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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Closed Friday Closed daily for lunch: 12:00 noon-12:30 p.m. Bulletin deadline Monday 10:00 a.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, 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.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 15th TO 21st

Monday, 2/15	8:30 a.m.	Fr. Matthias Anniversary	
Tuesday, 2/16	8:30 a.m.	Gary Stanley (D)	
Wednesday, 2/17 Ash Wednesday	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.		
Thursday, 2/18	8:30 a.m.		
Friday, 2/19		No Mass	
Saturday, 2/20	8:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Grace Miller (D)	
Sunday, 2/21	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (Livestream) 5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Parishioners	



Please keep our sick & homebound parishioners in your prayers. If you know someone in need, please contact our office.

Register with CTK Parish:

Please remember that it is necessary to register with the parish for the pastor to recommend you or a dear one for Sacraments or Scholarships. Otherwise, the Pastor will have no authority to recommend you. Also, the use of your offertory envelopes indicates to the Parish that you may be eligible for reduced tuition at CTK School.

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 for a daily Mass & \$20 for a Sunday Mass.



Our **Church Cleaning Teams** save the parish hundreds of dollars every month!

We have 4 teams that clean once a month. If you can spare 2 to 3 hours a month, please call **Germaine**Wilson (853-6531) as soon as possible.

The 11 a.m. Sunday Mass and all daily Masses are live streamed on CTK's Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/ctknorfolkva

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Sunday of Lent February 21st, 2021

Genesis 9:8-15

Psalm 25:4-9

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:12-15

"That prayer, penance and almsgiving will enable more men and women to follow the Holy Spirit as He leads them to discover their vocations in Christ, we pray to the Lord."

The **Office of Vocations** will be hosting discernment gatherings for young men who would like to discern the call to priesthood. If you would like to attend, please email vocations@richmonddiocese.org or call (804)-359-5661.

Informal Discernment gatherings

are held the 1st Saturday of every month. They usually begin with Mass at 10:00 AM followed by a social event and lunch.



Distribution of Ashes On Ash Wednesday

Ashes will not be scribed on the forehead but sprinkled above the head.

Father will say the prayer for blessing the ashes. He sprinkles the ashes with holy water, without saying anything. Next, he will say to all those present "Repent, and believe in the Gospel", or "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return". Then Father Matthias will distribute ashes. As modeled by Pope Francis, the ashes will be sprinkled above the individual's head so that immediate contact is avoided.



CTK's Legion of Mary

meets on

Saturdays at 1:30 PM

in the Church Commons

For more details, contact Tess Rozelle theroze0305@aol.com

New members are always welcome!



THIS WEEK AT CTK

President's Day - Church Office Closed	2/15	Closed	
Cleaning Team 2	2/16	9:00 AM	Church
First Reconciliation Meeting	2/16	6:30 PM	Church
Virtual Rosary	2/16	7:00 PM	via phone (757-551-6414)
Ash Wednesday	2/17	8:30 AM & 7 PM	Church
Adoration	2/17	9:30 AM – 7 PM	Church
Spirit of God Prayer Group	2/18	7:00 PM	Church Commons
Virtual Rosary	2/18	7:00 PM	via phone (757-551-6414)
Lauds (Morning Prayer)	2/19	8:30 AM	Church
Adoration	2/19	9 AM - 6:30 PM	Church
Vespers (Evening Prayer)	2/19	6:30 PM	Church
Stations of the Cross	2/19	7:00 PM	Church
Legion of Mary	2/20	1:30 PM	Church Commons
Children's Church (Ages 2-5)	2/21	10:45 AM	Ashland House



Join us on Tuesdays & Thursdays at 7 p.m. in praying the Rosary virtually.

Stephanie Brown will lead us.
Please dial 757-551-6414.
No PIN number required.

St. Columba Ecumenical Ministries

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

Current Needs:

Travel Size soap, Pine Sol, Bathroom Cleaner, Travel Size Hygiene Items, Nonperishable food items and Winter Hats and Gloves

Please bring donations to the church. The collection box is inside the TV cabinet in the Church Commons.

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

End of Year Tax Statements

End of year tax statements from Christ the King were mailed January 21, 2021. If you do not receive yours by February 15th or if you have questions or concerns, please contact the church office. Statements from the Diocese for the Annual Appeal were mailed the week of January 31st.



Adoration during Lent
Wednesdays
9:30 AM to 7:30 PM
Fridays
8:30 AM to 7:30 PM
Sign-Up Today!

