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Christ the King Church

Daily Mass Times

Monday - Saturday 9am

Every First Friday

5pm to 6pm Exposition
6pm Mass

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 4pm Vigil
(4pm Mass is also livestreamed)

Sunday

7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, & 4pm
(10:30am Mass is also livestreamed)

Private Confessions

Saturday 3pm to 3:30pm

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9am to 5pm

St. Stephen Church

Daily Mass Times

Monday - Friday 8am

Weekend Mass Times

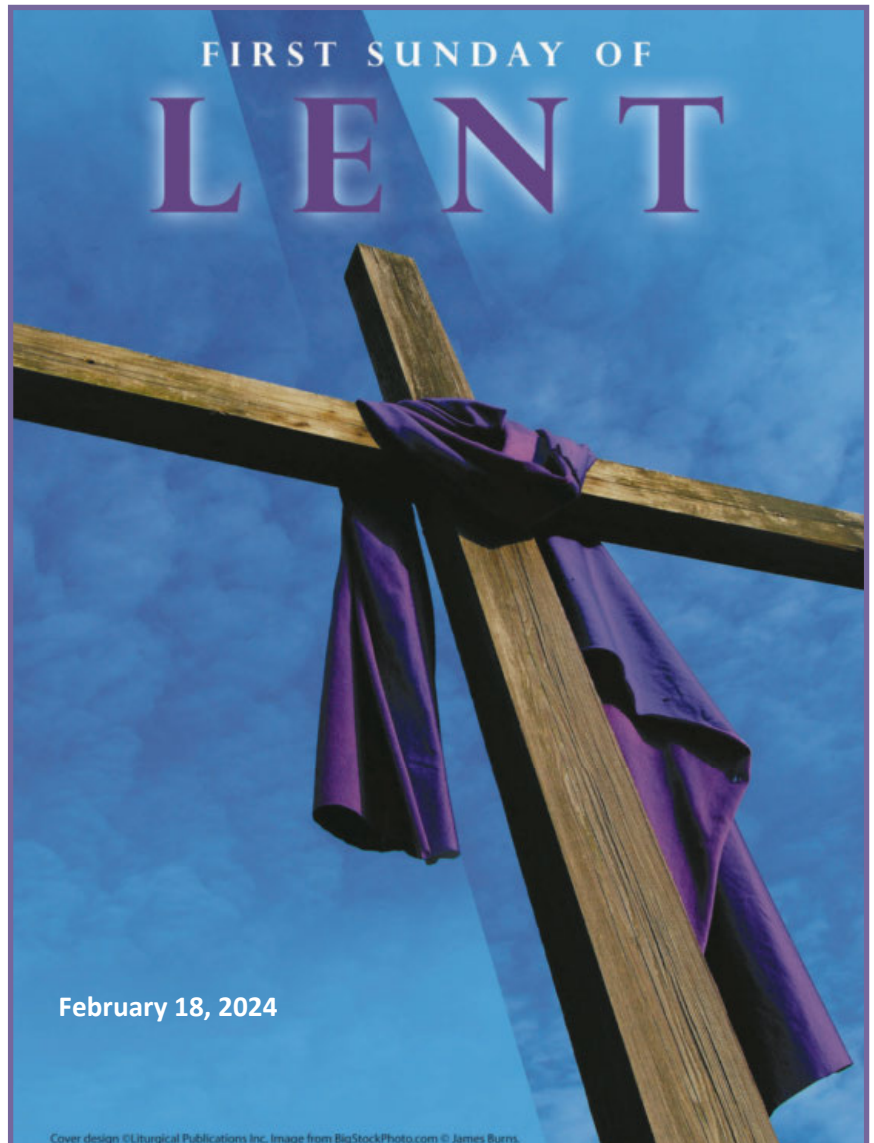
Saturday: 5pm Vigil
Sunday: 9:30am

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Saturday Before the 5pm Mass

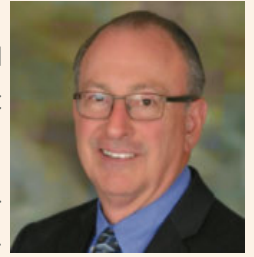
Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday 11am to 2pm



Greetings Fellow Parishioners:

This week we are providing our annual summary of Christ the King – St. Stephen Parish financial performance for 2023 and our budget for 2024. You will see our summary chart on the last page of this bulletin.



You may recall that in early 2023, Christ the King Parish and St. Stephen Parish were officially combined into a single parish. The name of our parish is now simply Christ the King – St. Stephen Parish. To help with the transition last year we kept our finances independent and are reporting on them separately for 2023. Starting this year we will be reporting our finances as a single parish.

