



Christ the King Roman Catholic Church

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“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”

— 1 Peter 4:10

We who have been baptized into God’s saving and generous love are called to share a portion of our gifts of time, talent and treasure for our own spiritual benefit and for the common good of all God’s children. These gifts have been freely bestowed upon us by our Creator. What we choose to do with them demonstrates the type of steward we are: one who buries them in fear, one who hoards them in selfishness, or one who puts them to good use in the work of building the Kingdom of justice and peace.

This stewardship guide is designed to help you determine which ministries of the parish may benefit from your time and talents. It also serves as a resource for those who may be in need of the gifts that are offered by ministers and leaders of the parish who serve us in ministry and leadership.

Let us pray together that the Holy Spirit will use our willingness to share our time, prayers, talents and treasures to strengthen the ministry of our church, which extends to every person! May Christ the King bless all you do in his name!

Sincerely,
The Stewardship Committee

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday:
8:00, 9:15, 11:30 a.m.
(September – May)
8:00 p.m.



Clergy

Rev. Jared Costanza
Pastor

Rev. Joseph Creedon
Parish Priest Emeritus

Rev. Joseph Upton
Catholic Center Chaplain

Jennifer Marran
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Music Ministry

Tom Kendzia
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Youth Ministry & Religious Formation

Georgann Lardaro
Director

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Brenda Tougas
Administrative Assistant

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Sacraments

BAPTISM is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door that gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism, we are freed from sin and reborn as sons and daughters of God; we become members of Christ, and we are incorporated into the life of the Church so that we may share fully in Jesus' ministry and inheritance. Baptisms are celebrated during Mass, after Mass, or at other times, based on a family's need or preference. Parents should speak to Jennifer Marran to make arrangements.

CONFIRMATION enriches us with the strength of the Holy Spirit and binds us to the mission of the Church. The gifts of the Holy Spirit, which were bestowed first upon Christ, then poured out upon the Apostles at Pentecost, are entrusted to us in Confirmation and empower us to become true witnesses of Christ, spreading and defending the faith by word and deed. The Holy Spirit enables us to fulfill our purpose in this world: to become like Christ. All Catholics are bound to receive Confirmation. At Christ the King, this sacrament of initiation is received by parishioners who are completing the eighth grade. Call the Religious Formation office for more information.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION completes Christian initiation. Those who have been raised to the dignity of Christ's royal priesthood by Baptism participate with the whole community in the Lord's own sacrifice by means of the Eucharist, which was instituted by Christ at the Last Supper. Children prepare for First Communion in the second grade. Call the Religious Formation office for more information.

Anyone who has not received these sacraments may begin preparations for them at any time. The parish has a preparatory program for adults (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, or R.C.I.A.), and a program for young people who are beyond the minimum age for each sacrament. Please call Jennifer Marran for more information.

MARRIAGE signifies the union of Christ and the Church. It gives spouses the grace to love each other with the love with which Christ has loved his Church. Therefore, the grace of the sacrament perfects the love of the spouses, strengthens their unity, and sanctifies them on the way to eternal life. Engaged couples should speak to a priest at least nine months prior to the wedding in order to begin marriage preparation and to schedule the wedding rehearsal and ceremony.

HOLY ORDERS is the sacrament through which the mission entrusted by Christ to his apostles continues to be exercised in the Church until the end of time, thus it is the sacrament of apostolic ministry. For more information about this sacrament, visit www.catholicpriest.com or speak to one of the priests.

RECONCILIATION, also known as Penance and Confession, gives us the grace of God's forgiveness and the power of the Holy Spirit that strengthens us and helps us to overcome temptation. The sacrament is celebrated Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. in the church's Reconciliation Room, or by appointment. First Reconciliation is celebrated for children in second grade, before they receive First Holy Communion.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK commends those who are ill to the suffering and glorified Lord, that he may raise them up and save them. The sacrament is administered individually by appointment. If you or someone you know is suffering from a grave or chronic illness, preparing for a serious surgery, or facing the danger of death from sickness or old age, please speak to a priest and make arrangements.

