

RECONCILIATION:

Sat.: 4:00-4:30pm & anytime by appointment

Anointing of the Sick: please call the rectory, 860-434-1660, anytime a person is sick & would like anointing or a visit

Baptism:

Please call the parish office to arrange pre-baptismal instruction & ceremony date & time

Holy Orders:

to learn more about becoming a priest or deacon call the rectory or Rev. Jeffrey Ellis, vocations office 860–887–9294

Matrimony:

preparation for marriage must begin **at least six months before** the actual ceremony

Confirmation:

preparation *begins in 8th grade* and students receive the sacrament <u>in 10th grade</u>

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Jo Ann Staves

Adoration:

M-Th: 6:30-7:30am Fri: 9:00am-Noon

SACRAMENTAL Life Eucharist:

Mass: M-F: 8:00am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

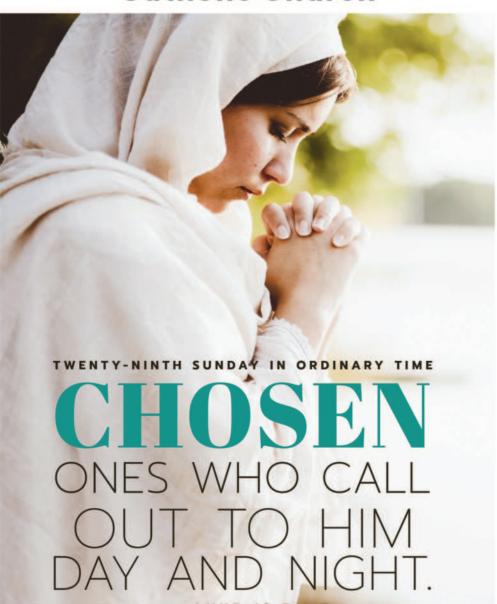
Weekdays: 8:00am

Join us! Can't join in person? Celebrate
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can be found on our website

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

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Parish Prayer Line

to request prayers for any intention large or small please call Michele at 860-434-8529 & leave a message. intentions are shared via first name only, but can be completely anonymous.

CONTACT US!

Rectory: 860-434-1660; Parish Office 860-434-1669

Faith Formation Email: drechristthekingol@gmail.com

Parish Website: www.christthekingchurch.net

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Readings for the week of October 19, 2025

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see 2)/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8

Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 (7a)/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-1

OUR MISSION

We make our journey through life in the company of one another while growing by the words of Jesus Christ, through the grace of the Holy Spirit, and in the spirit of Vatican II as taught to us by the Church.

Small Christian Community Bible Study, ALL ARE WELCOME!

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 (860) 598-9392 or Peter Kulas (203) 490-7766.

Christ the King Thursday Bible Study

The Thursday morning Bible Study is meeting in the library across from the parish office. We will begin the First Book of Chronicles. Come join us! Bring your bible or we will loan you one.

All are welcome! For more information, please contact Deb Skaar at (860) 434–3081

Christ the King Church is looking for volunteers!

Altar servers, collectors, & lectors are needed for all weekend masses! We would love for you to join & REMEMBER; *no experience is required!* Those interested please reach out to the parish office at 860-434-1669 or ctkoldlyme@aol.com to arrange training

Masses and Week at a Glance for the week of October 19, 2025

Sat. Oct. 18

5:00pm + Francis Buckley r/b his family

All volunteers of the Harvest Festival r/b Ralph & Janet Sturges

Sun. Oct. 19 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Parishioners of Christ the King

9:15 - 10:15AM Faith Formation

10:30am + Jack Schaefer r/b his family

+ Rob Coogan r/b his wife

+ Dave Jones r/b his family

11:30am Baptism, Christ the king

6:30 - 8:00PM Confirmation Class

Mon. Oct. 20

8:00am + Guy Sylvain r/b his wife and son Shawn

Tue. Oct. 21

8:00am + All Souls in Purgatory

Wed. Oct. 22

8:00am Parishioners of Christ the King

9:30AM & 6:30PM Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study

7:00pm Small Christian Community Bible Study

Thur. Oct. 23

8:00am + Albert & Margaret Rochon r/b their family

9:00am Christ the King Thursday Morning Bible Study

Fri. Oct. 24

8:00am + Bernard Jr. & Barbara Kennedy

Sat. Oct. 25

5:00pm + Roger Breunig r/b Irene Buckley

+ David Black r/b Tom & Deborah Gilman

Sun. Oct. 26 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Parishioners of Christ the King