In the table you will see both Christ the King and St. Stephen summary results for 2023 and a combined 2024 budget. We are now operating as one parish with two campuses.

In looking at the financial summary you will see that, thanks to your donations and hard work by staff to control expenses, we experienced a combined 5% positive net for 2023. You were also most generous to our St. Vincent De Paul Society and our Social Justice charities with over \$218,000 donated. Our SVDP volunteers are partnering with Hillcrest Congregational Church to continue to serve the many needy families of our community with food, services, and limited rent assistance.

You will also note in looking at the two charts that our income from your donations has remained largely flat over the past five years while our expenses are starting to rise. Inflation is the primary cause of this and has made it more difficult to keep our expenses in line with our income. We know that inflation is impacting everyone, so we are very grateful that donations have not decreased. But if you could examine your budget and see if there is a chance to increase your donation to help us cover increasing costs, we would be very grateful.

Your generosity during 2023 allowed us to complete a number of projects to ensure both campuses are well maintained and efficient. This included the replacement of worn and aging carpet in both Christ the King and St. Stephen churches. Additionally, several energy efficiency upgrades were completed at the Christ the King campus. The HVAC control system was upgraded, enabling us to heat and cool by zones. Another project we completed was the replacement of the original single pane windows in the CTK rectory with energy efficient double pane windows. Before this replacement you could feel the wind coming through some of these windows even when they were shut.

In 2024 we will be conducting a major project to replace the HVAC system at St. Stephen Church. This system is old and has been failing at times. The new system will have improved control capabilities to improve energy efficiency.

We are grateful to God for the commitment and generosity of our parishioners. We are also grateful to our parish leadership, under Father Paulson, and our parish staff who are diligent in the professional management of our finances.

For those who are interested we will offer more detail on our financial picture in the coming months. Regardless, with your generous support, we will continue to thrive, and our many ministries will continue to serve the diverse needs of our parish.

On behalf of Christ the King - St. Stephen Finance Council, thank you for your commitment and generosity to our parish.

Greg Thornbury, Chairman

Christ the King - St. Stephen Finance Council

Email: finance@ctkph.org



UPCOMING CTK MASS INTENTIONS

Feb. 19	Mon.	9:00am	Jane Matthews †
Feb. 20	Tues.	9:00am	Rudy Bautista †
Feb. 21	Weds.	9:15am	Felix DeSilva † Luis Del Rosario † Felisa Aliangan † Spencer Swann
Feb. 22	Thurs.	9:00am	Colleen Del Rosario †
Feb. 23	Fri.	9:00am	Jose Villanueva †
Feb. 24	Sat.	9:00am	Albert Haggett †
Feb. 24	Sat.	4:00pm	Mary Morley†
Feb. 25	Sun.	7:30am	Jack Cardoza † Diane & Brett Serafino †
Feb. 25	Sun.	9:00am	Frank O'Neill †
Feb. 25	Sun.	10:30am	Inez Terry † Honesto Gile † Rudy Bautista †
Feb. 25	Sun.	4:00pm	Albert Haggett † The Moore Family

UPCOMING SS MASS INTENTIONS

Feb. 17	Sat.	5:00pm	Monique Mewes †
Feb. 18	Sun.	9:30am	Harold Ellis †
Feb. 24	Sat.	5:00pm	Francis Ah Yee †
Feb. 25	Sun.	9:30am	Marie and Bob Hauser †



St. Stephen Town Hall Meeting

Please plan to attend a St. Stephen Town Hall Meeting Sunday, February 18, in the St. Stephen Parish Hall after the 9:30 Mass. Topics will include the status of the CTK - St. Stephen merger, financial results for 2023, our facilities improvement program, and any other questions that you may have, Coffee and sweets will be provided.



Our Parish Offices both at CTK & St. Stephen will be closed Monday, February 19th in honor of Presidents' Day.



To Hear the Gospel and Make a Difference

CRS RICE BOWL FOR LENT, FOR LIFE

What You Give Up For Lent Changes Lives



Rice Bowls will be available this weekend in the back of church both at CTK and St. Stephen



WINTER NIGHTS Family Shelter

This year, the Winter Nights program is returning to CTK from Monday, March 11 to Monday, March 25.

The mission of Winter Nights is to provide shelter to homeless families and help families break the homelessness cycle. Learn more about Winter Nights at cccwinternights.org.

We're looking for volunteers to donate their time and talent in several roles: set-up and take-down; dinner preparation and service; weekend breakfast preparation and service; tutoring; laundry; and other special skills.

