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LIFE**

Eucharist:

Mass:

Mon-Fri.: 8:00 AM

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. 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 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:
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“For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.”

- Lk 2:30-31

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Masses and Week at a Glance

For the week of December 31, 2023

Sat. Dec. 30

5:00pm ✠ Deceased members of the Capasso, Piersa, and Biondo families

Sun. Dec. 31 — The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

8:00am ✠ Kathy Mather

10:30am ✠ Gertrude Kwasniewski

11:30am Baptism, CTK Church

NO Faith Formation Today

Mon. Jan. 1 — The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord; Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

9:00am The Parishioners of Christ the King Church

Office Closed Today

Tues. Jan. 2

8:00am ✠ Eunice Ficara

Office Closed Today

Wed. Jan. 3

8:00am ✠ Bernard Kennedy Jr. and Barbara Kennedy

9:30am & 6:30pm Walking with Purpose Bible Study

Thurs. Jan. 4

8:00am ✠ Mark Condon r/b Mary Lou and Jim Duffy

9:00am Bible Study Session, Classroom across from Office

Fri. Jan. 5

8:00am ✠ Walter Sanders

Sat. Jan. 6

5:00pm ✠ John Torrenti

Sun. Jan. 7 — The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00am ✠ Stephen Bartlett

10:30am ✠ Polly Bekaert r/b the Moylan family

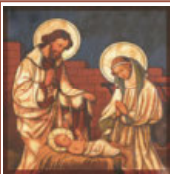
✠ John Messer r/b Dick and Diane Hrinak

9:15am Faith Formation Classes, CTK Classes

11:30am Baptism, CTK Church

6:30pm Confirmation Class, Parish Hall

The Sanctuary Lamp for this week of December will be lit for Marty Ames.



Christ the King Church Mass Times
JOIN US ON SUNDAY or SATURDAY
VIGIL MASS! SAT: 5:00PM,
SUN: 8:00AM & 10:30AM...or
WEEKDAY MASS: MON-FRI: 8:00AM

Welcome to Christ the King Church!

We are currently not taking collections **during** Mass, but there are collection baskets available in the Narthex. You can also donate by text or online. Visit our website and click on the **“donate”** button at the top of the page.

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.**

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 & Resources at Christ the King

CTK Parish Holiday Office Hours

The office will be **closed December 25th** through **January 2nd**. We will reopen **Wednesday, January 3rd**.
Have a merry and blessed holiday!

Christ the King Parish **New Year's Mass Schedule**

Monday, January 1st

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

There will be only one mass at 9:00am

Christmas Flowers in Memory of...



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The Deceased Members of the Burton and King families
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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.**



Parish Readings for the Week of December 31, 2023

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6,
8-9/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8,
11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40



Monday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/
Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/
Jn 1:29-34

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42

Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 1:43-51

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/
Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
(see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Bulletin Submission Deadlines

If you would like to submit any announcements for the bulletin, the deadline is **Monday by 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 in Old Lyme, CT. **Register Today!** Choose from three 22-week bible study courses.

Meeting times: ***Touching The Divine: Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am; Opening Your Heart and Keeping in Balance: Wednesdays from 6:30-8:30pm.***

Latecomers welcome anytime throughout the year!
Interested in registering or learning more? Please contact **Aimee Finnegan** at aimee.wwp@gmail.com, or visit 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:
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New registration Envelopes Change of address

Involvement Opportunities at Christ the King

Liturgical Ministry Opportunities



If you would like to be involved in the parish, consider becoming an altar server or lector!

We always welcome new members to the various ministries, and training is provided.

Altar Servers: Open to adults or students who have made their First Communion.

Lectors: Open to adults or students in high school who have been Confirmed.

You also **must** be registered with Christ the King Church in order to participate. If you are interested, please contact the parish office at **(860) 434-1669** or ctkoldlyme@aol.com.

Visit our website for more involvement opportunities.

Christ the King Thursday Bible Study

The Thursday morning Bible Study will be held at 9:00am in the classroom across from the parish office. We will start our study of the First Book of the Kings in **January 2024**.

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**.

Christ the King Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary Candle may be reserved on a **weekly basis** in memory of and to honor a loved one.

