#### **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.

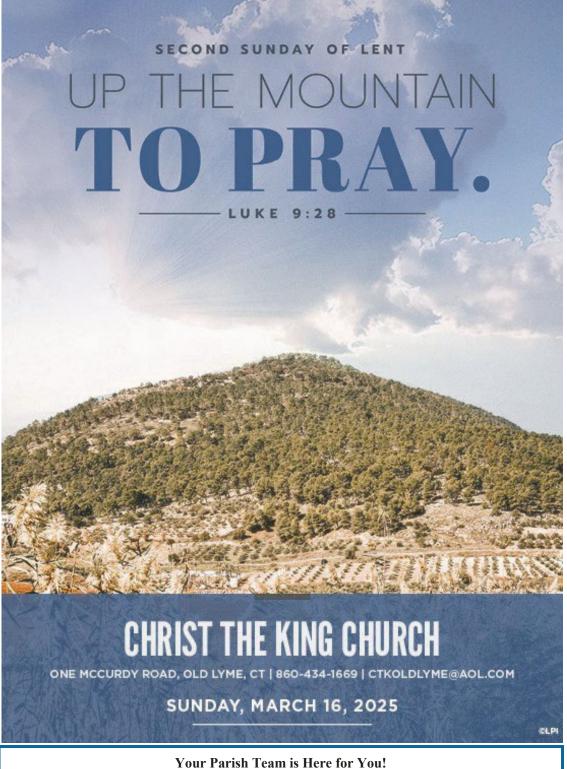
#### **Matrimony:**

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.

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## Masses and Week at a Glance for the week of March 16, 2025

Sat. Mar. 15

5:00pm **★** Linda Holland r/b Gary Holland

Sun. Mar. 16 2nd Sunday of Lent

8:00am ₱ Noreen Mahoney r/b Brian Mahoney

10:30am 🛉 Helen Rafala r/b Erica Zapatka

9:15am Faith Formation Prayer Service

9:15am Faith Formation Pancake Breakfast by Men's Club

6:30pm Confirmation Class

Mon. Mar. 17 St. Patrick's Day

8:00am \* Thomas O'Connor r/b Dianne Walsh

Tues. Mar. 18

8:00am # Dominic DeMao

7:30 pm Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Wed. Mar. 19

8:00am 🗜 Esther Klimas (19th Anniv) r/b her family

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

7:00 pm Small Christian Community Bible Study

Thurs. Mar. 20

8:00am Parishioners of CTK

6:00pm Mass followed by Soup Supper

9:00am Thursday Bible Study

Fri. Mar. 21

8:00am \* Paul Thomas & Tessa Cathy Orine r/b

Kate Lennard

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Sat. Mar. 22

5:00pm ₱ Elizabeth K Planeta r/b Nancy, James &

Katie Birge

**★** Leslie Stack

11:00am Funeral for John Silbinsky

2:00pm Wedding, CTK

Sun. Mar. 23 3rd Sunday of Lent

10:30am ₱ Philip Hagaman r/b the Ewings family

9:15am Faith Formation Class, CTK

6:30pm Confirmation Class



The Sanctuary Lamp for this week of March will be lit for Parishioners of Christ the King Church

#### 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*.



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

+ Wedding Banns +

Lianna DaSilva & Mario Castiello, March 22

Beginning in Lent, the parish will resume in-Mass collections as part of the offertory. This will require a handful of collectors at each Mass. If you are willing to volunteer your services in this way please let us know. There is a sign up sheet at the table in the Narthex as well.

#### **LENT FASTING RULE**

Good Friday, & all Fridays during Lent. Everyone 14 years of age or older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

Everyone 18 or older, & under 59 years of age, is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, one full meatless meal is allowed.

#### **Parish Pot Luck Announcement!**

The Parish Pot Luck Dinners for **March** will be *cancelled* due to observation of the Lenten season. If you have any questions, please contact

Nancy Gatto at 860-390-6314.

#### **CTK Lost and Found**

Afraid you might have lost an item?
Visit our Lost and Found basket, located on the bench in the hallway closest to the Narthex!

#### **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.

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#### **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.\*

## Parish Readings for the Week of March 16, 2025

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/

Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/

Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 (8a)/ 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9 *Scrutiny*: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-

7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

#### 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.



#### Catholic Trivia - Just for Fun

Question: What is the definition of the word "bible"?

Answer: A collection of books. ©LPi

#### **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.



#### Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study

WWP Bible Studies combine personal study with small group discussion, linking our everyday challenges to solutions given through Scripture. If you desire to grow in your faith—in a supportive community of Catholic women—join us! Wednesdays at 9:30AM or 6:30PM here at Christ The King. To learn more, please contact Aimee Finnegan at aimee.wwp@gmail.com, or visit the WWP webpage!

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

## **Involvement Opportunities** at Christ the King

## Operation Rice Bowl: Our Lenten Program: For Lent For Life

Lent is a time of opportunity for us to strengthen our faith through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. These practices bring us closer to God and demonstrate our solidarity with those in need at home and around the world. This Lent make your sacrifices become opportunities to feed the hungry poor. Please participate in CRS Operation Rice Bowl and let the sacrifices you make for the hungry poor nourish them and may these sacrifices witness to the love that disciples of Christ have for all people, especially for the least of the Lord's sisters and brothers.

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#### **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.



