



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)

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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 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.



30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

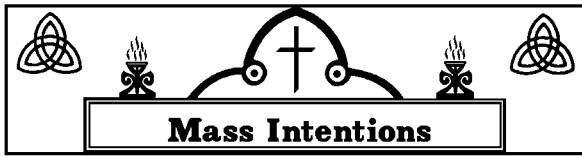


“You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.” - Mt 22:37

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CHRIST THE KING, WORCESTER, MA



Saturday—October 24th

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

Monday—October 26th

7:00AM James and Clara Farquhar (mem.) req. of Allen and Marietta Stansky

Tuesday—October 27th

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

Wednesday—October 28th

7:00AM James D. Brock (mem.) req. of The Slavinkas Family

Thursday—October 29th

7:00AM George Ferris (mem.) req. of Roger and Joyce Dubuque

Friday—October 30th

7:00AM James D. Brock (mem.) req. of Roger and Joyce Dubuque

Saturday—October 31st

8:00AM John and Marie Ngai (mem.) req. of family

4:00PM Paul Ghize (mem.) req. of Jack and Diane Staples

Sunday—November 1st

7:30AM Deceased Members of the Jurewicz and Mayette Families

9:00AM Parishioners of Christ the King

11:00AM James and Gertrude Ryan (mem.) req. of family

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the souls of **Rev. C. Romeo Lamothe, Robert P. Donahue**, the father of Patricia Brosnihan, and **Mary J. Martin**, the sister of Julie Pepi.

The Solemnity of 'All Saints' A Holy Day Next Weekend

During the year the Church celebrates the feasts of the saints one by one. Next Sunday we join them all in one feast. 'All Saints' inspires us with tremendous hope. Among the saints in heaven are some whom we have known. All the saints lived lives like ours on earth. They were baptized, marked with the sign of faith, were faithful to Christ's teachings and they have gone before us and call us to follow them. On average the **Solemnity of All Saints only falls on a Sunday once every seven years**. It does so next weekend. When this happens this Solemnity supplants the normal Sunday of the year. Thus, this year there will be no celebration of the 31st Sunday of the Year.

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 Simon and Jude, Apostles** (Wednesday) and the **Blessed Virgin Mary** (Saturday).

Offertory Donations

Thanks for your continuing donations at Mass, through the mail, dropping them off and online (at 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: \$5,808.00; Online Giving: \$910.00;
Mass Stipends: \$40.00; Donation in honor of Phil and Alice Bernard: \$250.00; Fuel: \$129.00; World Mission: \$629.00;
All Saints: \$30.00; All Souls: \$125.00; Donation in memory of Roy and Joanne Holden: \$90.00.

Total: \$8,011.00

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.

'FIRST PENANCE' PARENTS! Required Meeting This Tuesday

A required Parents' Meeting is planned for *this Tuesday, October 27, 7:00-8:00 pm* for all those parents whose sons and daughters plan on receiving First Penance this year. All parents (typically those of 2nd graders) must come to the meeting, which takes place in the Johnson Room.

Welcome Father John Gavin, S.J. !

Father John Gavin, SJ, will be celebrating our 9:00 am Mass today.

Serving at The Mustard Seed ...this Wednesday

The next dinner CTK will serve at *The Mustard Seed* is this Wednesday, October 28. If you can help with the food preparation please contact Margaret Abboud at 508-735-7614 or maglons@msn.com.

**'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. 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.**

**9th Annual Novena to St. Joseph
Continues Tomorrow**

The 9th Annual Novena to St. Joseph continues tomorrow evening from 7:15-8:00 pm. **Ms. Catherine Pimley**, who is the Supervisor for Pastoral Care for UMass/Memorial 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**.

**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.

**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**

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 25, 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.

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.

Coming to Mass Now...

We've had a safe re-opening Mass experience for the past **22 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 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 25

12:00 pm - Religious Education by FLIPGRID

Monday, October 26

7:15 pm - Novena to St. Joseph

Tuesday, October 27

7:00 pm - Parents Meeting, First Penance
Johnson Room

Wednesday, October 28

3:00 pm - Mustard Seed Food Prep

Thursday, October 29

7:15-8:00 pm - Pivotal Players by ZOOM

Saturday, October 31

4:00 pm - Vigil Mass for All Saints

Sunday, November 1 - ALL SAINTS

12:00 pm - Religious Education by FLIPGRID

1:00 pm - Private Baptism

6:00 pm - Confirmation Class, by ZOOM

Last Weekend's 'Pew Count'

Last weekend all the parishes in the Diocese of Worcester conducted the annual 'Diocesan Pew Count.' This is an exercise to assist with overall pastoral planning for the Diocese. At Christ the King our attendance at Mass on October 17-18 was as follows: **4:00 pm, 99** (last year 169); **7:30 am, 150** (last year 126); **9:00 am, 107** (last year 213); and **11:00 am, 102** (last year 305). The total number of people who came to Mass here last weekend was **458**. There are about 2,200 registered men, women and children in the parish (about 850 registered families). And here are the numbers for the Diocesan Pew Count at Christ the King in recent previous years: 2019 (813); 2018 (815); 2017 (934); 2016 (690); 2015 (805); 2014 (918); 2013 (927); 2012 (837) and 2011 (848).

Congratulations, Sophia Penny!

Last Saturday, Sophia Penny was honored at the Annual Awards Ceremony of the Diocese of Worcester Catholic Scouting Ministry for the "I Live My Faith" religious emblem. Sophia is a member of American Heritage Girls MA 0716 scouting program chartered through Our Lady of Loreto in Worcester. The awards were conferred by Bishop McManus at a Mass at St. Paul's Cathedral. Sophia, a parishioner here is also an altar server at Christ the King. The Catholic Awards Mass, originally scheduled for March, was delayed due to the pandemic. Congratulations, Sophia!

OUR CURRENT 'BABY BOTTLE' DRIVE

The annual **Baby Bottle Drive** is taking place now and through the end of October. It's one way in which we put our faith into practice. The funds generated by the **Baby Bottle Drive** support the mothers and newborn children who receive such high quality hospitality and care through **Visitation House**.

The drive is being conducted "virtually" (though many of you have received a special envelope and have been mailing them directly to Visitation House or dropping them off here).

We hope that you will give to the Baby Bottle Drive as so many of you always have. Your donation can be made by going directly to the donations page of Visitation House. When you make a one-time or recurrent donation there is a special box at the bottom indicating that you learned about this drive through the Baby Bottle notice at Christ the King.

On behalf of our Women's Guild and the mothers and infants living at Visitation House thank you very much!

Please give here: [**https://give.visitationhouse.org/give**](https://give.visitationhouse.org/give)
