

Christ the King Faith Formation Universal Calendar | 2026-2027

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Date	Class Topic/Special Event green=CGS, yellow=Family Faith Formation, purple=First Communion, blue=5 th grade, red=6 th grade, black=events for all/multiple grades	Assignment Due/Notes
September 23, 2026	Opening Night CGS Parent meeting from 5:00-5:30pm; children's atrium time from 5:30-6:00pm Informational Meeting for grades K-6 Parents at 6:45pm in PLC	Parents will meet in the PLC for an informational meeting. Children will be introduced to the atrium for a 30-minute period. Start thinking about sponsor and Confirmation saint, call church to request original baptismal certificate.
September 30, 2026	Phase-in classes- 3:45-4:15pm Ch. 1 Created in God's Image Ch. 2 The Fall Ch. 1 Jesus, Who Is Called Christ (Mt 1-4) Lesson 1: Why am I here?	
October 7, 2026	Class- Children come for about 45 minutes this evening. God is the Source of All Life; What is a Sacrament? Ch. 3 Promise of a Savior Ch. 4 God's Plan to Save Us Ch. 2 The Gospel of the Kingdom (Mt 5-16) Lesson 2: What Makes Me Happy?	Continue to check email for class length each week. Evening begins at 5:30pm and finishes at 6:45pm. Safe Environment video shown (grades K-6)
October 14, 2026	Class CGS Work: Intro to the Atrium, Prayers, and Mass Cards Ch. 3 The Crucified Lord of Glory (Mt 17-28) Lesson 3: What's your story, God?	Home-based Safe Environment forms will be sent home to be reviewed and returned by November 19.
October 21, 2026	No Class (Day before a long school break)	

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October 28, 2026	Class Ch. 5 The Passover and the Ten Commandments Ch. 6 God with Us Ch. 4 Sacred Scripture, the Inspired Word; Saint Biographies CGS Work: Intro to the Atrium, Mass items cards, and prayer strips	Sponsor Information Due
November 4, 2026	Class Sacraments of Initiation; Baptism Ch. 7 The Savior is Born Ch. 8 Jesus Comes to Transform Us Ch. 5 Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Word Lesson 5: Who is Jesus?	Evening begins at 5:30pm and finishes at 6:45pm.
November 11, 2026	No Class (no school on public school calendar)	
November 18, 2026	Class Ch. 9 Jesus Establishes a Church Ch. 10 Life of Grace Ch. 6 Creator of Heaven and Earth; Saint card game Confirmand/Sponsor Mini-Retreat and Dinner	Students arrive at 5:30pm, sponsors arrive at 6:30pm, conclude at 8:00pm
November 25, 2026	No Class (Thanksgiving)	
December 2, 2026	Class- Advent procession Confirmation Ch. 11 We are Called to be Holy Ch. 12 God's Mercy and Forgiveness Ch. 7 Through the Devil's Envy; Mysteries of the Holy Rosary/Praying the Rosary Lesson 6: Why be Catholic?	All students who were not present for Safe Environment training return home-based completion forms. Evening begins at 5:30pm and finishes at 6:45pm.
December 9, 2026	Class CGS Work: Epiclesis and Offering Ch. 8 The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; prep for confession Lesson 10: Why Tell my sins to a priest?; prep for confession	First Draft Confirmation Saint Paper Due

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December 16, 2026	Class Ch. 13 Preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation Ch. 14 Confessing our Sins; Introduce words for Confession. Confessions at 6:45pm; Saint Trivia game Confessions at 6:45pm; CGS Work: 7 Sacraments, Cardinal Virtues	Show children confessional at the end of class. 5 and 6: Class begins with Advent Penance Service in church, followed by class until 8:00pm.
December 23, 2026	No Class (Christmas break)	
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January 6, 2027	Class The Eucharist; Jesus the Passover; Holy Mass; The Effects of the Eucharist Ch. 15 Jesus, the Good Shepherd Ch. 16 Bread from Heaven Ch. 9 Jesus, the Son of Abraham Lesson 9: When did my journey begin?	Evening begins at 5:30pm and finishes at 6:45pm.
January 13, 2027	Class Ch. 17 The Last Supper Ch. 18 Jesus' Death and Resurrection Ch. 10 Out of Egypt Lesson 12: Who is the Holy Spirit?	2 and 6: Original Baptismal Certificates Due
January 20, 2027	Class CGS Work: Synthesis of the Mass Ch. 11 A Land Flowing with Milk and Honey Lesson 13: What does the Holy Spirit do for me?	
January 27, 2027	Class Sacramental Parent Meeting (5:30pm-6:30pm) Ch. 19 Sacrament of the Eucharist Ch. 20 The Mass Ch. 12 Jesus, the New Moses; Holy Spirit board game CGS Work: Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit, Theological Virtues	Father and Amanda will speak to parents in PLC while children have class. Final Draft of Saint Paper Due

