



# 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

### ANOIDTING 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 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 May 12<sup>th</sup> TO MAY 18<sup>th</sup>**

Monday, 5/12	8:30 a.m.	No Mass
Tuesday, 5/13	8:30 a.m.	
Wednesday, 5/14	8:30 a.m.	Glecerio & Felicidad Moran (D)
Thursday, 5/15	8:30 a.m.	BJ Atkinson (L)
Friday, 5/16	8:30 a.m.	Poor Souls in Purgatory (D)
Saturday, 5/17	8:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Pat Trent (D)
Sunday, 5/18	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (Livestream)	Intentions of Parishioners George & Gretchen Hagerty (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 Marie Lopez Carvalhal at  
[fanchon2011@gmail.com](mailto:fanchon2011@gmail.com).

New members are always welcome!

## Next Sunday's Readings

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

**May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Acts of the Apostles 14:21 – 27

Psalm 145:8 – 13

Revelation 21:1 – 5a

John 13:31 – 33a, 34 – 35

**Scriptures are #1075 in the Hymnal.**

Children's Liturgy  
of the **Word**

**11:00 AM Mass**

for ages 3 to 7

We are looking for someone to coordinate this ministry. The clerical time requirement is minimal (about an hour every other month), but this person will need to recruit and train new volunteers, check-in regularly with the scheduled ministers and make sure VIRTUS certifications are up-to-date.

One additional team is also needed for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month for the 11 AM Mass and to cover when someone isn't available. Please contact the church office for more information and to volunteer.



### **Chairs in the Church Commons**

Please leave the chairs in the Commons for parents with small children who need to step out of Mass.

Everyone is encouraged to join us inside the sanctuary for Mass so you can fully participate. If you arrive late, our ushers will be happy to help you find a seat during an appropriate moment during the Mass.

	<b>Liturgical Ministers for 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>		
	Saturday, 5/17	Sunday, May 18 <sup>th</sup>	
	5:30 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
<b>Altar Serv. 1</b>	J. Litkowski	K. Okobi	D. Satchivi
<b>Altar Serv. 2</b>	x	H. Gutierrez	G. Satchivi
<b>Altar Serv. 3</b>	x	x	Ca. Courtenay
<b>Child. Lit. 1</b>	x	x	J. Ficca
<b>Child. Lit. 2</b>	x	x	C. Connor
<b>EMHC-Bread</b>	--	K. Francis	E. Kukanich (ASC)
<b>EMHC-Cup 1</b>	M. Agnese	L. Francis	M. Lopez
<b>EMHC-Cup 2</b>	--	K. Killian	A. Vitug
<b>Reader 1</b>	T. Tedesco	S. Okobi	C. Little
<b>Reader 2</b>	<a href="#">Reader Needed</a>	B. Okobi	A. Newton
<b>Usher 1</b>	C. Rannigan	T. Duncan	S. Matrosky
<b>Usher 2</b>	J. Fellowes	G. Duncan	E. Rivera-Kulesza
<b>Livestream</b>	x	x	C. Burch



## THIS WEEK AT CTK

First Communion / Mother's Day	5/11	11:00 AM	Church
Legion of Mary Junior Praesidia	5/11	6:00 PM	Ashland House
Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts	5/12	6:30 PM / 7:00 PM	Ashland House / School
Senior Luncheon	5/13	12 Noon	Olive Garden @ J.A.N.A.F.
Baptism Class	5/13	6:00 PM	Church
Legion of Mary	5/13	7:15 PM	Ashland House
Cleaning Team #3	5/14	9:30 AM	Church
Adult Choir Practice	5/14	7:00 PM	Church
Virtual Rosary	5/15	7:00 PM	via phone 757-551-6414
Parish Workday	5/17	9:00 AM – Noon	Church Grounds
<b>Celebrate CTK Carnival Party</b>	<b>5/17</b>	<b>5:00 PM – 10:00 PM</b>	<b>School</b>
Children's Choir Practice	5/18	12:15 PM	Church
Legion of Mary Junior Praesidia	5/18	6:00 PM	Ashland House

### *Birthright Baby Bottle Drive*

Bottles for our Annual Baby Bottle Drive for Birthright of Norfolk are still available again **this weekend**.

