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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:

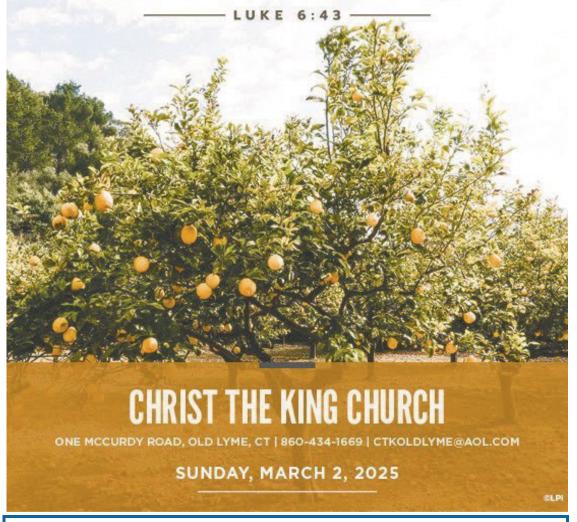
Preparation for marriage must begin *at least six months before* actual ceremony.

Confirmation:

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

Sexual Misconduct Services: 800.624.7407 EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Masses and Week at a Glance for the week of March 2, 2025

Sat. Mar. 1

5:00pm †Elizabeth K Planeta r/b Nancy, James, & Katie Birge

₮ Mary Katherine Pellizzari r/b Joan Moylan

Sun. Mar. 2 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am 7 Tom Peraro r/b Rita Spring

10:30am 🕇 Mattie Van Gorden r/b Karen & Warren Kopec

Philip Diana r/b the Parsons & Flanigan families

11:30am Baptism

9:15am Faith Formation Class, CTK

6:30pm Confirmation Class

Mon. Mar. 3

8:00am Parishioners of CTK

Tues. Mar. 4

8:00am **#** Gertrude Kwasniewski

7:30 pm Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Wed. Mar. 5 Ash Wednesday

8:00am 🛮 🗗 Brenda Cipriani r/b Sue Staab

12:00pm ASHES

6:30pm **★** Kathleen Munday

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

7:00 pm Small Christian Community Bible Study

Thurs. Mar. 6

8:00am 🗗 Special Intention r/b Deborah & Tom Gilman

9:00am Thursday Bible Study

Fri. Mar. 7

8:00am ₱ Madeline Nichols r/b the Lennard family

Sat. Mar. 8

5:00pm **♣** Robert Whitcomb r/b Miriam Simmone

Sun. Mar. 9 1st Sunday of Lent Daylight Savings Begins

8:00am Healing mass Charles Agles r/b Pat & Dale Faulkner

10:30am Parishioners of CTK

11:30am Baptism

9:15am Faith Formation Class, CTK

6:30pm Confirmation Class



The Sanctuary Lamp for this week of February will be lit for the Parishioners of CTK

Christ the King Mass Times ~ Join Us!

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 5:00pm

<u>SUNDAY</u>: 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



Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 9th Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour!

+ Wedding Banns + Lianna DaSilva & Mario Castiello, March 22



Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council is scheduled for *Monday*, *Mar. 3 at 7:00pm*.

Attendance at PPC meetings is <u>open to all parishioners</u>, 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,

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.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Saturday, March 15th, 6:00pm in the Parish Hall



Take-out Meals are Available!

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For questions, please contact Men's Club President
Bob Brinkerhoff at (860)748-9378
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Tickets available after mass & at parish office!!

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 Prayer Line

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

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



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 2, 2025

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/

1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

Monday: Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/

Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and

17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25 Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15 Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32 Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15

(see 5b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Christ the King Parish Needs You!

Christ the King Parish depends on your generous support. Although we do not "pass the basket" at this time, your contributions are needed & deeply appreci-

ated.

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'll have to register with a credit card the first time, but later gifts will only require texting a dollar amount.





Friday Morning Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is celebrated in the Church on *Fridays from 9am until 12 Noon*, with Benediction following.

*Occasionally, Adoration will not be held due to a funeral or wedding.

Please check the CTK website for updates.*

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!

