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HOURS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Monday—Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 2:45 PM to 3:45 PM or please call Msgr. Sullivan

HOLY MATRIMONY

Couples planning a Christian marriage should contact
Msgr. Sullivan following their engagement.

HOLY BAPTISM

Baptisms celebrated occasionally at public Mass or privately.
Please see information inside this bulletin.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please call Msgr. Sullivan for the Sacrament of the
Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion.

WORSHIPING WITH US?

We hope you introduce yourself and register in our parish.
Please call the rectory to do so.

MASS SCHEDULE

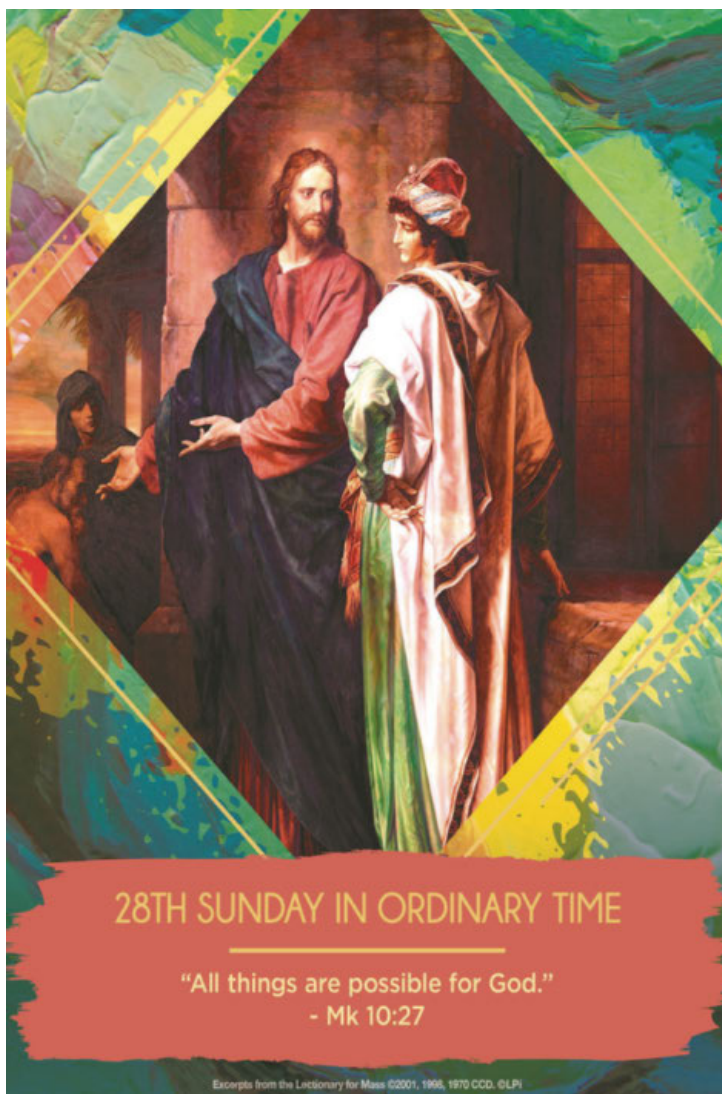
Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM

Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

Weekdays 7:00 AM

Saturday 8:00 AM

Holy Day Mass Times: Please watch our
bulletin for posted times



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"All things are possible for God."

- Mk 10:27

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CHRIST THE KING, WORCESTER, MA



Saturday—October 12th

4:00PM Francis Riley (mem.) req. of Carol Carlomagno

Sunday—October 13th

7:30AM Josephine C. Hackett (1st anniv.) req. of family

9:00AM Patricia Falcone (mem.) req. of family

11:00AM Parishioners of Christ the King

Monday—October 14th \$20.00

7:00AM Robert Heon (mem.) req. of Roger & Joyce
Dubuque

Tuesday—October 15th

7:00AM Alfonso and Caterina Minardi (mem.) req. of
Maria Crossen

Wednesday—October 16th

7:00AM Jack O'Connor (mem.) req. of The Derr Family

Thursday—October 17th

7:00AM Krystyna Plewa (mem.) req. of a friend

Friday—October 18th

7:00AM Mary Mullaney (mem.) req. of The Derr
Family

Saturday—October 19th

8:00AM Steven Cureau (mem.) req. of Mark &
Monique Czyzewski

4:00PM Patricia Coyne (1st anniv.) req. of family

Sunday—October 20th

7:30AM Parishioners of Christ the King

9:00AM William Bloomfield (17th anniv.) req. of
family

11:00AM Mary McKeon (mem.) req. of family

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the soul of **Dolores G. Dulude**, the stepmother
and mother in law of Rich and Mindy Dulude.

