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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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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



Then the devil took Jesus up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." - Mt 4:8-9

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FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 26, 2023

Sat. Feb. 25

5:00pm Mary Gesev

Elizabeth K. Planeta r/b James and Nancy Birge

Sun. Feb. 26 — First Sunday of Lent

8:00am Jephson O'Connell

10:30am Josephine Dell'Erba r/b her family

Mattie VanGorden r/b Karen and Warren Kopec

Mon. Feb. 27

8:00am Barbara Kennedy and Bernard Kennedy Jr.

Tues. Feb. 28

8:00am Bob Staab r/b Sue Staab

Wed. Mar. 1

8:00am Angela and Pierce Beskin

Thurs. Mar. 2

8:00am The Parishioners of Christ the King Church

Fri. Mar. 3

8:00am Mary Cavicke

Sat. Mar. 4

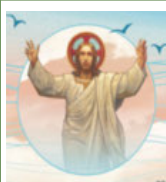
5:00pm Juliette Crowley

Sun. Mar. 5 — Second Sunday of Lent

8:00am Paul Finan

10:30am Richard Hallahan

The Sanctuary Lamp for this week of February will be lit for All Souls in Purgatory.

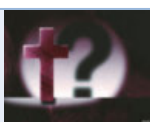


Christ the King COVID Guidelines

JOIN US ON 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.*

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



Events at Christ the King in the New Year!



February 24th: Stations of the Cross begins; following every Friday through Lent at 7pm

March 18th: St. Patrick's Day Dinner (sponsored by the Men's Club), 6:00pm in Parish Hall

Holy Week Schedule Coming Soon!

Unbound: A Practical Guide to Deliverance!

Do you want to be free of anxiety, fear, anger, unforgiveness or jealousy?

Join Father Ray Introvigne as he provides strategies of how the Holy Spirit can enter your life and rid you of these troubles!

March 1st, 7:00pm-8:30pm at Christ the King Church

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 and make any changes directly on the form, and please reply to our email at ctkoldlyme@aol.com, or return the updated form to:

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

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Saturday, March 18th, 6:00pm in the Parish Hall

Take-out Meals are Available!

A traditional Corned Beef Dinner with all the fixings! and BYOB!

Sponsored by the Men's Club

More information to come! For questions, please contact Men's Club President Bob Brinkerhoff at (860) 748-9378 or rnbrink@comcast.net.



Bible Study Group is back!

The Thursday morning Bible Study continues to meet at 9:00am in the classroom across from the parish office and are studying the *Sunday Mass readings for Lent*. After Easter, the bible group will begin the Second Book of Samuel. Bibles are available if needed. All are welcome to join! For more information, please contact Deb Skaar at (860) 434-3081.

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!



Readings for the week of

Feb. 26, 2023



Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/
Mt 4:1-11

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/
Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/
Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8/
Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/
2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9



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.

You're Worth It! Women's Day Retreat

Saturday, April 29, 8:30AM-3PM at Christ the King Church Hall, Old Lyme, CT 0637. Cost: \$55

Adult women are invited to an uplifting one-day retreat featuring scripture, prayer, group dynamics, reflection, lunch, and a take-home journal. Popular Catholic speaker, Danielle Bean, will help you discover the truth about your worth through a deeper relationship with Jesus!

Opportunities for Mass, confession, and perusing of catholic books and gifts will be made available as well. Space is limited, and the **deadline is April 22**. Find details and registration information here:

<https://www.christthekingchurch.net/womens-day-retreat>.

For questions, contact **Aimee Finnegan**, Event Coordinator, at aimee.wwp@gmail.com.



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.



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

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.



Practicing Hallow during the Lenten Season

Christ the King is continuing its partnership with Hallow this Lenten Season to provide every parishioner FREE access to all of

Hallow's prayer content - including the **Lent #Pray40 Challenge**. The #Pray40 challenge invites us to surrender our own desires and draw near to Jesus. Each week's theme will come from the Sunday Gospel and meditations will be based on passages from *The Imitation of Christ*, the second most widely read Christian book next to the bible. Hallow is the **#1 Catholic app** worldwide and includes over 5,000 audio-guided sessions designed to help you grow closer to God and develop a daily habit of prayer. We hope you'll take the opportunity to pray with Hallow this Lent and grow closer to God during this prayerful season. Register today by selecting our parish here: Hallow.com/holyday.

NDCC 2023 Toiletry Drive

Norwich Diocese Catholic Charities is in desperate 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 **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, and even baby diapers. **A large box will be in the main entrance of each church** for these donations from **February 15th through March 26th**. Then we will assemble treasure pouches (clear plastic bags) packed with all these items for Catholic Charities to distribute. We are very grateful for your generosity. If you have any questions, please call or text **June Getchius at 959-239-1490**.



