is both a tender and caring shepherd of sheep and one who sends strong rams and goats to the eternal fire; the executed human and divine man who came into full resurrected glory. He is God incarnate into human history and born in a manger; the servant-leader; the one who is both God and man. This is the beauty of what we call the Paschal Mystery - that the Son of God came into the world and by his life, death, and resurrection he has reconciled us to the Father, and has redeemed us. He saves us from the death of sin. As Catholics we are comfortable with paradox: We are inhabitants of a kingdom of God that is already (here) but not yet (fully realized); we are both an Easter people and we live in a world of Good Fridays. So when Jesus says in today's Gospel that whatever we do to the least of people, we do to Christ himself and we will reap our actions in the fullness of that kingdom, we understand that he is a king unlike any other king. He cares not for pomp and circumstance, but wants to ensure that all - even the least among us - are given his gifts to share. The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe celebrates that we have a king who cares more for us than anyone on earth could ever care for us, and we are blessed to be able to love and serve him in return.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In the midst of our busy lives, it is no secret that our thoughts can easily be preoccupied with things other than prayer or our relationship with God. Perhaps we struggle with maintaining a daily prayer practice. So when we pause to take stock of our lives - where our attention is focused during the day-to-day - it's easy to see that God is sometimes "off to the side." Perhaps we take everything we have been given for granted, or maybe we are just not sure how to make him the most important aspect of our lives. Just like cultivating a friendship takes active effort, so does our relationship with God. Just as watering a plant near its center allows the water to spread throughout the surrounding area, to its roots and the soil - thus making it fruitful and full - putting Jesus Christ, our king, at the center of our lives means that his goodness flows into everything else we say and do. Our lives and our hearts will grow in goodness and bear rich fruit.

INVITATION Challenge yourself this week to subvert expectations and keep God first. Show Christ is Lord over your life by prioritizing your faith and building up your priorities around him. Make a daily appointment in your calendar for prayer and look for opportunities to put Christ at the center, or heart, of your daily life.



First Friday Adoration – Friday, December 1st – 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

We will have Mass at 8:30 a.m. followed by Adoration throughout the day. At 5:30 PM, we will end with Vespers and Benediction as we close out the day.



St. Columba Ecumenical Ministries is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping those who are homeless and low-income. During the **Month of December**, we will be collecting:



Food for Holiday Baskets

Boxed: stuffing, instant potatoes, Jiffy corn muffin mix, dessert mix **Canned:** corn, green beans, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, fruit and hams **Frozen** 10-12 lb. turkeys and Fresh or Frozen hens

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



During the month of November, the Church especially remembers all those who have died. She commends the souls to God who gave witness to their faith and their belief in the future resurrection with Jesus Christ.

During the month of November, the BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD will be on the long table in the Commons. All are invited to write the names of any family member or friend who has died on the pages of the book.

During the Universal Prayer/Prayer of the Faithful, we will pray each week for all those whose names are inscribed in the book. We hope that seeing the names will help us to recall the lives of our faithful departed and so add their individual prayers to those who have lost a loved one. May God grant all the faithful departed Eternal Life in Heaven with the Trinity and the Communion of the Saints.

On All Souls Day, we especially remember all parish members who have died during the past year: Ricardo Asban, Victor Chapman, Roberta DeMeo, Philip Escuadra, Donald Hornick, Roberto Ramos, Georges Sama, Carole Scoble, and Catherine Taggert.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2023-2024

ADORATION DURING ADVENT

8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. on December 1st & 15th Will begin with Mass @ 8:30 a.m. Will conclude with Vespers (Evening Prayer) @ 5:30 p.m.

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:30 a.m. & 7 p.m. (livestreamed) Masses on Friday, December 8th

RECONCILIATION SERVICE

6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 21st

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Reconciliation at 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 23rd Regular Weekend Masses - 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 23rd and 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. (livestreamed) on Sunday, December 24th

CHRISTMAS EVE

Children's Vigil Mass at 5 p.m. with Children's Carols beginning at 4:30 p.m. 9 p.m. Vigil Mass with Festival of Carols beginning at 8:15 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY

10 a.m. Mass (livestreamed)