There will be a volunteer sign-up event after all Masses on the weekend of February 24-25. A special second collection for Winter Nights will also be taken that weekend. Volunteers who are unable to sign up that weekend can contact us via email at winternights@ctkph.org.

The diocese requires that all Winter Nights volunteers complete online VIRTUS safe-environment training. This takes only about an hour. Go to virtus.org or contact the parish office at office@ctkph.org.

If you have questions about how you can help, please email us at winternights@ctkph.org.

Many thanks, in advance, for helping CTK help the unhoused.

"To Hear the Gospel and make a Difference!"

STATIONS of the CROSS

Christ the King Church

Please join us every Friday in Lent to pray

The Stations of the Cross

6:30pm - Beginning Friday, Feb. 16

St. Stephen Church

Please join us on Fridays for 12pm

Stations of the Cross in the church.

We are also open for self-guided outdoor stations on Fridays 12pm to 6pm and Mon. & Wed. 11am-2pm



ICF Meeting,
Sunday, Feb. 18th at 1pm

Come join us for our monthly meeting of the Italian Catholic Federation this Sunday, Feb. 18 at 1 pm in the CTK parish hall, rooms A and B. We will be celebrating Presidents' Day with a potluck lunch of "American" foods! Our meeting will be followed by a team-style presidential trivia game so get ready for some fun and prizes! All parishioners from St. Stephen's and CTK, families, members and guests are welcome! Members who haven't yet paid their dues for 2024, can bring their checks to this meeting.



Children's Liturgy of the Word
(CLOW) is back!

Twice a month, starting on March 10, your children will have the opportunity to join other children in a special Children's Liturgy. Children will listen to the readings of the day in an interactive, child-friendly way so they can better understand God's Word and strengthen their faith. CLOW details:

Time: Sundays at 9:00 a.m. Mass

March Dates: March 10, March 17

No registration necessary. Children will be called forward at the start of mass, and will return to the church to present the Gifts and sit near the Altar during the Liturgy of the Eucharist. They will return to their families during Peace be with You. CLOW is optional, children may participate if they'd like, or remain with their families throughout mass in the church.

Are you interested in helping with CLOW? Live Scan and Virtus Training is required for all volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering or for any other questions please contact Heidi Nuti at hnuti@ctkschool.org.

To Live and to Love in Christ

Christ the King/St. Stephen Parish Lenten and Spring Adult Faith Formation



Lenten Scripture Study on Fridays of Lent

Jeannette Holmes

Join us on the Fridays of Lent at 10am in the CTK Ministry Center Chapel for a prayerful reflection on the Lenten Sunday scripture readings.

Fridays - February 23, March 1, 8, 15, & 22.

Attend one or all sessions.



Parish Mission - Lenten Retreat

"Come now, let us set things right." Isaiah 1:16

Living in Right Relationships...with God, Self, Others, Creation.

Presenter: Sr. Cecilia Canales

February 26 - February 29 - Monday through Thursday

CTK: 9am Mass followed by reflection

St. Stephen: 6:30pm Mass followed by reflection

(repeat of morning session)

No Registration Required



Lenten Bible Study

David - Giant...Slayer, Sinner, Saint and Singer

Presenter: Kathy Roberts

Mondays: March 4, 11, 18, and 25

10:00-11:30am or 7:00-8:30pm

St. Stephen Parish Hall - Registration Required at ctkph.org by March 1st.

Explore with us the fascinating life of the Biblical King David, a 'man after God's own heart'. His life was a roller-coaster of events and decisions (good and bad) that continue to teach lessons today. This 4 week class will include some reading, a few questions to be answered on your own, discussion with others, and a teaching on the material covered.



Presentation of "Our Father"

Fr. Paulson

In this presentation Fr. Paulson examines the six petitions of the Lord's Prayer. This series is specifically designed for the Catholic community and will provide a deeper understanding and appreciation of this important prayer.

**St. Stephen Parish Hall on Thursday at 10am and 7pm at CTK Church
beginning April 18, 25, May 2, 9 and 16.**

Below is a financial summary for CTK and StS for 2023. Beginning in 2024 we will report combined CTK-StS operating income and expense. If you have any questions feel free to contact: Greg Thornbury, CTK-StS Finance Council Chair, Finance@ctkph.org.

