



Christ the King Parish

PASTOR
DIOCESAN VICAR GENERAL
Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Sullivan

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Mindy A. Dulude

DIRECTOR OF EVANGELIZATION
Anne Thompson

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Grades 1-6 Anne Thompson

Grades 7-10 & Confirmation
Msgr. Thomas Sullivan

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INQUIRIES:
reledctkworc@gmail.com

DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL MUSIC
Ellen Linn

PHONES

Parish Office 508-754-5361
Parish Fax 508-753-0448
For an emergency 508-450-2556

Msgr. Sullivan: tsullivan5@mac.com
Parish Office: mindyd1052@gmail.com
Parish website: www.ctkworc.org

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

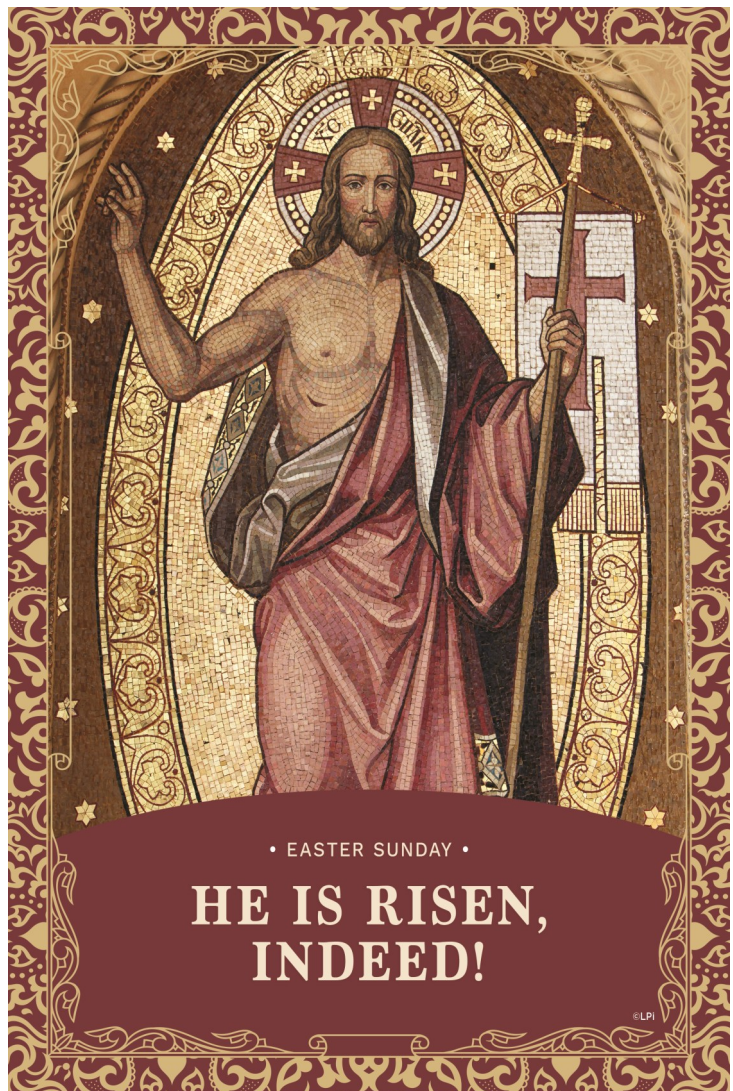
HOLY MATRIMONY
Couples planning a Christian marriage should contact Msgr. Sullivan following their engagement.

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



CHRIST THE KING, WORCESTER, MA



Sunday—April 5th

7:30AM Parishioners of Christ the King
9:00AM Susan A. Burke (birthday) req. of family
11:00AM Kelly Herlihy (mem.) req. of family

Monday—April 6th

7:00AM All Souls in Purgatory req. of a friend

Tuesday—April 7th

7:00AM Mary Ann Bowden (26th anniv.) req. of family

Wednesday—April 8th

7:00AM Brian Lewis (mem.) req. of family

Thursday—April 9th

7:00AM Rev. Peter Phuong Nguyen (mem.) req. of family

Friday—April 10th

7:00AM Nellie Burgoyne (Living 2nd birthday) req. of grandmother, Paula Burgoyne

Saturday—April 11th

8:00AM William Scully (mem.) The Rauktis Family
4:00PM Joanne V. St. Martin (10th anniv.) req. of her daughters

Sunday—April 12th

7:30AM Parishioners of Christ the King
9:00AM Marcellaise Brodeur (25th anniv.) req. of Celeste Hedge and family
11:00AM Donald Cousineau (1st anniv.) req. of family

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the soul of **Barbara J. Racine**.

