



# Christ the King Parish

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**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 7:00 PM (vigil)  
7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 6:00 PM (on the day)

**PHONES**

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**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 take place at Sunday Mass once a month. 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.



## 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.” - Mt 22:21

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## CHRIST THE KING, WORCESTER, MA



### Saturday—October 17th

4:00PM Joseph Salvatore (mem.) req. of Elaine Cahill and Donna Salvatore

### Sunday—October 18th

7:30AM Joseph Turner (mem.) req. of family

9:00AM Edwin and Margaret Coghlin (mem.) req. of family

11:00AM Roy and Joanne Holden (mem.) req. of family

### Monday—October 19th

7:00AM Parishioners of Christ the King

### Tuesday—October 20th

7:00AM All Souls

### Wednesday—October 21st

7:00AM Catherine Warner (mem.) req. of Fran and Betty Ann Warner

### Friday—October 23rd

7:00AM Paulo Long (mem.) req. of family

### Saturday—October 24th

8:00AM James D. Brock (mem.) req. of Jack and Diane Staples

4:00PM Patricia Daly (5th anniv.) req. of family

### Sunday—October 25th

7:30AM Parishioners of Christ the King

9:00AM Madelyn Pocoski (4th anniv.) req. of family

11:00AM William Bloomfield (13th anniv.) req. of family

### REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed.

### St. John's High School Virtual Information Session Tuesday, October 20, 6:00-7:00 pm

This event is designed to learn more about the application process and learn about future virtual visit opportunities. To find out more and to register...email [admissions@stjohnshigh.org](mailto:admissions@stjohnshigh.org) or call 508-842-8934, ext. 266. Also, there are two dates for the Admissions Entrance Exam: 8:30 am on either Saturday, November 21 or Saturday, December 12.

### Low Gluten Hosts Available for Holy Communion

For several years we've been offering 'low-gluten' hosts for those who cannot tolerate gluten. These hosts meet the requirements of the Catholic Church for Holy Communion in terms of ingredients and gluten content. The Holy See and the American bishops have endorsed certain breads that are low in gluten content. The hosts we use have gluten content of less than 0.01%. It is important for the person requiring this special host to speak to Msgr. Sullivan prior to Mass so that we can offer this special host to you.

### COME TO DAILY MASS!

As you can, please consider coming to our daily Masses (7:00 am, Monday-Friday; Saturdays 8:00 am all year). The Mass brings many special graces! And it is a great way to begin the day. This week our Masses celebrate **Saints Isaac Jogues and Jean de Brèbeuf, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs** (Monday); **St. Paul of the Cross, Priest** (Tuesday); **St. John Paul II, Pope** (Thursday); **St. John of Capistrano, Priest** (Friday); and **St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop** (Saturday).

### Offertory Donations

Thanks for your continuing donations at Mass, through the mail, dropping them off and online (at [ctkworc.org](http://ctkworc.org)). You can make donations in the foyer of the church before Mass begins in the large donations basket there. Ushers are not permitted to pass the baskets at this time. Your donations last weekend were as follows:

**Offertory:** \$6,464.00; **Online Giving:** \$1,160.00;  
**Mass Stipends:** \$490.00; **Funeral Stipends:** \$600.00; **Donation in memory of James Brock:** \$90.00; **Catholic School Appeal:** \$10.00; **Fuel:** \$273.00; **World Mission:** \$50.00; **All Saints:** \$25.00; **All Souls:** \$25.00; **Christmas Flowers:** \$25.00;  
**Human Development:** \$25.00.

**Total: \$9,237.00**

### BAPTISM PREP SESSIONS & CELEBRATIONS

We continue to celebrate all requested baptisms. Each family celebration is separate. Please call Monsignor Sullivan to inquire about baptisms and discuss your hopes and arrangements - at 508-754-5361 - or email him at: [tsullivan5@mac.com](mailto:tsullivan5@mac.com).

### Virtual Bible Study for Middle School Youth

All middle school youth in 6-8th grade are invited to participate in the Diocesan Middle School Bible Study! Join us for an 8-part study as we take a closer look at Scripture, what it means, and why it is important for our lives. If you are interested in learning more about the Bible and how it all fits together, then this is the perfect opportunity for you! Our study will be broken up into 8 sessions that will be roughly 45 minutes each. These sessions will take place on the **third Sunday of the month beginning today, October 18, at 6 pm**. Over the course of the 8 sessions, we will discuss how to read and approach the Bible, the basic story from beginning to end, how to pray with Scripture through "lectio divina", and how the Bible connects to our lives. To sign up or for more information, go to [neworchester.org/middle-school-bible-study](http://neworchester.org/middle-school-bible-study).

### Welcome Father John Gavin, S.J. !

Father John Gavin, SJ, will be celebrating our 7:30 am Mass today.