Religious Formation

YOUTH RELIGIOUS FORMATION

In baptism, parents assume the role as the primary teachers of their children in the ways of faith. The church helps parents meet their obligation by offering a religious formation program for young people. The goal of the program is simple: to make disciples of children by teaching them about the life and love of Jesus, and by passing on his teachings to them. Children are also prepared for the celebration of their First Penance (second grade), First Holy Communion (second grade), and Confirmation (eighth grade). Classes are held nearby on the URI Campus at 10:15 a.m. on Sundays during the school year. Parishioners are invited to serve in a variety of areas such as: Catechist, Catechist Aide, Hall Monitor, Traffic Crossing Guide or Confirmation Mentor.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is celebrated during the 9:15 a.m. Mass on Sundays during the school year. The program is designed for first and second graders, who are dismissed together from the church and follow the adult leaders into the church hall, where they learn about the message of the Gospel and the readings of the week in easy-to-understand language and activities. Children rejoin their families during the offertory rite, which begins the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

We are committed to providing a safe and positive place for children to learn and share the faith. In order to maintain optimal safety, all who work with our parish children and youth must complete the diocesan Safe Environment Training program. Our student curriculum also includes the Circle of Grace program as part of Safe Environment practices.

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Parish Staff

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Office Manager

Ron Bernier
Fiscal Manager

Doug Paquin
Custodian

Office Hours

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
(Monday to Friday)

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Leadership Councils

FINANCE COUNCIL

The parish Finance Council offers counsel and recommendations to the pastor on financial matters as they relate to the life and mission of the parish. Members typically have a financial accounting or business background and are appointed by the pastor. The relationship between the pastor and the council is one of support and collaboration.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The goal of the pastoral council is to consider, plan and recommend ways for the parish to accomplish the mission of Christ. The pastoral council is a strategic organ in the parish that keeps the parish focused on this divine

purpose: loving God, loving God's people, doing God's will and leading others to God through Christ. The pastoral council is charged with prayerfully discerning parish needs, setting pastoral priorities, and empowering people to participate in the mission of Christ.

STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

The Stewardship Council encourages parishioners to identify their gifts, to be grateful for these gifts, to cultivate and use them responsibly, to share them lovingly with others, and to return them back to God with increase. The council promotes the spirituality of stewardship in the areas of education and formation, facilitation, communication, implementation, follow-up and evaluation.

The Gift of Treasure

Last year, our parish family gave over \$185,000 of its annual contributions to charities, agencies, and families in need. In addition, we pledged more than \$242,700 for Catholic Charities, missions and various appeals.

Music Ministry

Christ the King parish has a rich history of outstanding achievement in leading parishioners in full, active and conscious participation in worship, as well as leading us in singing praise to God during concerts and other special events. Parishioners of all ages offer their time and talents in a variety of roles including cantors, choir members and instrumentalists.

CHOIR

Our music ministers lift their voices, along with the hearts of worshippers, to the Lord through music that is inspirational and uplifting.

INSTRUMENTALISTS

Instrumentalists of all ages are filling liturgies and hearts with the joy of faith, and the parish is always on the look-

out for those whose gifts include the ability to play musical instruments (drums, trumpets, trombones, flutes, violins and others that accompany the piano, organ and choir).

YOUTH CHOIR & INSTRUMENTALISTS

Our parish music ministry program offers people of all ages the opportunity to serve God by sharing their musical talents. Young people will find a warm and welcoming group of friends who share in this ministry. Members of the youth choir practice during the school year and lead the parish in singing at the Mass on designated Sundays.

FUNERAL CHOIR

Members of the funeral choir generally have the flexibility to serve on weekdays, according to their availability.

Youth Ministry

ALTAR SERVERS

Pope John Paul II once addressed altar servers with these words: *“In the liturgy, you are much more than simple ‘helpers of the parish priest.’ Above all, you are servers of Jesus Christ, the eternal High Priest. Thus, you, altar servers, are called in particular to be young friends of Jesus. Be determined to go deeper and to cultivate this friendship with him. You will discover that in Jesus you have found a true friend for life.”*

Servers enhance the quality of the celebration of Mass and liturgies for the whole gathered assembly by taking part in processions and by ensuring that all items required for the celebration are available at the appropriate moments. The ministry of altar server is open to the young people of our parish in grades 4 and up.

BIBLE CAMP

Each summer, Bible camp is held for the children of our

parish in grades K-5. Fun-filled, high energy experiences are filled with memorable, Scripture-based activities that provide opportunities for kids to celebrate their faith and learn about God’s love. Each week includes songs, skits, Bible stories, crafts, games and snacks. Kids will experience friendship and laughter, all in a spirit of prayer and learning about God in fun, new ways! There is always room for helpers of all ages – adults, teens and junior high students are welcome and are guaranteed to have a great time!