Low Gluten Hosts for Holy Communion

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

PARISH COUNCIL TUESDAY

The Parish Council meets this **Tuesday night, April 7, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Johnson Room.

First Holy Communion Saturday, May 9

On Saturday, May 9, eleven of our young parishioners will receive First Holy Communion. Please keep them in your prayers. Audrey Bieniek, Jack Boisjolie, Sophia Borek, James Brazile, Samantha Cruz, Rey Meléndez, Matilda Murray, Jaxson Sala, Miles Rosario, Fintan Stacey and Roland St. Marie.

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**. This week we celebrate Masses within the Octave of Easter each day.

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. Your donations for last weekend are as follows:

Offertory: \$7,942.48; **Online Giving:** \$1,305.00;
Mass Stipends: \$70.00; **Funeral Stipend:** \$400.00; **Donation:** \$6,000.00; **Donation to Mustard Seed:** \$20.00; **Fuel:** \$125.00; **Good Friday:** \$140.00; **Catholic Relief:** \$85.00; **Easter Flowers:** \$80.00; **Easter:** \$115.00;
Partners in Charity: \$125.00;
Church in Latin America: \$20.00; **Free Press:** \$39.00.

Total: \$16,466.48

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. Please call Monsignor Sullivan (**508-754-5361**) or email him (**tsullivan5@mac.com**) to schedule a meeting or baptism. The scheduled times for the remaining **Parent Preparation meetings for the next months ahead** are on **Sundays: April 19; and June 14**. Most baptisms occur on occasional Sunday mornings at the 11:00 am Mass since Baptism is a public celebration. Scheduled dates for the next months of **2026** are: **next Sunday, April 12; May 10; and June 14**.

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.

Thanks from the Worcester County Food Bank

We have received letters from Josh Fask, the Facilities Manager of the Food Bank thanking us for the thousands of pounds of food we have been donating from Christ the King in recent months. He thanks us for our shared belief that "food is a fundamental human right for all people, for neighbors in our community and every community in Worcester County."

Bishop McManus' Easter Pastoral

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

"We were indeed buried with him through baptism into his death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life." (Romans 6: 4) These words of St. Paul are heard at the Easter Vigil Mass. With them the Church joyfully proclaims to the world that newness of life which is the gift of the Risen Christ!

At that same Mass a new spark is struck to light a new paschal candle. Fresh water is blessed and made holy. White cloths are spread on our altars. The Tabernacle is filled with newly consecrated hosts. All these signs testify to the continuing and living presence of the Risen Lord. We are beginning all over again. Precisely through his Easter triumph, Christ overpowers our slavery to sin and the apparent finality of death. At Easter we are made new!

It is always spring for Christians. Though some think the Church's days are numbered and our teaching outdated and our rituals mere sentiment, through the living Christ, raised up at Easter, ours is an invitation to new life in Christ. As we grow in our love for Jesus, the vitality of the Church is measured anew by fresh shoots of devotion and charity, put forth continually, from age to age. The very sound of our joyful song, *"Christ is risen,"* reassures us that all is made new.

That solemn proclamation, *"Christ is risen,"* neither loses its force with age nor becomes stale by repetition. Life for the fervent Christian disciple is an opportunity to grow in holiness with every worthy celebration of the Sacraments, every moment of forgiveness, every gesture of peacemaking, and every act of charity.

Through lives of genuine faith, undaunted hope and courageous love, let us reflect to the world our belief in the Risen Christ and be made ever new. May you all have a Blessed Easter!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus

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. For years we have **not been able to obtain any information from St. Vincent's Hospital, 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. Sadly, Monsignor is entirely dependent on information that you can provide!**

Partners in Charity Appeal

Please Donate:

Mail: check payable to: *Partners in Charity*
to CTK, 1052 Pleasant Street, Worcester 01602

or **Online:** *Partners-charity.net*

The Agencies & Ministries Funded by the

Charity

Catholic Charities ~ Pernet Family Health
Retired Priests & Health ~ Diocesan Cemeteries

