

Come and Meet Christ in One Another

Church of Christ the King

September 7, 2025

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



30 Lamarck Drive Snyder New York 14226
Website: www.ctksnyder.org

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday: 5:00 p.m.

Confession Schedule

Wednesday: 5:35 p.m. or by appointment

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday after 8:00 a.m. Mass

Rectory Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

CLOSED FRIDAYS

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School 716-839-0473 / Fax: 716-370-0364

Faith Formation. 716-839-0946

Maintenance..... 716-839-1430 ext. 220

Bread of Life Catholic Community

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CTK Conference of St. Vincent de Paul

Leave a Message at 716-314-7322



23rd Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." - Lk 14:27

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Welcome to Christ the King Church

If you are just visiting or are looking for a spiritual home,
we welcome you to CTK,
where we hope you will find our Parish hospitable and prayerful.

St. Gianna Pregnancy Outreach Center:

Here to help before, during and after childbirth. Call 716-842-BABY (2229)

Project Rachel / Post Abortion Reconciliation: 716-847-2211

Please Remember CTK Church in your Will and Memorials

Sunday Scripture Readings**This Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading - Wisdom 9:13-18b
 2nd Reading - Philemon 9-10, 12-17
 Gospel - Luke 14:25-33

Next Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading - Numbers 21:4b-9
 2nd Reading - Philippians 2:6-11
 Gospel - John 3:13-17

In Your Prayers...

Please pray for the sick of our parish for previous years, which are posted in our Adoration Chapel, and for those listed below for the year: 2025: Linda Moretuzzo, Joanne Randles, Steve Phillips, John and Rosemarie Burgholzer, Tony Scalfaro, Scarlett Schratz, Bob Schaefer, Jim Maisano, Deacon John Coughlin, F. Kozlowski, Robert Pfeifer, Jenn S., Isabella Richards, Rachel Gumto, Maria Granville

...those who have died, our relatives, parishioners, and friends, especially: Brian Bystryk, Sandra Reynolds

To be placed on the Prayer List: Our policy regarding praying for the sick will be strictly adhered to. The ill person must want to be added to the list and prayed for in Church, and it can be reported to us only by an immediate family member. We appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Please help us keep our list current. Let us know when we may remove a name. Call the Rectory at 716-839-1430.



The Parish Rosary Chain is made up of parishioners who pray a decade of the Rosary daily for special requested intentions. If you have an intention for the Rosary Chain, or you would like to become part of the Rosary Chain Ministry, call Nancy Leed at 716-839-5807. The Rosary Chain is ideal for those who wish to keep intentions private.

**Mass Schedule****Christ the King's Mass Schedule**

The schedule for Christ the King is as follows:

This Weekend - September 6-7:

4:30 p.m. Saturday - Fr. Moses Ikuelogbon
 8:00 a.m. Sunday - Fr. Moses Ikuelogbon
 10:00 a.m. Sunday - Fr. Moses Ikuelogbon

Msgr. Litwin's Schedule - September 6-7:

4:30 p.m. Saturday - Ss. Peter & Paul
 9:30 a.m. Sunday - Ss. Peter & Paul
 11:30 a.m. Sunday - Ss. Peter & Paul

Next Weekend - September 13-14:

4:30 p.m. Saturday - Msgr. Zapfel
 8:00 a.m. Sunday - Msgr. Zapfel
 10:00 a.m. Sunday - Msgr. Zapfel

Msgr. Litwin's Schedule - September 13-14:

4:00 p.m. Saturday - St. Leo the Great
 9:00 a.m. Sunday - St. Leo the Great
 11:00 a.m. Sunday - St. Leo the Great

Please note that this schedule is subject to change without prior notice.

This Sunday - CTK 8th Grade Car Wash & Hot Dogs

Grab a **hot dog between 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** and have your **car washed between Noon-2:00 p.m.** to support Christ the King's 8th grade fundraisers on **Sunday, September 7th in the school parking lot.**

**Tomorrow—Parish Council Meeting**

The next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, **Monday, September 8, 2025 at 7:00pm in the Church Library.** All Parishioners are invited!

