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Catholic Church

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YOU ARE WORTH MORE THAN MANY SPARROWS.

— MATTHEW 10:31 —



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* & 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

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

Your parish team is here for you!

Fr. Joseph C. Ashe, Pastor

Fr. Walter Nagle, Parochial Vicar

If you are in need of a priest, please

contact Fr. Joe and/or Fr. Walter

at the Rectory: 860-434-1660

Adoration:

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

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.

Sexual Misconduct Services: 800-624-7407

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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Parish Trustees: Marylin Clarke & Richard Torrenti

Readings for the week of June 21, 2026

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14 and 17, 33-35/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/ Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/ Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Mt 7:21-29

Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12/ Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/ Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42)

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.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM FR. JOE

Never will I reach out via email or text making a request for anything from any of you. There are many scams out there that appear to be coming from me that are not from myself or Christ the King Church. If you receive something and are unsure, please reach out to either myself, Fr. Walter, or Kim in the office but know that I will never reach out in this manner for any reason.

If you receive a letter mailed to you that could be from me but it will come on church letterhead and be signed by me generally during the holidays.

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 Peter Kulas at (203) 490-7766.

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, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Masses and Week at a Glance for the week of June 21, 2026

Sat. June 20	<i>The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	
2:00pm	Wedding CTK Ariana Tessier & Matthew DiMattia	
5:00pm	+ All Fathers Living and Deceased	
Sun. June 21	<i>12th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<i>Father's Day</i>
8:00am	+ All Fathers Living and Deceased	
10:30am	+ All Fathers Living and Deceased	
11:30am	Baptism, Christ the King	
Mon. June 22		
8:00am	Parishioners of Christ the King	
Tue. June 23		
8:00am	+ John & Eileen Torrenti r/b the Paine family	
Wed. June 24	<i>The Nativity of St. John the Baptist</i>	
8:00am	+ Bob Staab	
7:00pm	Small Christian Community Bible Study	
Thur. June 25		
8:00am	+ The deceased members of the God Squad	
Fri. June 26		
8:00am	+ Bernard Jr & Barbara Kennedy	
Sat. June 27		
11:00am	Funeral Service James Malone	
2:00pm	Wedding CTK Anna Rehm & Robert Hurstak	
5:00pm	+ The deceased members of the Paine & Dudanowicz	
Sun. June 28	<i>13th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
8:00am	+ Norris Guillot	
10:30am	+ Parishioners of Christ the King	
11:30am	Baptism, Christ the King	

**The Sanctuary Lamp for this week of June will be lit for
All Fathers Living and Deceased**

At a meeting of the bishops of the ecclesiastical Province of Hartford, of which the Diocese of Norwich is part, the Bishops decreed that fifteen dollars (\$15) is to be the amount for stipends for Masses, effective January 1, 2026. If you have any questions, please see either Fr. Joe, Fr. Walter or Kim in the office.

**Christ the King Sanctuary Candle may be reserved on a weekly basis in memory of
or 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.**

Sustaining our Legacy: Nurturing our Community of Faith

Funds raised through this effort will be used for maintenance and repair on our church and rectory buildings. Information packets have been mailed to all registered parishioners. If you have not received a packet, contact the church office to check on your registration status. Please read the brochure and prayerfully consider how you and your family can support this important project.

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.” MATTHEW 10:32

Would others know that you are Catholic by the way you act and speak? Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith when the situation arises or do you remain silent? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself. Let us become the radiant light and bold witness that we are called to be!

CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Question: Absolution, penance, and confession all refer to which Sacrament?

Answer: The Sacrament of Reconciliation. ©LPi

CTK Parish Office Summer Hours

For the summer season, the office will close early on Fridays (at 12:30pm)

With gratitude for the many years of hard work & appreciated support from the Christ the King community, it is that time of year again. The **88th White Elephant Sale** is fast approaching, & we are in need of more volunteers to assist in the gargantuan task of making the annual event as successful as it has been in past years. The needs vary & there are many areas requiring help such as Sporting Goods, women's clothing & inside intake sorting where people are needed to assist with set-up, clean-up & operation during the sale itself. We are appealing to everyone, young or just young-hearted, willing to help sort, price & act as salespersons & helpers at the actual event. There are large & small jobs of every kind, we need help from June 20th through July 11th. Please contact Jane Marolda (860-608-0257) or Deb Heminway (860-625-3144) if you can help or have any questions.

2026 ACA update: As of May 29, 2026, Christ the King Parish, has donated \$71,017.80 or 78.03% of its goal, and 11.98% of your parishioners have donated. We are striving for as close to 100% participation as possible. **THERE IS STILL TIME TO DONATE!** Our campaign year ends December 31, 2026. With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. If you have not made your contribution to the 2026 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!**

MUSIC BINGO/MIXTAPE BINGO

Bishop Reidy will be joining us for Music Bingo, a fun filled 3 hours of music, laughter and friendship which it will be happening Friday July 10, 2026 at St. Francis Church Fox Parish Center 10 Elm Street, Middletown. Catholic Charities Diocese of Norwich is hosting this event and the proceeds will provide funding for our many Programs. No music knowledge is required to play these 3 lively Music Bingo games, just your smile! Check-In will begin at 5:00 and the games will be from 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. Tickets are \$20.00 in advance and \$25.00 at the door. Walk-In seating is not guaranteed. The evening is BYOB and food with water and coffee available. Tickets will be sold at St. Francis office during the week and after the weekend masses. Tickets can be purchased by emailing Catholic Charities main office TerriFontaine@ccfsn.org, or call Sue 860-916-1575 or Pam at 860-301-6449. Thank you for choosing to spend your evening with Bishop Reidy and Catholic Charities!