Ministry

African Ministry ~ Campus Ministry
Hispanic Ministry ~ Minister to Priests
Divine Worship ~ Latino Ministry
Family Life ~ New Deacons
Respect Life ~ St. Paul's Cathedral
Vocations ~ Young Adults

Education

Studies for Clergy and Laity
Catholic Schools ~ Communications
Schools' Grants-in-Aid
Religious Education
Ongoing Priestly Formation
Seminar Education

Sacrament of Confirmation Sunday, May 3

On Sunday, May 3, fifteen of our young parishioners will be confirmed by Bishop McManus at St. Paul's Cathedral. Please keep them in your prayers. May the Holy Spirit lavish His many gifts upon them. Those are the gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord. This year's class members are: Andrea Castillo Balza, Jesus Castillo Balza, Lauren Church, Rachel Coderre, Brady Dang, Terence Foley, Luca Mailloux, Michael Morano, James O'Brien, Martin Shanahan, Michelle Sicard, Elizabeth Spillane, Joseph Spillane, Sean Sullivan and Leo Zamarro.

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](mailto:mindy1052@gmail.com).

Parish Book Club Meeting

Our growing parish book club, which meets monthly, enjoys fiction and nonfiction literature, largely around religious themes from **7 to 8 pm normally** on the **first Thursday** of the month. By way of exception, because in April the first Thursday is Holy Thursday, the next meeting date is set for **this Thursday, April 9**. The book the group will be reading is Thomas Merton's autobiographical, *'The Seven Storey Mountain.'* 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.

CHRIST THE KING PARISH HELP REDUCE HUNGER

On March 12th we collected 1,471 pounds of food, which was more than double any previous collection days. Thank you! Our next collection day is this Thursday, April 9.

With many food programs in jeopardy, we as a parish would like to work together to assist families in need. Your donation of food nourishes our neighbors and helps to keep pantry shelves stocked. We have set up a program to collect non-perishable food items on the **Second Thursday of each month (only), between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm**. Items are to be dropped off at the back of the rectory in front of the garage doors. Requested donations: non-perishable gluten-free foods; spices and condiments; healthy snacks (nuts, granola bars, canned and dried fruits, menstrual care products and hygiene items, cereals, rice, pasta, canned pasta sauce, all varieties of dry beans, low-sodium broths, soups, stews, chili, 100% fruit and vegetable juices. Volunteers collect the food and/or healthcare items. They are delivered to the Worcester County Food Bank. If you can volunteer, please send an email to [Janet Rauktis, rauktisj1@gmail.com](mailto:Janet.Rauktis@rauktisj1@gmail.com), with dates and times available as she is coordinating a schedule. You can call her at 508-450-7496. Thank you in advance for your kindness in helping this very needed cause.

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.

The Wisdom of the Saints

"Occupy your mind with good thoughts, or the enemy will fill them with bad ones." - *St. Thomas More*

Highlights of the Week Ahead

Saturday, April 4 - HOLY SATURDAY

7:30 am - Rosary
8:00 am - Morning Prayer
9:30 am - Decorators / Flowers Arrive
10:00 am - Easter Food Blessing
12:00 pm (Noon) - Servers Rehearsal
2:45-3:45 pm - Confessions
7:30 pm - Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 5 - EASTER SUNDAY

Masses at 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am
10:00 am - Easter Egg Hunt, outdoors
11:00 am Mass with 2 baptisms

Monday, April 6

3:30 pm - Mass at Tatnuck Park

Tuesday, April 7

7:00 pm - Parish Council
7:00 pm - A.A. Meeting

Wednesday, April 8

6:30-8:00 pm - Boy Scouts

Thursday, April 9

9 am - 4 pm - Parish Food Drive
7:00 pm - Parish Book Club

Friday, April 10

7:00-8:00 pm - Holy Hour, Adoration
7:00 pm - A.A. Meeting

Sunday, April 12

10:00-11:00 am - CGS & Grades 1-6
11:00 am Mass - with 1 baptism
12:30 pm - Two baptisms
6:00-7:30 pm - Final Grades 7-10
6:00-7:30 pm - Final Confirmation Class

Holy Hour This Friday Each Month ~ Please Come!

A monthly Holy Hour takes place (normally) on the First Friday evening of each month. The next scheduled date is **this Friday, April 10**. We **could not have it last Friday** because that was Good Friday. The hour includes Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, the Rosary, and a brief spiritual reflection. Please come from **7:00 to 8:00 pm**. All parishioners and all Catholics of other parishes are most welcome. We hope you will join us!