Marriage Banns

3rd: Nicholas Guzdek and Claire Hofmeister



Respect Life Meeting - Tuesday, September 16th

We would love to see new faces from our Bread of Life family at the next Respect Life meeting. It will take place on Tuesday, September 16th at 7:00 p.m. at Ss. Peter & Paul Church. We will be discussing Physician Assisted Suicide in NYS, Bill A136, and subscribing to the National Bioethics Center (NCBC), among other pertinent issues coming up in the fall. All are Invited!



"Meet, Greet & Eat" Monthly Receptions Sponsored by Holy Name & CTK St. Vincent de Paul

Beginning **Sunday, September 14th at the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses**, Christ the King's Holy Name and St. Vincent de Paul Societies will host a **"Meet, Greet and Eat" reception** the second Sunday of every month. **Enjoy homemade pastries, coffee and tea** while gathering with fellow parishioners for friendly conversation and information about all that is happening within our Christ the King Parish and Bread of Life Catholic Community.

All are welcome!

Join the CTK Choir!



According to legend, we spend extra time in Purgatory learning to sing with the Choir of Angels. Avoid that extra time by joining the CTK Choir. **No previous singing or musical experience is required. Our Music Director, Rasa, can work with every voice of every skill level.** Why not come one week and try it out. Questions? Call the Rectory at 716-839-1430.

Looking for the Perfect Meaningful Gift? Give a Beautiful Custom Handmade Rosary



Looking for a beautiful and meaningful gift for a baptism, first communion, confirmation, wedding, anniversary, birthday, graduation, holiday or for someone in need of healing and comfort?

Christ the King parishioner, Kim Foster, makes beautiful custom handmade rosaries. If you would like to gift a rosary to commemorate a special occasion, contact Kim at 716-861-8329.

Monday Rosary - 5:00 p.m. Weekly Prayer is powerful and prayer changes things!



~ Join us if you pray for your loved ones away from the church

~ Join us if you pray for a stronger belief in the Eucharist

~ Join us if you are concerned for our world and the need for peace

We always include intentions for all those who suffer physically, mentally, emotionally or spiritually. All are welcome to **pray the Rosary** at Christ the King **every Monday at 5:00 p.m. in the Upper Church**. Please enter through the horseshoe entrance on Lamarck Drive.

Weekly Food Collections:

DO NOT INCLUDE Electrical or Medical Items.

St. Vincent de Paul Dining Room and

St. Aloysius Church Food Pantry: Every week food is collected in the basket in the Usher's Room for the St. Vincent de Paul Dining Room and St. Aloysius Church Food Pantry.



Monthly Food Item For St. Luke's:

During the month of **September** we are collecting **soup/canned vegetables**. Make an every day chore an Act of God. Next time you go shopping, purchase extra and put it in the shopping cart in the Usher's Room.

Perpetual Adoration Chapel

A Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament is worth more than a thousand years of human glory."

~ St. Padre Pio



URGENT NEED

Scheduled Adorers Needed:

Monday 10 am -11 am

Saturday 12 pm - 1 pm

Saturday 2 pm - 3 pm

Sunday 1 pm - 2 pm

Sunday 5 pm - 6 pm

Sunday 6 pm - 7 pm

Stop in the Adoration Chapel to pray any day from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Chapel is located at the top of the stairs when entering at the archway between the Church & the School.

**The Adoration Chapel is here for you
24 hours a day, 7 days a week.**

Every hour (especially daytime hours) **MUST** have at least one person present with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

**To Reserve your hour with Jesus
call the Rectory at 716-839-1430**

Faith Formation

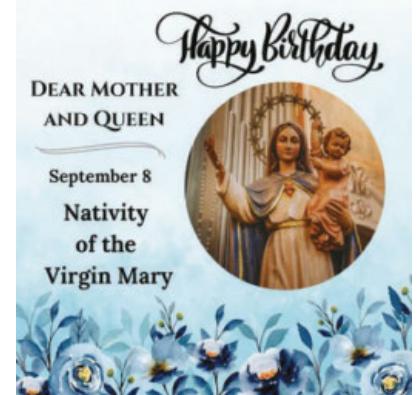
Director of Faith Formation: Pamela Rankin
716-839-0946 ext. 306 or 716-839-1430 ext. 219
Faithformation@CTKSnyder.com // www.ctksnyder.org

