

Second Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 7th

- 8:30 am Anne Price
5:00 pm Deacon Ed Lally

Sunday, April 8th

- 7:00 am Special Intentions for Healing - Gerald
8:00 am Special Intentions for Healing - Jeremiah
9:15 am Special Intentions for Healing -
Christina Azares
10:45 am Ann & Walter Kowalewski
Katuzina Ordon
12:15 pm Rose & Angelo Marotte

Monday, April 9th

- 7:00 am Deacon John Kelly
12:05 pm Isabel Veloso
Joseph Maciag, Sr.

Tuesday, April 10th

- 7:00 am Deceased Deacons of the Parish
12:05 pm John Zimmer - 10 Year Anniversary

Wednesday, April 11th

- 7:00 am All Deceased Members of the Parish
12:05 pm Special Intentions for Healing -
Bridget Einhaus

Thursday, April 12th

- 7:00 am All Deceased Members of the Parish
12:05 pm Geraldine Scott

Friday, April 13th

- 7:00 am Special Intentions for Healing -
For all the Sick of the Parish
12:05 pm Irene Cantin

Saturday, April 14th

- 8:30 am Manny Zevallos
5:00 pm Marguerite Hubschman
Deacon Ed Lally
Charlie Asea & Rose McGinty

Sunday, April 15th

- 7:00 am Carol Miller
8:00 am Special Intentions for Healing - Jeremiah
9:15 am Genevieve Ragucci
10:45 am Linda Boscarino
12:15 pm Ercole Beltramini
Deceased Members of the Coari Family

*The Living Flame for the Sanctuary
Light will be in memory of:*

Ray Guimond

for the month of April, 2018

*Please remember in your prayers all
the departed family and friends of
St. Christopher's Parish.*



April 14th & 15th

Altar Servers

- 5:00 pm A. Baumann, T. & J. Carifi
7:00 am The Rozanitis Family
8:00 am T. & A. Pactwa, A. Jerez
9:15 am The Rankel Family
10:45 am T. Metcalf, P. Whalen, J. Tran
12:15 pm The Przychoki Family

Eucharistic Ministers

- 5:00 pm M. Downing, J. Sole, E. Lally, M. Long
7:00 am B. Carroll
8:00 am K. Blunt, P. Luther, E. Shabet
9:15 am B. Chmielewski, M. Cupo, N. Gordon,
S. Hilgendorff
10:45 am R. Vento **Visit: J. & L. Reinke, C. Uy**
12:15 pm R. Lang, M. Pasuco, C. Walsh,
J. Alfonso

Lectors

- 5:00 pm C. Johnson
7:00 am M. Montefusco
8:00 am K. Longo
9:15 am C. Rizzo
10:45 am J. Cesaro
12:15 pm J. East



From the Pastors Desk -

A Special Easter "Thank You"

Once again during this Easter Season, I would like to thank you, for sharing with your fellow parishioners your time, talent and treasure. Your prayers, personal services to others and sacrifices are continually helping to bring our parishioners closer to God and one another. All of us are slowly growing more conscious of the truth that we are an Easter People.

"Thank You" for your support and generous cooperation at St. Christopher's Parish in furthering God's work during this Easter Season. Prayerful good wishes and may our Holy Mother guard and guide you.

Parishioners of St. Christopher - once again we need your help.

Due to extensive destruction caused by the number of fallen trees and severe snow storms we have had, we will be taking a collection on Saturday & Sunday, April 7th & 8th, to help defray the cost of repairing this extensive damage. Please label your envelope Storm Damage. We will be very grateful for whatever help you can give us.



Weekly Collection

Easter Sunday	\$27,382.89
(including online giving \$ 1,308.00)	
Easter Flowers	\$ 3,213.00
Good Friday/Holy Land	\$ 1,763.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 1,849.00
Last Year	\$28,530.75

Attendance: 1510

Thank you for your generosity

**The winner of the Doll
House raffle ticket
100 Kathy Kelly
Congratulations!!!!**

20 Week Club


Our 13th lucky winner:
#224 The Fesier Family.
Congratulations!! Thank you all for contributing to such a very important fundraiser.

