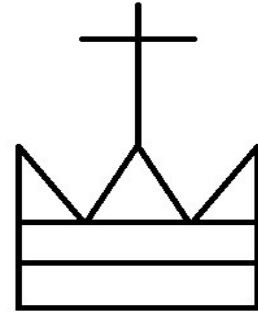


# CHRIST THE KING

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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**Rev. Christopher Masla, Priest Administrator**  
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**Current Mass Schedule:**

Sunday Mass: 9:00 a.m.  
Weekday Mass: Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.; Thursday: 8:00 a.m.; Friday: 12:10 p.m.

**Praying of the Rosary:**  
Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

**Reconciliation:**  
30 minutes prior to all Masses & 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Thursday

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**  
Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

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**Our Mission Statement:**

The parish of Christ the King Catholic Church continues the mission Jesus began of serving humanity.  
Inspired by Word and Sacrament, we share our God-given talents and gifts, faith and discipleship.  
In this, we enrich and share our Catholic faith.

*"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Matthew 18:20*

**March 30-31, 2024**  
**Easter Vigil**  
**Easter Sunday**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AFTER MASS:** Fr. Chris wants to be aware of any announcement that will be made after Mass. Please email him: [cmasla@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:cmasla@richmonddiocese.org) so he can review the content and/or introduce the speaker.



**We welcome Fr. Fred Werth on April 7th:** Fr. Werth went through OCIA in 1988 and came into the Catholic Church at Easter Vigil 1989. He joined the seminary at age 55 and was ordained as a Catholic priest four years later in 2007. He currently serves in the Diocese of Charlotte, NC.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Contact the Church Office to schedule.

Apr. 4th: Repose of the Soul of Gregoria Valle  
 Apr. 14th: Repose of the Soul of Tony Campbell  
 Apr. 19th: Repose of the Soul of Greg Berry  
 Apr. 21st: Repose of the Soul of Reyes Ponce, Sr.  
 Apr. 26th: Repose of the Soul of Antonio Valle, Jr.



**Fr. Chris will be away  
 April 7th thru April 13th.  
 There will be no services that week.**

**Attendance & Contributions  
 Mar. 24, 2024 Week**

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| 9:00 a.m. Attendance          | 208      |
| Offering                      | 885.00   |
| Offering cash                 | 471.00   |
| Catholic Relief Services      | 525.00   |
| <i>Together as One</i>        | 1,000.00 |
| Easter Flowers                | 100.00   |
| Online Offering               | 1,030.00 |
| Online <i>Together as One</i> | 240.00   |
| Online Parish Charities       | 50.00    |
| Online Catholic Relief Svcs.  | 50.00    |

**Counters: April 7th**

J. Dumler, A. Dumler, D. Hazard

**Expenses paid  
 Mar. 25-29, 2024  
 \$8,692.70**

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|--------------------|----------|
| AZ Office Resource | 47.16    |
| Olive Branch       | 173.40   |
| Faith Catholic     | 218.00   |
| J&J Janitorial     | 525.00   |
| Payroll            | 7,651.42 |
| WCSA               | 77.72    |

**THIS WEEK'S DAILY READINGS:**

Sunday 3/31 Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6-8 John 20:1-9 (42) or Mark 16:1-7 (41)  
 Monday 4/01 Acts 2:14, 22-33 Psalm 16:1-2a, 5,7, 9 Matthew 28:8-15  
 Tuesday 4/02 Acts 2:36-41 Psalm 33:4, 18,20,22 John 20:11-18  
 Wed. 4/03 Acts 3:1-10 Psalm 105: 1,3,6,8 Luke 24:13-35  
 Thursday 4/04 Acts 3:11-26 Psalm 8:2ab, 5,6,8 Luke 24:35-48  
 Friday 4/05 Acts 4:1-12 Psalm 118:1,4,22-24,25-27a John 21:1-14  
 Saturday 4/06 Acts 4:13-21 Psalm 118:1,14,16-18,19-21 Mark 16:9-15  
 Sunday 4/07 Acts 4:32-35 Psalm 118:2-4,13-15, 22-24 1John 5:1-6 John 20:19-3

**ALL PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:**

During Mass, youth ages 17 & under may not leave our worship space unaccompanied by an adult. *This is for the safety of your children and the preservation of our church.* No child should ever be in the nursery, loft, or outside on church property without a parent or guardian to supervise them.

## SPECIAL NOTICES

[The CTK community joyfully extends congratulations](#) to Anthony & Chloe Smith on the baptism of their daughters, Bonnie Sage Smith and Sophia Marie Smith, by Fr. Christopher Masla on March 30th at Christ the King. Bonnie's godparents are Donna Palicki and Roby Weaver, and Sophia's godparents are Tracy Weaver and Charles Goolsby. Congratulations also to the Smith and Fischer families!

[The CTK community also joyfully extends congratulations](#) to these adult catechumens who are in full communion with the Catholic Church as of the Easter Vigil, March 30th: Chloe Smith, Corey Fischer, Anthony Smith, Conner Novicki, and Erica Novicki. We welcome you to our Catholic Faith!

