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LIFE**

Eucharist:

Mass:

Mon-Fri.: 8AM

Sat. Vigil: 5:00PM

**Sun.: 8:00AM &
10:30AM**

Adoration:

M-F: 6:30-7:30AM

Fri.: 9:00AM-Noon

**Reconciliation :
(Confession)**

**Saturday: 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 the
pre-Baptismal instruction
and the time of the
ceremony.

Holy Orders:

Contact Fr. Joe Ashe or
Fr. Walter Nagle,
860 434 1660, if you
want to learn more about
becoming a *priest or
deacon*, or, contact Rev.
Jonathan Ficara,
Vocations Office:
860 887 9294.

Matrimony:

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

Confirmation:

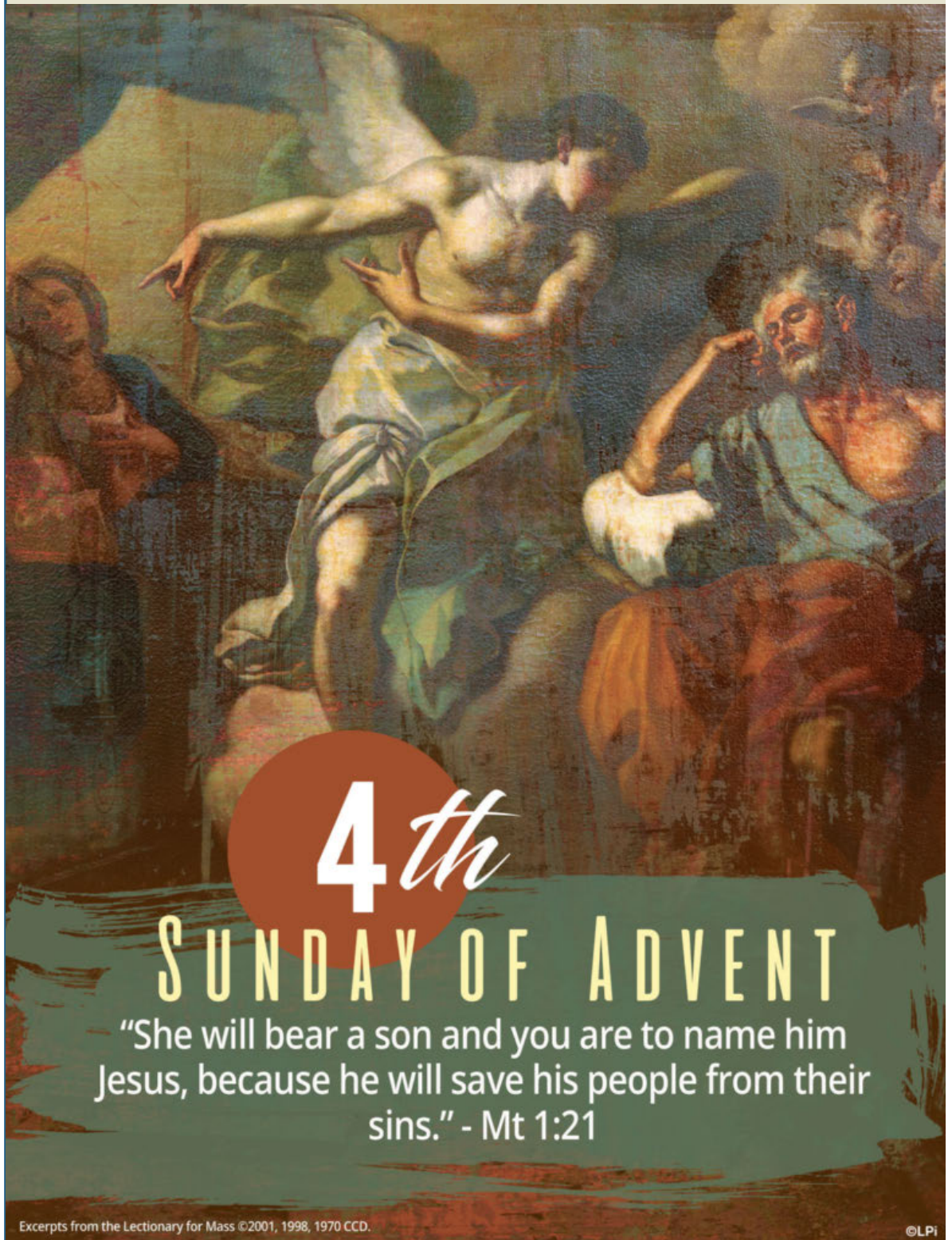
Confirmation preparation
begins in the 9th grade
and the sacrament is
received in 10th grade.

