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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 FEBRUARY 10th TO 16th

Monday, 2/10	8:30 a.m.	No Mass	
Tuesday, 2/11	8:30 a.m.	No Mass	
Wednesday, 2/12	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service	
Thursday, 2/13	8:30 a.m.	No Mass	
Friday, 2/14	8:30 a.m.	No Mass	
Saturday, 2/15	5:30 p.m.	Ann Bishton (L)	
Sunday, 2/16	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (Livestream)	Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Cava (D) Dorothy Wuss (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 at (757) 544-8915. Full arrangements range from \$100 to \$175.



CTK's Legion of Mary

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

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, 2/15 Sunday, February 16th 8:30 AM 5:30 PM 11:00 AM Altar Serv.1 Emma Luettel B. Okobi M. Everett Eva Luettel Altar Serv. 2 H. Gutierrez M. Gonzales Altar Serv. 3 Χ Х Child. Lit. 1 O. Hryniewich Х Х Child. Lit. 2 Х C. Richey Х **EMHC-Bread** M. Agnese J. Radford A. Webb (ASC) EMHC-Cup 1 C. Burch L. Radford V. Duquette EMHC-Cup 2 A. Okobi K. Killian C. Little Reader 1 C. Burch O. Okobi Reader 2 Reader Needed K. Okobi J. Satchivi Usher 1 C. Rannigan T. Duncan S. Matrosky Usher 2 J. Fellowes G. Duncan E. Rivera-Kulesza Livestream M. Yabut Х Χ

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

6th Sunday in Ordinary time February 16th, 2025

Jeremiah 17:5 – 8

Psalm 1:1 – 4, 6

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16 – 20

Luke 6:17, 20 – 26

Scriptures are #1109 in the Hymnal.

Curious about the Catholic Faith?

Opening the Word is for all adults and older teens who are thinking about becoming Catholic and for those wanting to dive into Scripture.

We meet on most **Wednesdays** (see monthly calendar for exact dates) from **6:30 to 8:00 PM** in Ashland House.
All are welcome! Contact Janet Ficca for more info at faith@christthekingnorfolk.org

Did you know ... that we have a parish subscription to **FORMED**?

It's easy to get started:

- ➤ Go to: <u>www.FORMED.org/signup</u>
- ➤ Enter our zip code (23509) to find our parish
- Enter your name and email address

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 Pre-K to Gr. 5	2/9	9:45 AM	Ashland House
Children's Choir	2/9	12:15 PM	Church
Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC)	2/9	(Returning)	Richmond
Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts	210	6:30 PM / 7:00 PM	Ashland House / School
Senior Luncheon	2/11	12 Noon	Olive Garden @ J.A.N.A.F.
Faith Formation / Youth Advisory Board Mtg	2/11	6:30 PM	Ashland House
Legion of Mary	2/11	7:15 PM	Ashland House
Cleaning Team #3	2/12	9:30 AM	Churh
Divorce Care	2/12	6:30 PM	Conference Room
Opening the Word	2/12	6:30 PM	Ashland House
Adult Choir Practice	2/12	7:00 PM	Church
Symbolon	2/13	6:30 PM	Ashland House
Virtual Rosary	2/13	7:00 PM	via phone 757-551-6414
That Man Is You	2/15	6:00 AM	Church Commons
Faith Formation Pre-K to Gr. 5	2/15	9:45 AM	Ashland House
Scout Sunday / Youth Mass	2/16	11:00 AM	Church
Children's Choir	2/16	12:15 PM	Church
Confirmation Class	2/16	12:30 AM	Ashland House

Faith Formation & Youth Ministry Advisory Board

We are looking for 5 or 6 adults to serve on an advisory board to assist with the following ministries:

- Initiation Ministry (sacramental preparation for Baptism, Confirmation & Holy Eucharist)
- Faith Formation of our Children (Birth to Grade 5)
 - Youth Ministry (Grades 6 to 12)
 - Faith Formation of our Adults (18+)

Our 1st meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 11th** @ **6:30 PM.** If interested, please contact Janet Ficca.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH



February 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

Baptismal Preparation for Infants & Children up to Age 7

Our next class is scheduled for **Monday**, **February 17**th (Presidents' Day) at **2:00 PM**.

If you have children between the ages of 4 to 7 who need to be baptized, please make plans to attend this class with them.

Please contact Janet Ficca by 2/15 to register: faith@christthekingnorfolk.org

Old Palms

Throughout the month of February, we will be collecting your old palms to be burnt for Ash Wednesday. Please place them in the container in the Church Commons.

St. Columba Ecumenical Ministries

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

In February, we are collecting: Coffee & Beef Jerky Sticks.