Please take a bottle home, fill it with your spare change or donation and **return it by Sunday, May 18th**. Checks may be made out directly to Birthright of Norfolk and placed in a bottle or envelope. On behalf of the mothers and babies who will be helped, we thank you for your generous support. Birthright appreciates all donations and welcomes any volunteers.

Birthright of Norfolk is located at 5500-B Tidewater Dr.  
Phone: 757-489-0222 Email: [norfolkva@birthright.org](mailto:norfolkva@birthright.org)



Registration is  
Open!

July 21<sup>st</sup> – July 25<sup>th</sup>  
5 PM to 8 PM

Suggested donation of \$20 per person includes a custom t-shirt and all craft supplies.

<https://vbspro.events/p/ctkvbs2025>

A planning meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM** for all adult and youth volunteers.

### YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

Number of families contributing to the operating income during the month of April: **123 out of 320**

#### Month of April 2025

Monthly Budget Needed	\$	30,512.38
Actual Receipts Received		<u>24,413.27</u>
Monthly Budget Deficit	\$	<u>(6,099.11)</u>
Year-To-Date Budget Needed	\$	320,380.04
YTD Actual Receipts Received		<u>254,380.72</u>
YTD Budget Deficit	\$	<u>(65,999.32)</u>

Capital Improvement Collection for April - \$1,745.00



#### **May Special Collections:**

Diocesan Home Missions,  
Vacation Bible School,  
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>



May 11, 2025

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 13:14, 43-52 | Rev 7:9, 14b-17 | Jn 10:27-30

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

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

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." The spiritual riches contained in this line alone are enough to sustain us for a lifetime. First, we rejoice that Jesus, the Good Shepherd, calls us his own. We belong to him who, like the shepherds of bygone days, protects his sheep – capable of little in the way of self-defense – even at the cost of his own life. Also, among the distinctive marks of Jesus' sheep are that they hear his voice and follow him. Thus, to be part of Christ's flock involves not only being known by him, but knowing him and heeding his call. A sheep who has not attuned its ears to the voice of its shepherd is a lost sheep! Although the world's fertile meadows may look inviting, *not* to attune our ears to the voice of Christ means exposing ourselves to the dangers of a life apart from God. On the other hand, if we make our pilgrimage of life with him, we abide within the protective confines of his love until the day we follow him into the pastures of eternal life.

### OBSERVE

Find an image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd online and spend 15 minutes praying about what you see. What is the Shepherd's attitude toward his sheep, and the sheep's attitude toward their Shepherd? What do we learn from this about *our* relationship with Christ?

### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Frequently, our free will (something we do not share with sheep) gets in the way of our ability to heed the Shepherd's voice. For us, his voice is expressed in concrete ways: in his commandments, in the teachings and tradition of his Church, in the Scriptures, in our legitimate superiors, and in prayer. These are the means he uses to mark out the path he wishes us to follow. But this path always involves the cross, and our sheep-ish (pun intended) nature recoils at the sight of suffering. In today's second reading, however, St. John's vision offers the key to overcoming our resistance: "For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them." In other words, Jesus, our Divine Shepherd, is also a lamb who has tread the difficult way of the cross. He is *the* Lamb of God who offered himself in a sacrifice of perfect obedience to his Father's will. Thus, we do not embark along the way of obedience and suffering alone; Jesus walks before us to sustain and protect us along the way.



### Legion of Mary Junior Praesidia

Our Junior Praesidia meets on **Sunday evenings at 6 PM** in Ashland House.

All middle and high school students are welcome.  
For more details, contact Colette Gerstenmaier at  
[talk2coletteag@yahoo.com](mailto:talk2coletteag@yahoo.com)

### 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal: *Sharing His Love with Others*

The parishioners of Christ the King have always been very generous in their support of the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Our goal in 2024 was \$15,288 and we raised \$23,561. Our parish receives a percentage of the funds that are donated and in 2024, we received \$7,194.10 which was used to offset our operating expenses!