A big Thank You from the Holy Trinity Pro-Life Committee for your generosity during our February diaper & wipe drive We distributed 3,583 diapers & 10,220 wipes to Anchor of Hope, New London; ABC, Middletown & Eastern CT Women's Center, Willimantic & two Birthrights (New London & Westbrook) in our diocese. We have received a thank you from them - 'Great timing - we were getting really low on wipes!' Your generosity impacts many women & their babies. Know that we are being the hands of Christ helping support the culture our church proclaims!

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

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

On Ash Wednesday, March 5' 2025, our parish* with parishes across the Diocese of Norwich is beginning a program of prayer and sacrifice called Operation Rice Bowl (ORB). For 52 years, Operation Rice Bowl has helped to feed the hungry poor. Through our participation in this program, we bring hope and healing to another person or family living halfway across the globe. Money saved during Lent is then brought to the parish family Rice Bowl on Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025, 75% of Operation Rice Bowl funds will feed the hungry poor overseas, the remaining 25% will be used in the diocese to feed the needy. This Lent, gather in prayer and sacrifice as a family to pray and to care for the hungry poor.

*The word school, religious education program, youth ministry, etc. may be substituted.

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Catholic Trivia - Just for Fun

Question: Which saint who was a Carmelite nun is known as the "Little Flower"?

Answer: St. Thérèse of Lisieux. ©LPi

Lenten Program Are you seeking a simple yet meaningful way to deepen your Lenten journey?

Dynamic Catholic invites you to experience **BEST LENT EVER**, a free daily program designed to inspire and enrich your season of reflection. This year's theme centers on **Divine Mercy**, offering powerful insights & practical guidance to help you grow spiritually. All you need to do is go to this link to sign up: https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html Starting on Mar. 5, 2025, you'll receive daily emails that include a free video that will guide you on a life-changing journey through 33 Days to Divine Mercy. If you have any questions please contact Michelle Gagner at gagnermm9@gmail.com or 860.918.4785.

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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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.

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 19th. 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 later-an84@gmail.com. Reservations must be made by Monday, March 17th.



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 faithevents@norwichdiocese.net or call the Office of Faith Events, 860-848-2237, ext. 304.

Crossroads 4 Christ Young Adult Retreat – My Peace I Give To You (John 14:27) Join young adults (18-39) from across the region for a weekend of faith, formation, and fellowship as we explore what it means to receive the gift of His peace. Throughout the retreat, we'll hear inspiring talks, dive into small group discussions, and share in fellowship. We'll gather as a community each day for worship in Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. Confessions will be available throughout the weekend. Whether it's your 1st or 50th retreat, we warmly invite you to join us for a weekend of rest and rejuvenation centered in Christ and His Peace! Registration opened Feb. 24th.

Visit https://crossroads4christ.org/2025-young-adult-retreat/

HOLY FAMILY PASSIONIST RETREAT CENTER Hear much more at the Christ the King Men's Club meeting: March 6 @ 6 p.m. in the Parish Hall

Ready for LENT beginning 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 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm Friday evening or arrive that morning for a DAY TO BREATHE personal time & hot lunch. The retreat will conclude on the 5th 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.

Retreat Center staff will talk and to answer your questions. All parish families are welcome to attend. <u>Contact President Bob Brinkerhoff at RNBRINK@COMCAST.NET</u> or <u>860-748-9378</u> to join us at 6 p.m. for pizza & refreshments.

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

Lenten Fish Fry

After last year's huge success, the Old Saybrook Knights of Columbus Council 2968 will be hosting TWO Lenten Fish Fries this year. The first will be on Friday Mar. 14 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. (includes a cup of chowder, fish & chips, and dessert. There will be an option for non-fish eaters. Available for dine-in or to go.

Tickets be available at the door. Don't Delay, get your tickets today, this event sold out last year &we had to turn people away!!

SAVE THE DATE—The second fish fry will be on Friday Apri.11 Tickets for that will go on sale starting on Mar. 29th.

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 7: Through the eyes of social justice

March 14: Through the eyes of the suffering, ill and disabled

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.



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