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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.

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 19th TO MAY 25th

| | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Monday, 5/19 | 8:30 a.m. | No Mass |
| Tuesday, 5/20 | 8:30 a.m. | George Lopez Carvalhal & Antoine Gomez (D) |
| Wednesday, 5/21 | 8:30 a.m. | Margie Cleary (D) |
| Thursday, 5/22 | 8:30 a.m. | Filomena Pereira & Esther Barboza (D) |
| Friday, 5/23 | 8:30 a.m. | Margaret & Jack Piedmont (D) |
| Saturday, 5/24 | 8:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. | Margie Cleary (D) Timothy Killian, Jr. (D) |
| Sunday, 5/25 | 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (Livestream) | Anna Duncan (D) Intentions of Parishioners |

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.

New members are always welcome!

Next Sunday's Readings

6th Sunday of Easter

May 25th, 2025

Acts of the Apostles 15:1 – 2, 22 – 29

Psalm 67:2 – 3, 5 – 6, 8

Revelation 21:10 – 14, 22 – 23

John 14:23 – 29

Scriptures are #1078 in the Hymnal.

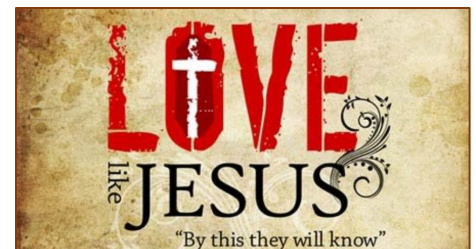


11:00 AM Mass

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 5th 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.



Liturgical Ministers for 6th Sunday of Easter

| | Saturday, 5/24 | Sunday, May 25 th | |
|----------------------|----------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| | 5:30 PM | 8:30 AM | 11:00 AM |
| Altar Serv. 1 | M. Everett | G. Stevens | S. Killian |
| Altar Serv. 2 | x | S. Stevens | M. Gonzales |
| Altar Serv. 3 | x | x | x |
| Child. Lit. 1 | x | x | K. Rivera |
| Child. Lit. 2 | x | x | A. Webb |
| EMHC-Bread | -- | T. Wright | J. Ficca (ASC) |
| EMHC-Cup 1 | K. Killian | T. Duncan | K. Killian |
| EMHC-Cup 2 | -- | G. Duncan | A. Webb |
| Reader 1 | R. Trent | J. Ficca | C. Goodwyn |
| Reader 2 | C. Burch | Reader Needed | T. Womack |
| Usher 1 | C. Rannigan | T. Duncan | S. Matrosky |
| Usher 2 | J. Fellowes | G. Duncan | E. Rivera-Kulesza |
| Livestream | x | x | M. Yabut |

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.



THIS WEEK AT CTK

| | | | |
|--|------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Youth Mass & Youth Group Meeting | 5/18 | 11:00 AM / 12:15 PM | Church / Ashland House |
| Children's Choir Practice | 5/18 | 12:15 PM | Church |
| Legion of Mary Junior Praesidia | 5/18 | 6:00 PM | Ashland House |
| Cleaning Team #1 | 5/19 | 2:00 PM | Church |
| Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts | 5/19 | 6:30 PM / 7:00 PM | Ashland House / School |
| Finance Committee Meeting | 5/20 | 7:00 PM | via Zoom |
| Legion of Mary | 5/20 | 7:15 PM | Ashland House |
| Adult Choir Practice | 5/21 | 7:00 PM | Church |
| Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting | 5/21 | 7:00 PM | Ashland House |
| Virtual Rosary | 5/22 | 7:00 PM | via phone 757-551-6414 |
| Opening the Word | 5/22 | 7:00 PM | Ashland House |
| Children's Choir Practice | 5/25 | 12:15 PM | Church |
| Legion of Mary Junior Praesidia | 5/25 | 6:00 PM | Ashland House |

Youth Group Meeting - Sunday, May 18th @ 12:15 PM

All youth in Grades 5 to 12 and their parents are asked to attend this very important meeting to discuss the future of youth ministry, faith formation and sacramental prep at Christ the King. Lunch will be provided.