Faith Formation Families:



Please come to the 10:00 a.m. Mass next Sunday, September 14th! We will be distributing folders & student workbooks in the School Library directly after Mass (enter through door #2)! There is necessary paperwork that needs to be filled out by the first class, which begin:

Monday, 9/15- Gr. 10 @ 6:30-8:30 PM in the Church Library
Sunday, 9/21- Gr. 1-8 @ 8:45-9:45 AM in CTK School, Door #5
Sunday, 9/21- Gr. 9 @ 6:30-8 PM in the Church Library
Monday, 9/22- Gr. 6-8 @ 6:45-7:45 PM in CTK School, Door #5



URGENTLY
NEEDED

Urgent Need for Scheduled Adorers

We are in urgent need of adorers in Christ the King's Adoration Chapel during the following daytime hours:

Monday 10 am -11 am
Saturday 12 pm - 1 pm
Saturday 2 pm - 3 pm
Sunday 1 pm - 2 pm
Sunday 5 pm - 6 pm
Sunday 6 pm - 7 pm

If you would be able to commit to spending one of these hours with our Lord, please contact the Christ the King Rectory office at 716-839-1430.

Thank You!

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, Christ the King's chapter of St. Vincent de Paul collected enough school supplies to provide for kids at St Luke's Mission, Holy Cross and Our Lady of Hope Parishes in Buffalo, St. Paul Lutheran's Tigers Den Food Pantry and Christ the King's Bison Fund students. Your generosity continues to have a huge impact in our community!



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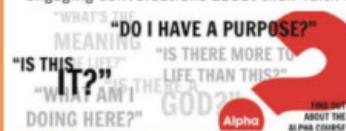
DATE CHANGE!

- Alpha -

Coming to the Bread of Life Catholic Community this Fall

Mark your calendars now for Alpha, a dynamic series that explores our faith and fosters connections and fellowship among those who attend. This 11-week experience begins with a shared meal, a creative video presentation, and time for discussion of the topic each evening. Believers of all ages will enjoy learning about and growing in their faith!

Alpha is a welcoming environment open to all, including those who are curious about the faith and those wanting to deepen their understanding of their faith. Join us for a safe space to grapple with questions of life without judgment or expectations. Questions like- "Is there more?" "Who is Jesus?" This is a great series to invite family members and friends to, for engaging conversations about their faith and Jesus.



Updated Dates: Tuesdays: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Tues., Sept. 16, through Tues., Nov. 18

Location: Parish Center at St. Leo the Great

If you would like to attend or volunteer, please contact Marcy at mmsteiner@gmail.com



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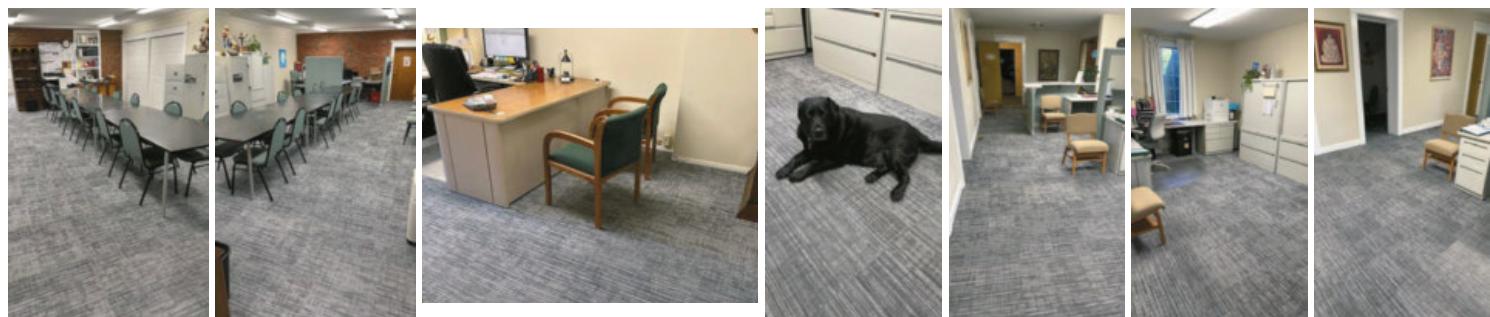
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May Appeal Update - Rectory Refresh is Complete!