HOLIDAY HOURS

The week of December 25th – 29th, the church office will be open: Wednesday, December 27th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, December 28th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace</i> <i>to those on whom his favor rests.</i> " (Luke 2:14)					1 First Friday 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM-6 PM Adoration 5:30 Vespers 7:00 Circulo d'Oracione	2 6;00 AM TMIY 8:30 Mass 3:30 PM Reconciliation 5:30 Vigil Mass
3 1 st Sunday of Advent 8:30 AM Mass 9:45 FF for PK – Gr 8 11:00 Mass 12:15 PM FF for Grs 9-12	 4 St. John Damascene 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 Boy Scouts No Mass Fr. Joe's Day Off 	5 8:30 AM Mass 6:30 PM Liturgy Comm. 7:15 Legion of Mary	6 St. Nicholas 8:30 AM Mass 7:00 PM Becoming Catholic	7St. Ambrose8:30 AM Mass7:00 PM Choir Practice7:00 Virtual Rosary7:00 Spirit of God Prayer	8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation) 8:30 AM Mass 7:00 PM Mass	9 St. Juan Diego 6;00 AM TMIY 8:30 Mass 3:30 PM Reconciliation 5:30 Vigil Mass
10 2 nd Sunday of Advent 8:30 AM Mass 9:45 FF for PK – Gr 8 11:00 Youth Mass 5:00 PM Youth Group Fundraiser at Sk8 House	11 St. Damasus I 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 Boy Scouts No Mass Fr. Joe's Day Off	12 <i>Our Lady of</i> <i>Guadalupe</i> 8:30 AM Mass 12:00 PM Sr. Luncheon 7:15 Legion of Mary	13 St. Lucy 8:30 AM Mass 7:00 PM Becoming Catholic	14 <i>St. John of the Cross</i> 8:30 AM Mass 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 Virtual Rosary 7:00 Spirit of God Prayer	15 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM-6 PM Adoration 5:30 Vespers 7:00 PM Circulo d'Oracione	16 6;00 AM TMIY 8:30 Mass 3:30 PM Reconciliation 5:30 Vigil Mass
17 3 rd Sunday of Advent 8:30 AM Mass 11:00 Mass	18 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 Boy Scouts No Mass Fr. Joe's Day Off	19 8:30 AM Mass 7:00 PM Finance Comm. 7:15 Legion of Mary	20 8:30 AM Mass 7:00 PM Becoming Catholic	21 St. Peter Canisius 8:30 AM Mass 6:00 PM Reconciliation Service 7:00 Virtual Rosary	22 8:30 AM Mass 10:00 Hanging of the Greens 7:00 PM Circulo d'Oracione	23 St. John of Kanty 8:30 AM Mass 3:30 PM Reconciliation 5:30 Vigil Mass
24 4 th Sunday of Advent Christmas Eve 8:30 AM Mass 11:00 Mass 4:30 PM Children's Carols 5:00 Children's Mass 8:15 Festival of Carols 9:00 PM Vigil Mass	25 Christmas Day The Nativity of the Lord 10:00 AM Mass Office Closed	26 St. Stephen 7:15 PM Legion of Mary Office Closed	27 St. John, Apostle8:30 AM Mass	28 Holy Innocents 7:00 PM Virtual Rosary 7:00 Spirit of God Prayer	29 St. Thomas Becket 8:30 AM Mass 7:00 PM Circulo d'Oracione Office Closed	30 3:30 PM Reconciliation 5:30 Vigil Mass
31 New Year's Eve The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph 8:30 AM Mass 11:00 Mass		o <i>llections:</i> nolic Charities culate Conception, istmas Flowers,	Box	ed: stuffing, instant pota corn, green beans, swe	Dillection for D Iliday Baskets atoes, Jiffy corn muffin r	nix, dessert mix sauce, fruit and hams

Greetings, parishioners, families, and friends,

We are very excited to report that our Raise the Roof Campaign has raised \$128,150.00! We are getting close to our goal of \$175,000 and we appreciate every donation that we receive.

We would also like to invite you to our Lunch with Someone Special on Tuesday, November 28. There are two lunch seating, 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Please call Ms, Leeth, 757-625-4951 to R.S.V.P

Families, thank you for partnering with us to educate your children. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to contact the school office or email me directly at kcallahan@ctkparish.org.

Take care, everyone!

Kim V. Callahan, Principal Christ the King Catholic School



28 Lunch with Someone Special iGiveCatholic
29 Interims Reports Issued



February 9-11, 2024

Early Bird Registration for DYC closes 11/30. Open to all Youth in Grades 8 to 12. Send your registration to Mrs. Ficca by 11/29 to save \$50!

https://evangelizerichmond.org/events/diocesan-youthconference-2/

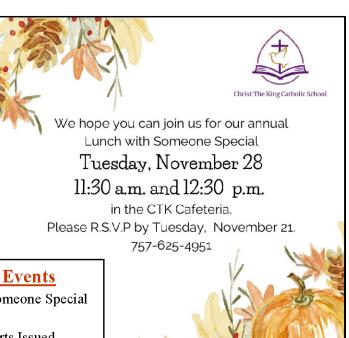


Families with Young Children

Welcome to Christ the King! Children are especially close to the heart of Jesus so don't feel you have to stifle those wiggles and giggles. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you, so please participate and try to sit where they can see what is happening.

If your child should become verbally or physically restless, please quietly step out and utilize the chairs that have been placed in the Commons just for you. When your child has calmed, please return to your pew.

> Do not give up! You are welcome here, always.



Youth Group Roller Skating Christmas Party & Fundraiser at Sk8 House, VA Beach

ALL are invited to join us on **Sunday, December 10th** from 5 to 9 PM for a night of fun and fellowship.

Admission is \$8 per person and includes skate rental. RSVP by Friday, December 8th.



Sponsor a Wreath to Honor our Veterans

My name is Emily. I am a CTK parishioner and a member of American Heritage Girls Troop VA 0316. Each year, my troop places wreaths on the graves of the Veterans at Hampton National Cemetery.

Please help us honor Veterans by sponsoring a wreath for \$17.

If you would like to lay wreaths on the graves, join my troop and many other volunteers at the **Hampton** National Cemetery on Dec 16th at 12:00 PM.

You can participate in 3 ways:

- 1. Scan the QR code
- 2. Make a check payable to Wreaths Across America

 Access my link: <u>https://wreathsacrossamerica.org/pages/166191</u>