Birthright Baby Bottle Drive

Bottles for our Annual Baby Bottle Drive for Birthright of Norfolk are due **this weekend**. Bottles may also be brought into the church office during the week. 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



Registration is Open!

July 21st – July 25th
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 21st 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 18, 2025

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21-27 | Rev 21:1-5a | Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

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

Today's Gospel occurs shortly before Jesus gives his Last Supper Discourses in the Gospel of John. Judas has betrayed Jesus, and now the Lord speaks to his inner circle for one of the last times before his arrest. "I will be with you only a little while longer," he says. At these words, I imagine a hush falling over the group. Rattled by Judas' strange actions and alarmed by the Lord announcing his impending departure, the disciples' eyes must have darted about as they held their breath, awaiting Jesus' words. "I give you a new commandment," he says. "Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." In a word, Jesus summarizes his teaching: love as God loves. He is using these last moments to exhort his disciples to be as he is. We know it won't be easy – it will involve sacrifice and suffering – but the Holy Spirit is present with us to guide and advocate for us on our journey.

PRAY

Today's readings reveal themes of perseverance in faith, radical love, and the stunning reality that the Lord is *truly present* to us. As we pray with these Scriptures, consider asking yourself: *What areas of my life feel distant from the Lord's presence? How can I open these areas up to receive his light and his love?* Take time to talk to the Lord in prayer about these things. When you do, make sure you leave space and silence for him to speak.

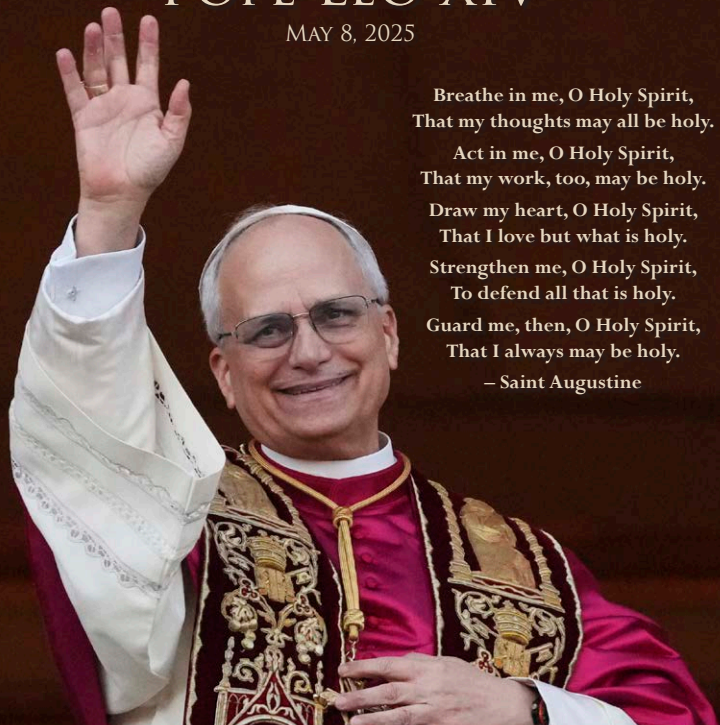
GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Have you ever experienced a season of suffering and wondered, "Have I done something wrong?" When we meet resistance on the narrow path, it can make us question our choices, ourselves, and sometimes even God. Let today's first reading be a boost of confidence on your journey; remember that your suffering does not imply a misstep. "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God," Paul and Barnabas exhort the disciples (and us). It is natural to grow fatigued, especially when we encounter hardships. This is one reason why the Lord desires that we never journey alone. By God's perfect design, humans require companionship, from other humans and from the Creator himself. In the reading from the Book of Revelation, John the Apostle hears a loud voice saying, "God himself will always be with them as their God." Though the road may be peppered with pain, and the trials overwhelming, may we never forget that our God is very near!