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February 3, 2027	Class Ten Commandments; Reconciliation; preparing for Lent / “Fat Tuesday” Party- Family Bingo Bingo Ch. 13 The Lord Raised Up Judges Lesson 14: Why have I been Chosen?	Evening begins at 5:30pm and finishes at 6:45pm
February 10, 2027	Ash Wednesday Attend 5:30pm Parish Mass (No Class after Mass)	Parents accompany children to Mass.
February 17, 2027	Class- Lenten procession CGS Work: Four Parts of Confession Ch. 14 David the King Lesson 15: Why do I have to go to Mass?	
February 24, 2027	Class Ch. 21 Liturgy of the Word and Liturgy of the Eucharist / Order of the Mass strips Ch. 15 The House of David; Journey through Lent board game CGS Work: Books of the Bible	
March 3, 2027	Class Anointing of the Sick; The Triduum Ch. 22 First Holy Communion Ch. 16 Thus Says the Lord; prep for confession Lesson 24: Where do I go from here?; prep for confession	Evening begins at 5:30pm and finishes at 6:45pm
March 10, 2027	Class Practice procession and receiving Holy Communion in church; practice going to confession one last time in classroom; final questions Confessions at 6:45pm Ch. 17 Into Captivity Confessions at 6:45pm CGS Work: works they’ve been shown	5 and 6: Class begins with Advent Penance Service in church, followed by class until 8:00pm.

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Date TBD (a Thursday)	Parent Scripture meditation in vestibule of the church with Father Schneider at 6:30pm	Bring your own Bibles.
March 17, 2027	Class CGS: 1 st Meditation Ch. 18 Jesus, the Son of David CGS Work: works they've been shown, focus on virtues and Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit	Scripture meditation followed by candle-making.
March 24, 2027	No Class (Holy Week)	
March 31, 2027	Class- Easter Celebration- Liturgy of the Light Children's Sacramental Retreat 5:30-7:00pm- Final Sacramental Preparations; CGS Work: 2 nd Meditation Ch. 19 I Will Bring them Back; Holy Week game Pentecost Meditation/writing letters requesting Sacrament of Confirmation	Children should eat prior to class. Retreat will begin in church with procession and practicing receiving Holy Communion. Meditation, candle-making, and work in atrium to follow. Amanda is not available until after 7:00pm
Saturday, April 3, 2027	First Communion Practice and First Reconciliation- begins with 9:30am Mass in the church	Parents must accompany their children.
Sunday, April 4, 2027	First Holy Communion 1:00pm Mass	Students gather at 12:40pm in atrium. Professional pictures taken in church after Mass and a brief reflection period.
April 7, 2027	Class Holy Orders; Holy Matrimony / End of Year Survey Ch. 23 In Communion with God / How to Pray the Rosary Ch. 20 The Day of the Lord is Coming / Intro to Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit worksheets / Practice Rite of Confirmation, Procession	Evening begins at 5:30pm and finishes at 6:45pm

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Sunday, April 11, 2027	Diocesan Youth Retreat at St. Mary's Central High School in Bismarck-12:30pm-6:00pm; 5:00pm Mass included, families welcome for Mass; Amanda will register everyone as a group and will chaperone.	Diocese-sponsored middle school retreat run by University of Mary ministry team. Snacks provided. Cost covered by Faith Formation fee.
Wednesday, April 14, 2027	Last Class Brown scapular enrollment in church, followed by Eucharistic Adoration in chapel 5 and 6: no class	Parents are welcome to come at the beginning of class to witness brown scapular enrollment.
Thursday, April 15, 2027	Confirmation Practice at 6:00pm	Sponsors please be present.
Friday, April 16, 2027	Rite of Confirmation conferred by Bishop Kagan at 6:00pm. 5 th graders also attend the Mass	5 th grade students who are helping with programs arrive at 5:30pm. Students arrive at 5:00pm in church; sponsors arrive at 5:40pm in PLC- Mass at 6:00pm.
April 21, 2027	Closing Faith Formation Dinner- 6:00pm (PLC) Display of family work/storybooks	Pizza and drinks will be provided.

Class Times and Locations:

CGS (ages 3-5) goes from 3:45-5:15 every Wednesday. It takes place in the small school atrium at the end of the school hallway.

Family Faith Formation (grades K-4 and families) is one Wednesday each month from 5:30-6:45pm in the Parish Life Center.

First Communion (2nd grade) class is every Wednesday from 5:30-6:30pm. Traditional lessons take place in one of the meeting rooms by the PLC. CGS nights take place in the small school atrium at the end of the school hallway.

5th grade Confirmation class is every Wednesday from 6:45-8:00pm in the large parish conference room.

6th grade Confirmation class is also every Wednesday from 6:45-8:00pm in the PLC.