SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Eucharist:

Mass:

M-F: 8:00am Sat. Vigil: 5:00pm Sun.: 8:00am & 10:30pm

Adoration:

M-F: 6:30-7:30am Fri.: 9:00am-Noon

Reconciliation: (Confession)

Sat: 4:00pm—4:30pm and *anytime* by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: (& Ministry to the Sick)

Please call the rectory, 860. 434.1660, anytime a person is sick and would like anointing or a visit.

Baptism:

Please call our parish office to arrange pre-Baptismal instruction and ceremony date and time.

Holy Orders:

To learn more about becoming a **priest or deacon,** call Fr. Joe Ashe or Fr. Walter Nagle at the rectory or Rev. Kevin Reilly, Vocations Office, 860.887.9294.

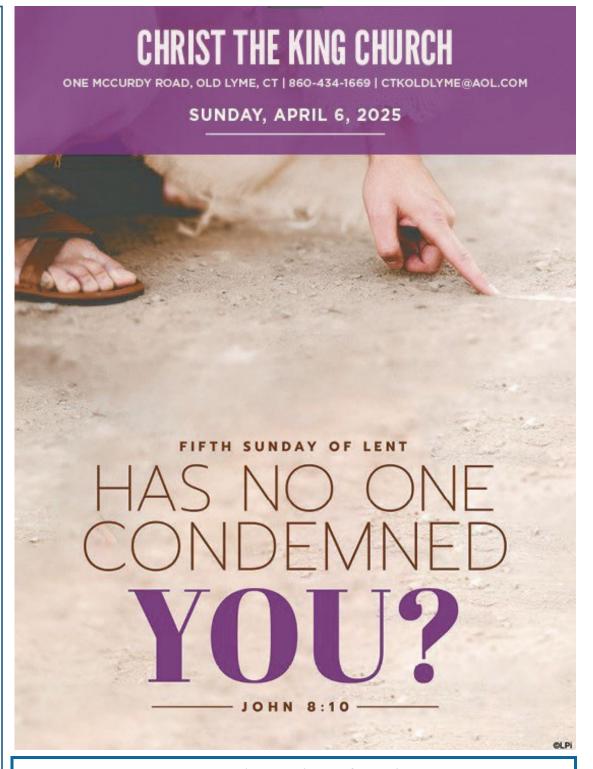
Matrimony:

Preparation for marriage must begin *at least six months before* actual ceremony.

Confirmation:

Confirmation preparation begins in grade 9 and students receive the sacrament in grade 10. Adults can join OCIA. For questions about OCIA, please contact the office or Jo Ann Staves at 860.434.4374.

Sexual Misconduct Services: 800.624.7407



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Masses and Week at a Glance for the week of April 6, 2025

Sat. Apr. 5

** Tim Conroy Sr. r/b the family

Sun. Apr. 6 5th Sunday of Lent

8:00am 🕏 Gary Gilbert r/b Michelle Gagner

10:30am **★** Erin Loprinze r/b the family

₮ David Regan r/b his wife

9:15am Faith Formation Class, CTK

6:30pm Confirmation Class

Mon. Apr. 7

Tues. Apr. 8

8:00am Parishioners of CTK

7:30 pm Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Wed. Apr. 9

8:00am 🛮 🗗 Brother Gary Eck r/b Katheen & Mike Venezia

9:30am & 6:30pm Walking with Purpose "Coffee Talk"

7:00 pm Small Christian Community Bible Study

Thurs. Apr. 10

8:00am # Jacqueline Walsh-Carmona r/b the Walsh family

6:00pm Mass followed by Soup Supper

9:00am Thursday Bible Study

Fri. Apr. 11

8:00am George & Joan Gilbert r/b the family

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Sat. Apr. 12

5:00pm / John Plikus r/b Elizabeth Flanigan

Sun. Apr. 13 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00am 🛮 🛧 Rudy Fischer

10:30am # Patricia Calkins r/b Emily Jennings

9:15am Faith Formation Class, CTK

11:30am Baptism CTK

6:30pm Confirmation Class



The Sanctuary Lamp for this week of April will be lit for Fred, Lucy, & Arline Pavone r/b the family.

Christ the King Mass Times ~ Join Us!

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 5:00pm

SUNDAY: 8:00am & 10:30am

WEEKDAYS: 8:00am

Can't join in person? Celebrate via our Zoom live-stream! *Links to join are on our website*.



Parish Prayer Line

To request prayers for any intention large or small, please call Michele at (860) 434-8529.

Intentions are shared via first name only, but can be completely anonymous.



If you are in need of a priest, please contact Fr. Joe and/or Fr. Walter at the rectory phone number: (860) 434-1660.



Latest News and Events at CTK

CTK HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord:

Sun. April 13th, Mass times as usual

Holy Thurs: Mass of the Lord's Supper (No AM Mass)

Thurs. April 17th, 7pm mass

Good Friday (No Masses):

Fri. April 18th: Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 3pm; Stations of the Cross, 7pm

Holy Saturday: Blessing of the Food

12 noon in the Narthex; All are invited to bring a basket of their own goodies for the Blessing of the Easter Food, a tradition that dates back to 12th-century Poland.