Monsignor Sullivan is a Notary Public

For many years Monsignor Sullivan has been a notary public.
Should any parishioner need to have a document notarized you
are welcome to call upon him. There will be no fee for any nota-
rizations. He is simply happy to assist you. Just call the rectory
should you need this service.

St. John's Fall Open Houses

This Thursday, October 17, at 6:00 pm & **Saturday, Novem-
ber 16**, 9:00 am. During this event, prospective families and
students will have an opportunity to hear from Saint John's fac-
ulty, staff, and students regarding the limitless opportunities
available to boys and young men in grades seven through
twelve. To register, visit www.beapioneer.org/experience.

The Wisdom of the Saints

"There are no times so bad that a good man cannot live in
them." - *Saint Thomas More*

COME TO DAILY MASS!

As you can, please consider coming to our daily Masses - Mon-
day-Friday at 7:00 am and 8:00 am on Saturdays. This week we
celebrate: **St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr** (Monday); **St. Te-
resa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church** (Tuesday); **St.
Mary Alacoque, Virgin** (Wednesday); **St. Ignatius of Antioch,
Bishop and Martyr** (Thursday); **St. Luke, Evangelist** (Friday);
**Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Com-
panions, Martyrs** (Saturday).

Offertory

Many thanks to all those who regularly support our parish with
their financial gifts. Your donations for last weekend are as fol-
lows:

Offertory: \$7,272.00; **Online giving :** \$1,400.00; **Mass Sti-
pends:** \$30.00; **Donations:** \$2,025.00; **Donation from Thurs-
day Night AA:** \$100.00; **Donation from Friday Night AA:**
\$25.00; **Fuel:** \$912.00; **Annual School Appeal:** \$25.00; **All
Souls:** \$20.00; **All Saints:** \$30.00; **Christmas Flowers:** \$20.00.;
World Mission: \$132.00; **Haiti Twinning:** \$20.00.

Total: \$12,011.00

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION PROGRAM

All parents must participate in a preparation session if this is
their first child and/or if they do not worship at Sunday Masses.
Parents whose children are not yet born may participate in the
program if they like. **Upcoming scheduled meetings** take place
from 1:00 to 2:30 pm on the following Sundays: **in 2024: No-
vember 10** and **in 2025: January 5, February 23, March 30,
April 23 and June 1**. Please call Monsignor Sullivan (508-754-
5361) to register for a time to meet. **Baptisms** usually take place
on select Sundays at the 11:00 am Mass. The remaining available
dates in 2024 are **next Sunday, October 20 and November 24**.
**In 2025 the available dates are: January 12, March 2, April
27, and June 15**. Parents work with Msgr. Sullivan to establish
an appropriate date for the actual baptism.

40 Days for Life

CTK's Day

This Wednesday, October 16!

YOU can help save lives by participating in this simple peace-
ful prayer vigil. We pray that, with God's help, our 'witness'
and that of many others will be the beginning of the end of
abortion in Worcester and elsewhere. Join fellow parishioners
on **Wednesday, October 16**, from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. We
pray across the street from the **Planned Parenthood** abor-
tion facility at 470 Pleasant Street. Our aim is to ensure that a
minimum of two adults be present during each prayer hour. If
someone can bring a companion, that will be wonderful, and it
is helpful to know in advance. **To sign up** you can do so on the
sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the church vestibule or
online on the home page of our parish website: ctkworc.org. ~
or contact one of the following: **Kris Correia** (508-654-1798
~ krisedpa@live.com) or **BettyAnn Warner** (508-826-9293 ~
bacwarner@hotmail.com).

**Novena to St. Joseph
Continues Tomorrow Night
With Father John Gavin**

Our 13th Annual Novena to St. Joseph continues tomorrow, **Monday, October 14**, at 7:15 pm. Each evening lasts just 45 minutes and concludes with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. **Father John Gavin, SJ**, a professor of theology at Holy Cross, will offer the homily. The Novena includes prayer for the seriously ill, for improvements in palliative care, and to raise awareness about all attempts to end human life unnaturally as in the case of physician assisted suicide or euthanasia. The names of those people who are terminally or critically ill, and who will be prayed for during the Novena, can be **mailed** to our rectory office, or called in to **508-754-5361**, or emailed to Msgr. Sullivan at tsullivan5@mac.com.

