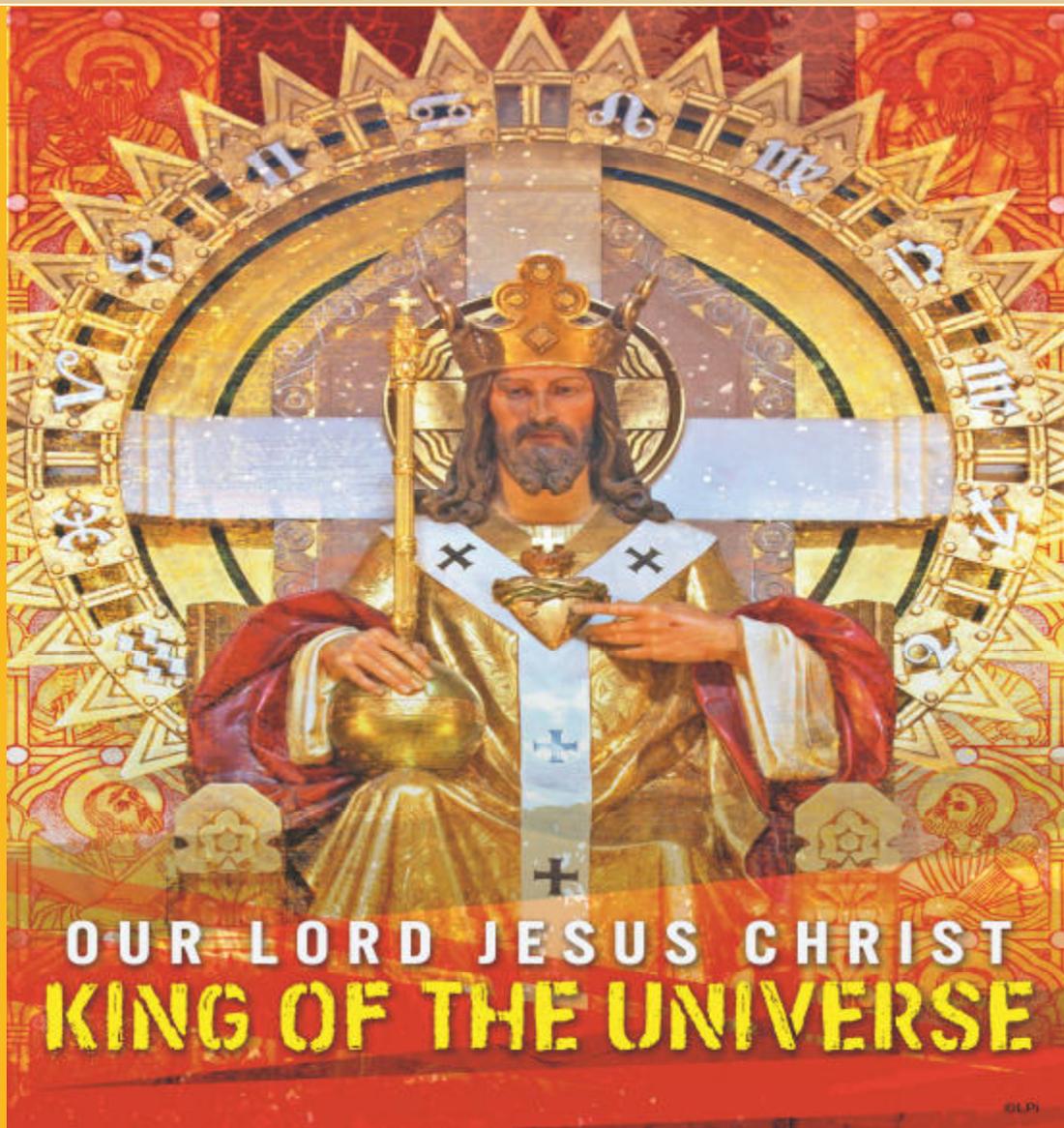




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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 20

5:00 p.m. All deceased parishioners

Sunday, November 21

8:00 a.m. Thomas S. Hogan, Sr., Patricia Blanchard

9:15 a.m. Judy Robinson, Michael Robinson

11:30 a.m. Bob LaRoche

Tuesday, November 23

9:00 a.m. Carol Keogh, Lucia Ricci

Wednesday, November 24

9:00 a.m. Valerie Barbato

Thursday, November 25, Thanksgiving Day

9:00 a.m. All deceased parishioners

Saturday, November 27

5:00 p.m. Robert & Corliss Manning,
Lucio Trubiano

Sunday, November 28

8:00 a.m. Daniel Mason,
Deceased members of SK Police Dept,
and the infant found stranded in Peace Dale in 1997.

