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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.

# Christ the King Parish

#### 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





Saturday—May 10th

4:00PM Deborah Sitser (mem.) req. of The Epstein

Family

Sunday—May 11th

Parishioners of Christ the King 7:30AM

9:00AM Rich and Kevin O'Connor (1st anniv.) req. of

family

11:00AM Ann Quinn (mem.) req. of family

Monday—May 12th

7:00AM Bertha Mackey (mem.) req. of Fran & Betty

Ann Warner

Tuesday—May 13th

7:00AM Wayne Nalbandian (3rd anniv.) req. of family

Wednesday—May 14th

Donald Cousinea (mem.) req. of The Rushton 7:00AM

Family

Thursday—May 15th

7:00AM Zachary Ford (birthday) req. of family

Friday—May 16th

7:00ÅM James E. Walles (21st anniv.) req. of family

Saturday—May 17th

8:00AM Robert Conroy (anniv.) req. of family 4:00PM Joan M. Sheehan (38th anniv.) req. of

grandson, PJ

Sunday—May 18th

7:30AM Bernadette Baniukiewicz (mem.) req. of family 9:00AM

James F. "Frank" Murphy (25th anniv.) req. of

11:00AM Parishioners of Christ the King

#### **REST IN PEACE**

Please pray for the souls of All the faithful departed.

#### 'Forty Hours' Prior to 'Corpus Christi' Sunday Again this Year!

Following last year's great success, we are planning again to have our Forty Hours Devotion leading up to the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Because of the later Easter this year so is Corpus Christi that much later...Sunday, June 22. We will have exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the forty hours from 5:00 pm on Friday, June 20 until the 9:00 am Mass on Sunday, June 22. An outdoor procession will be held following the 9:00 am Mass, with prayers and hymns at the three outdoor altars. During this 40-hours-period of witness to the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist, we are asking parishioners to pray for an hour or more before the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the monstrance on the altar. We hope you will join us. There is a sign-up sheet on the vestibule bulletin board as well as an online sign up on the parish website:

ctkworc.org/40-hours-devotion. Thank you.

#### **COME TO DAILY MASS!**

As you can, please consider coming to our daily Masses. We celebrate Mass at 7:00 am each weekday. Mass on Saturday mornings is at 8:00 am. Most days are Easter Season weekdays this week, except for the feasts of St. Matthias, Apostle (Wednesday) and St. Isidore (Thursday).

#### **Offertory**

Thank you for your continuing generosity as we meet the financial needs of the parish. We really do need your support and are always grateful for your goodness. What follows below are your donations from last weekend:

Offertory: \$7,311.00; Online Giving: \$1,800.00; Mass Stipends: \$420.00; Funeral Stipend: \$400.00; Wedding Stipend: \$350.00; Easter: \$165.00; Donation: \$1,125.00; Good Friday: \$35.00; Catholic Relief: \$10.00; Ascension: \$85.00; Haiti **Twinning:** \$50.00.

Total: \$11,751.00

#### **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. An upcoming scheduled meeting will take place from 1:00 to 2:30 pm on **June 1**. Or 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. In 2025 the next dates are: May 25 and June 15. Parents work with Msgr. Sullivan to establish an appropriate date for the actual baptism. Sometimes baptisms are celebrated privately (not at a public Mass).

#### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The Parish Council meets this Wednesday evening, May 14, at 7:00 pm in the Johnson Room. It is the final Parish Council meeting of the year.

#### **Low Gluten Hosts for Holy Communion**

We offer 'low gluten' hosts. Wheat content less than 0.01%. Go to the priest for Communion.

#### **Contacting Bishop Reidy** by mail or telephone

For those who wish to communicate with Bishop Richard F. Reidy by mail his new address is: Most Rev. Richard F. Reidy, Bishop of Norwich, 201 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360-4328. You can attempt to reach him by calling the Chancery Office for the Diocese of Norwich: 860-887-9294.

#### **Congratulations First Communicants**

We ask your prayers for this year's First Holy Communion class. Our parish sons and daughters received the Body and Blood of Christ for the first time on Saturday morning, May 10. They have been ably prepared by Leah DiPilato, Klodiana Ripa and Anne Thompson. The members of the class are Keira Bougie, Katherine Girouard, Norah Landry, Grace McKeon, José Melendez, Mark O'Brien, Killian Wall, Adam Wamback, and Addison White. May God always bless you.

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## **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.

#### 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.

#### Consider a 'Cursillo' Weekend

A Cursillo weekend is a three-day Catholic retreat designed to deepen faith, offer spiritual growth, and foster a sense of community among participants. It emphasizes prayer, community, and evangelization, aiming to help individuals live a more authentic Christian life. The word Cursillo, meaning 'short course' in Spanish, is a movement that brings essential Christian truths to life in a way that is both personal and communal. There are Cursillo weekends for Men and others for Women. The local retreats take place at Immaculate Conception Center in Putnam, CT. The next scheduled weekends for men are November 20-23 in 2025; and June 11-14 and December 3-6 in 2026. The next scheduled weekends for women are October 9-12 in 2025; and April 9-12 and October 15-18 in 2026. For information for the women's retreats please contact Pam Hamilton at phamilton1284@gmail.com. For information for the men's retreat please contact our parishioner, Joan Laracy, at

JoanLaracy@yahoo.com. You may also visit www.fourthday.org.