We hope everyone will continue to support this appeal and enable the Diocese to continue to support its ongoing programs and parishes.

Please prayerfully consider how you can help this year and respond either online by scanning this QR Code or completing one of the envelopes in the church.



### Opportunities to Serve @ CTK

- Coordinator of Children's Liturgy of the Word
- Vacation Bible School Director & Volunteers
  - Baptism Coordinator
- Faith Formation Coordinator for Grades K-5
- Faith Formation Coordinator for Grades 6-9
- Confirmation Catechist & Coordinator
  - Middle School Youth Minister
  - High School Youth Minister
  - Livestream Team Coordinator
  - Initiation Team Leader (OCIA)

To learn more about these opportunities, contact the parish office by email at [office@christthekingnorfolk.org](mailto:office@christthekingnorfolk.org)

### St. Columba Ecumenical Ministries

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

In **May**, we are collecting:  
**Spray deodorant and travel size hygiene products.**

For more information, please contact Alicia at 757-627-6748 or visit their website:  
[www.stcolumbaministries.com](http://www.stcolumbaministries.com)



- May 11<sup>th</sup> – First Communion @ 11 AM
- May 13<sup>th</sup> – Baptism Class @ 6 PM
- May 17<sup>th</sup> – Celebrate CTK Carnival Party – @ 5 PM
- May 18<sup>th</sup> – Youth Mass @ 11 AM  
– Youth Group @ 12:15 PM
- May 21<sup>st</sup> – VBS Planning Meeting @ 7 PM
- May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Opening the Word @ 7 PM
- May 25<sup>th</sup> – Baptism at 11 AM Mass
- May 27<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation

For more information, contact Janet Ficca at  
[faith@christthekingnorfolk.org](mailto:faith@christthekingnorfolk.org)

## Thank You, Kate!

Please join me in thanking **Kate Gutierrez** for agreeing to serve as the catechist for and coordinator of First Reconciliation and First Communion for 2025-2026!

Kate has been our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade catechist for the past 3 years and has assisted me with the retreats, rehearsals and celebrations of these Sacraments. She is a blessing to our parish and will do a great job!

~ Janet Ficca

## ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS EXPLAINER:

### WHO IS OCIA FOR?

Those Catholics who have not celebrated all Sacraments of Initiation

Those who want to know more about the Catholic faith



Those worshipping with us who are not Catholic

Those who have been away from the Church but want to know more

## Is OCIA for you?

If you are an adult (or older teen) who fits in one of these categories, the answer is yes!

**Opening the Word will NOT meet on May 15<sup>th</sup>.**

Please join us on **Thursdays**, beginning **May 22<sup>nd</sup>** at **7 PM** in Ashland House.

We will be delving into Scripture and learning how to pray using the Rosary.

No registration is necessary.

For full details, contact Janet Ficca at  
[faith@christthekingnorfolk.org](mailto:faith@christthekingnorfolk.org)

## CTK'S LAST BASH CARNIVAL PARTY

**MAY 17<sup>TH</sup> 5 PM - 10 PM |**  
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Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>

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All rising middle school students (current 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> graders) are invited to participate.

Please contact Janet Ficca for an application by **June 15<sup>th</sup>**. The cost is \$55 for youth and adults.

One chaperone per 6 youth is needed. Financial assistance is available for active youth group members.

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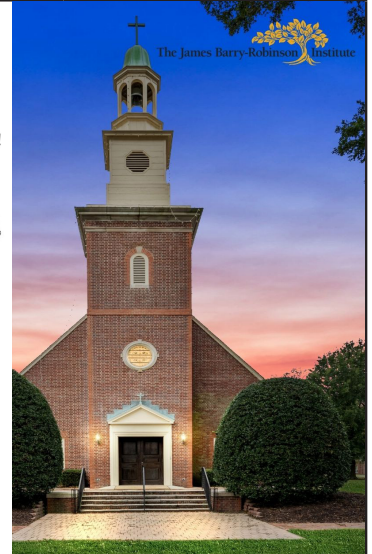
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