



Christ the King

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Catholic Church

RECONCILIATION: (CONFESSION)

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 in 10th grade

adults can join OCIA (for questions on this please contact the office and leave a message for

Jo Ann Staves

Adoration:

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

SACRAMENTAL Life Eucharist:

Mass: M-F: 8:00am

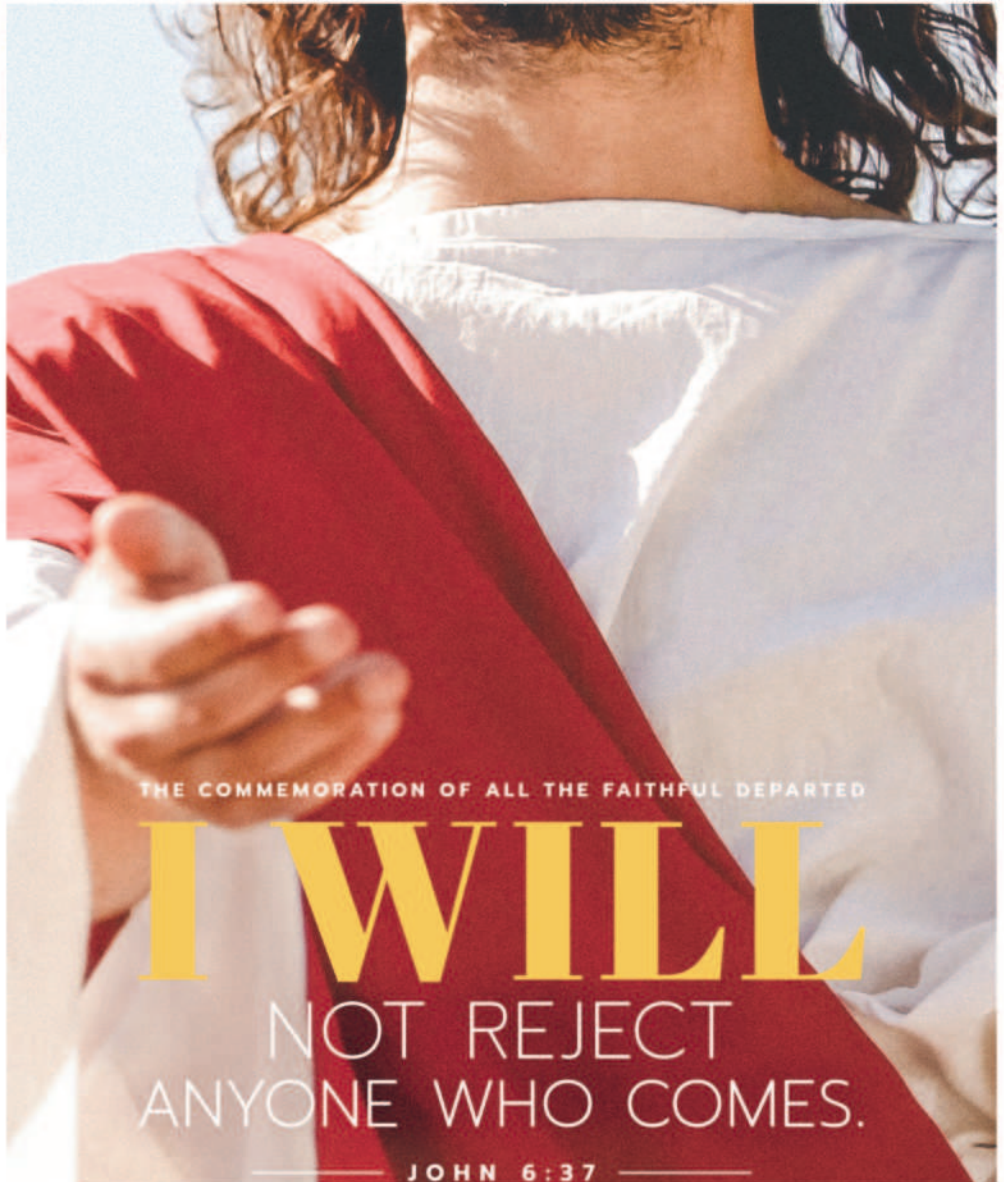
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

Weekdays: 8:00am

Join us! Can't join in person? Celebrate via our Zoom live-stream! Links to join 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



Your parish team is here for you!

