SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Eucharist:

Mass:

M-F: 8:00am Sat. Vigil: 5:00pm Sun.: 8:00am & 10:30am

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. Jeffrey Ellis, Vocations Office, 860.887.9294.

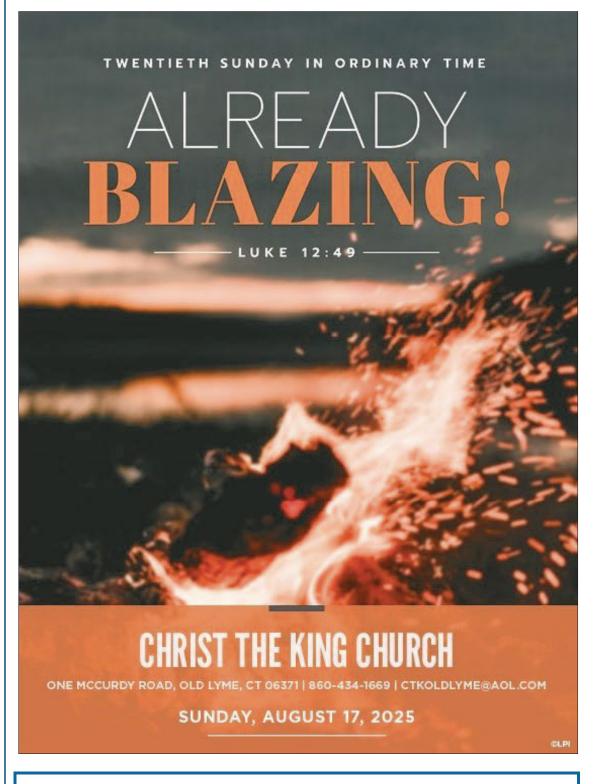
Matrimony:

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

Confirmation:

Confirmation preparation
begins in grade 8 and
students receive the
sacrament in grade 10.
Adults can join OCIA.
For questions about OCIA,
please contact the office to
leave a message for Jo Ann
Staves.

Sexual Misconduct Services: 800.624.7407



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Fr. Joseph Ashe, Pastor ~ Fr. Walter Nagle, Parochial Vicar Contact us!

Rectory: 860.434.1660; Parish Office: 860.434.1669 // Office email: CTKOldLyme@aol.com

Faith Formation email: DREChristTheKingOL@gmail.com
Parish Website: www.ChristTheKingChurch.net

<u>Church Team/Staff:</u> Louise Young, *Pastoral Associate*; Kim Whitcomb, *Administrative Assistant*; William J. Thomas, *Director of Music Ministries*; Erica Zapatka, *Director of Faith Formation*; Sulma Garcia, *Housekeeper*

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Masses and Week at a Glance for the week of August 17, 2025

Sat. Aug. 16

🗗 James Kelly r/b Joan Moylan

7 Peter Hodge r/b his Aunt Christine Plikus

Sun. Aug. 17 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am F Rita & Bob Sulick r/b Paula Melillo

10:30am **★** Deceased members of the Brodeur

family Donald, Elizabeth (Nancy), Elizabeth (Liz), Timothy, & Terri

★ Carole Storms r/b Peter & Betty

Gallagher

Mon. Aug. 18

8:00am Parishioners of CTK

Tues. Aug. 19

8:00am / Gregory Swenson r/b the Canavan family

Wed. Aug. 20

8:00am **★** All souls in Purgatory

7:00 pm Small Christian Community Bible Study

Thurs. Aug. 21

8:00am *** Louise Ferrabee r/b Susan Lennard**

Fri. Aug. 22

Sat. Aug. 23

★ Maria McDermott r/b the Moylan family

* Jack Redway r/b Chrisanna Pat

Sun. Aug. 24 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30am / Maria Ines Dias r/b the family

* Kenneth Lee r/b his family

T Gregory Swenson r/b Al & Mary Ann

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The Sanctuary Lamp for this week of August will be lit for Joanne Nygard

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*.



Parish Prayer Line

To request prayers for any intention large or small, please call <u>Michele at (860) 434-8529</u> & leave a message. *Intentions are shared via first name only, but can be completely anonymous.*



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 + Claudia Kokoruda & Connor McCoy, August 30, 2025



Christ the King Church is Looking for Volunteers!



Collectors and Lectors are needed for weekend masses! We would love for you to join

& remember, no experience is required! Those interested in altar serving at CTK Parish, please call the office at (860) 434-1669 or email at ctkoldlyme@aol.com to set up a time for training.

We are working with a company to place a student from Spain into a Catholic host family for the 2025- 2026 school year. Please contact Erica for more information (860) 575-1740 or DREChristTheKingOL@gmail.com

Holy Trinity Prolife Committee of Christ the King & St Pio Parishes A grateful Thank You to all who contributed to our Biannual Diaper Drive. We collected close to 4000 Diapers & 5700 wipes for our local Pregnancy Centers & Birthrights. Please know how much this means to many mothers, babies & families in need! God Bless You!

Small Christian Community, 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.

Parish Bulletin Submission Deadlines

If you would like to submit any announcements for the bulletin, the deadline is **Monday** by **noon.**

Thank you for keeping your item short. Space is limited.