**Information Sessions
on the Permanent Diaconate**

Do you feel that Christ is calling you, but you are not sure what it is He is calling you to do? He may possibly be calling you to serve His followers as a Permanent Deacon. If you are a male between the ages of 30 and 59, single or married, this form of service may just be the answer to what you may be looking. To learn more about the program, please come to one of our information sessions. We are currently in the process of putting together our next class that would begin in 2025. Information sessions are as follows: Our Lady of Loreto parish hall in Worcester on **Wednesday, Oct. 23, at 6:00 pm**; St. Mary in Shrewsbury on **Wednesday, Nov. 6, at 6:30 pm**, and Our Lady of Loreto parish hall in Worcester on **Wednesday, Dec. 4, at 6:00 pm**. For more information or to register for a session please contact Deacon Donald Pegg at dpegg@worcesterdiocese.org.

**Volunteers Needed
Bishop's Holiday Dinners**

Last year, with the incredible support of nearly one thousand volunteers, we served **over 6,500 Thanksgiving and Christmas meals** to those in need. We extend our deepest thanks to you all - our volunteers, sponsors, and donors - for making this possible. Catholic Charities needs volunteers for Thanksgiving and Christmas meal packaging, deliveries, and the sit-down dinner events! Here's how you can get involved on Thanksgiving and/or Christmas. Visit www.ccworc.org/bishopsdinnervolunteer/ Thank you.

Celebrate Priesthood: Taste of the Diocese

Join our 11th annual Celebrate Priesthood event on **Thursday, October 24 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm** at St. Paul Diocesan Jr./Sr. High School on Granite Street and visit with priests and parishioners from around the Diocese while enjoying tastings from dozens of vendors and ethnic delicacies and various refreshments, beer and wine. All proceeds benefit the Priests' Retirement Fund. Visit worcesterdiocese.org/celebrate-priesthood to learn more, buy tickets, advertise in the program book, or donate to the fund.

HOSPITAL VISITS UPDATE

The priest chaplains at our hospitals continue to serve the pastoral needs of their patients. Please let us know if someone you know is hospitalized and Msgr. Sullivan will be happy to visit that person. The best thing is for a family member or friend to call the rectory to let us know your loved one is in the hospital. **St. Vincent's Hospital's new computer system cannot provide any information.** For many years we have **not** been able to obtain any information from either **UMass Hospital** (at the Lake) or **Memorial Hospital** about patients listed by their parishes. **Therefore, you must call the rectory if you would like Msgr. Sullivan to visit a loved one.**

**Many Thanks for a Gift to
Our Lady of Lourdes School
Les Anglais, Haiti**

We wish to thank the parishioner who **donated \$3,201** through a stock transfer to the school that our parish sustains in Les Anglais, Haiti: **École Notre-Dame de Lourdes**. We are very grateful for this extraordinary gift. This is the only Catholic school in a large region of southern Haiti, serving several hundred students, and we are the only means of their support. Occasionally, we receive the gifts of a few other parishioners. We welcome any contributions given for the benefit of these young people living in the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, a nation racked by political chaos and numerous natural disasters. God bless the people of Haiti.

Would You Like to Join Our Parish?

Please contact Monsignor Sullivan at 508-754-5361. Or, you can email him at tsullivan5@mac.com and he will respond.

Making Parish Donations Online

We ask all parishioners to please continue your support of the parish offertory. You can donate online. Please go to our website, ctkworc.org. Either click on the tab at the top of the page or the button in the middle of the page called **'CTK Online Giving.'** You can donate using your credit card. Many thanks.

'BABY BOTTLE' DRIVE

The annual **Baby Bottle Drive**, begun last weekend, continues through the end of October. The funds support the mothers and newborn children who receive such high-quality hospitality and care through **Visitation House**, which has provided a residence and care for well over three hundred pregnant women and their infants since 2005. Checks should be made **payable** to **Visitation House, Inc.** (not Christ the King). You can also donate online at visitationhouse.org.

Have Your Marriage Blessed?

We've learned, over time, that some (civilly) married parishioners have never entered into a sacramental marriage. Please call Msgr. Sullivan about having your marriage "blessed" if you would like to pursue this. 508-754-5361.

CHRIST THE KING PRAYER LINE

If you know of someone who could use our prayerful support please contact Mindy at 508-754-5361 or by email at mindy1052@gmail.com.