Facebook Page for Christ the King

Follow us on Facebook for the daily Gospel, Sunday homilies, and upcoming parish news at Christ the King Parish, Worcester (official).

Monsignor Sullivan's Easter Message







My fellow parishioners of Christ the King,

"Peace be with you!" (John 20: 21) These words of the Risen Lord capture the essence of Easter. Through the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, we see life as it is meant to be - filled with a dignity endowed by God. Like Peter, John, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, we stand at the empty tomb and believe in life, not death. Like these first Christians we believe in Jesus risen from the dead and receive His peace. "He is risen, as he said!" (Matthew 28:6) These words are a proclamation of faith from the first Easter. The confusion and doubt, the fear and grief experienced throughout the tragedy of Calvary were transformed as life in all its glory was given to us through the Resurrection of the Lord. The power of the Resurrection was first seen in the transformation of the Apostles through the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the unity of life, prayer and service they fostered in the early Church.

Easter proclaims that Jesus is present now with that same power in our lives and in our world. He is acting in His Risen Presence to bring healing out of hurt, joy out of sorrow, peace out of turmoil and war, and life out of death. For Easter is that singular event that tells us that Jesus is alive, and that He loves us and brings us new life. Indeed, He is the Lord of life. We are not alone. Through the Risen Jesus and in the power of the Holy Spirit, God calls us to the fullness of His life. All of this means that we must seek to put our trust in God. With Easter we are challenged to break down the shackles of all those sins and failings that tie us down and prevent us from being free. This means being fully alive in the Spirit of Jesus. It means cherishing and nurturing the spiritual dimension of our lives. This is what gives us true wisdom, clear vision and lasting peace.

The message of Easter encourages us to live our Christian faith daily, with courage and hope, making the love of God and our neighbors the first priority in our personal, family and community lives. As we joyfully celebrate Easter, I invite you to ask the Risen Lord to come into your life this Easter. What a gift we will then receive and what an Easter we will have. On behalf of our entire pastoral staff, I wish you and your loved ones a very blessed Easter!

Monsignor Tom Sullivan

<p>PHILIP P. MASSAD MOVERS</p> <p>(508) 752-0100 100 Grand Street Worcester, MA 01610</p> <p><i>Movers you can depend upon!</i> www.massadmovers.com</p>	<p>Center Hill Apartments 503-505 Mill Street, Worcester</p> <p><i>The Tatnuck Area's Newest Community</i> Spacious 1 & 2 bedroom apts., some as townhomes</p> <p>Call to view: (508) 756-2147 see us at www.botanybayproperties.com</p>	<p> Estate Preservation Law Offices</p> <p>Brendan J. King, Esq. Linda T. Cammuso, Esq.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Estate Planning/Asset Protection • Estate/Trust Administration • Business/Corporate Planning • Elder Law/Medicaid Planning • Special Needs/Disability Planning <p>508-751-5010 www.estatepreservationlaw.com</p>	<p>ATHY Funeral Directors</p> <p><i>In Worcester Since 1875</i></p> <p>508-756-4689</p>	
<p>ATTORNEY BRENDA M. RIVARD, P.C.</p> <p>Estate Planning & Asset Protection for All Ages (508) 756-9229 9 MAPLE STREET, STE. 5 WEST BOYLSTON, MA WWW.RIVARDLEGAL.COM</p> <p>Wills • Trusts • Special Needs Planning Elder Law (Medicaid Planning) • Estates Guardianships • Conservatorships Handicap Accessible • Convenient Parking</p>	<p>Your Local Benjamin Moore Retailer</p> <p>NAL'S — PAINT CENTER —</p> <p>Worcester Shrewsbury Westborough Auburn Leominster</p> <p> </p> <p><small>©2024 Benjamin Moore & Co. Woodluxe, Aura, Benjamin Moore, Color Lock, In, and the triangle "M" symbol are registered trademarks licensed to Benjamin Moore & Co.</small></p> <p>Feel confident and satisfied you've chosen the right products for excellent results.</p>	<p>Never miss our bulletin!</p> <p>Get this bulletin delivered straight to your inbox every week.</p> <p>Scan to subscribe on parishesonline.com </p>  		
<p>RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL • REPAIR • REMODELING GAS PIPING • DRAIN CLEANING FREE ESTIMATES • FULLY INSURED</p> <p>Jack Dumas PLUMBING & HEATING, LLC</p> <p>24 HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICE MPL 11745</p> <p>508-798-2247 www.jackdumasplumbing.com</p>	<p>Let Go. Let God.</p>			