Fr. Joseph C. Ashe, Pastor
Fr. Walter Nagle, Parochial Vicar

Sexual Misconduct Services:
800-624-7407

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

Church staff: Kimberly Whitcomb, *Administrative Assistant*; William J. Thomas, *Director of Music Ministries*; Erica Zapatka, *Director of Faith Formation*; Sulma Garcia, *Housekeeper*

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Parish Trustees: Marilyn Clarke & Richard Torrenti

Readings for the week of November 2, 2025

Sunday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-2

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 November 2, 2025

Sat. Nov. 1

All Saints Day

5:00pm

+ Roger Breunig r/b Jack & Florence Thomas

+ Francis Vigil Cooper r/b Maria & Elena Augustin

+ Rev. David Zercie r/b Miriam Simmone * & Louise Rochon

Sun. Nov. 2

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - All Souls' Day

Daylight Savings Ends

8:00am

All Souls

9:15 - 10:15AM

Faith Formation

10:30am

All Souls

6:30 - 8:00PM

Confirmation Class

Mon. Nov. 3

8:00am

Intentions of Joseph Dougherty r/b Rita Spring

Tue. Nov. 4

8:00am

+ **All Souls in Purgatory**

6:30pm

OCIA

Wed. Nov. 5

8:00am

+ **Felix Pressler r/b Tom & Mary Murray**

9:30AM & 6:30PM

Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study

7:00pm

Small Christian Community Bible Study

Thur. Nov. 6

8:00am

+ **Bernard Jr. & Barbara Kennedy**

9:00am

Christ the King Thursday Morning Bible Study

Fri. Nov. 7

8:00am

+ **All Souls in Purgatory**

Sat. Nov. 8

5:00pm

Parishioners of Christ the King

Sun. Nov. 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00am

Parishioners of Christ the King

9:00am

Men's Club Coffee Hour honoring all of our Veteran's

9:15 - 10:15AM

Faith Formation

10:30am

Veteran's Day Mass r/b the Christ the King Men's Club

+ **Timothy Miller (16th Anniv.) r/b his Madre**

11:30am

Baptism, Christ the King

11:30am

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6:30 - 8:00PM

Confirmation Class

The Sanctuary Lamp for this week of November will be lit for Kevin Boudreau

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.



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**

The Men's Club of Christ the King Church will host a coffee social in the entrance by the parish hall for all military veterans on Sun., Nov. 9, 2025, following both the 8am & 10:30am masses. Both 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.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Question: How many days did Jesus remain on earth after his Resurrection?

Answer: 40 days. ©LPi

All Soul's Day

"...because I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me..." John 6:38

When praying the "Our Father", say the words slowly so you truly recognize what you are saying. Every day when praying this prayer, we repeat what Jesus said in the scripture passage - "thy kingdom come, thy will be done." Even though we say these words, do our actions reflect those words? This is the difference between saints and the rest of us. Saints were faithful and obedient to God's will. Start today - start aligning your words and actions with God's will for you.

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!

November Special Collections

11/2 All Souls' Day

11/9 Archdiocese Military Service

11/23 Energy



**Latest Baptisms at Christ the King
Sebastian Jackson
Son of Alexander Jackson & Heidi
Freudenthal
Baptized here on October 19, 2025
We joyfully welcome him to the family
of God at Christ the King Parish!!**

With the onset of fall and chillier temperatures, we have heard from recent discussions with IRIS (the Integrated Refugee and Immigration Services in New Haven) that there is a special need for gently used blankets, twin size bedding, towels, hats, gloves and socks. If anyone might have something they would like to clear out of their closets, please feel free to leave your greatly appreciated donations office at any time over the next few weeks. Warm thanks!!

Old Lyme Town Band will hold a concert in the Parish Hall at Christ the King on Friday, December 5th at 7:00pm. Please consider attending and enjoying what promises to be a wonderful show.