Catholic Trivia - Just for Fun

Question: In what form did the Holy Spirit appear to the

Apostles during Pentecost? Answer: Tongues of fire. ©LP

Friday Morning Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is celebrated in the Church *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*.*

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." LUKE 12:51 Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves with our family and friends, especially when it comes to politics and religion. We don't want to cause any turmoil. However, many times this is at the expense of the truth. The truth being Jesus Christ. Too many people are misguided because they rely on their own limited human ability to reason & are not allowing faith in God to guide them. Form your conscience; take a stance for life, marriage, &religious liberty.

Parish Readings for the Week of August 17, 2025

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/

Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab

and 44/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30 Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16 Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/

Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a,

9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2,

3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2 (Mk 16:15)/

Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-3

2025 ACA update as of August 4, 2025: Congratulations to **Christ the King Parish**, for surpassing its goal! The current amount donated is \$87,782.38/15.32% 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. **Thank you to everyone for your support!** If you have not made your contribution, 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 online at www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org.

We're excited to share that Faith Direct will soon be upgrading to ParishSOFT Giving—our new, secure giving platform. This upgrade will happen automatically & securely. No action is required from you—your gift schedules & payment details will carry over seamlessly. What's new about ParishSOFT Giving?

If you selected weekly giving, your gifts will now be deducted each week instead of in one monthly batch.

More Flexibility: Adjust your giving schedule to any date that works for you—not just the 4th or 15th.

More Ways to Give: Now you can donate using PayPal, Venmo, Apple Pay, or Google Pay.

We're committed to making this a smooth transition. You'll receive more information as we get closer to launch.

Faith Formation classes begin Sunday Sept. 28, 2025 for all classes! Register now if you haven't already. We are also still looking for volunteers to teach, support each class, and share their talents and faith with the youth of

our parish! Without more volunteers we CANNOT have faith formation classes. Faith Formation Class Times

K - 7th Grade Sunday mornings 9:15am - 10:15am Confirmation 2027 (8th grade) Sunday evenings 7pm - 8pm Confirmation 2026 (9th grade) Sunday evenings 6:30 - 8pm

Involvement Opportunities at Christ the King

CTK July Collection Summary*

Offertory & Monthly Debt \$48,950.71 Expenses \$61,253.47 *From Basket Collections, Faith Direct, and Mail August Special Collections 8/15 Assumption, 8/31 National Combined Collection

CHRIST THE KING CHURCH PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for *Monday*, *Sept. 8 at 7:00pm*. Attendance at meetings is

open to all parishioners, 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. Meeting agenda will be posted there, along with minutes of past meetings.

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Christ the King Church Men's Club

organization that meets *once monthly, at 6pm on the first Thursday*, to support the needs of both the church and 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 and support many charitable organizations and conduct maintenance projects to maintain the church and church grounds.
- 3. Socializing we hold monthly meetings enjoying pizza and camaraderie, and we support numerous church social functions. For more information, please contact Bob Brinkerhoff, Men's Club President, at 860-748-9378 (call or text), email at rnbrink@comcast.net, or visit the CTK website.

Parish Pot Luck Supper

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Our next supper will be held at Christ the King Parish Hall on Friday, August 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.

Join us Sept. 9, 11, 16 & 18 7:00-8:30 for a 4 part <u>Awakening Mission!</u> Titled "Awakening: How is the Holy Spirit at Work in Your Life?" -the mission is designed to offer participants ways to deepen their faith lives through rediscovering God's unconditional love & learn more about the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It also aims to help develop a richer & more meaningul prayer life & experience the mercy of God through a deeper understanding of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Contact Alvania at <u>faithevents@norwichdiocese.net</u> or 860-848-2237, ext. 304 for more information & to register.

Come join in praying the Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations on Thursday, August 21, 2025. This month will be at Our Lady of Sorrows in Essex, from 6:00-7:00pm. Come pray for those who are called to priestly or consecrated religious life. Pray for those in the process of applying to the Diocese.

Community Events and Ways to Help

Harvest Festival is Sat., Sept 20th - 8:30-3:00 & Sun. Sept 21st - 9am-noon (Rummage & Silent Auction)

WE NEED YOU! Volunteers needed to help plan & run a great event! Sign-ups are available in narthex, online sign up at church website, or email ctkharvestfestival@gmail.com

Silent Auction DONATIONS: Donations of new items or gift certificates are needed. Completed baskets or gift certificates should be brought to the office by Sept. 12th. (please include the value of completed basket or item so we know where to start the bidding) Questions concerning Silent Auction should be directed to Donna Staab 732-809-2712

Rummage Sale: volunteers needed, for intake & prep as well as cashiers, and room attendants on Saturday and Sunday. Many hands make light work!! *Intake days Mark your Calendars!* 9amnoon Weds-Sept 3rd through Saturday Sept 13th with Evening hours 5-6:30pm: Tues Sept 4th and Thursday Sept 11th *Quality please:* We will gladly accept clean & gently used household items, jewelry, small furniture, Christmas treasures, children's toys, books, and sports equipment. Please mark sizes of linens, sheets, & tablecloths. Gently used coats for Coat Drive this fall. A full list of acceptable items is posted near the office as well as on our website. Plant Sale: Home grown perennials are always a hit at the plant sale, plan to donate your separated & potted perennials to our sale. Bake Sale: We will need many bakers to make yummy treats. Get your favorite recipes ready & sign up to bake!