Please pray for our Confirmation Candidates:



Audrey Litkowski Dymphine Ngabonziza Tresor Satchivi

A basket is in the Church Commons for cards and notes.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

Number of families contributing to operating income during the month of January: 79 out of 345

February 7, 2021

Weekly Budget Needed	\$ 7,122.92
Actual Receipts Received	 6,780.50
Weekly Budget Deficit	\$ (342.42)

 Year-To-Date Budget Needed
 \$ 227,933.54

 YTD Actual Receipts Received
 204,859.14

 YTD Budget Deficit
 \$ (23,074.40)

Online Giving can be done directly at https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/408



February 14, 2021 | Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 | 1 Cor 10:31—11:1 | Mk 1:40-45

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

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

While leprosy as found in Biblical times is now rare and very treatable, it is not hard to imagine the tragic consequences it had on those who were affected. They suffered physically, but also socially and emotionally: Levitical priests declared lepers unclean, banishing them from the religious community. Jesus, as he did so often, would upend these conventions in his encounter with the leper in today's Gospel. "Moved with pity," Jesus healed him, telling him to return to the local priest for readmittance to the community. Jesus' model of compassion for the man is meant for us to embody. Modern culture continues to stigmatize people perceived as different - those suffering from depression and other mental illnesses, the homeless, perhaps those who struggle with cognitive disabilities - shunning them in different ways from full participation in community. To imitate Christ, as Paul alludes, is to have compassion for the needs of others - to "be moved with pity." Let us pray for the grace to put on the mind and heart of Christ, and dignify the presence of all our brothers and sisters in our community.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I admit I was taken aback by today's Old Testament reading: Not only were lepers banished from the religious community, but they had to announce themselves by crying out "Unclean, unclean!" Jesus changed all that. He healed the leper, encouraging him to return to the priest for readmittance. I am struck by how the leper approached Jesus. He did not demand a cure, but asked, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Although it is unlikely that any of us in the developed world will experience leprosy, we ourselves or people we know may carry inner struggles that have led to separation from the Church or a sense of isolation. In our humanity, we do not have the power to heal these maladies on our own. Instead, let us come to Jesus as the leper does, asking him, if he wills it, to heal us and our wounded world. Let us pray with confidence, knowing that Jesus in his compassion can and will make us clean and whole.

REFLECT Who are today's lepers? What are the inner struggles or wounds that may keep us from fully participating in our parish community or have left us estranged from members of our own family? Bring these before Jesus in your own words. Call a family member you have fallen out of touch with. Invite a person who has left the Church to lunch and listen with compassion.

Training is currently being held online!



As we prepare to resume in-person meetings, please remember that **ALL** adults who work with our children (including volunteers) must be VIRTUS certified. Contact Janet Ficca to register for the class.



Spirit of God Prayer Group

Thursdays @ 7 p.m. in the Church Commons All are welcome!



As we prepare to celebrate "Presidents' Day", it is important to remember the deep faith of our founding fathers. On October 3, 1789, George Washington gave a Presidential Proclamation to acknowledge God and offer "thanksgiving" to him. The proclamation stated, in part, "...it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor" — and "to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God..."

And, we are all familiar with the greatness of Abraham Lincoln, whose purpose was to free the slaves and heal a nation. In his second inaugural address on March 4, 1865, he stated, "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan...".

These are examples of their faith in and reverence for God. This week, as we celebrate them and celebrate LOVE through St. Valentine's Day, let's remember the work of charity, kindness and love that is accomplished through the Annual Diocesan Appeal, as well. Please make your pledge today.

LENT 2021

ASH WEDNESDAY - February 17th

Mass with Distribution of Ashes at 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. - both will be live-streamed

The school will not be at the 8:30 a.m. Mass so it will be open to all. As modeled by Pope Francis, the ashes will be sprinkled above the individual's head so that immediate contact is avoided.

DAILY MASS - February 18th through March 31st

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday's Daily Mass will continue to be for our CTK students only, except for Ash Wednesday. All Daily Masses will continue to be livestreamed.

CONFESSION - Saturdays from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

On Wednesdays, we will begin after the 8:30 a.m. Mass and will conclude with Vespers & Benediction at 7:00 p.m. On Fridays, we will begin with Lauds (Morning Prayer) at 8:30 a.m. and will conclude with Vespers & Benediction at 6:30 p.m. and Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. Adorers are needed to cover 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. both days. If you are interested in late night or early morning hours, please contact Janet Ficca as soon as possible - faith@christthekingnorfolk.org - as we are considering having 24-hour Adoration on Fridays (8:30 a.m. Friday to 8:30 a.m. Saturday).

