

CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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 APRIL 15TH TO 21st

Monday, 4/15		No Mass	
Tuesday, 4/16	8:30 a.m.	Francesca & Mary (D)	
Wednesday, 4/17	8:30 a.m.	For Our School Children	
Thursday, 4/18	8:30 a.m.		
Friday, 4/19	8:30 a.m.	Fr. Deogratias Ssonko (D)	
Saturday, 4/20	8:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Intentions of Parishioners	
Sunday, 4/21	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	A Special Intention Janet Swinehart (D)	
	(Livestream)	()	

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 at (757) 544-8915. Full arrangements range from \$100 to \$175, but we have other options.

St. Columba Ecumenical Ministries

is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping those who are homeless and low-income. During the Month of April, we will be collecting: Disposable Gloves and non-perishable foods

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

	Liturgical Ministers for Fourth Sunday of Easter			
	Saturday, 4/20	Sunday, April 21 st		
	5:30 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM	
Altar Serv.1	R. Vicente	A. Gutierrez	J. Adenko	
Altar Serv. 2	x	M. Everett	D. Satchivi	
Child. Lit. 1	x	x	A. Luettel	
Child. Lit. 2	x	x	C. Connor	
EMHC	C. Knight	K. Francis	x	
Reader 1	R. Trent	M.L. Jacinto	C. Goodwyn	
Reader 2	C. Burch	L. Francis	A. Vitug	
Usher 1	C. Rannigan	T. Duncan	T. Womack	
Usher 2	J. Fellowes	G. Duncan	S. Matrosky	
Livestream	x	x	J. Womack	

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21st, 2024 Acts of the Apostles 4:8 – 12 Psalm 118:1, 8 – 9, 21 – 23, 28 – 29 1 John 3:1 – 2 John 10:11 – 18

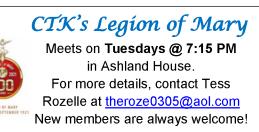
Scriptures are #1071 in the Hymnal.

Vocations Awareness

"Peace be with you." His peace will be fully felt when you are living the vocation that he has called you to. If you think you may have a vocation to follow the Risen Lord as a priest or in consecrated life, talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661or via email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

Welcome Weekend for New Families

Please join us after **all Masses this weekend**, **April 13th & 14th** as we officially welcome the new families who have joined our parish since November.



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.

THIS WEEK AT CTK

Faith Formation (PK – GR 8)	4/14	9:45 AM	Ashland House
Youth Mass & Youth Group	4/14	11:00 AM / 12:15 PM	Church / Ashland House
Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts	4/15	6:30 PM / 7:00 PM	Ashland House / School
Baptism Class	4/16	6:30 PM	Church
Finance Committee	4/16	7:00 PM	via Zoom
Legion of Mary	4/16	7:15 PM	Ashland House
Cleaning Team #3	4/17	9:30 AM	Church
Divorce Care	4/17	6:30 PM	Office Conference Room
RCIA – Mystagogy	4/17	6:30 PM	Ashland House
Virtual Rosary	4/18	7:00 PM	via phone (757)551-6414
Faith Formation (PK – GR 8)	4/21	9:45 AM	Ashland House
Faith Formation (Gr. 9 – 12)	4/21	12:15 PM	Ashland House
Spring Regional Youth Event	4/21	6:00 PM	Holy Spirit Catholic Church

75th Anniversary Committee

Our 75th Anniversary Committee is looking for additional members to help with the planning and running of the events we have planned for June – November 2024!
All are invited to attend our next meeting on Monday, April 22nd at 6 PM in the church office conference room. Contact the Church Office for more details.

Curious about the Catholic Faith?

Becoming Catholic (RCIA) 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.

Join us Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM in Ashland House

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

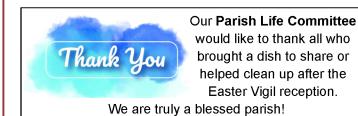
Annual Diocesan Appeal Update

Only 43 families have contributed to the 2024 Diocesan Appeal so far! If you haven't donated yet, it's not too late! Everyone's participation is needed. No amount is too small.



Remember, we get 50% back of everything we take in that is over our goal! Donate today by scanning the QR code to the right or go to:

https://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal-2/



YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

Number of families contributing to the operating income during the month of March: 135 out of 322

Month of March 2024

Monthly Budget Needed Actual Receipts Received Monthly Budget Deficit	\$ \$	38,014.81 <u>28,613.98</u> <u>(9,400.83)</u>		
Year-To-Date Budget Needed YTD Actual Receipts Received YTD Budget Deficit	\$ \$	304,118.49 <u>252,179.96</u> <u>(51,938.53)</u>		
Capital Improvement Collection for March - \$1,247				



April Special Collections:

Budget Deficit

And Capital Improvement

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



April 14, 2024 | Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 | 1 Jn 2:1-5a | Lk 24:35-48