**Parish Potluck Supper will be held at Christ the King Parish Hall
Friday, December 5th @ 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.**

Bring any unwanted Silver (& silver-plate) or Gold and donate to Christ the King. Our elves will have it turned into cash to benefit the church. Drop off to the office anytime during regular office hours or arrange to meet up at a time that works for everyone!!

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,
203-779-9066**

The Holy Trinity Pro-Life Committee needs new members! We work for the parishes of St. Pio's and Christ the King. Our mission is to foster respect and love for the sacredness of human life at all stages. We seek to engage our parish communities through prayer, education and action. Some of our activities include baby diaper/wipe drives for pregnancy care centers, Mother's Day Rose Sale to support Birthright, bus trips to the CT March for Life, "Coffee And Sundays" at Christ the King, Celebrate Life Corner bulletin articles and more are in the works. The committee needs your help. To learn more about our activities and how you can help, please call Rosellyn Giampietro at 203-715-7227 or email at lateran84@gmail.com.

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, we began 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 12/10, 1/28, 2/25, & 3/25. Visit the WWP page on Christ the King's website or www.walkingwithpurpose.com.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

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The Passionist Missionaries goal is to promote the memory of the Passion of Jesus Christ by witnessing and preaching to the sufferings of our time. Through their projects in Kenya, they are able to evangelize and promote integral human development. Their projects involve programs and activities for alleviating poverty and foster social justice and economic empowerment of the communities they serve. They have 36 seminarians, they run two orphanages with 70 orphans, and they support poor widows in their rural missions. They organize and preach retreats for both religious and lay Faithful. Your generous support will help them to continue in their mission affecting a positive change in people's daily lives and the hope for a better tomorrow. Fr. Gilbert Omolo will share their mission story November 15/16 Please visit our orphans, widows, Seminarians and Passionists www.Passionistskenya.org

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 Nov. 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.

A STUDY COMMISSIONED by the Knights of Columbus revealed that 75% of Catholic young people who had seriously considered priesthood or religious life felt that they were never encouraged to pursue that vocation by anyone. Do you know someone who would make a good religious or priest? Why not tell them? Your encouragement might be all that they need. Join Bishop Reidy at St. Joseph church in Norwich on Friday, November 21st at 6:00 PM, as we join together in prayer for vocations in our diocese, particularly for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life.

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 faithevents@norwichdiocese.net

An Evening of Wine Music and Giving
Catholic Charities invites you to "An Evening of Wine, Music and Giving" on November 19, 2025 at the Holiday Inn, Norwich, Connecticut. Bishop Reidy will be sharing part of his evening with us. Come and enjoy an evening of fine wines for swirling, hors d'oeuvres for savoring and live music to enjoy with family and friends from 5:00 to 7:30.

A Silent Auction features unique lap and baby quilts, gift baskets, golf foursomes, a Giants autographed football, jewelry and lovely pocketbooks. Individual tickets are \$50.00 and a Business/Family Sponsorship is \$500.00, which includes 2 tickets.

Providing Help, Creating Hope is at the center of all Catholic Charities Educational and Service Programs provided to our families/individuals/veterans who are struggling to pay utilities, rent and provide food for their families. Come, support Catholic Charities, a Ministry of our Diocese, and enjoy spending time with family and friends.

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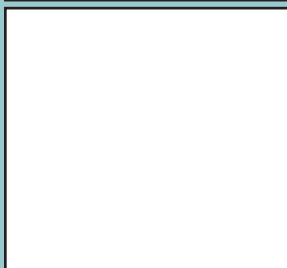
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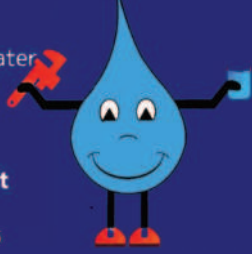


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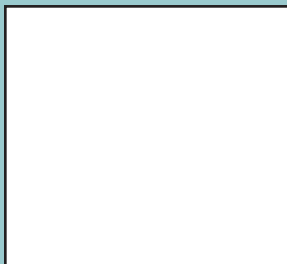
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