CT March for Life Buses

January 22, 2023 marked the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court's infamous abortion-on-demand ruling. Thankfully that decision was overturned, but now we must prepare for a bitter fight to protect babies in the state of Connecticut. Connecticut allows abortion on demand through all nine months of pregnancy with no restriction for minors.

At **10 am on Wednesday, March 22, 2023**, buses sponsored by Connecticut Right to Life will leave from scheduled areas in Eastern CT to attend the CT March for Life in Hartford.

Bus fare is **\$20 per person**. For further information and/or to reserve a seat or to sponsor a seat, please call

Margaret Becotte at 860-822-1362.

Are you receiving parish emails?

Subscribe to our website at www.christthekingchurch.net or scan the **QR code on your phone** and fill out a simple form to receive our newsletters.

Christ the King Church Looking for Volunteers!

Sacristans *still* needed for weekend masses!

We encourage you to join and

remember, no experience is required!

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

We are also in urgent need for altar servers!

Those interested in *altar serving* at CTK Parish, please contact the office at **(860) 434-1669** or

email at ctkoldlyme@aol.com.



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*.

Get the CTK Bulletin delivered to your email!

Sign-up @: parishesonline.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*.

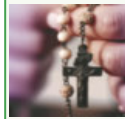
Masks will *remain required for those unvaccinated* while in the church. There are no restrictions on the use of readers.

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!



PRO-LIFE MASS

The **monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass** will take place at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on **Saturday, March 4 at 8:30 A.M.** Please join our celebrant **Rev. Walter Nagle** at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion. Following the Mass, the Rachel Rosary will be prayed at the Cathedral. A brunch in the Cathedral Hall will follow the Rosary this month.

ACA 2022 Final Update

Congratulations to **Christ the King Parish, Old Lyme** for surpassing your goal! The final amount donated was **\$79,986.53** with **16.54%** of your parishioners donating. Please see the special Thank You letter from Bishop Cote available in the Narthex. We are very happy to report that all the generous donations made to the 2022 ACA made it possible to exceed our 2022 goal! Total donations collected were \$2,741,966.24 which is \$41,966.24 over the \$2,700,000 goal. A special thank you to the generosity of the Rossi Foundation and the Padre Pio Foundation of America for matching 50% of the donations made to us in October through December 15th.

With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. Our new 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal, “One Faith, One Family” campaign is set to begin, and the first letter should be arriving soon. For more information or to donate, please contact the **Development Office at (860) 886-1928** or online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org.

Thank you to everyone for your support!

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 3:** Through the eyes of the bereaved

✠ **March 17:** Through the eyes of seniors

✠ **March 24:** Through the eyes of the family

✠ **March 31:** Through the eyes of social justice

The stations will begin at **7 P.M.** The stations take place online and requires participants to have an internet connection.

Registration is required. You can register for just one evening or all six. To register, contact **Mary-Jo McLaughlin** at

860-848-2237, Ext 312 or mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

Note, we will not be holding the stations on March 10th



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.

Stay Informed with the Norwich Diocese!

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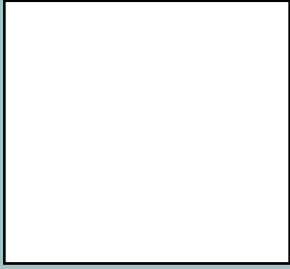
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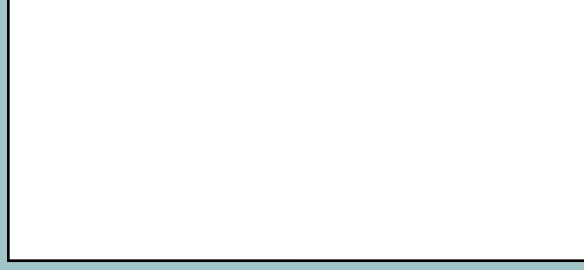
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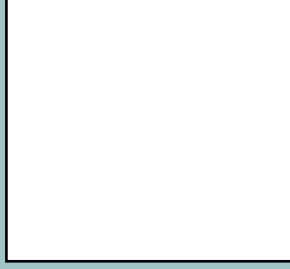
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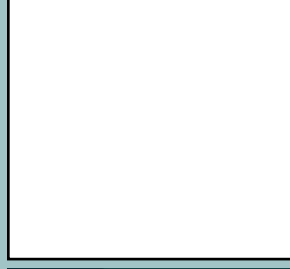
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