Easter Vigil Mass:

Sat. April 19th, 8pm mass

Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of the Lord:

Sun. April 20th, Mass times as usual



Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council is scheduled for *Monday*, *Apr. 7 at 7:00pm*. Attendance at PPC meetings is open

to all parishioners, but if possible please give the Council prior notice of your plan to attend, so that there will be ample seating. You can do this using the message form on the pastoral council page of the parish website.

The meeting agenda will also be posted there, along with minutes of past meetings.



Prayers filled with Love

Christ the King offers Mass Intentions at every Mass. Did you know that they can be offered to: pray for our beloved deceased, for our loved ones for healing, a celebratory event such as birthday or anniversary? Mass Intentions are a beautiful way to express your love. The Sanctuary candle can also be reserved for a week with your intention. Information about both are available in the office during regular business hours for a small fee. Your prayer intention will appear in the weekly bulletin (deadlines apply.)

The suggested mass donation is \$10 weekday or \$20 for weekend, and weekly donation is \$25.

If you are interested, please contact the parish office

at **ctkoldlyme@aol.com** or **(860) 434-1669**.

Parish Readings for the Week of April 6, 2025

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/ Jn 8:1-11

Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/

Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/

Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30 Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/

Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59 Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56 Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-4

+ Celebration of Weddings at CTK + Congratulations to Mario & Lianna Castiello

Who celebrated their marriage on March 22, 2025 at Christ the King Church! May they continually draw close to the Lord, and draw ever closer to each other!

Latest Baptisms at Christ the King
Elizabeth Rose Bold
Daughter of Thomas and Sarah Bold
Baptized here on March 30, 2025
We joyfully welcome her to the family of God
at Christ the King Parish!!

We are still working out the details in our in-pew collection process. If we miss you, please drop your offering in the basket at the rear of the church on your way out.

Taste, Sip & Tap Your Toes--We're Celebrating 20 Years & Beyond! Save the date! Donations, Volunteers Needed!

2025 marks our 20th anniversary here on McCurdy Road. Planning is under way for a fun adults-only summer evening benefit celebration on Thursday, June 26–6-9pm in our parish hall & patio. To help maintain God's house & rectory nestled here on McCurdy, we're hosting a food-and-wine tasting by local chefs & businesses (including no-alcohol wines & soft drinks) along with a fabulous auction, a wine pull, & not-to-be-missed entertainment of dueling pianos! Tickets go on sale in April & more information will be posted to our web page soon. Donations of new auction items, events or trips, excursions, certificates or services, and bottles of wine (\$20 value or higher) are needed, along with volunteers who can help with planning and executing a fun, memorable and joyful evening for our community. To donate or volunteer, please call Kim in the parish office at 860.434.1669 or Susan, event chair, at 860.690.1624.

Christ the King Thursday Bible Study
The Thursday morning Bible Study is being held at
9:00am in the classroom across from the parish office.
Come join us! We can loan you a Bible if you do not have one.
All are welcome! For more information, please contact Deb
Skaar at (860) 434-3081

Involvement Opportunities at Christ the King

Christ the King Parish Needs You!

Christ the King Parish depends on your generous support. Your contributions are needed and deeply appreciated.

To give "Text-to-Give" a try text ENROLL" to Christ the King's special phone number: 860 -935-8488, or scan this QR code. You have to register with a credit card the first time, but later gifts will only require texting an amount.



Lenten Observances at Christ the King

Lenten Soup Suppers: Thursday evening Masses at **6pm**, followed by a potluck soup and bread supper.

Bring your favorite soup to share!

February 16th: Stations of the Cross begins; Every Friday through Lent at 7pm, followed by Confessions*

Small Christian Community

The Small Christian Community Bible Study will continue to meet in the Parish Library on Wednesday nights at 7:00pm.

For questions or more information, please contact

Mark Fischer or Peter Kulas.

PARISH CLEAN-UP DAY! On Saturday April 5th the Pastoral Council invites everyone to pitch in and help give our spiritual home a good spring cleaning. From washing windows and floors to making minor repairs and trying to organize the altar server robe there are jobs for everyone. Consider having the whole family participate as a Lenten service. Sign ups for times and/or jobs are located in the narthex or scan the QR code to go to Sign-up Genius.

REGISTER FOR 2025-2026 FAITH FORMATION CLASS

Registration is now open in MyOwnChurch for the 2025-2026 faith formation classes. If you are new to our parish or have children who will be attending next school year please get an instruction sheet from the registration table in the Narthex, or by emailing Erica DREChristTheKingOL@gmail.com, or going to the Faith Formation page of our website. In addition to completing the registration in MyOwnChurch each family will need to pay the registration fee, complete & return the sign off sheets in the Faith Formation Family Handbook distributed next week in class

Friday Morning Adoration



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is celebrated in the Church on *Fridays from 9am until 12 Noon*, with Benediction <u>following</u>. *Occasionally, Adoration will not be held due to a funeral or wedding.

Please check the CTK website for updates.