After 25 years, the Rectory has new carpeting and a fresh coat of paint (painted by the rectory staff)! Thank you to all who have generously donated to May Appeal. Donations to May Appeal are accepted year round - call 716-830-1430 to donate.



**100% of Your May Appeal Donation
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There is no fee assessed by the Diocese on the money raised through the May Appeal campaign. **100% of May Appeal donations stay at Christ the King. Call 716-839-1430 to donate.**

May Appeal donations are accepted year-round!

BEFORE: Stained, rippled, torn & damaged rectory carpeting



SPIRITUAL EXERCISES OF ST IGNATIUS RETREAT



Are you seeking a closer relationship with Jesus Christ? Are you among those looking to develop more structure and consistency in their prayer life? Are you seeking God's will in your life as you consider embarking or remaining on a specific path; or even seeking His will in your day to day decisions? This retreat is an opportunity to bring your desires to God. The format requires a serious commitment to daily prayer and small group meetings; weekly for the first month then twice a month for the following 7 months. For more information and to register go to www.ignatianexercises.org or contact: Fr. Ben Fiore S.J. fiore20b@gmail.com Maryann Peer: 716-435-0851 or Suellen Brewster: 716-290 4225. Both daytime and evening groups are forming at two locations: Loyola Hall at Canisius University during the day and evening groups in Amherst, location TBA. Please register by September 16th.



Please contact the Rectory
at 716-839-1430
if you have lost a rosary.



15TH ANNUAL SSPP COMMUNITY CLOTHING EXCHANGE

Get ready to "SHOP"!!!!

The SSPP Community Clothing Exchange is an opportunity to find gently-used donated clothing, shoes and accessories for the whole family – FREE of charge – right in the SSPP School Gym. No Limit!

Infant, toddler, youth and adult sizes will be available.

Get ready to DONATE!!!

Look through your closets for any gently-used and unstained clothing, shoes, and accessories that you would still be willing to wear. Launder the items, place them in a labeled box or bag and bring to the open SSPP School garage anytime from 7am until 6pm Monday, September 29th through Friday, October 3rd.

Get ready to VOLUNTEER!!

Many volunteers are needed to help set up and sort clothing in the SSPP School Gym from 2:15pm – 6pm on Friday, October 3rd.

Volunteers are also needed for clean up starting at 11:15am on Saturday, October 4th.

**Saturday
October 4th**

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Saints Peter and
Paul School Gym**

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**Spread the Word!
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welcome!**

**QUESTIONS?
Want To Volunteer?**

Rose Quebral
Home phone: (716) 635-9488
Email: rosemaryquebral@gmail.com

St. John Chrysostom

St. John Chrysostom, one of the most revered saints in the Catholic Church, was a powerful preacher, theologian, and Archbishop of Constantinople in the late 4th and early 5th centuries. Born around 349 AD in Antioch, he was known for his eloquence in public speaking—earning him the name "Chrysostom," which means "golden-mouthed." His homilies and writings emphasized the importance of charity, humility, and social justice, often challenging the excesses of the wealthy and powerful. He had a deep commitment to the moral and spiritual reform of both clergy and laity, and his teachings continue to influence Christian thought today.