Religious Education

If you have any questions concerning our CCD program, please call Mary Ann Jacisin in the CCD office from Monday thru Thursday at (973) 539-6208.

Baptism

*Our next **Baptism preparation meeting** will be on **April 9th @ 7:00 pm** in room 101. Please call the rectory to enroll and for any other information you may require.*



First Reading: Acts 4:32-35

This passage describes the actions of the first community of Christians. They were of “one heart and one mind.” They had no rich or poor among them, for they shared all necessary items with one another.


Second Reading: I John 5:1-6

John explains that we become God’s children by believing in Jesus. When we love God and concern ourselves only with pleasing God, our faith is strong enough to conquer the evil in our world.

Gospel: John 20:19-31


Jesus appeared to the disciples despite locked doors, breathed on them so that they could receive the Holy Spirit, and gave them the power to forgive sins in His name. Thomas, who was not present, refused to believe without seeing Jesus for himself. Jesus appeared again when Thomas was present, and told him, “Blest are they who have not seen and have believed.”

Sunday Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31 **Monday** Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38 **Tuesday** Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15 **Wednesday** Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21 **Thursday** Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36 **Friday** Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21



“In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey His commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith...Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’”

-HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly



The early Church gave us an example of a community where everything was held in common. No one was left wanting or in need. While we may think this model impractical for today, the principals are still the same. We are called to be aware of the needs of those around us and to use the resources we have been given to help address these needs. Reflect on a way you could help your community (pick one specific thing) and then do it.

My strength and my courage is the Lord and he has been my savior. -Psalm 118:14

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Next week, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

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Thank You We changed lives this Lent, thanks to YOU! Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl here at St. Christopher Church.

Parish Activities

Men's Group - Issac Jogues Society

Meets on the second Wednesday of every month from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm, in room 101 in the school.

Our Mission Statement is: "Life as a Catholic Man – A Truly Catholic and Spiritual Way of Life".

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Monday morning adult education at 10:30 am room 110. New Topic: Pope Pius XII

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St. Christopher's has a Pre-Cana Program, for more information please call the rectory at 973-539-7050.

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St. Christopher's Prayer Group

Will be every Tuesday, at 10:30 am and every Thursday, after 12:05 pm Mass

Pray the Rosary every Monday – Friday after the 12:05 pm Mass.

Miraculous Medal Novena & Rosary will be at 12:30 pm every Monday at St. Christopher.

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St. Christopher is hosting the 2000 Hail Mary Devotion, to our Blessed Virgin Mary, every First Saturday of every month. Please join us on April 7, 2018 at the first floor of the Second Hand Rose Thrift Shop; stop by for an hour or the day, you are all most needed and welcomed anytime between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm. For details call Josie Mendez (973) 887-7835 or Jeanette East (973) 334-8766.

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Jr. Choir practices every **Thursday** from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm and they will sing the 2nd Sunday of every month at 9:15 am Mass. Contact Therese Steinel at 973-299-7977 or Karen Blunt at 973-887-1989 for more information.

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Martha & Mary Society - This is a group of dedicated women who maintain and decorate the Church throughout the year.

Saints Peter & Paul Society – As a companion to our Martha & Mary Society, this group handles all the handy man activities both inside & outside of the Church.

These two groups meet every Saturday at 9:00 am in the Church. All are welcome.

Come play **Bingo** with one of the best groups in town. Great food, great prizes (\$1000 worth of prizes with two 50/50). You are sure to want to return and play. **Wednesdays at 11:30 am in the St. Christopher All Purpose Room.**

St. Paul Inside the Walls...

For programs and events and to register visit www.insidethewalls.org or call (973) 377-1004

The Pope Francis Society

Our program helps Hope House Food Pantry, a program of Catholic Charities for the Diocese of Paterson, which in turn helps those in need. The food box will be in the entrance of the Church.

Mission statement: "If you love me, feed me".

Food List: Peanut butter, pasta, spaghetti sauce, juice, canned corn, baking mixes, mustard, ketchup, dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, toothpaste, deodorant, cold cereal, granola bars, cookies, crackers, tuna, Chef Boyardee, canned chicken meat, canned fruit, shelf stable milk, bath tissue, facial tissue, paper towels.