YOUTH MINISTRY ASSISTANTS

Parish adults assist the Youth Minister with the aim of helping our parish youth form a deeper relationship with Christ. Activities are planned around the developmental, social and spiritual needs of our youth members.

YOUTH CHOIR & INSTRUMENTALISTS

(See Music Ministry on page 4.)

Standing Committees

LITURGY

The Liturgy Committee participates in liturgical formation, catechesis and evaluation. Members of the committee listen to the needs and concerns of the community in discerning and recommending choices that will promote the full and active participation of the community during our liturgies. The goal of the Liturgy Committee is to help coordinate worship experiences that foster a loving relationship with Jesus Christ. Members work to ensure that our liturgical and seasonal celebrations are reverent, beautiful and joyful in the Lord.

PEACE & JUSTICE

Guided by the Gospel and the tradition of Catholic social teaching, the Peace & Justice Committee is a guiding voice that advocates non-violence and societal structural

changes that foster peace and justice locally, and throughout the world. The committee shares information and perspectives on important social issues, helping parishioners to inform their consciences and become more faithful disciples.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

The Religious Formation Committee assists the parish staff in the development, administration and evaluation of the religious formation for children and their families.

SOCIAL ACTION

The Social Action Committee is the outreach arm of our parish. Its members engage parishioners in becoming actively involved in serving our brothers and sisters who are in most need of help.

Additional Committees & Ministries

ALTAR CLOTH LAUNDERING

This group takes care of the altar cloths that are used at Mass by washing and ironing them.

BAPTISMAL GARMENTS

Members of this group sew the small white garments that are used at infant baptism. A pattern is provided.

BEREAVEMENT RECEPTIONS

Bereavement ministers provide assistance to those in our community who are grieving by helping them to celebrate the life of their loved one at a memorial gathering following the funeral Mass. Receptions provide a place of hospitality for families and friends to gather for fellowship; to share, reminisce and remember the life of their loved one and their happy times together. Members take responsibility for setting up and cleaning up the parish hall and/or providing prepared foods.

BIBLE STUDY

The Church strongly encourages all Christians to learn the knowledge of Jesus Christ by frequent reading of the Scriptures. St. Jerome once said that “ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ.” The parish Bible study groups foster the love and knowledge of God and his word. There are two opportunities for Bible study: small group, which meets on Thursday evenings for 6 weeks in the fall and spring to study a particular book or letter of the Bible; and a large group study, presented by Fr. Jared in a lecture/sermon style on various Wednesday afternoons (1 p.m.) and evenings (7 p.m.) from September to May. Check the bulletin or the parish website for the current schedule.

COFFEE & DONUTS

On Sunday mornings, all parishioners are welcome to after-Mass gatherings in the church hall, where coffee and sweets are available. Members of this hospitality ministry are scheduled once every 4-6 weeks and take responsibility for picking up donuts and making coffee and lemonade, or for clearing the tables and cleaning up.

COMMUNICATIONS / MARKETING TEAM

Utilizing a variety of tools and approaches, this group helps promote the parish and make it more visible and vibrant.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

If a parishioner is confined to home for a lengthy period of

time, a Eucharistic Minister may bring Communion to them. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

CONNECTIONS

Members of the Connections Team help the parish promote its mission and ministry and strengthen its connection to families and members. The team is responsible for following up with new parishioners by sending a personal greeting/welcome card; sending prayer cards to families in remembrance of someone whose funeral was celebrated here; and connecting with parents who have had a child baptized here. All of these occasions provide the opportunity for people to connect and reconnect to parish life via personal invitation, and the Connections Team facilitates those opportunities.

DRIVERS TO ASSUMPTION CHURCH

Each week, members of this ministry load up their cars with food that has been donated by Christ the King parishioners, drive to our sister parish, the Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Providence, and deliver the food to the Assumption food pantry.

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY

The parish offers a supply of canned/dry goods for those in immediate need. Please call the office if you or someone you know is in need.

ENVIRONMENT

This group takes care of the inside church flowers and plants by watering, clipping and refreshing the floral displays. They also work with the liturgy committee to set up for special holy days and seasons.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

The sacrament of Holy Communion is the greatest gift that God has given to his church. Eucharistic Ministers, or Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, are blessed with the precious privilege of distributing the Body and Blood of Christ to the faithful gathered in the assembly, and, on occasion, to those who are homebound. Catholics who have received Confirmation and meet the universal requirements for ministry are encouraged to share the gift of their love for Christ and the Eucharist in this unique ministry. They must receive Communion weekly and hold fast to our belief that the Eucharist is the body, blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ.