Despite his popularity with the common people, St. John Chrysostom faced significant opposition from political and ecclesiastical authorities due to his outspoken criticism of corruption and moral laxity. He was exiled multiple times and eventually died in 407 AD while in forced relocation. His legacy lives on through his extensive writings, including commentaries on Scripture and liturgical texts, many of which are still used in both Eastern and Western Christian traditions. He is honored as a Doctor of the Church and celebrated for his unwavering dedication to truth and justice, even in the face of persecution.

*O glorious St. John Chrysostom,
golden-mouthed preacher of the Word of God,
you spoke truth with courage and love,
defending the poor and guiding the faithful.
Intercede for us, that we may speak with wisdom,
live with humility,
and serve with compassion.*

*Help us to follow Christ with boldness and joy,
and to remain steadfast in faith, even in trials. Amen.*

A Few More CTK Parish Pups!



Zadner



Mitzi



Ralphie



Stanley, Trapper & Stella



Mark Your Calendar!

Every Monday Evening:

5:00 p.m. - Monday Evening Rosary in Upper Church

8:15 p.m. - Men's Prayer Group in the Upper Church

Every Third Monday of the Month:

7:00 p.m. - St. Vincent de Paul mtg. - Counting Room

Please Prayerfully Consider Increasing Your Donations



Would you prayerfully consider increasing your donations to Christ the King Church? We are beyond grateful for the generosity of our Parishioners. However, as expenses continue to

increase, please consider if you are in a position to be more generous. Thank you and God bless you.

Christ the King is Mobility and Wheelchair Accessible



Christ the King Church can accommodate individuals with mobility difficulties:

- *Elevator from parking lot to Church level for Wheelchair and mobility impaired individuals (no stairs required).*
- *Dedicated handicap parking lot on weekends in the parking lot between the church and school*
- *Handicap Accessible bathrooms*

Deepen Your Faith with a Book from the Parish Lending Library Bookcase



The *Church Lending Library Bookcase* is located in the Church Vestibule across from the restrooms. *The purpose of this Lending Library Bookcase is to provide you with a source of books that support our Catholic faith. Hopefully these books will extend your knowledge and understanding of our Catholic religion and strengthen your faith.* You are welcome to borrow a book. Please return the book when you are done.

Be Wrapped in God's Love - Handmade Prayer Shawls



Handmade blessed Prayer Shawls available free of charge to anyone who needs to be wrapped in God's love. If you or someone you know would like a prayer shawl, please call the Rectory at 716-839-1430.

Christ the King Parish Masses on Livestream

All Masses & Celebrations in the *Upper Church* are live-streamed.

To Connect: Go to www.ctksnyder.org. At the top of the website click on "Click Here for Camera Live Stream." Audio begins when celebrant enters sanctuary. You may have to "unmute" your video and audio.



Saturday, September 6 - Vigil of 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. James Murphy - Family

Sunday, September 7 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Ursula Plotnicki - Janina Przystal

10:00 a.m. Anthony P. Amigone, Sr. - Eugene & Pia O'Connor

Monday, September 8 - Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. Norman Klein - Family

Tuesday, September 9 - St. Peter Claver

8:00 a.m. All Souls - Parish Intentions

Wednesday, September 10 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Marty Dietrich - John & Sue Davis

5:00 p.m. Donald Cleveland - Pat & Tim Collard

Thursday, September 11 - Weekday, Patriot Day

8:00 a.m. Mary Bustamante - Szumski Family

Friday, September 12 - Most Holy Name of Mary

8:00 a.m. Sue Ann Wagle - Eugene & Pia O'Connor

Saturday, September 13 - Vigil of Exaltation of the Holy Cross; St. John Chrysostom

4:30 p.m. Paul Zadner - Wife

Sunday, September 14 - Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 a.m. Thomas Hosie - Family

10:00 a.m. Robert Seitz - Daughter, Suzanne



Our End of Mass Blessing

*"May God bless and keep you.
May God's face shine on you.
May God be kind to you
and give you peace."*

~ Numbers 6:24-26

Rosary and Prayers After 8:00 a.m. Daily Mass

Monday: The Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday & Friday: Rosary prayed for World Peace

Wednesday: Cenacle of the Marian Movements of Priests

Thursday: Rosary prayed for Life



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