Parish Bulletin Submission Deadlines

If you would like to submit any announcements for the bulletin, the deadline is **Monday** by **noon.**

Thanks for keeping your item short. Space is limited.



News from the Diocese of Norwich

Roman Catholic Diocese of Norwich 201 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360 860-887-9294



As the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal "One Faith, One Family" continues, we are grateful to the parish families that have already made their gift or pledge. For us to achieve our overall goal, it will require the personal sacrifice of all members of our faith community. If you have not yet responded to the Appeal, please know your gift, no matter how big or small, will help enable our ministries in providing essential pastoral, educational, & humanitarian needs to many. Pledge envelopes are located in the Narthex, you may call (860) 886-1928, or visit www.norwichdiocesedevelopment for alternate ways to give.

Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

LAST WEEKEND FOR SMALL SAMPLE SIZE PERSONAL CARE ITEMS FOR THE HOMELESS

This is the last weekend for the Columbiettes collection of new, small, personal care items, such as deodorant, soaps, combs, shampoo, tissues, Q-tips, hand sanitizers, hand lotions, toothpaste, toothbrushes, wash cloths and face towels, socks for all ages, baby diapers and new baby clothing sizes Newborn to 3T. A large box is in the main entrance of each church. The items will be distributed by Catholic Charities to the poor and homeless within our diocese. We are very grateful for your generosity.

NEW DAY SEMINAR FOR THE BEREAVED 9 Thursdays from April 24 - June 19, 10:00am-11:00am

The New Day Seminar is a nine week series that helps those who have lost a loved one with the tasks of grieving. Each session provides a place and time for individuals to share their grief story and to learn about the grieving process and its tasks for healing. The cost of the book that is used is \$15.00. Register & for further information contact Sr. Patricia Cigrand, ASCJ at <a href="mailto:cigrand-ci

MEN'S FAITH GROUP- BROTHERS IN CHRIST

Brothers in Christ is a gathering of men who share faith, personal experiences, & discussion. There will be NO March meeting of BIC so the brothers can take part in parish or diocesan Lent offerings. The next meeting will be Thursday Apr. 10th from 7pm – 7:45pm. If you are interested in developing fellowship & discipleship with other men devoted to Christ, please register by email Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or call (860)848-2237 ex. 305.

Lenten Fish Fry

The Old Saybrook Knights of Columbus Council 2968 will be hosting our second Fish Fry of the Lenten season on Friday April 11, 2025 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The event will be held in the St. John School gym. Tickets will be available at the St. Pio parish office in Old Saybrook. The price for an adult ticket is \$20. Children 12 and under will be FREE.

Dinner includes a cup of chowder, fish and chips, and dessert. There will be an option for non-fish eaters. Dinner will be available for dine-in or to go. Tickets will be available at the door, however, Don't Delay, get your tickets today!

5th Sunday of Lent

"...For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ..." (PHILIPPIANS 3:8)

The first commandment says that we should not put other gods before the Lord. Sharing all of our gifts - our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works, and our treasure to support the Church helps us keep God first in everything. It helps us from putting other gods before God. It helps us from becoming a slave to our possessions. It helps us to use our gifts for the glory of God and not for the glory of ourselves.

Catholic Trivia - Just for Fun

Question: How many items does the Vatican Secret Library supposedly hold? Answer: 150,000 ©LPi

This year, His Excellency, Archbishop Christopher J. Coyne, Apostolic Administrator, invites you to the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick in Norwich on Wednesday, April 16, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.

The Chrism Mass is the Liturgy during which the sacred Chrism is consecrated and the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of the Catechumens are blessed. These oils are sanctified for use at the Cathedral and in all parishes in the Diocese of Norwich for Baptism, Confirmation, the Anointing of The Sick and for the Ordination of Priests. Together the three oils symbolize the sacramental life of the Church. Since the Chrism Mass is truly a Diocesan event ALL parishioners are invited.

The Way of the Cross: The Office of Faith Events invites you to join us virtually Friday nights in Lent as we pray together the Stations of the Cross through a different focus each week.

April 11: Through the eyes of Mary

April 18: Through the eyes of Jesus

The stations will begin at 7 P.M. The stations take place online and require participants to have an internet connection. Registration is required. You can register for just one evening or all seven. To register, call Mary-Jo McLaughlin, at 860-848-2237, Ext 312 or email her at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

The Christ the King book & movie group will meet Monday, Mar. 10 & the following Mondays throughout lent, after the 8am Mass. We will be reading Saint Francis and the Way of Lent. Week 1: Lent as a Balanced Way of Life; 2: The Lost Art of Compunction; 3: Spending Time Alone; 4: Imitating Christ. Short introductions are written by the editor and designed to preface selections from the primary texts, these are followed by questions for discussion or reflection. There are six readings per chapter, followed by prayers of intention & spiritual practice suggestions to deepen your Lenten journey as you follow Christ in the Way of Saint Francis. Please read Chapter 1 for the March 10 meeting. There is no charge except for purchasing the book (available on Amazon & other retailers for \$17.36. Some used copies available



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