

# Third Sunday of Easter

## Saturday, April 14th

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

## 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

## Monday, April 16th

7:00 am Special Intentions for Healing - Jeremiah  
12:05 pm Robert Ciotti  
Deceased Members of the Jablonski  
Family

## Tuesday, April 17th

7:00 am Thomas Gazzo  
12:05 pm Fe Delmundo

## Wednesday, April 18th

7:00 am William H. Kelly  
12:05 pm Robert Haynes  
Bibiano Fajardo

## Thursday, April 19th

7:00 am Dominick Cecere  
12:05 pm Arnaldo B. Lacza

## Friday, April 20th

7:00 am Jerry Stolfi  
12:05 pm Msgr. Frank B. Ferraioli

## Saturday, April 20th

8:30 am Anne Price  
5:00 pm Deacon Ed Lally  
Theresa & Anthony DeCesare

## Sunday, April 21st

7:00 am Ray Guimond  
8:00 am Ralph Mucerino  
Marie Bonomo  
9:15 am John Butler  
10:45 am Barbara Bilotti McCann  
Charles & Helen Madia  
12:15 pm Christina & Julius Greenberg  
Cam Colicchio

*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, especially:*



**Veronica A. McDonald**

*April 21st & 22nd*

Altar Servers

5:00 pm A. & A. DeNino, M. Marolas  
7:00 am The Lalo Family  
8:00 am The Valle, A. Jerez  
9:15 am D. & A. Perez, G. Harris  
10:45 am J. Jacob, J. Vadakkedam, L. Taylor  
12:15 pm A. & D. Guzzardi, C. Dumapit

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 pm J. & A. Rochawcewicz, J. Racioppi,  
S. Marsh  
7:00 am B. Carroll  
8:00 am L. Scangrella, J. Mucerino, B. Pactwa  
9:15 am D. & S. Kaschalk, K. & P. Berardo  
10:45 am K. Lucibello **Visit:** J. & L. Reinke,  
C. Uy  
12:15 pm R. Lang, M. Pasuco, C. Walsh,  
J. Alfonso

Lectors

5:00 pm M. Dumapit  
7:00 am M. Appio  
8:00 am J. Valle  
9:15 am I. Imperati  
10:45 am J. Cannaveno  
12:15 pm M. Reyes

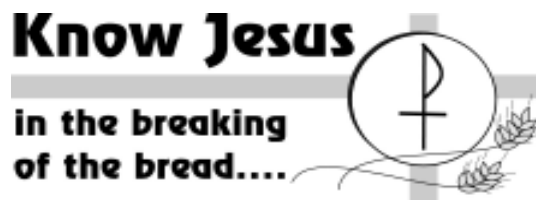
From the Pastors Desk -

## **One Name**

*Cleopatra, Galileo, Shakespeare, Elvis, Pele. They are all so well known that they need only one name to be recognized. They have remained prominent in history because of who they were and what they did. But, there is another name that stands for above these or any other name!*

*Before the Son of God was born into this world, the angel told Mary and Joseph to name Him "Jesus" because "He will save His people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21), and "He...will be called the Son of the Most High" (Luke 1:32). Jesus didn't come as a celebrity but as a servant who humbled Himself and died on the cross so that anyone who receives Him can be forgiven and freed from the power of sin.*

*In our time of greatest joy and our deepest need, the name we cling to is Jesus. He will never leave us, and His love will not fail.*



## *Weekly Collection*

Sunday	\$11,753.25
(including online giving)	\$ 1,478.00
Catholic Newspaper	\$ 914.00
March 2018 Storm	\$ 8,600.00
Last Year	\$15,370.50

*Attendance: 759*

*Thank you for your generosity*

## **20 Week Club**

Our 14th lucky winner:

**#246 Joann Kiskiel.**

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 **May 14th** @ 7:00 pm in room 101. Please call the rectory to enroll and for any other information you may require.*

*Let us welcome into our family of faith: **Ava A. Ugarte, Cooper T. Milos, Vincent G. Murch & Elizabeth D. Long** who received the sacrament of Baptism.*