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

It's only been two weeks since Easter, but already the holiday can seem like another item checked off our to-do lists. It's easy to get complacent as we go about our busy lives – marking celebrations, important dates and gatherings on the calendar. Today's readings remind us that the Resurrection is not just a story or a metaphor about something ordinary that happened more than 2,000 years ago. It was so different and so shocking that it trembled the very earth, and nothing has been the same since! Luke describes the confusion the disciples felt when they first saw Jesus in his resurrected body. Here was their Lord and teacher, back from the dead, but not as a ghost or spirit as they might have expected: He was just as real as before. He was eating, speaking, touching, and interacting. And yet he *was* different. He could arrive in a locked room without using the door, pass among people unnoticed (as on the way to Emmaus), and give gifts of wisdom and insight directly to the disciples. Today's Gospel offers Jesus' explanation that these things were done to fulfill the promises God made to the prophets.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The fulfillment of God's promises in Jesus, and his death and resurrection, was not meant to benefit only a few people. We, as his disciples, must spread the Good News that sin and death don't have the last word. St. Peter gives us an inspiring example today when he speaks to the people. Look at how different he is from the man who denied Jesus three times! He boldly goes into the crowd – the same crowd that condemned Jesus to death – and preaches on what a gift we all have been given by Jesus' sacrifice. Peter knows, and we know, that Jesus' defeat of death means everything. We are freely offered salvation through Christ's saving action. Like the members of that crowd, we're invited to be witnesses to this great act of love, and to re-align our lives with God's will. Like Peter, we can speak the Good News without fear.

ACCOMPANY How can we imitate Christ in the way he reached out to his disciples who were wracked with fear and doubt? Perhaps we know somebody who feels trapped by sin, or unworthy of good things, or a constant failure. Let's be honest, sometimes that person is us! We all need encouragement and accompaniment from time to time. Find a way to be that encouragement for someone this week who's having a tough time. You don't have to fix their problems; just listen, let them know you care, and offer a sincere and hopeful encouragement that brighter days lie ahead.

Volunteer Maintenance Coordinator Needed

We are looking for a volunteer to serve as **maintenance coordinator** to be the point of contact for all maintenance issues. This person would be expected to do:

- routine walk throughs of the parish property to look for and evaluate potential problems,
 - · coordinate with the church office to have repairs made when needed,
 - and be a point of contact for emergencies outside of normal business hours.

If interested in learning more, please contact the church office. School families can earn volunteer hours.

Photographers Needed

As part of our 75th Anniversary Celebrations, we would like to redo our Parish Directory! We are looking for a few people who would be willing to take pictures of our parish families after all Masses on the weekends of May 4 & 5, 11 & 12, and 18 & 19. If you can help, please contact the church office as soon as possible for full details.

CTK's Annual Vacation Bible School



Monday, July 22nd

- Friday, July 26th

9:15 AM to 12 noon

Open to those entering Preschool 4 to Grade 6 Register here: <u>https://www.myvbs.org/CTK2024</u>

Our **first VBS planning meeting** for ALL volunteers will be held on **Thursday, April 25th at 6 PM** in Ashland House. Please let Mrs. Ficca know if you will be able to help this year as soon as possible. We need help before, during and after the week of VBS.



Baptismal Preparation for Infants & Children up to Age 7

Our next class is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 16th @ 6:30 PM**.

Please contact Janet Ficca by April 14th to register. <u>faith@christthekingnorfolk.org</u>

Baptism Coordinator Needed

We are looking for an individual or couple to assist with this ministry. Duties would include meeting with families prior to the class, running the class approximately 6 times a year and assisting at the baptisms when possible. If interested, please contact Janet Ficca. Greetings Parishioners, Parents, Friends,

I hope this message finds you well and filled with the blessings of the Easter season. There's much to share as we embark on the journey of faith together.

Some of our dedicated students recently had the extraordinary opportunity to attend the Holy Chrism Mass. This sacred event was not only spiritually enriching but also provided them with a unique chance to meet with our esteemed Bishop afterwards. It's moments like these that truly reinforce the beauty and depth of our faith, and I'm grateful for the experiences our students have been granted.

Looking ahead, we're brimming with excitement for our upcoming 8th-grade trip to Washington, DC! This year's itinerary promises to be exceptional as our students will not only visit the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception but will also explore the enlightening halls of the Museum of the Bible. It's a journey that promises to deepen their understanding of our Catholic heritage and the significance of scripture in our lives.

Thank you for your constant support and prayers for our school. I encourage you to continue to support our work as we advance our mission to elevate, educate and empower our deserving students. There is no greater investment in forming our future saints than a Catholic education!

As we prepare for these enriching experiences, let us continue to uphold one another in prayer, seeking guidance and grace in all our endeavors.

Pax Omnibus, Kim Versprille Callahan, Ed.S. Principal, Christ the King Catholic School

ENROLL NOW FOR 2024-2025

Open Enrollment at **Christ the King School** for the 2024-2025 school year has begun! Please contact Katy Rock at <u>krock@ctkparish.org</u> for a tour and for full details. Financial assistance is available.



Elevate, Educate, and Empower (757) 625-4951





PreK to Grade 8: Sundays, 9:45 to 10:45 AM April 14, 21, 28 May 5 – May Crowning & Year End Party

Grades 9 to 12: Sundays, 12:15 to 1:30 PM April 21st & 28th (bring your lunch)

Youth Group Events:

April 14th – Youth Mass & Youth Group April 21st – Regional Youth Event May 5th – Year End Party for All Faith Formation & Youth Group Families

First Communion will be celebrated on Saturday, May 4th @ 10 AM



Come & see what a Life Teen Night is like! All middle and high school students are invited. RSVP to Mrs. Ficca by 4/18.



REGIONAL YOUTH EVENT

Speaker: Seminarian William Yearout

April 21, 2024 6-8 pm Doors open at 5:30 Holy Spirit Catholic Church 1396 Lynnhaven Pkwy Virginia Beach, VA 23453