9:15 a.m. Millie Craig

11:30 a.m. Joseph Jacome, III,
Irene & Rene Proulx

BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN FAMILIES: NOVEMBER 27/28

Suhair Awwad, representing the Bethlehem Christian Families; a nonprofit organization through Land of Peace will be selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries, all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has dropped significantly, Christian families in the Holy Land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. The goal of this mission is to help many organizations and Churches in the Middle East. Sale of these goods will help them thrive and give you the opportunity to have “something” authentic from the Holy Land. For more information please see Website: www.landofpeace.org and www.bcfmission.com)



Religious Formation News

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Grade level parent meetings have finished.

Parents should email glardaro@ctkri.org for additional questions or concerns.

Grade 7A will be meeting **this Sunday**, November 14 in the Parish Hall at 10:15 a.m.

Religious Formation classes begin Sunday December 5 for Grades 1-5 from 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. in Swan Hall on the URI Campus.

Masks must be worn by EVERYONE while in the building. Books will be in the Swan Hall Foyer that day.

Parents --Would you like to help?

Parents are needed for the following: Crossing Guards, Hall Monitors and Substitute Teachers.

Religious Formation Catechists:

Don't forget to complete your Safe Environment Training that was included in your packets.

CONFIRMATION

The next class is this Sunday, November 21: 6-7:30 p.m. in the parish hall. John and Meg DeCubellis are our speakers. Please be prompt.

LITURGY CORNER

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING/ STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND

Please Join Us to Celebrate!

As we conclude our liturgical year, the church invites us to celebrate with joy. We belong to the greatest kingdom, the Kingdom of God! As we celebrate the great Feast of Christ the King, we remember the many gifts and talents bestowed on us. This weekend, filled with joy and gratitude, we ask ourselves, “What can I offer the Lord for all he has done for me?” (Psalm 116:12)

Our parish will highlight our opportunities to serve God's people by having many of our parish stewardship opportunities represented at receptions following all Masses this weekend (November 20, 21). Please join us for coffee, pastry and questions in the parish hall!

Quotes of the Week

“In the synodal process that we are now beginning, what is the number one thing the Holy Father has in all those documents? Listening to each other. Reflecting. Discernment. What a wonderful vehicle. And we haven't done that. And so to be honest with you, I don't see anything is going to happen with this document or next week in Washington, D.C., that is going to bring about this unity.”

- Cardinal Roger Mahony, Archbishop emeritus of Los Angeles, on the proposed document on the Eucharist that will be discussed by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops during its annual meeting this week. “Cardinal Mahony encourages US bishops to take the ‘pathway to constructive dialogue.’” Vatican News. November 15, 2021.

“My impression continues to be that the most important prelates in the United States have more or less given up on the USCCB,” said Massimo Faggioli [church historian and professor of theology and religious studies at Villanova University]. Faggioli suggested that the bishops' conference today is ‘in the hands’ of prelates who are ‘out of sync’ with Francis.

“‘The bishops and cardinals who are in sync with his pontificate, they are playing largely outside the USCCB. That seems to me to be the fundamental dynamic of these last few years,’ Faggioli said.”

“These 5 US bishops may be in the spotlight for years to come.” National Catholic Reporter. November 15, 2021.

“Thank you for shining a light on the lives and bearing witness to the many priests, religious sisters and lay people, who opted to accompany, support and help their brothers and sisters who were sick from HIV and AIDS at great risk to their profession and reputation. Instead of indifference, alienation and even condemnation, these people let themselves be moved by the mercy of the Father and allowed that to become their own life's work; a discreet mercy, silent and hidden, but still capable of sustaining and restoring the life and history of each one of us.”

- Pope Francis, in a letter to author to Catholic journalist Michael O'Loughlin, whose new book, *The Cover of Hidden Mercy: AIDS, Catholics, and the Untold Stories of Compassion in the Face of Fear*, recounts the work of many Catholics who helped those with HIV and AIDS during the height of the epidemic. “In new letter, Pope Francis praises priests, nuns who cared for AIDS victims.” National Catholic Reporter. November 12, 2021.