Pancake mix, pancake syrup, tea, coffee (ground or instant), soup, rice, canned beans (any variety), jelly, macaroni & cheese, side dishes (rice-a-roni, pasta sides, etc).

For more information contact the rectory and speak to Fr. Joe.

St. Christopher's Senior Social Club is a club to have fun and socialize. The meeting will be at the Community Center, at 1130 Knoll Road, Lake Hiawatha, N.J. Dates: **April 20th .**

Bus trip to the Sands Casino, in Bethlehem, Pa. Bus leaves St. Christopher's parking lot at 9:15 am. Date: **April 9th.** If you wish to learn more about the St. Christopher's Senior Social Club, please call John Mola at 973-335-8947 or Anne Purcaro at 973-887-5186.

Catholic War Veterans of America - Parsippany Chapter - Named: Chaplain (Major) Charles Joseph Watters, USA Post 1967 –CWV will meet on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm in room 101 at the school.

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St. Christopher Women's Book Club

Join us for our next book club meeting which will be on Tuesday, May 1st at 7:00 pm in room 110. Delicious refreshments are always served, as well as a very animated discussion about the books. Definitely a fun time! The new book selection **Rebecca by Daphne Du Maurier.**

Hope to see you there, new members are always welcome.

Soft yoga for hard times at St. Christopher

Every Thursday from 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm in room 110. Come and experience for yourself the wonderful range of healthy benefits that yoga and meditation can offer you.

For more information including price, contact Penny Proserpi, who is the yoga instructor at pprosperi51@gmail.com.

Parish Activities

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings, and grandparents will be meeting on Thursday, April 12, 2018 at St. Christopher's Church, 1050 Littleton Road (Rt. 202), Parsippany, at 7:30PM in room 101. **Program: Signs, Dreams and Coping"**. For more information please call Lily Capriglione at: 973-568-4164.

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Monday, April 9, 2018 the **Women's Society of St. Christopher Church** will meet at 12:45 pm immediately following the 12:05 pm Mass in Church. This meeting will take place in room 101 in the school. At this meeting we will finalize the plans for our June dinner. Also, we will celebrate Father Joe's 70 birthday.

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Smith Road Coffee House announces the launching of its new concert series at St. Ann Church (781 Smith Road, Parsippany) with Loretta Hagen Band in concert on Saturday, April 14th at 8:00 pm. Tickets are \$15.00 at the door; cash or check only. Doors open at 7:30 pm, refreshments available. For more information: www.saint-ann-net or call 973-884-1986.

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Calling all Parsippany Knights of Columbus #3680. We are having our Annual Retarded Citizens Drive and will be collecting money for charity on April 28th & 29th by standing outside of the Foodtown & Shoprite. If you are interested in helping call Albert Clark at 973-887-8588.

2018 Easter Flower Remembrance

*Angelina Migliore, Vincenza Conigliare,
Julia & Antonio Livreri, Thomas Ficano
Mr. & Mrs. J. Christy, Ms. Jiva Christy, Shirin Swamy,
Joseph Pillay, Dominic & Harry Christy*

Thank you for your donations

*Stephen Ratcliffe
Mr. Stan Godleski
Khaled & Geraldina Raja & Panella*



St. Christopher's Second Hand Rose Thrift Shop

Thank you to all our loyal patrons and looking forward to meeting new ones.

Shop Hours:

Wednesday & Friday 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Located in the Old Nursery School across from the Church

**Due to the extensive amount of inventory we have, we will not be accepting any merchandise until further notice.
For more information call 973-713-4939**

St. Christopher' Family Theatre Sunday

For our *second annual* theatre outing, we have been able to secure a number of seats for a wonderful stage performance. Be prepared to be amazed at the wild musical adventure of:



Date: April 29, 2018

Time: 4:00 pm (Please be at theatre by 3:30pm)

Place: The Growing Stage Théâtre

7 Ledgewood Ave., Netcong, NJ 07857

Price: \$15.00 per person

To purchase tickets and for more information call Eva at the rectory 973-539-7050 (Do not leave a message, speak to someone directly please).

We have 50 seats reserved, so please make sure you purchase your tickets early.

