

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 2	2 nd TO 28 th
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Monday, 4/22		No Mass
Tuesday, 4/23	8:30 a.m.	Rodolfo S. Lomogda (D)
Wednesday, 4/24	8:30 a.m.	Erlinda S. Lomogda (D)
Thursday, 4/25	8:30 a.m.	Jeff Danson (L)
Friday, 4/26	8:30 a.m.	Dolores Ficca (D)
Saturday, 4/27	8:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	
Sunday, 4/28	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (Livestream)	Intentions of Parishioners Fred & Amy Capps (L)

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 Fifth Sunday of Easter			
	Saturday, 4/27	Sunday, April 28 th		
	5:30 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM	
Altar Serv.1	J. Gutierrez	K. Okobi	R. Adenko	
Altar Serv. 2	R. Vicente	x	J. Litkowski	
Child. Lit. 1	x	x	K. Rivera	
Child. Lit. 2	x	x	A. Webb	
ЕМНС	M. Agnese	T. Wright	A. Webb	
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	C. Burch	

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28th, 2024

Acts of the Apostles 9:26 – 31 Psalm 22:26 – 27, 28, 30, 31 – 32 1 John 3:18 – 24 John 15:1 – 8

Scriptures are #1074 in the Hymnal.

Vocations Awareness

"There is no salvation through anyone else."

Let us pray for those who are called to follow the Lord as a priest or religious brother or sister that they may generously say YES.

Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: <u>vocations@richmonddiocese.org</u>.

Save the Date!

Our End of Year Party for Faith Formation will be held on Sunday, May 5th at 12:30 PM. Watch for email from Mrs. Ficca coming soon.

CTK's Legion of Mary

Meets on **Tuesdays @ 7:15 PM** in Ashland House. For more details, contact Tess Rozelle at <u>theroze0305@aol.com</u> New members are always welcome!

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)	4/21	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
Cleaning Team #1	4/22	2:00 PM	Church
Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts	4/22	6:30 PM / 7:00 PM	Ashland House / School
Parish Council Meeting	4/23	6:00 PM	Conference Room
Legion of Mary	4/23	7:15 PM	Ashland House
Divorce Care	4/24	6:30 PM	Conference Room
RCIA – Mystagogy	4/24	6:30 PM	Ashland House
Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting	4/25	6:00 PM	Ashland House
Virtual Rosary	4/25	7:00 PM	via phone (757)551-6414
First Communion Retreat & Rehearsal	4/27	10:00 AM	Church
Faith Formation (PK – GR 8)	4/28	9:45 AM	Ashland House
Faith Formation (Gr. 9 – 12)	4/28	12:15 PM	Ashland House

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/

Save the Date!

Altar Server Training will be held on Sunday, May 19th at 9:30 a.m. for all current and new servers. Contact the office or Chad Luettel for more details.

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 21, 2024 | Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12 | 1 Jn 3:1-2 | Jn 10:11-18

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

Several years ago I went to a shopping mall with my six-year-old son, and I could tell he was overwhelmed by the fast-moving crowds; he stuck close to my side. Not long into our trip, he turned a corner and, suddenly, his face lit up. He pointed at a young boy ahead. "That's James! I know him! He's in my class!" he exclaimed, and ran up to talk to him. Out of the sea of strangers was someone he *knew*, and who knew him. That changed the whole experience for him. Today's readings are all about that kind of knowing. In the Gospel Jesus tells us that, like a good shepherd, he knows his flock and they know him. How comforting it is to know that Jesus not only knows each one of us, but he willingly chose to lay down his life for each one of us as the ultimate sacrifice of love. But how do we get to know our Good Shepherd better? By immersing ourselves in Scripture and prayer and seeking a personal relationship with him. If we stay close to the Lord, we'll know his voice when we hear it – in the quiet of our prayer, in the everyday promptings of the Spirit in our decision-making, and even, in the midst of all the noise, as the calming and guiding voice leading us along the right path.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Being known is one of the most fundamental human and spiritual needs. When my son recognized his friend, he also instinctively recognized – without being able to articulate it – this need, in the midst of the anonymity of the mall. And his reaction was so pure: "I know him, and he knows me!" But he didn't leave it at that; he went to engage with his friend. He *encountered* his friend. This is what Christ desires for, and with us – not just to know us, to simply recognize us from afar, but for us to want to encounter him! We are meant to be in community; Jesus is always here for us: in the Church, in the sacraments, in Scriptures and in our hearts.

PRAY Spending time in prayer and reading the Scriptures are essential in order to get to know the voice of Jesus. Read the Gospels this week, even a chapter a day, and contemplate what passages stand out for you. Pray about it at Mass. The Scriptures and the sacraments are how Jesus speaks to us, like a good shepherd speaks to his flock so the sheep will know his voice and follow it.

Photographers Needed

As part of our 75th Anniversary Celebrations, we would like to redo our Parish Directory! We know many of you take beautiful pictures with your cell phones and 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.



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

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.

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.

Greetings Parishioners, Parents, Friends,

There have been a few busy days around CTK! Here are a few highlights!

Our eclipse party was an absolute blast, filled with laughter, awe, and camaraderie as we witnessed the celestial spectacle together. Thanks to all the teachers, whose guidance and support made the event unforgettable, amplifying the joy and wonder for everyone involved. Thanks to their dedication and enthusiasm, it was a perfect blend of scientific curiosity and pure enjoyment.

Our 8th-grade students, accompanied by Fr. Wamala, Mrs. Owens, Mrs. Killian, and Mrs. Rock, went on a spiritual retreat to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. You may remember that we started this tradition in the 8th grade last year. We welcomed the 8th-grade class for Star of the Sea this year on our trip. The students traveled to the Shrine in contemplative prayer and fellowship with others. Once at the Shrine, students did a self-guided tour of the Basilica chapels, honoring the Mother of God. This year, we were fortunate to celebrate Holy Mass with Father Wamala. After leaving the Basilica, students enjoyed some time at the Museum of the Bible, dinner, and fellowship on the way back to school.

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!

Pax Omnibus,

Kim Versprille Callahan, Ed.S., Principal Christ the King Catholic School Eclipse Party April 8, 2024









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



Come & see what a Life Teen Night is like! All middle and high school students are invited.



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