#### **Thanking Our Catechists!**

Our religious education classes have concluded for the year. Again, Anne Thompson (the Director of Religious Education for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd through Grade 6) who does such a fine job for us, and I wish to thank all those catechists and assistants who made such an enormous commitment in teaching and guiding our classes. We certainly could not possibly form our parish sons and daughters in the ways of Christ without you. Thanks so much to all who contributed: Mark Andrews, Sam Bowden, Teresa Bruso, Molly Chase, Janice Dawkins, Victoria DiMassa, Leah DiPilato, Dennis O'Connor, Mary Ann Nalbandian, Jackie Penny, Sophia Penny, Henry Penny, Lydia Penny, Francis Penny, Klodiana Ripa, Kate St. Marie, Sean Thompson, Anthony Zamarro and Cait Zamarro. You are all so wonderful. And, as for myself, I enjoyed working with a very fine Confirmation class of 20 candidates this year.

#### Msgr. Tom

#### 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 notarizations. He is simply happy to assist you. Just call the rectory should you need this service.

#### 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 mindyd1052@gmail.com.

#### **Teacher Needs Studio Apt.**

Our parishioner, Pam Mikolajczyk, has a dear friend, a 64-yearold female Christian full-time teacher, who is looking for a studio apartment. Her need starts early this summer. If you are aware of any availability, or have a studio yourself, please be in touch with Pam to provide more information. Pam's email address is: pam.artproject@gmail.com.

#### Venerini Academy Open House

Venerini Academy, a private Catholic elementary (PK-3 through Grade 8) school, will host a **final** Open House on **May 20, 5:00 to 6:30 pm.** Explore the boundless opportunities awaiting your child! During this event you'll hear inspiring stories from our dedicated staff and enthusiastic students, showcasing the vibrant and supportive community there. To register please call 508-753-3210 or visit www.veneriniacademy.com.

#### 'HOPE FOR HOUSING' CARDS Back on Sale Now

The sale of *Hope for Housing* cards which have been on hold in recent weeks are back on sale this weekend. The one exception is for Big Y cards. These will not be available until the end of May.

Hope for Housing cards are sold in the church foyer after all Masses. Here's how they work: You purchase food or gift cards in various amounts of \$10 to \$100; You use the food cards for your shopping; You receive the full-face value of the card you purchase; What you don't spend remains on your card for later use; The supermarket or store donates 5% to 10% of what you spend to prevent family homelessness. Yvonne Nguyen already has a couple of volunteers but will need to engage some additional ones (as in the past). If you would like to assist her (and you will be trained) Yvonne's telephone number is 508-762-2161 & her email address is Yv0nn3@aol.com. Cards are available for: CVS, Dunkin' Donuts, Hannaford, Panera Bread, Shaw's, Stop & Shop, TJMaxx / Marshall, Starbucks, Amazon and Target.

#### Parish Book Club Summer Off

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. The next scheduled meeting is for Thursday, September 4. The club is taking the summer off, as planned. 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.

## Highlights of the Week Ahead

Saturday, May

10:00 am - First Holy Communion

Sunday, May 11 - Mother's Day

Monday, May 12

10:45 am - Mass at Jewish Healthcare 6:00 pm - Women's Guild Meeting

Tuesday, May 13

7:00 pm - A.A. Meeting

Wednesday, May 14

6:30-8:00 pm - Boy Scouts, Hall 7:00 pm - Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, May 15

7:00 pm - Festival Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 16

7:00 pm - A.A. Meeting

Saturday, May 17

5:15 pm - Confirmation Rehearsal at Christ the King

Sunday, May 18

3:00 pm - Confirmation at St. Paul's

#### **New Altar Servers Needed**

We would like to begin to train some altar servers. We need you, particularly at the 4:00 pm, 7:30 am, and 11:00 am Masses. Those interested should have received their First Holy Communion and attend Mass each Sunday. Please contact Msgr. Sullivan if you are interested. You can use his email address: tsullivan5@mac.com.

#### Annual Visitation House Dinner May 17

You may wish to consider joining in on the fun of the Annual Visitation House dinner which takes place on Saturday evening, May 17, at the Hogan Campus Center at Holy Cross. 5:30-9:00 pm. The main speaker is Joe Williams, a founding Board member. The dinner celebrates 20 years of supporting young mothers and their children. Free parking behind the Hogan Center. Cocktail hour and seated dinner. Auction. \$120 per individual. For further information call Rebecca Urban at 508-798-8002 or email her at rebeccaurban@visitationhouse.org.

#### 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.

# Remembering You Today, Mom!

To those who gave birth to a new child this year ~ we celebrate with you!

To those who lost a child this year ~ we mourn with you!

To those who have warm and close relationships with your children ~ we rejoice with you!

To those who have disappointment, heartache, and distance from your children ~ we are there with you!

This Mother's Day, we walk with all of you and thank you and ask God to bless you!

Have a Blessed Day, Mom!

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