#### 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.\*

**Do You Sew?** We Need You!! We have 4 adults & 2 teens being baptized this year on Holy Saturday. We'd like to present them with a white garment. symbolic of their pure soul. We have a simple pattern and will provide you with the material but we need someone with the sewing talent to put it all together. If you'd be willing to share your gift for this ministry please contact Erica via <a href="mailto:dreChristTheKingOL@gmail.com">dreChristTheKingOL@gmail.com</a> or (860) 575-1740

#### **Virtual Lenten Mission**

The Virtual Lenten Mission is an opportunity for us to deepen our faith, take time for reflection, and pray. We invite you to join us as we dive into "Hope through the Journey". Beginning on Tuesday, Mar. 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 – 8:00pm & continue weekly with the last session on Thursday, Apr. 1<sup>st</sup>. To register, contact Alvania at (860)848-2237 ex. 304 or at Faithevents@norwichdiocese.net

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





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Norwich Diocese Catholic Charities is in constant need of personal care and other items for the poor and homeless in the Diocese. Therefore, the Father Hussion Columbiettes are once again asking for your help as we collect unused, small, personal care items (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 even new baby clothes in sizes Newborn to 3T) A large box will be in the main entrance of the church for these donations. Then we will assemble treasure pouches (clear plastic bags) packed with all these items for Catholic Charities to distribute. Any questions, please call or text June Getchius at 959-239-1490.

#### 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. 10<sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="mailto:lroach@norwichdiocese.net">lroach@norwichdiocese.net</a> or call (860)848-2237 ex. 305.

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.

March 21: Through the eyes of immigrants and refugees

March 28: Through the eyes of seniors

April 4: Through the eyes of the bereaved

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.

#### Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti Annual Fundraiser

Join The Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne, Archbishop of Hartford at the Outreach to Haiti Annual Charity Gala, Saturday Apr. 5, 6:30pm at A Villa Louisa, Bolton, CT RSVP online www.outreachtohaiti.org or call (860) 800 3601

Proceeds benefit our long-standing mission in the Archdiocese of Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Features a silent auction, cocktails, & dinner. Cost is \$100. Special price for all clergy & religious of \$75. Thank you for your support!

Let us share the joy of Christ's resurrection with the children of **St. Vincent de Paul Place** by providing **Easter baskets filled with love**. Many of the families served struggle to afford even basic necessities, a simple Easter basket can bring joy & hope to a child in need. As we celebrate the season of renewal, **donate filled Easter baskets, small toys, candy, or gift cards** to help create these special gifts. Your generosity will remind them that they are cherished, not only by their families but by a loving community of faith. Donations can be dropped off at St. Vincent de Paul Place by April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Contact Jill at <a href="mailto:jcsvdpp@gmail.com">jcsvdpp@gmail.com</a>.

Connecticut March for Life in Hartford will be held on Wednesday, Mar. 19. The parishes of Christ the King & St. Pio, along with the Holy Trinity Pro-Life Committee, are sponsoring a bus. Please join us. By marching we show our local legislators we want protection and life affirming laws for both the unborn and their mothers. The rally will begin at 12:00 pm outside the State Capitol and the March will start at 1:00 pm in Bushnell Park. Transportation on the bus is free. The bus will leave from Christ the King Church in Old Lyme, at 1 McCurdy Road, at 10:30 am, on March 19<sup>th</sup>. The bus will leave the Capital at 3:00 pm and return directly to Christ the King. To reserve a seat on the bus please contact Rosellyn Giampietro, at 203-715-7227 or by email at lateran84@gmail.com. Reservations must be made by Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### HOLY FAMILY PASSIONIST RETREAT CENTER

LENT began Mar. 5, ASH WEDNESDAY! Jesus calls us to remain in love as the branches remain with the vine for life & sustenance. Prayer is the best means of making the connection between humanity & God. Explore the depths of a life of prayer & learn to converse with God through Christ, at our annual retreat Apr. 4-6. Unique conferences and interactive workshops & a Sacrament of Reconciliation service.

The retreat begins with a buffet dinner 6:00-7:30pm Friday evening or arrive that morning for a DAY TO BREATHE personal time & hot lunch. The retreat will conclude on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of LENT with the beautiful celebration of the Eucharist and hymns at 10:45 a.m. Your families of are welcome to join for Mass & the Noon hot brunch at no extra charge.

Visit holyfamilyretreat.org/themed-retreats for more info and to register early for Apr. 4-6 or call Ted on 860-760-9705

**Diocesan Women's Conference** ~ Please join women from the diocese for the Norwich Diocesan Women's Conference entitled *Dinner with Jesus* **March 19,** 2025, at the Great Neck Country Club in Waterford. Lisa Irish, author, bereavement chaplain, and both a spiritual and retreat director, will be the featured speaker at this year's conference speaking on the topic *How Are We the I mage of Christ.* Tickets for the conference, which includes dinner, are \$70 and still available. To register, go online at <a href="mailto:faithevents@norwichdiocese.net">faithevents@norwichdiocese.net</a> or call the Office of Faith Events, 860-848-2237, ext. 304.

#### ATTENTION ALL BROTHER KNIGHTS

Sunday April 6, 2025 there will be a 4th degree exemplification that will take place at St. Mary's Church 5 Hillhouse Ave New Haven, CT Any member in the 3rd degree & in good standing are welcome to partake in this event. This is the first 4th Degree Exemplification taking place in CT that is open to non-Knights. Due to the high expected turnout, candidates will be limited to purchasing just one guest ticket.\*

Tentative Schedule 11:00am Mass, 12:00pm Registration, 1:30pm Exemplification, 2:45pm Luncheon FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT YOUR GRAND KNIGHT OR PLEA



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