

CTK WEEKLY



January, 2025

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

As a ministry of Christ the King Parish, Christ the King School upholds the teaching of Jesus Christ and the doctrine of the Roman Catholic Church. Christ the King School nurtures the development of all students through the journey of faith, academics and physical growth in an atmosphere that encourages them to recognize their strengths, overcome their weaknesses with the opportunity to reach their potential - spiritually and academically.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS WEEK OF 1/28/25

Catholic Schools' Week activities continue.

Wednesday, January 29, 2025 - Spaghetti Lunch and 8th grade bake sale

Please note there will be no bus transportation on Wednesday, January 29, 2025. Many districts are closed due to the Lunar New Year. We are open. Please make other transportation arrangements.

Friday, January 31, 2025 - 8:00 am Mass

Saturday, February 1, 2025 - Gala - 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Events by Sto Lat, 4475 Transit Rd., Williamsville, NY



Loving God, your love is abundant and ever flowing. Your love refreshes and restores us. Amen.

MRS. WANGLER'S MESSAGE



January 28th, 2025

Good afternoon, Parents!

Congratulations to the Buffalo Bills for making it as far as they did! A big thank you for bringing more fun to CTK!

Our Catholic Schools' Mass on Sunday was beautiful! The readers, singers, ushers and gift bearers pulled everything together. Also, I appreciate the Nimmos, Ms. Dent and the Schmidts for sticking around for Open House and talking to families. The students who gave tours were excellent! WE ARE A CTK FAMILY AND IT SHOWS!

*Registration is now open and I hope to see all families re-registering. If you have any questions or need clarification with anything, please ask. Reminder that the registration fee is now \$175. I am asking that you please re-register asap! The Diocese is now looking for our retention rate and enrollment numbers for next year. We need to show our strength in numbers!

*Sunday at Mass, Fr. Rick read a letter from Bishop Fisher about his dedication to Catholic Schools. The letter is attached to our newsletter. Christ the King School is here to stay!! Catholic education is here to stay on Main Street. In a recent meeting with school leaders from Christ the King, St. Benedict's, Saints Peter & Paul Williamsville, Fr. David Bellitire, Julie Gajewski, and Mary Jo Aiken, the Strategic Plan for Catholic Education was discussed, including how to work together to grow Christ the King School and the total enrollment in the three schools by 2028. By collaborating, we believe each school can provide a strong Catholic education for students from PreK3 to 8th grade while continuing to strengthen our individual programs and niches. Our shared goal is to ensure that any family seeking Catholic education finds a welcoming home. Our CTK goal is to increase enrollment, yet stay a small school with Catholic identity, high academic standards, and give individual attention to students. That is our niche!

*Please take a moment to fill out this survey from the Diocese of Buffalo, Catholic School Department. The survey is for families to fill out to support their Catholic School and Catholic Education in general. Thank you for taking the time to do this.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/K6CF9WV>

*We have Mass on Friday @ 8:00am. Join us!

Keep praying and stay safe!

Peace, Love and Prayers,
Mrs. Wangler

PARENTS' GUILD

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1/28/25

We can't wait to see you all Saturday at the Badger Gala!! Looking forward to a great parent's night out - we know everyone deserves it – and will have the best time!

We are looking for volunteers to help with the upcoming Fish Fry – please reach out via email to parentsguild@myctkschool.com if you are available.

Upcoming Events:

Badger Gala: Saturday, February 1, 2025

Monthly Parents' Guild Meeting – open to everyone: Wednesday, February 19, 2025 (7:00 pm over Zoom)

Ash Wednesday/Lent Fish Fry: Friday, March 7, 2025

Meat Raffle: Saturday, March 29, 2025

Any questions? Contact us at parentsguild@myctkschool.com



SPORTS' BOOSTERS

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The JV Girls' basketball team suffered only their second loss of the season on Thursday 1/23 at the hands of a much taller Park School by a score of 18-10. This game was played on a regulation-size high school-level court! The girls clutched and grabbed and fought their way back into the game before coming up just a bit short. Special kudos to 4th Grader Miss Malon Hoza for scoring her first basket of her young CTK career. Other CTK points were dropped by 6th graders Brielle Dallas, Emma Hartrich, and Lena Falzone. Round 2 of this little rivalry will be played this week on the 29th on our own home court at 7 PM. Let's go Badgers!

The Varsity Boys played a complete game with contributions from everyone in their victory last week against St. Mary's of Swormville 28-22. Scoring was led by Matt Klein Jr. and Eddie Schmitt. The team is back home after a long road trip this Thursday at 6pm vs. Nativity.

The JV Boys had two high scoring contests last week as they battled St. Greg's and DeSales. Jordan led all players on both sides of the court in points, but St. Greg's balanced shooting proved to be the difference as the Badgers lost Monday's contest, 49-38. Bouncing back on Wednesday, the squad saw five players tally points with Russell, Teddy, and Alessandro draining key buckets. Jordan and David paced the team with consistent baskets throughout the game, while Adam, Robert, and Oliver were stellar on defense.

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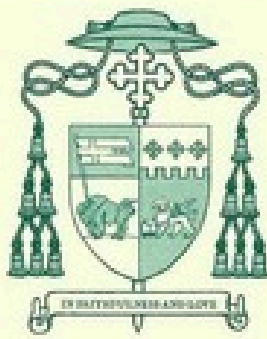
BAKE SALE

TO SUPPORT THE
CLASS OF 2025

Wednesday 1/29/25

During the Spaghetti Lunch
Items from \$1 to \$3





DIocese OF BUFFALO
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My Dear Friends in Christ,

Catholic Schools Week is a joyful time for our Diocese. It is an opportunity for our schools to showcase their accomplishments and to invite new families to see that Catholic Education is everything they value. At the same time, our Faith Formation teams are busy preparing their Spring programs to inspire young people across our Diocese.

With a deep sense of responsibility and great hope, I am pleased to announce a new strategic plan for Catholic Education in our Diocese. At the heart of this plan is my commitment to forming disciples, a vital pillar of our Road to Renewal. While we strive to educate, we must recognize that our ultimate goal is to create disciples in Christ – disciples who will go forth into the world and live their faith with conviction, passion, and purpose.

Our mission is to teach, serve, and evangelize as we proclaim glory to God. We will continue the tradition of providing high levels of academic excellence, student experiences that build high moral character, and an environment where our educators find joy, meaning, and Christ in their work. We will also provide higher levels of support to our principals and faith formation teams. A copy of our plan is available on our WNYCatholicSchools.org website.

This is not a plan that will take shape overnight, but rather over the next few years with involvement from our Families of Parishes and thoughtful consideration of each step. Each School and Faith Formation program will maintain the unique identity that has been built since St. John Neumann first began his important work here in Western New York.

I am grateful for our educators and volunteers who ensure our Catholic Schools and Faith Formation programs are the shining lights of our Diocese. We are blessed to have our parishioners' and donors' generous support of the important ministry of Catholic Education in our Diocese. Together, we will achieve our collective vision to ensure that Catholic Education is available to all in our Diocese who desire it for all time.

In Christ,

+ *Michael W. Fisher*

Most Reverend Michael W. Fisher
Bishop of Buffalo