Kids Games: A great way for confirmation students to earn service hours! Help with supervising the outdoor kids games on Saturday. Volunteering in any capacity is a great way to get to know fellow parishioners & be involved with our great CTK community!!



News from the Diocese of Norwich 201 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360 860-887-9294



DIOCESE OF NORWICH SEEKS DIOCESAN FINANCE OFFICER

The Diocese of Norwich is seeking an experienced full-time Finance Officer to assist the Bishop in the administration of the material goods of the Diocese. This position plays a key leadership role in overseeing the financial well-being of the Diocese & ensures proper stewardship of diocesan resources. The successful candidate will be a practicing Catholic in good standing, possess a minimum of a bachelor's degree in finance, accounting, or related field (MBA/CPA preferred), and 5 years of senior-level experience in financial administration. Salary commensurate with experience. Find this and other job openings on our website at NorwichDiocese.org/Employment Interested applicants should send a cover letter and resume to: Diocese of Norwich Rev. Peter J. Langevin, Chancellor at: chancellor@norwichdiocese.net

The Order of Malta will sponsor the 11th LOURDES in a DAY Pilgrimage Sat. Sept. 13, 2025 at St. Peter Claver Church, West Hartford, 9:30am-3:00pm. The Pilgrimage includes at no cost: Reconciliation, Rosary, Washing with Lourdes water, Anointing of the Sick, Mass, Adoration, & Benediction. For those seeking healing with their caregivers, the day includes an inspirational talk during the box lunch. Information is available at the parish office & at church doors. Attendees must register by Sept. 1, to order the lunch of your choice: ham, roast beef, turkey or vegetarian with Mark Sullivan, at: lourdesinaday@gmail.com.

The Diocese of Norwich seeks a fulltime Executive Director for the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti ministry. Responsibilities include supervision of staff in U.S. & Haiti, fundraising, financial management, oversight of operations in U.S., oversight of programs in Haiti, including clinic, education, twinning, & hospitality.

<u>Qualifications</u>: Respect & support for leadership & teachings of the Catholic Church, a bachelor's degree, & work experience in a related field. Administration experience & budget management, community relations, & fundraising skills. All letters of interest and resumes are due by Sept. 12 to Tom. For complete job description & mission statement please email Thomas Campbell at thomas.campbell@outreachtohaiti.org.

ANNIVERSARY MASS REGISTRATION –All couples married 25 & 50 years or celebrating any significant anniversary are invited to attend the 2025 Silver & Golden Jubilee Mass celebrated by Bishop Richard F. Reidy at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich Sunday, Oct. 19, 2025, at 2pm. Registration is required. To do so, send the following information: husband and wife's name, address, telephone number, wedding date, anniversary being celebrated and parish to Alvania Tejada, Office of Faith Events, 331 Main St., 2nd Fl, Norwich, CT 06360, call 860-848-2237, x 304, or at faithevents@norwichdiocese.net Deadline for registering is Thursday, Sept. 25, 2025. This is a firm date, so please register early. Couples may also email a recent digital photo of themselves in a jpeg format to the email address to be included in a gallery of pictures on the Diocesan Website.

It is with great pleasure that I congratulate Liza Roach on her new position as Family Life Minister. Her extensive work with youth and young adults will be a great foundation for her future work with families in the diocese. Please keep her in your prayers as she begins this new endeavor! —Andrea Hoisl Job Opening: Diocesan Youth & Young Adult Minister The Youth and Young Adult Minister will coordinate diocesan events, support parish ministries, and serve as a resource for building dynamic, Christ-centered communities among youth (grades 6–12) and young adults (ages 18-39). The role will also involve collaboration with other diocesan offices, outreach to college campuses, leadership formation, and the organization of retreats, conferences, and sports programs. We are looking for someone who is passionate about their Catholic faith, deeply committed to evangelization, and eager to accompany young people on their spiritual journeys. If you, or someone you know, feels called to serve in this capacity, we invite you to visit the Diocesan website for more information. To apply please send cover letter and resume to Andrea Hoisl at ahoisl@norwishdiocese.net.

ART AND SPIRITUALITY RETREAT TUES., SEPT. 9TH or SAT., OCT. 18TH from 10 - 3 Well-known local artist, Ed Rosado will team with Sr. Lany Jo at teaching & demonstrating how art can be a segue into prayerful mediation &contemplation. Both Art/Retreats are for those that already have some background in art & in the media they most often use to do especially land-scapes, which they will focus on at the scenic lake & grounds of the SHOTL Retreat Center. Please bring your lunch and art supplies. Coffee, tea and other hot and cold drinks will be provided. A donation of \$20 is asked for this Retreat Day. Space is limited, register ASAP at sacredheartonthelake.org or call Sr. Lany Jo at 203-606-9102.





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