Parish Operating Income	CTK	StS	CTK-StS
Collections	2023 Actual	2023 Actual	2024 Budget
Sundays and Holy Days	1,210,178	166,809	1,406,356
Easter	49,354	6,326	59,575
Christmas	103,166	8,955	115,281
Maintenance	-	6,110	6,000
Sacraments & Gifts			
Baptisms, Funerals, Marriages	37,955	3,050	40,955
Confirmation	2,650		2,650
Donations	7,779	14,412	10,529
Other Income			
Interest Income	3,256	13,497	16,814
Rent (cell towers, facilities)	69,940	62,610	130,600
Religious Education	57,783		57,783
Youth Ministry	31,337		31,337
Other Ministries	491	1,217	500
Total	1,573,889	282,987	1,878,380

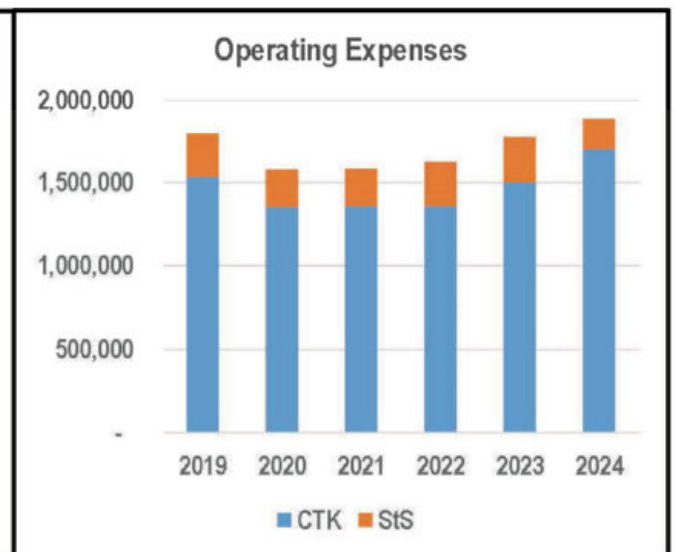
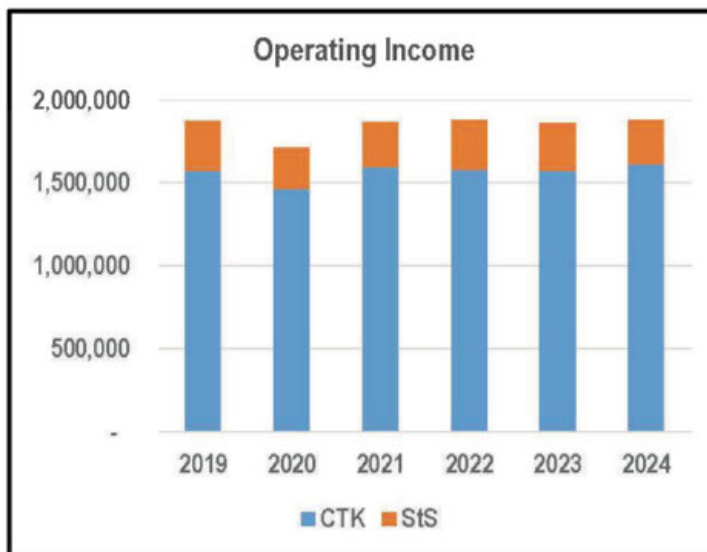
Diocese Special Collections	CTK-StS
Seminary	6,005
Rice Bowl	6,158
Bishop Appeal	7,936
Catholic Relief Services	8,331
Holy Land	4,062
Catholic Charities	10,449
Holy Father Peters Pence	4,450
Mission Sunday	5,804
Campaign For Human Dev	4,457
Religious Retirement	10,290
Mission Cooperative Plan	18,620
Diocesan Priest Retirement	12,975
Catholic Communications	9,287
Archdiocese Military	20
Total	108,844

Parish Operating Expenses	CTK	StS	CTK-StS
Employee Expense	2023 Actual	2023 Actual	2024 Budget
Employee Salaries	669,777	112,752	806,397
Payroll Benefits	166,664	2,336	207,704
Administration Expense			
Office Expense	123,167	5,841	136,643
Diocesan Assessment	165,633	27,916	193,193
Insurance	41,546	30,000	79,520
Professional Services	59,155		69,757
Ministry Expense			
Liturgy & Music	22,370	1,492	26,541
Confirmation	14,705		15,293
Religious Education	16,012		16,652
Youth Ministry	1,650		1,716
Other Ministries	10,037	6,345	17,834
Building, Maintenance, Utilities	179,263	76,448	263,969
Rectory/Priests	35,768		43,158
Total	1,505,747	263,129	1,878,380
Net Income	68,142	19,858	-

Parish Special Collections	CTK-StS
Social Justice	70,568
Hunger Homeless	9,246
Disaster Relief	46,220
Catholic Education	19,713
St Vin DePaul	148,003
Total	293,749

Capital Donations	CTK
Building Fund	122,821
Total	122,821

Finance Council
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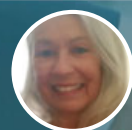
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