“It is time that the poor be given back their voice, because for too long their requests have remained unheard. It is time that eyes be opened to see the state of inequality in which many families live. It is time for sleeves to be rolled up so dignity can be restored by creating jobs. It is time to be scandalized once again before the reality of children who are starving, reduced to slavery, tossed about in the water in the aftermath of a shipwreck, innocent victims of every sort of violence. It is time that violence against women cease and that they be respected and not treated like bargaining chips. It is time that the circle of indifference be broken so as to discover once again the beauty of encounter and dialogue. It is time to meet each other. It is the time to meet. If humanity, if we men and women do not learn to meet each other, we are heading for a very sad end.”

- Pope Francis, speaking in advance of the World Day of the Poor last Friday in Assisi. Vatican Dicastery for Communication.

“We've become tribal in the Catholic Church. Like in politics, you belong to a tribe and you go on social media and [think] I'm going to conquer and vanquish whoever doesn't have to agree with me. And that's all about the basic premise that it's all about me and I'm the standard of truth and I'm going to fix the church. Christ saved the church! So when you say that, what church are you saving?”

- “Bishop Frank Caggiano agrees with Pope Francis: We need a listening church.” America. November 12, 2021.

“I also thank you for what you tell us about what goes wrong in the Church, for helping us not to sweep it under the carpet, and for the voice you have given to the victims of abuse: thank you for this.”

- Pope Francis, speaking to journalists last Saturday at the Vatican. “Pope thanks journalists for helping expose Church sex scandals.” Reuters. November 13, 2021.

“We too easily forget what we have in common. We share a Father; we share a brother in Christ. If we cannot meet one another on that common ground, Christian to Christian, what hope have we to help heal divisions outside the church? If we cannot proclaim Christ to one another, how can we proclaim the Gospel to the world?”

- Steven White, “Listen to Archbishop Gomez: Social justice begins with recognizing our common humanity.” America. November 12, 2021.

OPERATION CHILLOUT



Winter Backpack Veterans Homeless Outreach collection will take place once again for us here at Christ the King Parish. The Veterans and Social Action Committees passed out 240 backpacks with a list of materials to fill them: (knit hat, thermal socks, non-leather gloves, thermal underwear, hooded sweatshirt or heavy jacket shirt). We would like to have the filled backpacks returned by December 4/5 so that we can make the distributions before the real cold weather arrives.

If you would rather, you can make a donation to help fill the backpacks with the above materials by check made out to **Operation Chillout RI**. Send check to Dave Vissoe, Coordinator OCO-RI, PO Box 1277, Charlestown, RI 02813 or you can make a donation to operationchillout.org/ (make a note in a memo that it is for RI).

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God is wonderfully and surprisingly creative! He turns the tables on our understanding of what it means to be a king by sending us a king who embraces poverty, insults, suffering, ridicule, rejection, and even death. This is our king. Jesus is not the king of prestige or grandeur but the king who brings light to darkness, hope to despair, sinners to mercy, and new life out of death. God dances on, around, in and through all of the silliness and ugliness of the world bringing all of creation to the eternal dance of new life and hope. Whether we accept it now or hope that we one day do, Christ is king of the universe. Christ is the alpha and the omega, the beginning and the end. Every human being, even those who scorned and rejected him and failed to see him in the least of our brothers and sisters will look upon him. Only those who understand truth will understand that we are on this awesome universal journey to Christ. It is a journey of surprises but also a journey of enlightenment when we will one day see and experience with the deepest joy our being in Christ. We will be restless until we are all one day together united in Christ our King.

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GIVING TREE

Since the Social Action Committee began our Giving Tree, parishioners here at Christ the King have given thousands of presents and gift cards to needy children for Christmas. We contribute to children in four Providence churches, in Welcome House in Peace Dale, and in the safe house for Domestic Violence, and individual families.



As we did last year, we are asking this year only for gift cards of \$25 to Walmart, Amazon, Target, and Marshall's; it would help if you put the amount for the card on its envelope. Please drop them in the collection box next weekend, November 27, and December 4. (It is better for us to receive four \$25 cards than one for \$100.) Thank you for your past (and future) generosity.