Last weekend the Combined Collection for World Charities which supports Catholic Relief Services, The Campaign for Human Development, aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and Christianity in the Holy Land was conducted. If you were unable to bring your gift envelope, extra envelopes are available in the Narthex in the basket where the music is available each week Your support for these needs of the Universal Church is greatly appreciated. Your envelope can be dropped in the collection box or mailed directly to the parish. Thank you.

**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 2) stewardship 3) socializing 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 newly formed Christ the King Women's Club is looking for members!

The goal is to create social functions, fundraising events & form a foundation where women can support each other through everyday challenges. Meetings are 6:30-7:30 the 4th Thursday of each month.

For more information email Terry Carreau at carreautl@gmail.com or visit the CTK website

To celebrate our nation's 250th anniversary, our Parish Council has ordered a bronze plaque dedicated to the men and women of Christ the King Church who proudly serve or have served our country. This plaque will be displayed in the Narthex and will be dedicated and blessed at the 5:00pm mass on Saturday July 4th.

Please consider joining us to honor our friends and loved ones!!



Parish Potluck Supper will be held at Christ the King Parish Hall Friday, June 26th @ 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, call Nancy Gatto at 860-390-6314.

Parishioners that need specific help are encouraged to use the bulletin board across from the Parish Office. Parishioners are also encouraged to advertise their services on the bulletin board. Please see Kim in the office with any questions. You are encouraged to view the bulletin board periodically as it contains diocesan, parish, and local information that may be of interest.

If you or someone you know is homebound or unable to attend Mass and would like one of our Eucharistic Ministers to deliver, please contact Kim at the parish office to make arrangements at 860-434-1669

Stewardship Corner

At Christ the King Church, Second/Special Collections are combined with our primary collection during the Offertory each week. We will be providing information about the timing & purpose of each collection as it approaches, in the Weekly Bulletin (refer to the "Stewardship Corner") and pre-Mass announcements, as well as on our parish website. In addition to the Sunday envelopes (for parishioners using the envelopes for giving), there are "extra" envelopes provided which do not necessarily coincide with a planned Second/Special Collection. These often relate to an observance during the liturgical year which may or may not fall on a Sunday. Our online giving platform, ParishSoft Giving (formerly Faith Direct) also offers opportunities to contribute to many of these Collections. Anyone who would like to participate in the special collections may drop a blank envelope in the basket with their gift notated. Blank envelopes are available in the Narthex.

6/28 Energy Needs

Bring any unwanted silver (& silver-plate), gold, jewelry (broken or mis-mate) 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 at a time that works for everyone!!

Christ the King Church is looking for volunteers!

Altar servers, eucharistic ministers, lectors, & collectors 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

DID YOU KNOW

If you use a credit card to make your donations through Parishsoft Giving there is a processing fee charged by the credit card company to the church for each transaction? Contact the office with any questions or concerns.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

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All families are invited to go cycling with Bishop Reidy on Saturday, June 27th. We will meet in the parking lot of St. Josephs in Rockville at 9:00am and then begin our 7-mile bike ride along the Rockville Spur! Please register to attend with this code:



Are you looking for a deeper relationship with Jesus? Do you want to grow in holiness and develop a contemplative prayer life? **CONSIDER BECOMING A LAY CARMELITE** Location: St. Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Church, 69 Groton Long Point Road, Groton, When: Third Saturday of the month, 10am – 12:30pm For information: email tocregion2@carmelites.com shendersontoc@yahoo.com Suzanne Henderson, Connecticut Regional Coordinator (860-235-4355)

Middlesex Health Hospice Volunteer Program has openings for singers & pet companion teams to visit patients in their homes, including private residences, skilled nursing facilities, assisted living facilities, and group homes.

Middlesex Threshold Singers is a chapter of the Threshold Choir organization. These hospice-trained volunteers sing a cappella in three-part harmony at patients' bedsides in groups of two or three. Practices are held Mondays from 3:00–4:30pm in Middletown.

Pet Companion volunteers bring their dogs to visit patients in skilled nursing & assisted living facilities. Certified therapy pets must pass appropriate testing administered by a recognized therapy organization, such as Pet Partners, Therapy Dogs Incorporated, Therapy Dogs International, Bright Spot Therapy Dogs, Inc., Alliance of Therapy Dogs, Bright and Beautiful Therapy Dog, Inc., and must undergo health screenings.

All hospice volunteers participate in a mandatory training session offered by Middlesex Health Hospice. For more information & to learn about hospice volunteer training, please contact hospice.information@midhosp.org or complete the online hospice volunteer application.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Strengthen your marriage this summer through a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend at Holy Family Retreat Center from August 28–30, 2026. This residential experience offers couples an opportunity to reconnect, reflect, and deepen their relationship with one another and with God. Space is limited and filling quickly. For more information or to register, contact Frank and Margie Pearson at (860) 337-2447 or visit <https://wwmectw.org/applyWeekend.php>

Christ the King Parish, Old Lyme, CT July 18 & 19, 2026 The US-China Catholic Association (USCCA) will be at Christ the King Parish as part of the Missionary Cooperation Plan. For over 35 years, USCCA has fostered faith, dialogue, & friendship between Catholics in the United States & China. This visit offers a powerful opportunity to witness how global faith communities are connected in hope, prayer, & mission. Please consider supporting the USCCA mission cause by placing your donation in the second collection basket. Please make your check out to Christ the King Parish, Memo: USCCA. Thank you! **Learn more about USCCA's mission: uscatholicchina.org**

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