Adults can join **RCIA**.

For questions about
RCIA, please contact the
office or Jo Ann Staves
at **(860) 434-4374**.

Sexual Misconduct Services:
800-624-7407

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MASS SCHEDULE



FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 18, 2022

Sat. Dec. 17

5:00pm Michael Sanders
Rosemary Strekel r/b family
Edward J. Sweeney r/b Bob and Sue Staab

Sun. Dec. 18 — Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00am Maitland MacNamara
10:30am Maria Dudanowicz r/b Ron and Dorothy Paine
Martha North r/b Dick and Diane Hrinak
Thomas Wilkinson r/b family

Mon. Dec. 19

8:00am Msgr. LaRocque r/b Dale and Pat Faulkner

Tues. Dec. 20

8:00am Theresa Francolini r/b her husband John

Wed. Dec. 21

8:00am Eunice Ficara

Thurs. Dec. 22

8:00am Connie Sapia

Fri. Dec. 23

8:00am Eleanor McGrath

Sat. Dec. 24 — Christmas Eve

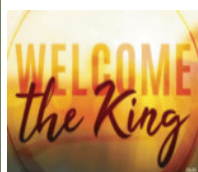
5:00pm The Parishioners of Christ the King Church

Sun. Dec. 25 — The Nativity of the Lord

Midnight The Parishioners of Christ the King Church

9:00am The Parishioners of Christ the King Church

The Sanctuary Lamp for this week of December will be lit for Theresa Francolini requested by her husband John.



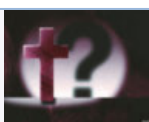
Christ the King COVID Guidelines
COME TO SUNDAY or SATURDAY
VIGIL MASS; **SAT: 5:00PM,**
SUN: 8AM & 10:30AM...or
WEEKDAY MASS: **MON-FRI: 8AM**

All weekend and daily Masses at Christ the King Church are open to in-person attendance, with some safety restrictions still in place. At this time face masks are **optional**. As we navigate the ebbs and flows of the pandemic and its variants, we acknowledge and respect the choice of some individuals to wear face masks in church.

Please visit our website (<https://www.christthekingchurch.net>) to learn more about joining us in person. We continue to live-stream our Masses on Zoom for those who wish to stay home. **Links to join the live stream may be found on our website as well.**

Get the CTK Bulletin delivered to your email!
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If you are in need of a priest, please contact
Fr. Joe and/or Fr. Walter at the rectory
phone number: (860) 434-1660.



Upcoming Events at Christ the King

Christmas Mass Schedule: Please see below for more details

January 1st: Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, the Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord

Masses will be held at the regular 8am & 1030am times

Christ the King Parish Christmas Mass Schedule



Saturday, Dec. 24th

5:00pm Vigil Mass of the Nativity with student pageant
11:30pm Concert with Adult Choir and orchestra,
followed by **Midnight Mass of the Nativity**

Sunday, Dec. 25th

9:00am Mass of the Nativity

Please note: Since Christmas falls on a Sunday, there will only be the **one mass on Sunday at 9am**

Sunday, January 1st

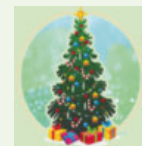
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, the Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord

Please note: The **regular Masses will be held at **8:00 am and 10:30am****

Giving Tree at Christ the King

The Giving Tree project returns!

Looking for a way to help others this holiday season? The Giving Tree project provides gifts and donations to the less fortunate in Connecticut and beyond.



Here's how it works: Beginning on the first Sunday of Advent (Nov 27), a Christmas tree in the Narthex will be covered with ornaments that are marked with gift suggestions. Take an ornament from the tree, purchase the suggested gift, bring it **unwrapped** to church the following Sunday (or during the week) with the ornament attached, and leave it under the tree.

Volunteers will pick up the gifts and pack them for delivery to the chosen charity. Thank you for your generosity!