YOUTH CHOIR & TEEN ENSEMBLE

The CTK Teen Ensemble rehearses and sings monthly at the 11:30 a.m. Mass and for holidays. Singers and instrumentalists in grades 8-12 are welcome. We hope to begin on Sunday, November 21 with rehearsal at 10:15 a.m. followed by 11:30 a.m. Mass. We will follow safe singing and playing procedures with the teen ensemble.

Please contact Heather Skidds if you are interested in the youth choir or teen ensemble at hskidds@gmail.com or (401) 573-7564. Sign-up sheets are available outside the music office.

FRIENDLY VISITOR MESSAGE

As the days grow shorter and the chill in the air encourages us to spend more time indoors, we might be feeling more isolated and lonely. A friendly visit could provide the opportunity to engage in needed companionship and conversation. Our Christ the King Friendly Visitors are waiting to meet you. Call Bonnie Feeney at 401-391-9460 to arrange a visit.

THE PROUT SCHOOL

The High School Placement Test (HSPT) will be administered for incoming 9th grade students at The Prout School on Saturday, December 4 or 11.

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Excerpts from
Pope Francis's Message
on the World Day of the Poor
given at the Basilica of Saint Mary of the Angels in Assisi
Friday, November 12, 2021

This is the most evangelical expression we are called to make our own: hospitality. Hospitality means to open the door, the door of our house and the door of our heart, and to allow the person who knocks to come in. And that they might feel welcome, not ashamed, no, at ease, free. Where there is a true sense of fraternity, a sincere experience of hospitality is also lived there. Instead, where there is fear of the other, contempt for their lives, then rejection is born, or worse, indifference: looking the other way. Hospitality generates a sense of community; rejection, on the contrary, closes in on one's own egoism. Mother Teresa, who made hospitable service her life, used to love to say: "what is the best welcome? A smile". A smile. To share a smile with someone in need does good to both people – to me and the other person. A smile as an expression of sympathy, of tenderness. And then, a smile engages you, and you cannot turn away from a person who has smiled at you...

Life has not always treated you well; indeed, it has often shown you its cruel face. Marginalization, suffering sickness and loneliness, the lack of so many necessary means has not stopped you from seeing with eyes filled with gratitude the little things that have enabled you to hold out... What does it mean to hold out? To have the strength to keep going despite everything. To swim against the current. To hold out is not a passive action, on the contrary, it requires the courage to take a new path knowing it will bear fruit. To hold out means to find reasons for not giving up when confronted with difficulties, knowing that we do not experience them alone but together, and that only together can we overcome them. To hold out against every temptation to give up and fall into loneliness and sadness. To hold out, holding on to the little wealth we may have...

Let us ask the Lord to always help us find serenity and joy. Here at the Portiuncula, Saint Francis teaches us the joy that comes from seeing those who are near us as traveling companions who understand and support us, just as we are for him or for her. May this meeting open all of our hearts to put ourselves at each other's disposal; to open our hearts to make our weakness a strength to help continue on the journey of life, to transform our poverty into wealth to be shared, and thus to make the world better...

Thank you to the poor who open their hearts to give us their wealth and heal our wounded hearts. Thank you for this courage... I carry you all in my heart. And, please, do not forget to pray for me, because I have my poverty, in many ways! Thank you.





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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 8, 9:15 & 11:30 a.m.

BAPTISM

Parents should speak to Jennifer Marran to make arrangements.

ADULT INITIATION

Adults wishing to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and/or Confirmation should speak to Jennifer Marran.

CONFIRMATION

Eighth graders receive Confirmation in the spring. Please speak to Eva Mancuso for more information.

MARRIAGE

Engaged couples should speak to Fr. Jared at least nine months prior to the wedding.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 4:30 p.m.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

If you or someone you know is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion regularly, please speak to Jennifer Marran to make arrangements. On the third Tuesday of each month, Mass is celebrated at South Kingstown Nursing & Rehabilitation Center at 10:30 a.m., and at Brookdale South Bay Assisted Living at 1:30 p.m.

BIBLE STUDY w/Fr. Jared

1 – 1:45 p.m. or 7 – 7:45 p.m..

Wednesdays: December 1 & 15

BIBLE STUDY (Shared/Group) 7:00 p.m.

Spring dates TBD.

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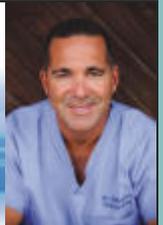
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