The suggested weekly donation is \$25.

If you are interested, please contact the parish office at ctkoldlyme@aol.com or **(860) 434-1669**.

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**.

Friday Morning Adoration



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue to be celebrated in the Church on **Fridays from 9am until 12 Noon**, with Benediction following immediately after.

Occasionally, Adoration will not be held due to a funeral or a wedding. Please check the CTK website for updates.

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!



Staying updated with Christ the King



Are you receiving parish emails? Subscribe to our website or *scan the QR code on your phone* and fill out a simple form to receive our newsletters.

Christ the King Website

Visit Christ the King Church website for updated news and information about parish happenings. For Mass schedules, Zoom Links and more, visit christthekingchurch.net.

Donate to Christ the King by text!

Christ the King Parish has recently set up a "Text-to-Give" feature with its e-giving partner, Faith Direct.

To use this feature, please text "ENROLL" to Christ the King's special phone number:

860-935-8488, or scan the following QR code:



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News from the Diocese of Norwich

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Our Lady, Queen of Hope Award

We would like to invite you to nominate a woman of faith in the Diocese for the Our Lady, Queen of Hope Award. This award was established by Bishop Michael Cote **to honor a woman in the diocese for her vision and leadership in the Catholic Church**. This award will be given out at this year's

Women's Conference on **March 13, 2024**. The award is named after Mary our mother, who is our role model and in whom we place our trust.

The winner is presented with a check for \$200 made out to the charity or ministry of her choice. The recipient will also have her name added to the Diocesan Our Lady, Queen of Hope Award plaque.

The award winner will be determined by the Women's Conference Committee. The nomination form must be completed in full by the annual deadline date. You may access nomination forms on the diocesan website in December.

For more information, please visit the Diocese of Norwich website, or contact the **Office of Faith Events** at **860-848-2237, ext 304** or manicholas@norwichdiocese.net.



Stay Informed with the Norwich Diocese!

For more all upcoming news and events, please visit <https://www.norwichdiocese.org>.

Kids' Creative Corner



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Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



If you are seeking to find hope, strength and comfort from a loss, burden or sorrow, join us for *A Journey with Mary Through Her Seven Sorrows*, a virtual seven-week program that will explore each of the seven sorrows of Mary's life and the message of strength and encouragement each one contains.

The program will meet online Monday nights from 7-8:15 P.M. on January 8, 15, 22, 29 and February 5, 12, and 19, 2024. Each week will include a reflection on one of

Mary's sorrows, guided prayer imagery and discussion.

The program is free, but registration is required.

To do so, or for more information, contact the **Catholic Family Services Office** at **860-848-2237, Ext. 312**, or email mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

Brothers in Christ with Deacon Tom Casey

Brothers in Christ would like you to join us on **Thursday, January 11th** from 7pm – 7:45pm for our virtual session with **Deacon Tom Casey** speaking on evangelism.

Brothers in Christ is a gathering of men who share faith, personal experiences, and discussion. Brothers in Christ fellowship meetings are held the second Thursday of the month either virtually or in-person.

If you are interested in developing fellowship and discipleship with other men devoted to Christ, please register for the group by contacting **Liza Roach** at **(860)848-2237 ex. 305** or email lroach@norwichdiocese.net.

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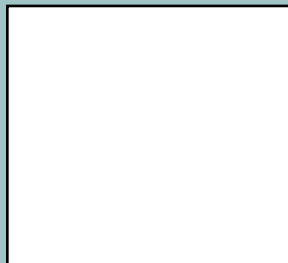
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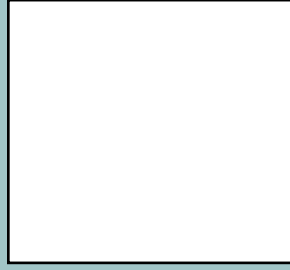
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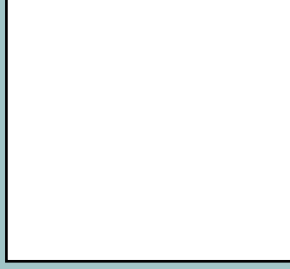


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