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Additional Committees & Ministries...

FACILITIES & GROUNDS

The Facilities & Grounds team oversees the operation, maintenance and repair of our parish buildings and grounds, keeping them in safe, functional and aesthetically pleasing condition. The team evaluates the current needs of our parish properties and plans for current and future requirements. Members review the annual property insurance report, study project and maintenance bids, and make recommendations to the Finance Council. The team helps to facilitate building security and safety, and studies parish needs for heat, lighting and air conditioning.

FUNERAL HOSPITALITY

Prior to Mass, hospitality ministers greet and welcome those entering the church.

GARDEN CREW

The parish garden crew provides care and maintenance for the flowerbeds, shrubs, plants and other greenery. Work includes planting, seeding, weeding, watering and trimming.

LAWN CREW

Lawn care crews take responsibility for mowing the lawns and trimming around our grounds. Crews are scheduled about once every five weeks from May through October. The parish provides all the equipment, including a tractor.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Members of this group function in cooperation with the Social Action Committee to provide direct assistance to local Habitat projects.

HOSPITALITY

Prior to Mass, hospitality ministers greet and welcome those entering the church. They offer information and assistance to those who ask, hand out the parish bulletin as people leave church, and help to make sure that the church and entryways are neat, comfortable and welcoming.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Make a Difference program allows parishioners the opportunity to sew, knit or crochet items that are donated to charitable causes. Sewn quilted blankets are given to children who are being treated in the emergency room at South County Hospital. Various items are also donated to other agencies, including Welcome House of South County, RICAN, McAuley House, Friends Way, and South County Nursing Center.

MONEY COLLECTORS

This group passes the baskets during the offertory collections and coordinates the offertory procession.

MUSIC MINISTRY

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MUSTARD SEED

The staff of the quarterly Mustard Seed newsletter interviews parishioners and writes articles celebrating examples of stewardship in the lives of those in our parish family. New writers and ideas for articles are always welcome.

OFFICE ASSISTANTS

There are various office projects and tasks with which the staff needs help on a regular basis.

PARISH LIFE

Groups and individual members of the parish host and promote events that facilitate social interaction among parishioners and strengthen the life and unity of the parish family. Individuals may sign up for and coordinate events such as: a Parish Family Picnic, Golf Tournament, Harvest Supper, Advent Wreath Workshop, Marriage Vow Renewal, Appreciation Reception, and other events.

PRAYER CHAIN

Members of this ministry pray regularly for the needs of all those in our parish family, and for the particular intentions of those who request prayers.

RECEPTIONS COMMITTEE

This group is responsible for coordinating the setup, serving and cleanup for receptions that celebrate sacraments or special occasions, such as feast days.

READERS / LECTORS

Readers enjoy the great privilege of proclaiming the word of God from the Scriptures to those assembled for the celebration of Mass and other liturgies and special occasions. Lectors must be fully initiated, practicing Catholics in good standing with the Church community.

ROSARY REPAIR

We offer a no-charge service to have broken rosaries repaired. Call the office for information.

SACRISTY CLEANERS

This group helps with the weekly upkeep of the sacristy and altar area (dusting windowsills, cleaning holy water fonts, etc.).

SENIOR CLUB

The parish Senior Club offers our older folks opportunities to socialize, build relationships, and enjoy the company of others

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with similar experience and interests. This group looks to find creative ways to keep seniors connected to our parish family, including, when possible, transportation assistance to and from daily Mass. Upcoming events are always listed in the bulletin as well as on the website calendar. This group is currently seeking someone to coordinate events.

SOUTH KINGSTOWN NURSING HOMES

Fr. Jared celebrates Mass at South Kingstown Nursing Home and Brookdale South Bay on the third Tuesday of every month. Parishioners assist at Mass, and help residents to and from their rooms.

SPIRITUAL LIFE GROUP

This group seeks to provide opportunities (outside of weekly liturgy) that enhance the spiritual growth and well-being of our parish members, including discussion, prayer/retreat and educational experiences.

STEPHEN MINISTERS

Stephen Ministers provide confidential, one-on-one Christian care to the bereaved, hospitalized, terminally ill, separated,

divorced, unemployed, relocated and others facing a crisis or life challenge. Stephen Ministers help provide quality caring ministry for as long as needed.

URI CATHOLIC CENTER

The URI Catholic Center serves university students and staff with a variety of opportunities for fellowship, spiritual counseling and support. *(See page 11 for more information.)*

VETERANS GROUP

We honor all those who have served our country, especially our parishioners. Members of this group do not meet regularly, but would gather to assist in planning any special projects/events to honor veterans.