Pick up a copy of the "Little Blue Advent Book", which are available in the Narthex!!



Christ the King Christmas Pageant

The annual Christmas Eve pageant returns to Christ the King and we need volunteers!

Students in grades K-5 are welcome to participate to be a reader or a character as Mary or Joseph, an angel or a shepherd.

The next rehearsal will take place on **December 17th at 9:00am at Christ the King Parish.**

For more information and if interested, please contact **Megan or Louise at the parish office at (860) 434-1669.**

If you would like to donate to the Parish, please visit christthekingchurch.net and click on "Faith Direct" at the bottom of the home page.



**Readings for the week of
Dec. 18, 2022**



Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-6 [7c, 10b]/
Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24
Monday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/
Lk 1:5-25
Tuesday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12,
20-21/Lk 1:39-45
Thursday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56
Friday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/
Lk 1:57-66
Saturday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-5,
27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79
Next Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 *Night:* Is 9:1-6/
Ps 96:1-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1-6 [3])/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5,
9-14



The deadline to submit an item in the weekly bulletin is **Monday at noon.**

We kindly ask that you keep your blurb short, as we may need to edit for space.

Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study

Do you desire to grow in your Catholic faith? We invite you to consider joining **Walking with Purpose** at Christ the King Church in Old Lyme, CT. **Choose from 2 weekly group sessions beginning on October 5, 2022.** There is room in the morning sessions: 1) *Discovering Our Dignity*, a 22-week advanced course, explores the women of the Old and New Testament and how the power of God worked in their lives and how we can gain wisdom and insights from their experiences. 2) *Opening Your Heart*, a 22-week beginner course, is an exciting journey closer to the heart of God.

Meeting times: ***Discovering Our Dignity: Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am; Opening Your Heart: Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am at Christ the King.***

Interested in registering or learning more? For more information, please contact: **Aimee Finnegan (860) 391-3186, aimee.wwp@gmail.com,** or visit the Walking with Purpose website at www.walkingwithpurpose.com.

Do you want to register with the parish? *Welcome!*

Have you changed your address, are you moving out of or into the parish, or would like to receive envelopes? Please contact the office, **860-434-1669,** or email at ctkoldlyme@aol.com.

Or, you can fill out the following and return via the basket, drop it at the office, or mail to: 1 McCurdy Road, Old Lyme, CT 06371

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____
E-mail address _____

New registration Envelopes Change of address

**Pray with Christ the King
on Hallow this Advent**

Christ the King has partnered with the #1 Catholic app, Hallow to provide FREE access to all of Hallow's prayer content through Easter. It's not too late to start the Advent #Pray25 Challenge. Visit Hallow.com/holiday on your mobile device or computer and select our parish to get started. For questions, please contact **Jill Patten at (860)460-3947 or jillapatten@gmail.com.**

Christ the King Database Records

We are still in the process of updating our records and will be sending out a copy of your census form to your family. Please keep an eye out for this form in your mail or email.



Further, we ask that you review, make any changes **on the form,** and please reply to our email at ctkoldlyme@aol.com, or **return the form** to the office address:

**Christ the King Church
1 McCurdy Road
Old Lyme, CT 06371**

Christmas Bulletin Submissions

Due to the holiday season, if you would like to submit any announcements for the **December 25th and January 1st bulletins,** please send to Megan at ctkoldlyme@aol.com by **noon on Mon. December 19th.**

We kindly ask that you keep your blurb short, as we may need to edit for space.

Cookie Bake Sale

A special thank you to all of the Christmas cookie bakers. They were the best! The proceeds of **\$1,097.00** will go to the Giving Tree and to families in need.

Winter Weather!!

*Please note: when Lyme-Old Lyme Schools are closed or delayed due to inclement weather, the **Daily Mass at Christ the King Parish will be celebrated at 12:00pm Noon instead of 8:00am, and Adoration will be omitted.***

**Save the Date - Sunday, January 8th
Epiphany Night of Worship and Adoration**

Follow the Star to Christ the King for a **family friendly** night of worship, adoration and PIZZA for everyone! All ages are welcome!

Time: 5-6pm in the church hall, with dinner to follow.

Bible Study Group is back!

The Thursday morning Bible Study will resume **at 9am** in the **classroom** across from the parish office.