9:15 - 10:15AM Faith Formation

10:30am + Christopher Cherry r/b the Koncos family

6:30 - 8:00PM Confirmation Class

The Sanctuary Lamp for this week of October will be lit for Albert & Margaret Rochon

Christ the King Sanctuary Candle may be reserved on a weekly basis in memory of and to honor a loved one. The suggested weekly donation is \$10 If 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 & 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 in the Narthex.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is
convenient or inconvenient..." 2 Timothy 4:2

It is not always convenient to be a good steward,
especially when all the temptations of our busy
and materialistic world get in the way. Now add
our own pride and ego into the equation and
living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright
uncomfortable! Remember, God didn't call us to
be comfortable. He never said that we would have
an easy life. Rather, He called us to be faithful!

2025 ACA update as of October 3, 2025: Congratulations to Christ the King Parish, Old Lyme for surpassing its goal! The current amount donated is \$93,207.38 with 16.38% of our parishioners donating. We are striving for as close to 100% participation as possible. THERE IS STILL TIME TO DONATE! Our campaign year ends December 31, 2025. With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. If you have not made your contribution to the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal, "One Faith, One Family", or would like to make an additional gift, donation envelopes are still available within the church or you can contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org. Thank you to everyone for your support!

CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Question: How many mysteries are recognized in the Rosary?

Answer: 20 (including the Luminous Mysteries added by St. John Paul II in 2002)

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Diocesan 40 Days for Life Campaign runs from Wed., Sept. 27th-Sun., Nov. 5th.
Please join our parish as we peacefully pray outside Planned Parenthood in Norwich on Wed., Oct. 22nd. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board across from the parish office. Thank you for all your efforts to promote the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death.

Christ the king church men's club is looking for members!

We are an active organization that meets once monthly, at 6pm on the first Thursday, to support the needs of both the church & the community. We operate under three guiding principles:

- 1) **spirituality** we pray together, encourage retreats, and provide motivational guest speakers.
 - 2) **stewardship** we raise money & support, many charitable organizations & conduct maintenance projects to maintain the church & our grounds
- 3) **socializing** we hold monthly meetings enjoying pizza & camaraderie, & we support numerous church social functions.

for more information, contact **Bob Brinkerhoff**, President, at **860-748-9378** (call or text), email at rnbrink@comcast.net, or visit the **CTK website**

October Special Collections 10/19 Cradle Fund

Ride for Haiti 2025
While we had some rain on Wednesday and battled headwinds on Thursday, we successfully completed the week with 337 miles. Thank you for your prayers and donations. For a summary of the ride and to donate to the Haiti ministry, please go to OutreachToHaiti.org.

The Men's Club of Christ the King Church will host a coffee social in the narthex for all military veterans on Sun., Nov. 9, 2025, following both the 8am & 10:30am masses. Both masses & the coffee social are but a small reminder of the sacrifice & dedicated service these men & woman have given to our country since its founding almost 250 years ago. All are welcome. We thank them for their service.

Parish Pot Luck Supper will be held at Christ the King Parish Hall Wednesday, Oct. 29th @ 5:45pm for social hour (BYOB), with 6:00pm for dinner. Please bring a dish, salad or dessert for all to share. All are welcome! For questions or more information, please call Nancy Gatto at 860-390-6314.

Feast of Sant'Angelo Mission Masses on October 22, 23 and 24 with Fr. James Blount, SOLT, Known Internationally and on YouTube Immaculate Conception Church / 111 High St. Westerly, RI Doors open at 5pm / No saving seats / Mass begins promptly at 7pm Free-Will offering Healing Service immediately after Mass on Thursday October 23rd

Go to www.immcon.org for more information

The Sisters of Charity of Our Lady, Mother of the Church will be holding a Marian Discernment Retreat for young women at the Motherhouse in Baltic from October 31st through November 2nd. The retreat will include daily Mass, opportunities for Reconciliation and recreation, prayer with the Sisters, and conferences about discernment and the spiritual life through the lens of our Blessed Mother. If you are a young woman who is trying to determine the vocation that God is calling you to, this retreat can help you hear Him. To register or to find out more information, contact Sister M. Gabriela at (860) 964-0468 or vocations@sistersofcharity.com.

Latest Baptisms at Christ the King
Sebastian James Melton
Son of Collin & Andrea Melton Jackson
James Jewett
son of Gregory & Kimberly Jewett
Baptized here on October 5, 2025
We joyfully welcome them to the family
of God at Christ the King Parish!!