One Day Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the North American Martyrs Auriesville, NY Next Saturday, October 19

Please consider joining Monsignor Richard Reidy and other pilgrims on this one day trip to Auriesville, NY. We will tour the beautiful shrine grounds, visit the nearby shrine of St. Kateri Tekakwitha and conclude with the Feast Day Mass celebrated in the magnificent Coliseum. The cost is \$10 per person; \$50 family maximum. Pre-registration required. Bus departure: 7:30 am from the upper parking lot at Immaculate Conception Parish, 353 Grove Street, Worcester, where you can leave your car for the day. Return is at approximately 8:30 pm. The trip is sponsored by the Office of the Vicar General. For registration or questions please call Msgr. Reidy at 508-929-4345 or email him at rreydy@worcesterdiocese.org.

November 2025 - Bishop's Pilgrimage

Join Bishop McManus and other priests at Mass each day on a pilgrimage to Rome from November 12-21, **2025**(!), during the Holy Year. Visit various churches and receive a papal blessing in St. Peter's Square. Includes a day trip to Assisi. Add-on for Venice available. Per person pricing starts at \$3,799. \$200 for insurance if booked soon. Deposit due this coming February. Visit:

Worcesterdiocese.org/rome-pilgrimage-2025

Saint Mary's School Open House

Wednesday, October 23, 2024 - 8:30 to 10:30 am. 16 Summer Street, **Shrewsbury**. Serving children from preschool to grade 8. No registration is required. For more info, email admissions@stmarysparish.org.

Parish Book Club Next Meeting

Our parish book club, which meets monthly in the academic year, enjoys fiction and nonfiction literature, largely around religious themes, from **7 to 8 pm** on the first Thursday of the month. There is discussion and enjoying each other's company. The next meeting is **Thursday, November 7**. The group will be reading **C.S. Lewis'** important work, ***The Great Divorce***. The group meets in the Conference Room in the lower level of the church, adjacent the parish hall. If interested in joining, please contact Victoria DiMassa by calling her or texting her at **440-522-7700**. You can also email her at dimassavictoria@gmail.com. Hopefully, you can read the book in advance. The group decides the next book.

Highlights of the Week Ahead

Saturday, October 12

4:00 pm Mass - Anointing of the Sick

Sunday, October 13

All Masses - Anointing of the Sick

Monday, October 14

10:45 am - Mass at Jewish Healthcare

7:15 pm - St. Joseph Novena

Tuesday, October 15

7:00 pm - A.A. Meeting

7:15-8:30 pm - 'Intro to Catholicism'

Wednesday, October 16

40 Days for Life - 8 am to 6 pm

6:30-8:00 pm - Boy Scouts

Thursday, October 17

7:00 pm - Festival Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 18

6:30-8:00 pm - Cub Scouts

7:00 pm - A.A. Meeting

Saturday, October 19

4:00 pm Mass - Annual 'Pew Count'

Sunday, October 20

All Masses - Annual 'Pew Count'

10:00-11:00 am - Rel. Ed, CGS, Grs 1-6

11:00 am - Baptisms at Mass

6:00-7:30 pm - Rel. Ed, Grs 7-10

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TODAY AND NEXT SUNDAY

There are no classes scheduled for this weekend because of the Columbus Day weekend holiday.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and **Grades 1-6** will meet **next Sunday**, October 20, from 10:00 to 11:00 am. **Grades 7-10** will meet **next Sunday** night, October 20, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm.

Adults Seeking Confirmation!

Many of our adults, even some regularly at Mass, have never received the Sacrament of Confirmation. We have a simple process that can help you with this final Sacrament of Initiation. As he has in the past, Msgr. Sullivan will offer a preparation course this year. The program will be conducted on Thursday evenings (7:00-8:00 pm) on the following dates: **November 7 & 21, December 5 & 12, & January 9**. These adult candidates will be confirmed in 2025. Please consider it! Contact Msgr. Sullivan at **508-754-5361** or by email at: tsullivan5@mac.com.

Plan now to join us for a spectacular & free concert
at Christ the King Church
Friday, November 8 at 7:00 pm
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Ron Williams, baritone, and Olga Rogach, piano

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Ron Williams is a renowned singer, lecturer, and vocal instructor. He has achieved national recognition for his outstanding work with opera companies including the San Francisco Spring Opera, Detroit Opera, Opera San José, and the Boston Lyric Opera. He has been the bass soloist for a production of Beethoven’s Ninth Symphony at Boston’s Hatch Shell.

Pianist **Olga Rogach** performs extensively in New England and is acclaimed for her recitals and collaborations with instrumentalists and vocalists. She received a Master of Music degree in piano performance from Russia’s famed St. Petersburg Conservatory and became a faculty member. She emigrated to the U.S. in 1991 and made Worcester her home. A leading regional piano teacher she also offers private instruction to students at Worcester’s Polytechnic Institute.

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