J • J • M
INSURANCE
AGENCY

HOME •
AUTO •
BUSINESS •
LIFE •

Mike Marshall
791 - 1141

Tatnuck Square
623 Chandler St.
Worcester
www.jjminsurace.com

MAIN STREET
ENDODONTICS

CARE WITH HEART & MASTERY

ROOT CANAL THERAPY for TOOTHACHES,
INFECTION, & TRAUMATIC INJURIES

303 MAIN STREET, SUITE 1A, WORCESTER, MA
508-425-4787 • WWW.MAINSTREETENDO.COM

Insured

DOLAN
LANDSCAPING
MAINTENANCE & CONSTRUCTION

**DESIGN
BUILD
MAINTAIN**

John Dolan
508-799-4556
www.DolanLandscaping.com

MILES
FUNERAL DIRECTORS

"SERVING THE PARISH COMMUNITY
SINCE 1896"

Richard Mansfield, Ricky Mansfield
Funeral Directors

1158 Main Street, Holden
100 Worcester Road, Sterling
508-829-4434 978-422-0100
Advance Funeral Planning
www.milesfuneralhome.com

NAMSKAKET DESIGN TEAM

Add our expertise to your
interior design dreams.

774-239-5419
NamskaketDesignTeam.com
Residential Interiors
Your West Side connection to
Cape Cod Interior Design.
Maureen Finlay, NCIDQ



Live Your Best Life



SERVICES

- Maintenance service
- Housekeeping service
- Casual & fine dining
- Chauffeured transportation
- Cultural and educational programs

AMENITIES

- 200-seat theater
- Full service health club
- Heated indoor swimming pool
- Arts & crafts / woodworking shop
- 3-acre park with walking paths

Independent Living | Assisted Living



Southgate
at Shrewsbury

Exploring. Growing. Learning.

508-842-8331

www.southgateatshrewsbury.com



GUARANTEED PRICING!

\$80/MONTH

subscription-based cleaning up to 1,200 sq ft
FOR BIWEEKLY CLEANING OF APARTMENTS & CONDOS

✓ A PRICE YOU CAN COUNT ON.

Call us today: **774-243-4244**

Email: infocompassionhands@gmail.com

Compassion Hands - Where Clean Meets Care.

**Support Our
Advertisers!**



ERIN
ZAMARRO
REAL ESTATE BROKER

COLDWELL BANKER
REALTY
6 Park Ave - Worcester,
MA 01605

Parishoner

Mention this ad when buying or selling with me, and I'll
donate \$500 to Christ the King Parish in your name!

- Local market expert
 - Over 15 years of experience
 - Client education
- 508-847-7100
erin.zamarro@cbrealty.com
www.ErinZamarroRE.com



SUPERIOR
Waste & Recycling

508-797-4848

DUMPSTERS - CLEANOUTS - ONE TIME PICK UPS

TRANSFER STATION OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
2 KANSAS STREET • WORCESTER

Mon-Fri 7am-6pm • Sat 7am-5pm • PARISHIONER

IF YOU LIVE ALONE

MDMedAlert!
At HOME and AWAY!

- ✓ Ambulance/Police
- ✓ Family/Friends
- ✓ GPS & Fall Alert

CALL NOW! 800.808.9294

md-medalert.com

As Low As
\$19⁹⁵
/mo.

You Need



Daphne's Tears
Bakery Cafe

1094 Pleasant St.
Ste 3
Worcester

508-304-1475

Golden Rule Home Care



Experience "The Golden Rule"

Stay in your own home!

Personal Care • Meal Preparation
Caregiver Respite
Light Housekeeping
Errands and Transportation

Call for a FREE Consultation!

508-769-6621

www.goldenrule.care

TJ WOODS

Insurance Agency, Inc.
20 Park Avenue, Worcester
JOHN F. WOODS, JR.
(508) 755-5944
www.woodsinsurance.com

**Advertise in Our
Church Bulletin!**

Contact Nicole Tulloch

ntulloch@4LPi.com

(800) 950-9952 x8901