**'Pivotal Players' has begun...  
...but you can still join in**

'Pivotal Players,' the highly acclaimed video program, began several weeks ago. All of the 'Pivotal Players' videos (they're exquisite) are available **by computer using your Flocknotes account**. We've already told you how to access the videos through **Flocknotes**. You can view the videos in the comfort of your home any time you want. Then, for those who wish to discuss the video for 30 minutes, there are **ZOOM** discussions, again using your computer. They take place on Thursdays (dates below) from **7:15 to 7:45 pm**. Each week you will be sent a **ZOOM** 'invitation' to your email address. For those who've never used **ZOOM** we will send you further instructions for that too. It's quite simple and you will see and hear the other participants on your computer screen. Let us know in advance if you will be participating. You can call Msgr. Sullivan at **508-754-5361** or email him at **tsullivan5@mac.com**. The remaining sessions are: *St. Augustine: The Teacher* (Oct. 22); *St. Benedict: The Monk* (Oct. 29); *Bishop Fulton J. Sheen: The Communicator* (Nov. 5); *Flannery O'Connor: The Storyteller* (Nov. 12); and *St. Ignatius of Loyola: The Founder* (November 19).

**Want to Become Catholic?**

Monsignor Sullivan is working with adults to be baptized and/or received into the Church at the Easter Vigil Mass in 2021. Please contact him if you are interested. This preparation is for non-baptized adults ~ or baptized Christians who wish to become Catholic ~ or baptized Catholic adults (who never received First Communion or Confirmation) and with little or no religious formation. **Contact Msgr. Sullivan at 508-754-5361 or tsullivan5@mac.com.**

**9<sup>th</sup> Annual Novena to St. Joseph  
Continues Tomorrow**

The 9th Annual Novena to St. Joseph continues tomorrow evening from 7:15-8:00 pm. **Msgr. Peter Beaulieu**, who is the head Chaplain at St. Vincent's Hospital, will be the homilist. There is 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 Msgr. Sullivan at the parish (**1052 Pleasant Street, Worcester, MA 01602**), or you can call them in (**508-754-5361**), or you can email them to Msgr. Sullivan at **tsullivan5@mac.com**.

**NDA Virtual Fall Open House  
Thursday, Oct. 22 - 6:00 pm**

This virtual evening is designed for all families interested in Notre Dame Academy for grades 7-12. Meet members of our faculty & staff; speak to current families and students; and learn about our school. To register visit **www.nda-worc.org/admissions**.

**Monsignor Sullivan is a Notary Public...  
and can serve you even now!**

Monsignor Sullivan is a notary public. Should any parishioner need to have a document notarized, even now during the pandemic, you are welcome to call upon him. There is no fee. Just call the rectory should you need this service. Please wear a mask and we keep appropriate social distance.

**UMASS-MEMORIAL HOSPITAL VISITS**

Msgr. Sullivan is honored to support you and your family during times of illness by visiting the hospitals. **NEVER DO UMASS OR MEMORIAL HOSPITALS PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT PATIENTS' RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION. SO YOU MUST CALL US TO LET MSGR. SULLIVAN KNOW THAT A LOVED ONE IS IN THE HOSPITAL. IN ADDITION, UNDER THE NEW COVID-RELATED POLICY AT UMASS(LAKE) THERE CAN BE ONLY THREE VISITORS A DAY AND THE NAME OF THE VISITOR HAS TO BE ON A LIST WHICH THE PATIENT SUBMITS. AND THAT LIST CHANGES EACH DAY. EVEN A VISITING PRIEST MUST BE ONE OF THE THREE ON THAT LIST. SO, IF YOU'D LIKE MSGR. SULLIVAN TO VISIT YOU SHOULD INSURE HIS NAME IS INCLUDED FOR A SPECIFIC DAY AND CONTACT HIM PERSONALLY AT 508-754-5361 ABOUT THE PROPER TIME TO VISIT.**

**Making Parish Donations Online  
Use: [ctkworc.org](http://ctkworc.org)**

Even though we're abiding by the firmest regulations of social distancing ever asked, the parish is not asleep. A great deal of work is being conducted. During this unusual period you can help our parish maintain its financial obligations because they remain the same (staff salaries, insurances, heat, etc.). If your family finances are stable at this time we would ask that you please continue your support of the parish offertory. You can mail us a check or your parish offertory envelopes. Or drop them through the mail slot at the rectory's front door. Or donate at Mass.

And last March we created an option for simple online giving. 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.'** There you will be able to make a donation to the parish using your credit card or use the "check" option to transfer funds directly from your checking account.

Many thanks for your continuing generosity.

**FLOCKNOTES MESSAGES!  
Are you Hearing from Us?**

We certainly hope that you are receiving our Flocknotes messages. It is the primary way that we are communicating with our parishioners at this time. If you are not receiving them please contact either Monsignor Tom Sullivan (**tsullivan5@mac.com**) or Kris Correia (**krisedpa@live.com**) to have your name and email address added to our growing list. God bless!

OCTOBER 18, 2020

### CHRIST THE KING PRAYER LINE

If you know of someone who could use our prayerful support please contact either Mindy at 508-754-5361 or by email at [mindy1052@gmail.com](mailto:mindy1052@gmail.com).