LAUDS (Morning Prayer) - Fridays at 8:30 a.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Fridays at 7 p.m.

VESPERS (EVENING PRAYER) - Wednesdays at 7 p.m. and Fridays at 6:30 p.m.

VIRTUAL ROSARY - Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7 p.m. via telephone - 757-551-6414

BIBLE STUDY - Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. in Ashland House

We will be using **Ascension Press'** new Bible study program called <u>Hebrews: The New and Eternal Covenant</u>. Register at https://study.ascensionpress.com/studies/54731/registrations/new

Lenten Resources

Ascension Press - something for everyone including Fr. Mike's <u>Bible in a Year</u> and <u>Ask Fr. Josh</u> podcasts - https://media.ascensionpress.com

Dynamic Catholic - Best Lent Ever - https://www.dynamiccatholic.com

Formed - Led by the Spirit - Daily Lenten Reflections with Dr. Tim Gray - https://formed.org/lent

Magnificat Companions will be available for purchase: Way of the Cross - \$2.00 Adoration Companion - \$5.00 and Lenten Companion - \$3.00

Real Life Catholic - Free Lenten Retreat - https://reallifecatholic.com

Renewal Ministries Lenten Mission - https://event.webinarjam.com/register/145/1n01rhwp

Walking with Purpose - Fearless and Free Bible Study - Facebook Event - https://fb.me/e/lehaTg6e



Free online classes for students and adults with limited in-person seating in Norfolk! Part of our 2021 resolution is to give back more to the community through sharing knowledge. These are approximately 30 minute long classes with up to 30 minutes for Q&A. Classes will be taught by Hampton Roads professionals on the topics. Register for each class of interest to you at https://my2021resolutions.com.

FEB 4: 7 PM

Paying for College

Learn how to pay for college with more tools than just savings in a bank account or taking out loans. We'll cover finding and applying for scholarships, work-study programs, military, college-specific savings plans, and ways to trim college expenses.

MAR 18: 7 PM

Types of Life Insurance

What are the types and what insurance do you need? Aren't all life insurance plans the same? What are the differences? How do I know how much insurance I need? We'll cover the different types of plans commonly available and some of the methods of calculating need.

FEB 18: 7 PM

How Debt Works and How to Get Out of It

How are mortgages, credit cards, and loan debts calculated and managed? What are the different types of interest? If I have debt, how do I pay it off faster? Work on an actionable plan to manage and eliminate your debt.

APR 15: 7 PM

Long-Term Care

Do my parents need long-term care or long-term care insurance? Do I? How is long-term care insurance different from medical insurance? Learn the basics of long-term care situations and the basics of long-term care planning.

MAR 4: 7 PM

Building Wealth

What are your financial dreams? What are your dreams that have a price tag? How can you build wealth that makes your plans possible? No matter where you are on the wealth building journey, it's always a good time to work on (or start) your plan.

APR 29: 7 PM

Legacy and Passing on Assets

How do I make sure what I've built goes to who I want to have it? What is the gift tax?

Can I pass on an IRA? How do make my estate easy to manage? How do I get started on a will or trust? Learn about how to create a legacy on your terms.

https://my2021resolutions.com



Family Faith Formation for

Grades 1 to 6

In-Person Classes - Sundays @ 9:30 a.m.

February 28th - Unit 3

March 21st - Unit 4

April 25th - Unit 5

May 23rd - Year End Celebration

NO MORE ZOOM MEETINGS!

If you can't meet face to face, contact Mrs. Ficca and your child's catechist will work with you and your child one on one. Here is the link to the

Loyola Press Family Resources:

https://www.loyolapress.com/faithformation/finding-god/finding-god-2013/parentsand-students/





Preparation for First Reconciliation

In Church - Parents & Children

2nd Meeting - Tues, Feb 16th @ 6:30 PM

Before the meeting:

Parents - Watch Forgiven Episode 3 & 5 Children - Do Blessed Sessions 3, 4 & 5

Forgiven is on https://formed.org

Blessed videos can be found at

https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/blessed.html





Baptismal Preparation for Infants & Children up to age 7

Classes are being held online. Please contact Mrs. Ficca at least **3 weeks** before the desired date.



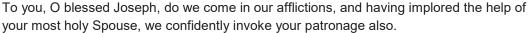
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33 Day Preparation
begins Monday,
February 15th

Contact Janet Ficca if interested in doing the preparation as a small group.

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH PRAYER





Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.



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