We will study the **First Book of Samuel.** We can loan you a Bible if needed. All are welcome to join!

For more information, contact **Deb Skaar at (860) 434-3081.**





Offertory Sign ups for Weekend Mass

Volunteers are needed to bring up the gifts during the offertory at weekend Masses.

This tradition of the faithful carrying the bread and wine to the altar symbolizes our returning to God the many gifts that he has bestowed on us.

If interested, a sign-up sheet is *available in the Narthex*.

Parish Prayer Line

If you would like to call the 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. Thank you!

Did you know that Christ the King Church has a YouTube Channel?

Visit our channel to find recordings of all the Masses we have celebrated since we started live-streaming last year.



Subscribe for notifications! *Scan the QR code on your phone or search "Christ the King Church" on YouTube and look for our logo!*



Christ the King Church is Looking for Volunteers!

Sacristans still needed for weekend masses!

We would love for you to join and *remember, no experience is required!*

If interested, please call the office at (860) 434-1669.

Those interested in *altar serving* at CTK Parish, please call the office at (860) 434-1669 or email at ctkoldlyme@aol.com.



News from the Diocese of Norwich

Roman Catholic Diocese of Norwich
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CURRENT COVID-19 GUIDELINES

The Obligation to attend Mass has been reinstated. There is *no need for social distancing*.

Masks will *remain required for those unvaccinated* while in the church. There are no restrictions on the use of readers.

The exchange of the sign of peace will continue as we have been doing it — safely, and from a distance.

The offertory procession and altar servers continue as is.

We again have two Communion lines, but only the priests are distributing Communion at this time.

May God bless you and thank you for your cooperation!

Virtual Project Rachel Rosary

Come and pray the Project Rachel Rosary online with the Office of Faith Events. The Project Rachel Rosary, which takes place on the *third Thursday of each month at 3pm*, focuses on putting an end to abortion and healing for those who have been involved in an abortion. Our next Rosary will be *December 20th*, please join us!

Meeting link: <https://bit.ly/316zdeG>

Meeting number: 132 917 2663

Password: Rosary

Or Join by phone: 1-415-655-0001

Access code: 132 917 2663

Virtual Diocesan Advent Mission

The Office of Faith Events is offering a virtual Diocesan Advent Mission. It will take place on the *first three Tuesdays in December at 7 P.M.* It will feature speakers such as Fr. Jeffrey Ellis and Msgr. Les Janik. The mission will focus on the themes of Advent: Hope, Peace, Love and Joy as well as how they relate to the Eucharist. There is **no cost** to participate in the Advent Mission, but registration is required. You can do so by contacting *Marianne Nicholas* at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or 860-848-2237, 304.



The Eucharistic Revival The Eucharist, did you know?

What forms does God's presence take in the New Testament? In the New Testament the primary revelation of God's presence is in Jesus himself. He is the incarnation of God's very being in human form and, as such, is the model for what God invites us all to become.

Jesus brings about through his death and resurrection the final reconciliation between God and humanity. At the Last Supper, he promised to be with us in the bread and wine as our food and drink when we remember him and his death and resurrection (Matthew 26:26-29, Mark 14:22-24, Luke 22:19-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23-25) *Used with permission from God's Real Presence, by Steve Mueller. Published by Living with Christ. All rights reserved.*

Virtual Adult Confirmation Program

Are an active member of your parish and have you completed your Baptism and First Communion, but want to receive Confirmation? The six week course gives candidates the opportunity to grow in faith with other candidates who are on the same spiritual journey. Classes take place Tuesday evenings from *7:00pm to 8:15pm in 2023* on the following dates: *Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, and Feb. 7.* **For more info, please contact your parish priest.**



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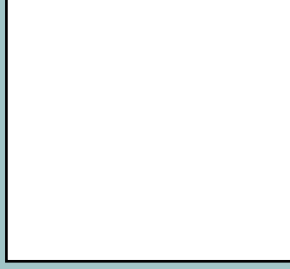
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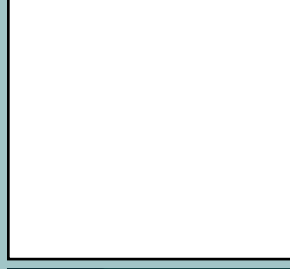
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