

Plan for Renewal

Christ the King Parish is committed to proclaiming the Life, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus and forming missionary disciples who will transform our world.

Our greatest hope is for each person to experience a transformational encounter with Jesus. To this end, we have committed to the following Plan for Renewal. We believe that engaging in each of the elements below will bring about a transformation in a person's life and in the life of our parish.



Christ the King Parish
Concord, New Hampshire



Our Plan for Renewal

Worship



Jesus is the center of our plan as He is the heart that pulsates Life into us as Church. We worship Jesus who reveals the Father to us in the power of the Holy Spirit. The Eucharist is the highest form of worship and calls us to community. It is when we are evangelized, are engaged in the discipleship process, and are seeing and experiencing community that worship, especially the Mass, fully comes to life. It is in this way that, as expressed by the Second Vatican Council, the Eucharist can achieve its proper place as "the source and summit of the Christian life" for all parishioners.

Invitational Church



This is not a ministry or program but a mindset, or a "heartset." It is an attitude, a disposition toward others. We strive to have an invitational culture at Christ the King Parish. This simply means that we invite and we welcome. It's what we do, whether to Mass, Alpha, Emmaus or other events that we host. This stems from our missionary call. We want to share with others the love we have encountered in Jesus.

Alpha



Alpha is a basic course in Christianity. At Alpha, people hear the Gospel in a fresh way, encounter Jesus, experience the Holy Spirit, and are welcomed into an experience of Christian community. We have found Alpha to be the best first step for people distanced from church or those with little to no experience of the Christian faith, in addition to reigniting the faith of lifelong Catholics. We desire all of our parishioners to have this experience and to be familiar with this tool so they can share it with others.



Leadership Development

Leadership Development is our commitment to raising up and supporting parish leaders. For instance, Alpha guests are often invited to come back as an Alpha Team member, where they continue to grow spiritually, serve others, and eventually exercise leadership. This pattern serves as a model for developing leaders in all parish ministries. We want to recognize each other's gifts and help each other to grow in leadership and skill.



Connect/Fellowship Groups

Connect Groups are small and mid-sized faith communities where each member is known, loved, and cared for in a personal way. They are led by active parishioners but could include anyone interested in exploring the Christian way of life. They commit to meeting regularly, seeking to grow in faith, staying connected with our parish, and striving to love each other well. Our parish will provide engaging resources for study, and help interested individuals connect with a particular group.



Discipleship Groups

Discipleship Groups are focused on better understanding our faith. These may be Bible studies or other adult faith formation programs. Typically, they are small groups of 4-10 people. Unlike Connect Groups, they are temporary, meeting only for a particular program. Emmaus is another type of discipleship group where our parish family comes together to learn and grow. We encourage every parishioner, whether in a Connect Group or not, to participate in Discipleship Groups each year.



Ministry

Every parishioner, discerning his/her call from God, should be involved in ministry. Ideally, we seek ministry involvement to come forth from within Connect Groups, where individuals will be encouraged and supported in their current ministry. We desire all parishioners to be serving from their God-given talents and passion in a life-giving way.



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MISSION

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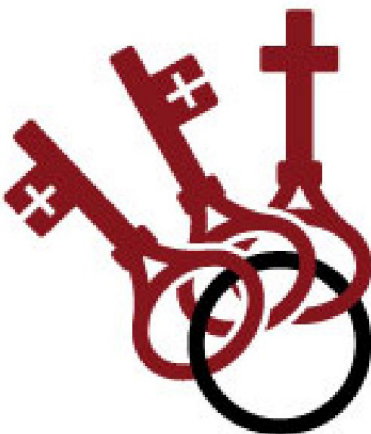
VISION

Christ the King Parish is a vibrant and growing Catholic faith community that brings people to Jesus, forms disciples and sends them out to transform our world. Every member is committed to gather, to worship, to grow, to serve, and to give.

WHAT IS A “MISSIONARY DISCIPLE?”

A missionary disciple is someone who strives to have an intimate, personal relationship with Jesus, shares their faith with others, is open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and pursues knowledge and love of the Scriptures. A missionary disciple prays daily, seeks to learn more about the Catholic Church and her faith traditions, serves in the community and has a commitment to the Sunday Eucharist.

Missionary disciples have hope in God’s goodness and desire to participate in the sacrament of Reconciliation. Lastly, a missionary disciple invites others into the joy of the Gospel by living a life modeled on Jesus’ example, and endeavors to follow God’s Will in all things.



DIVINE RENOVATION

Christ the King Parish is a Divine Renovation Parish. The logo for Divine Renovation International is a key ring with three keys. The key ring represents the Eucharist and Prayer. The three keys represent the principles of Divine Renovation:

1. The Power of the Holy Spirit
2. The Primacy of Evangelization
3. The Best of Leadership