### SATURDAY CONFESSIONS

Confessions are offered **indoors** on Saturday afternoons, from **2:45 to 3:45 pm in the Johnson Room**. You have the option of going to confession anonymously (behind a screen) or face-to-face. Please wear a mask. We keep social distancing. If someone is in the Johnson Room ahead of you please wait until that person leaves the room and then enter.

### Adult Confirmation?

Msgr. Sullivan will conduct the **Adult Confirmation Preparation Program** for baptized and practicing Catholics who have received Baptism and First Communion but were never confirmed. We'll meet five times from November to January. Bishop McManus celebrates the Sacrament of Confirmation for adults in February. Please be in touch with Msgr. Sullivan by calling **508-754-5361** or by emailing him at [tsullivan5@mac.com](mailto:tsullivan5@mac.com).

### Coming to Mass Now...

We've had a safe re-opening Mass experience for the past **21 weeks**. We are regularly celebrating confessions, baptisms and other sacraments in addition to all our Masses. Persons who are ill should not come to Mass at this time. Family members may sit together in the same pew. With the exception of your own family members you must sit at least six feet apart from others. Social distancing is required. Every alternate pew is left empty. We've marked off those pews with tape. All people must wear a mask throughout the Mass with the **following exceptions...**(1) children under the age of 2 **should not wear** a mask; (2) parents will use their own discretion for those children between the age of 2 and 5 years old; (3) if a person has a medical or disabling condition they are not required to wear a mask.

### Would You Like to Join Our Parish?

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

### Report Sexual Abuse

If you have been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church, please believe in the possibility of hope and healing. The Church encourages you to come forward. You may meet with Bishop McManus or his delegate, Mrs. Judith Audette, the Director of the Diocesan Office of Healing and Prevention (49 Elm Street, Worcester, 01609; 508-929-4363). It is the policy and practice of the Diocese to respond promptly and with compassion to all reports of misconduct.

### Highlights of the Week Ahead

#### Sunday, October 18

- Religious Education by FLIPGRID
- Confirmation Class by ZOOM

#### Monday, October 19

7:15 pm - Novena to St. Joseph

#### Thursday, October 22

7:15-7:45 pm - Pivotal Players by ZOOM

#### Sunday, October 25

- Religious Education by FLIPGRID

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### Events Not Happening this Fall

As you likely already know from guidelines that the Commonwealth has established regarding **Houses of Worship**, all social gatherings (with the exception of those explicitly defined as worship ~ like Masses, sacraments, the Novena) are limited to twenty-five people (quite recently) in an enclosed space. Thus, there are several traditional events that are not taking place this fall. Examples are the Senior Luncheon, Italian Night, and the annual fall picnic. (The state's guidelines for schools, businesses, restaurants, supermarkets, etc. all vary from one institution to another.) There are other events not taking place here as well this fall. There are, for example, no scouting programs or A.A. meetings. We understand those programs are being conducted by ZOOM meetings. We look forward to the resumption of many activities when these guidelines are modified in some fashion. We are grateful that we can at least have a much higher number of people at our celebrations of Mass and the sacraments.

**THANKS TO ALL THOSE WHO  
PRAYED WITH US  
DURING OUR '40 DAYS FOR LIFE'  
LAST WEDNESDAY!  
YOUR WITNESS  
TO THE DIGNITY OF  
ALL HUMAN LIFE IS CRITICAL!**

## DEFEAT THE 'R O E ACT'

Currently before the Legislature of Massachusetts are two identical bills (House No. 3320 and Senate No. 1209) proposing the “**ROE Act**” (HB 3320: “An Act Removing Obstacles and Expanding access to Women’s Reproductive Health” and SB 1209: “An Act to Remove Obstacles and Expand Abortion Access”). The Legislature will almost certainly act on these bills during the current session. These acts, if passed, will:

Expand abortion access, including late-term abortions, during the nine months of pregnancy for virtually any reason; Eliminate any requirements that late-term abortions be performed in a hospital. Any life-preserving medical equipment need not be present in the event the child survives; Eliminate the requirement that provides medical care to a child who survives an abortion attempt; Eliminate the requirement that a minor under the age of 18 have the consent or even the knowledge of a parent, guardian, or the courts; Expand state funding for women who cannot afford the procedure

The most important way we can voice our opposition is to contact 4 legislators:

**Senator Harriette Chandler** ~ Tel: 617-722-1544 ~ Email: Harriette.Chandler@masenate.gov

**Representative John Mahoney** ~ Tel: 617-722-2130 ~ Email: John.Mahoney@mahouse.gov

**Senator James Eldridge**, Judiciary Comm. ~ Tel: 617-722-1120 ~ Email: James.Eldridge@masenate.gov

**Representative Claire Cronin**, Judiciary Comm. ~ Tel: 617-722-2396 ~ Email: Claire.Cronin@mahouse.gov

If you need assistance call the Mass. Catholic Conference (617-746-5630) or log on to: [www.macatholic.org](http://www.macatholic.org)

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