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

www.stcolumbaministries.com



February 9, 2025 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 | 1 Cor 15:1-11 | Lk 5:1-11

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

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

"Woe is me, I am doomed!" "I am the least of the apostles, not fit to be called an apostle." "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." Do you notice a theme today? Each of these lines – taken from our readings – reveals the humbling reality that when humans stand in the glorious presence of God, we must confront the Truth, look at ourselves honestly, and recognize our sin. We are reminded of the Garden, when original sin disfigured human nature and Adam and Eve, realizing their nakedness, hid themselves from God. The story would be tragic if that had been the end. But in today's readings and in our own lives, the crippling effects of our sin are *not* the end. By becoming aware of our sin – agonizing though this may be – we invite the Lord in. It's the crack in the door that he will enter, bringing mercy and freedom found only in him.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Each of today's readings shows how God's presence leads us to acknowledge our lack; however, that's only "step one." Notice what happens next in each instance. "Your wickedness is removed, your sin purged." "But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me has not been ineffective." "Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid." See how, in each example, hearts are transformed from shame and guilt to courage and confidence. The readings explain how as each person is freed, they are compelled to act boldly. So, what changed? The same thing that can happen in our own lives: as we acknowledge our sin, we open ourselves to the flow of grace. We allow the Lord to heal and free us, making us radiant and setting our hearts on fire with love.

PLAN

Choose one virtue you'd like to cultivate in order to root out a sinful habit. Then make a plan to practice that virtue. It can be as simple as "I will always pray to the Holy Spirit before I talk to that person at work who bothers me." Make sure your plan is: (1) specific ["I will never sin again" doesn't count], and (2) doable ["I will pray every day for six hours to grow in patience" is not possible for most people]. Finally, offer your plan to God and ask him for whatever strength, grace, and healing you need to grow in that virtue.

School Closure

Christ the King Catholic School will be closing at the end of this school year - June 2025. This difficult decision was made at the diocesan level. Your continued prayers for and support of our school is greatly appreciated. Pleased be assured that any financial contributions made to the school are being used to pay current expenses.

If you have any questions, concerns, and /or comments please email: ctkcommunications@ctkparish.org

Christ the King Catholic Church is *not closing*. There is no plan for this to occur. With your ongoing support, we will continue to serve the community for many years to come.

THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC RISK RETENTION GROUP, INC. VIRTUS Online

ALL adult volunteers must be VIRTUS certified and background checks are done yearly.

If you need help updating your account, contact Janet Ficca. **New volunteers** can register online at:

https://richmonddiocese.org/child_protection_virtus/

Classes are offered both in-person and online through Zoom. **Current volunteers** must complete a 1-hour supplemental training online once every 5 years.

CTK Basketball Home Games

February 8th

11 AM – vs Saint Gregory – Youth Boys 12 PM – vs Saint Pius – Senior Girls

February 15th

9 AM – vs Saint Gregory – Youth Girls 10 AM – vs Saint Pius – Junior Girls 11:15 AM – vs Star of the Sea – Senior Boys

February 22nd

9 AM – vs Star of the Sea – Junior Girls 10:15 AM – vs Saint John – Senior Boys

Annual Contribution Statements

Christ the King Church's annual contribution statements have been mailed. If you do not receive your statement by February 14th, please contact the church office and we can print you a new one.

Several parishioners have asked the office about contributions to the **Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA)** and to **Christ the King School**. These contributions are not processed by the church office. The diocese will mail a separate statement for the ADA to your home.

If you need a contribution statement for donations made to the school, please contact Katy Rock in the school office.

Scout Sunday Mass - February 16th @ 11 AM

All Scouts – Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, American Heritage Girls & Trail Life – are invited to participate in our annual Scout Sunday Mass!

Please come dressed in uniform. If interested in participating as a reader, usher, gift bearer, etc..., please contact Janet Ficca by February 10th at: faith@christthekingnorfolk.org



Please join us for our next meeting on **Saturday, February 8**th **at 10 AM** in the Church Commons.

Save the Dates! First Reconciliation Retreat

The retreat for First Reconciliation will be held on **Saturday, March 1**st from **10 AM to 1 PM** in the Church Commons. Parents are asked to join us for the last hour at 12 Noon.

Celebration of the Sacrament of (First) Reconciliation

First Reconciliation will be held on **Thursday, March 6**th at 6 PM.

Please pray for our children and their families who are preparing for this Sacrament.





- ➤ Feb 7 9 Diocesan Youth Conference
- ► Feb 9th Faith Formation (PK-5) @ 9:45 AM
- ➤ Feb 11th FF/YM Advisory Board @ 6:30 PM
- ➤ Feb 12th Opening the Word @ 6:30 PM
- ➤ Feb 13th Symbolon @ 6:30 PM
- ➤ Feb 16th Faith Formation (PK-5) @ 9:45 AM
 - Youth / Scout Mass @ 11 AM
 - Confirmation Class @ 12:30 PM

For more information, contact Janet Ficca at faith@christthekingnorfolk.org

Steubenville Youth Conference July 2025

We are making plans to attend one of the youth conferences **on campus** this summer. All current high school students are welcome to join us.

Please contact Mrs. Ficca as soon as possible to reserve your spot.

The estimate cost is \$500 including conference fee, lodging, transportation and most meals.

Financial assistance will be available for active youth group members who participate in the Spring Craft Fair and other fundraisers.



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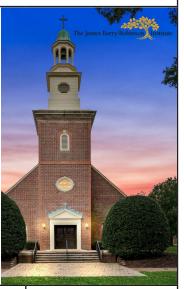
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