HABEMUS PAPAM POPE LEO XIV

MAY 8, 2025



Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit,
That my thoughts may all be holy.
Act in me, O Holy Spirit,
That my work, too, may be holy.
Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit,
That I love but what is holy.
Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit,
To defend all that is holy.
Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit,
That I always may be holy.

– Saint Augustine

Pope Leo XIV was born September 14, 1955, in Chicago, Illinois. He holds a bachelor's degree from the Augustinian-run Villanova University in Pennsylvania and joined the order in 1977, making his solemn vows in 1981.

He joined the Augustinian mission in Peru in 1985 and largely worked in the country until 1999 when he was elected head of the Augustinians' Chicago-based province. From 2001 to 2013, he served as prior general of the worldwide order. In 2015, Pope Francis named him bishop of Chiclayo, in northern Peru, and the pope asked him also to be apostolic administrator of Callao, Peru, from April 2020 to May 2021.

Pope Francis elevated him to Cardinal in the Consistory of September 30, 2023, when he was assigned Cardinal of St. Monica. On February 6, 2025, Pope Francis promoted him to the highest degree of Cardinals, granting him the title of the Suburbicarian Church of Albano.

On May 8, 2025, Cardinal Protodeacon Dominique Mamberti pronounced the formula, "Habemus Papam," proclaiming to the city of Rome and to the whole world the news of the election of Robert Francis Cardinal Prevost as Pope Leo XIV.



- May 18th – Youth Mass @ 11 AM
– Youth Group Lunch & Meeting @ 12:15 PM
- May 21st – VBS Planning Meeting @ 7 PM
- May 22nd – Opening the Word @ 7 PM
- May 25th – Baptism at 11 AM Mass
- May 27th – 8th Grade Graduation

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



Saturday, August 9th
 11 AM to 7 PM
 St. Joseph's Villa
 Richmond

All **rising middle school students** (current 5th to 7th graders) are invited to participate.

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

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



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

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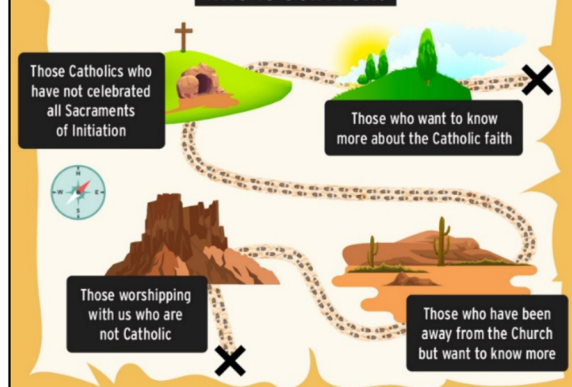
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Spray deodorant and travel size hygiene products.

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

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS EXPLAINER:

WHO IS OCIA FOR?



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

Please join us on **Thursdays**, beginning **May 22nd**
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

Congratulations to Our First Communicants!

| | |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Elizam Bamali | Santiago Carmack |
| Maggie Boan | Sonnie Chatman |
| Gladina Quainoo | James Luettel |
| Marya Relativo | William Pierce |
| Rebecca Sama | William Pitsch |
| Claire Yabut | Matteo Rodriguez |

Watch for pictures on Facebook and in our bulletin next week. Many thanks to Kate Gutierrez for all her help and to the Sama family for the lovely refreshments!

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)**

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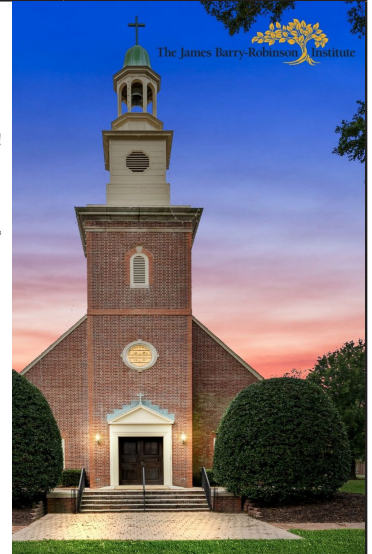
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