[Adult Faith Formation will present \*Jesus and the Eucharist\*](#): a 7-week presentation produced by the National Eucharistic Revival. **Relax - this is not a Bible Study or a class.** Each presentation begins in prayer, has 2 short lessons and small group discussion on a couple of questions. Themes presented are: What's our story? Am I saved? Why a Church? The Story of the Eucharist and Bread for the Journey. The Eucharist is a gift from God to the Church and it is what makes us distinct from other Christian faiths. **Presented in Seger Hall Thursday evenings from 7-9 p.m. OR attend Saturday mornings from 9-11 a.m. beginning Apr. 6th through May 23rd.** Pick a time that works for you or make use of the flexibility of being able to attend some Thursday evenings and some Saturday mornings. Presentations will be identical. Sign up sheets are on the table in the Commons or e-mail [faithformation@christthekingsaintjohn.org](mailto:faithformation@christthekingsaintjohn.org)

[Special thanks to everyone who donates food for our Faith in Action recipients](#). Our neighbors truly appreciate all the help with putting food on their tables. Some of the food donations always needed are peanut butter, saltine crackers, canned fruit/meat/tuna/spaghetti/soup & boxed cereals. Also needed are: any personal toiletry items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, diapers & wipes (baby sizes up to adult), laundry/cleaning & pet supplies. Feel free to leave them in the bin by the front door & they will be delivered to Faith in Action.

[FIA Food Pantry Volunteers](#): Daytime **Monday, May 6th & Friday, May 10th from 9:45 am-1 pm, and Tuesday, May 7th from 3:45-6 pm.** Sign up on board at church entrance or contact Polly Berry: 276.492.3878 or [pollyberry2017@gmail.com](mailto:pollyberry2017@gmail.com) if you can assist with any hours to help at the computer/desk, stocking shelves, packing carts, or bagging.

[Prayers for Haiti](#): please continue to pray for the people of Haiti and especially for the safety of Father René and everyone in his Parish and school. Father René reported that he went to his Parish last Sunday for Mass then returned to Hinche where he was staying. He went back to his Parish on Friday, March 29th and will be staying because some families are coming back to the village. The school will try to reopen on Tuesday!

[We say goodbye to Mary Byrd as she begins her retirement](#). There will be a reception on Sunday, April 7th after Mass in Seger Hall to celebrate Mary and wish her well.

### **Faith Formation Corner**

#### **Easter**

The same women who came to anoint His body in the morning had been with Jesus when He died. Were they deterred from their task by fear? Compare their behavior with some of Jesus' other disciples. Think about events like our pandemic, our protests against injustice, such as the Selma march. Were people like John Lewis, doctors and nurses in the ERs, Gandhi and Dorothy Day stopped by fear? Where is your courage? Will it look different on every person and in every situation?

Here is a site with resources for your household for the Easter season: <https://www.catholicfamilyfaith.org/easter-season-resources.html>

### Special prayers and participations:



**Prayers 4 Protection Campaign:** Since 2016 the Abingdon Police Department has asked local churches to include prayers for their law enforcement and administrative personnel. Each week we have placed a name in the bulletin and asked that you devote prayers to that person and their family. This week we pray for **Sgt. Matthew Fields**. We pray that Sgt. Fields be aware of the power and responsibility his position holds. We pray not only for his protection, but that he perform his duties with care and concern for the community he serves.

**Yard Sale:** The CTK Youth Group is planning a yard sale in late April/early May. Please save any donatable items you may have. Do not bring items to the church until we have an official date! If you have questions, contact: [tracycweaver@gmail.com](mailto:tracycweaver@gmail.com)

#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

follows Thursday 8:00 a.m. Mass until Benediction at 9:00 p.m.  
Please sign-up on the schedule in the Commons  
or click the QR code to sign up digitally.



*We pray for the Repose of the Soul of Evelyn Salak, who passed from this life on March 22, 2024. A funeral Mass, officiated by Fr. Chris, was celebrated on Wednesday, March 27th at CTK. Eternal rest grant unto Evelyn, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon her.*

**PRAYERS REQUESTED (new names this week in bold):** (If you are sick, in the hospital, or unable to go to Mass, please call the office. Please let the office know of name removal.)

|                     |                 |                    |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Leslie Birch        | Melissa Farmer  | Martin Monahan     | Amy Sullivan    |
| Marilyn Borquist    | Ethan Finch     | Judy Marburg       | Jettie Sullivan |
| Maryann Browning    | Lorenzo Guillen | Mallory Minichello | Pam Turner      |
| Sue Burns           | Floris Houston  | Irene Mooney       | Amber Wolfe     |
| Karen Bush          | Donna Hundman   | Bill Munk          | Denise Wolfe    |
| Jo Ann Detta        | Ron Johnson     | Candy Singleton    | Beth Wright     |
| Sharon Page-Dowling | Laurie Lawler   | Teresa Swiney      |                 |

**MILITARY PRAYERS:** Brandon Bates, Paul Browning, Jose Cisneros, Michael Davidson, Scott Elliott, Geoffrey Estes, Matt Frazier, Chuck Gill, Scott Hebert, Anthony Lachlan, James Mayes, Kevin Perkins, Michael Richardson, Blaine Robinson, Joshua Shiley.

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**Adam Brock - Bookkeeper@christthekingsaintjohn.org**

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**Sacramental emergency: 423-281-3860**

**Please submit info to the office or email  
[office@christthekingsaintjohn.org](mailto:office@christthekingsaintjohn.org) by Friday Noon. Please include name & phone.**

**Please remember to secure all doors and return thermostats to 62 degrees if you are the last to leave the premises. All thermostat fans should be left on Auto.**