WELCOME HOUSE MEALS

Parishioners prepare, cook and deliver meals to Welcome House of South County, a local homeless shelter.

WELLNESS INITIATIVE

This group provides information, activities and assistance for maintaining a balance of physical, spiritual and emotional well-being.

General Information

PARISH REGISTRATION

You can register to be a member of the parish at our website, www.ckri.org, or call the office at 783-7459.

MASS INTENTIONS & SYMPATHY CARDS

A Mass card may be given to someone to let them know that the sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for their intentions, or for the repose of the soul of a relative or friend. You may also request that the name of a deceased loved one be added to the intentions that are announced at Mass. Please call the office for more information.

PARENTING ROOM

There is a quiet room in the back of the church where parents may take restless children who may otherwise be a distraction to the assembly.

LOST & FOUND

A box of items is kept in the coat room, across from the

entrance to the church hall. The box is cleared out regularly, and any leftover items are cleaned and donated to local shelters.

GODPARENTS & SPONSORS

If you have been asked to be a godparent or sponsor, please speak to one of the priests or visit www.ckri.org/sponsor.

SPECIAL NEEDS ACCOMMODATIONS

The parish strives to provide a welcoming environment for people of all abilities in our community. Our efforts include: accessible ramp entrances to the church, offices and parish hall; priority seating for those with special needs; a sign interpreter for the deaf at the 11:30 a.m. Mass (second Sunday of each month); assistive listening devices for the hearing impaired; and low-gluten hosts. To request a listening device, gluten-free host, or to ask that Communion be brought to you during Mass, please speak to a hospitality minister when you arrive.

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Mission Statement

Rooted in the teaching of Jesus, the mission of Monsignor Matthew F. Clarke, a Catholic regional elementary school, is to educate students in a warm and nurturing environment, rich in Catholic faith and tradition.

In partnership with parents and guardians, we inspire, challenge and educate our children through word and example. As students grow in faith, love and knowledge,

they become thoughtful and strong individuals who will become responsible leaders in our global society.

Programs

Monsignor Clarke Catholic Regional School welcomes students of all faiths from 18 months to grade 8. MCS provides educational programs that place emphasis on the spiritual, intellectual physical and aesthetic development of each student.

Monsignor Clarke offers before and after school care to accommodate the busy schedules of our families. Students also have the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of after school sports and activities to enrich their educational experience.



The Prout School

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theproutschool.org

Facebook: The Prout School

Mission Statement

The Prout School is a vibrant Catholic community that prepares the whole person for productive membership in the global community by fostering quality in spiritual, academic, artistic, and athletic pursuits.

Programs

A coeducational, college-preparatory high school, The Prout School educates students in grades 9-12. It offers college prep, honors and AP classes as well as Rhode Island's only International Baccalaureate program.

University of Rhode Island Catholic Center



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We are a community of believers who seek holiness together in the community of the Catholic Church. Open to all students, faculty, staff and friends of the University of Rhode Island, we strive to empower disciples to become apostles of the Good News through worship, catechesis, charitable works, and Christ-centered community.

Daily Mass

Masses are celebrated Monday through Friday at noon in the Catholic Center chapel.

Rhody Catholic Organization (RCO)

RCO is a grouping of programs, activities and leadership teams that was once known as the Newman Club. Our weekly RCO night, “Rhody Catholic Event,” is held every Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Mission Trips

We strive to serve Christ in the poor and the vulnerable. Mission trips provide a life-changing opportunity to do

just that. Mission trips for spring and summer 2017 are planned to Haiti, Trinidad and Tobago, Dominican Republic and Philippines.

FOCUS @ URI

URI is served by a team of FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) missionaries who work closely with the chaplain to bring the gospel to campus.

Student Leadership

The RCO Student Executive Board advises the chaplain and staff on programming, mission and outreach to the campus community. Students are either appointed or elected to positions for a one-year term.

“Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.”

— Luke 6:38

Stewardship Guide

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“In this period of crisis today, it is important not to turn in on ourselves, burying our own talent, our spiritual, intellectual, and material riches, everything that the Lord has given us; but, rather to open ourselves, to be supportive, to be attentive to others. Set your stakes on great ideals, the ideals that enlarge the heart, the ideals of service that make your talents fruitful. Life is not given to us to be jealously guarded for ourselves, but is given to us so that we may give it in turn.”

— Pope Francis, to an audience on April 24, 2013