For all young women discerning a call to the religious life: The Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be hosting a Come & See Retreat for single women, ages 18-35, on November 7-9 at the Sacred Heart on the Lake retreat center in Higganum. This will be an opportunity to pray with the sisters and to discover more about religious life. If you are interested, send a text message to Sr. Colleen at (860) 368-0826.

The CTK spiritual reading & move group will begin reading Pope Francis - HOPE - The autobiography, on Monday, Nov. 3, 2025 following the 8:30 AM liturgy, in the parish library.

The book stands as his testament; the spiritual, faith-filled, as well as moral, social, and civic legacy that he envisioned and left for the benefit of all the men and women of the world.

Hope includes a wealth of revelations, anecdotes, and illuminating thoughts. It is a thrilling and very human memoir, moving and sometimes funny, which represents the "story of a life" and, at the same time, a touching moral and spiritual testament that will fascinate readers throughout the world and will be Pope Francis's legacy of hope for future generations.

For further information contact James Pepitone,

jpepitone@me.com <mailto:jpepitone@me.com>, 203-779-9066

Walking With Purpose Women's Bible Study - Christ the King So Much More Than A Bible Study - Grow in faith, friendship, & community with women who share your Catholic values. WWP blends Scripture study, small group discussion, & real-life application to strengthen hearts & homes. We offer 3 studies on Wednesdays at 9:30AM or 6:30PM,

beginning October 1, 2025 (with an additional morning session starting in January) at Christ the King Church, Old Lyme. Not ready to commit to a weekly study? - Come to our Connect Coffee Talks open to all women during our morning and evening sessions on 10/29, 12/10, 1/28, 2/25, & 3/25.

Visit the WWP page on Christ the King's website or www.walkingwithpurpose.com.

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CATHOLIC YOUTH & FAMILY DAY - SUN. NOV. 2ND Catholic Youth & Family Day with Bishop Richard Reidy will take place from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Church of the Holy Family in Hebron. This inspiring day will include dynamic speakers, uplifting music, Eucharistic Adoration, & Mass with the Bishop. The cost to attend is \$5 per person, \$25 per family, or \$4 for a church youth group. To register or get more information, call Alvania at (860) 848-2237 ext. 304 https://catholicyouthday.weebly.com Join us for one day, one faith, and one awesome experience!

THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - RETREAT DAY 7 Gifts & 12 Fruits that can set us & the World on Fire Sat., Nov. 1st 9:30am to 3:00pm ANOTHER ONE, FOR THE 4th TIME!!!! Our other three Holy Spirit Retreat Days filled up so quickly, that we promised many people on the waiting list, that we'd do it one more time. So here it is, we will spend time in Prayer like the 12 Apostles, Mary & the other Disciples awaiting the Coming of the Holy Spirit before Pentecost. We will pray with the 7 Gifts and the 12 Fruits of the Holy Spirit that they might penetrate us so deeply, that the Holy Spirit, once again, might set us & the world on Fire with Jesus' Spirit of Love, Power & Might. Presenter- Sr. Lany Jo Smith, ASCJ- Donation asked \$35.- Includes a Continental Breakfast & a Full Lunch. To register online go to sacredheartonthelake.org or call Sr. Lany Jo at 203-606-9102.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Matthew 5:4

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, join us for a workshop and learn ways to grow through the experience of your loss Praying Your Goodbyes Saturday,

November 15, 2025 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. At St Colman Church 170 Hubbard Street in Middlefield, CT 06455 The workshop will include time for personal reflection, prayer, and journaling and tips on how to navigate the upcoming holiday season.

There is no fee for the workshop.

Registration deadline is November 10, 2025.

To register, contact: Alvania Tejada at the Evangelization & Discipleship Ministry 860–848–2237, Ext 304 or faitheventsenorwichdiocese.net



Come Join Us - Diocesan OCIA WORKSHOP: A Pilgrimage of Hope! Saturday, Oct. 25th, 9:00 am -12:00pm at St Patrick Cathedral Hall (Lower level), Norwich The OCIA process can feel overwhelming at first, but there is no need for fear or hesitation. This workshop, led by Mary Jane Silvia*, is designed to guide participants through the essential aspects of OCIA, providing a clear and supportive introduction. The workshop will offer an overview of the OCIA steps, with special attention to the new translation that was introduced in March of this year. The session will also include an examination of the various rites involved and emphasize the value of developing a dedicated parish team. Attendees will have opportunities for questions and open conversation, as well as time set aside for prayer and personal reflection. Please register Alvania 860-848-2237, ext.304 or faithevents@norwichdiocese.net



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