### **First Reading: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19**

*Peter reminds the people that they allowed Jesus to be killed, and preferred to allow a murderer to be released. But God raised him from the dead as had been prophesied. Therefore, all people should believe and turn to God, that their sins might be forgiven.*


### **Second Reading: I John 2:1-5a**

*Jesus was offered up for the sins of the world. The only way to prove true faith in him, is to honor his commandments. Anyone who claims to believe, yet does not keep his word, does not truly believe.*

### **Gospel: Luke 24:35-48**


*Jesus appeared to two disciples, though at first they feared he was a ghost. Jesus ate with them to prove he was not a ghost. He explained that he had fulfilled the prophets words about him. He also explained that in his name they must preach doing penance for the forgiveness of sins.*

**Sunday** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48, **Monday** Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29, **Tuesday** Acts 7:51—8:1a; Jn 6:30-35, **Wednesday** Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40, **Thursday** Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51, **Friday** Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59, **Saturday** Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69



*“Now I know brothers that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did. But God has thus brought to fulfillment what He had announced beforehand that through the mouth of all the prophets that His Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore and be converted that your sins may be wiped away... Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures... Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer, and rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached in His name to all the nations.”*

-HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly



Catholic tradition has not encouraged the laity to explore the Scriptures on their own. Sunday readings and the accompanying homily were deemed sufficient. Since Vatican II, that attitude has changed. More people are reading and reflecting on the Scriptures in groups and alone. There are many resources available to help us. Consider making an effort to use these resources and making time to reflect on the Scriptures. If you can, join with others who are interested in reflecting on the Scriptures. There is no particular order you must use but a good place to start might be Paul's letters to the Corinthians. Select what draws your attention and use a commentary too.

***O Lord let the light of your countenance shine upon us!***      **-Psalm 4:6**

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*Please be generous in this week's second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, one in seven people lives in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).*

# 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](http://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: **To be advised.** 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 ghard 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](mailto:pprosperi51@gmail.com).

## Parish Activities

### **Boy Scouts: Emblems Awarded to Boy Scouts from Troop 173, St. Christopher, Parsippany.**

*Ad Altare Dei Emblem (To The Altar of God) is given to the Catholic Scouts who have been registered in Boy Scouts for at least 6 months, have completed sixth grade and fulfilled the requirements in the workbook based on the seven Sacraments.*

***Tyler Catapano, Ethen Geddes, Jonah Lance,  
Matthew Rankel.***

*Pope Pius XII Emblem is given to Scouts of High School age who are members of a Scout Troop or Venture Crew and have completed the five steps unit program.*

***Thomas Catapano, Alexander Geddes,  
Timothy Metcalf.***

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### **Parsippany Knights of Columbus Present: “The Opera Comes to Parsippany”**

Featuring world renown tenor Todd Wilander...May 12th, 2018 at Parsippany Hills High School at 7:00PM, located at 20 Rita Drive, Morris Plains....Tickets - \$25.00 adults, \$15.00 Senior Citizens and children under 12, and \$10 for all Veterans (with ID). Tickets can be purchased in advance at K of C 3680.com, or by calling (Mark Aduabato), tickets will be available at the door on a first come basis. Net proceeds from this event will provide much needed funding for the Council's Youth and Charity Fund.

### **Mount St. Dominic Academy**

Spring Open House for 6th, 7th & 8th grade girls and their families at Mount Saint Dominic Academy, located at 3 Ryerson Ave., Caldwell, NJ at 6:30 pm in the Performing Arts Center. Call 973-226--0660, ext.1122 for questions.

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### **Union Catholic High School Open House**

Located at 1600 Martine Ave., Scotch Plains, NJ on Wednesday, April 25th at 7:00 pm for 5th , 6th & 7th grade students and families. For questions call 908-889-1600 ext.302.

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### **Life in the Spirit Seminar**

Starting Monday, April 23rd from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. At St. Paul Inside the Walls, located at 205 Madison Ave., Madison, NJ. Topics include: God's love, Salvation, New Life, Receiving God's Gift, Praying for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, Growth, Transformation in Christ. Formore information call Betty at 973-448-8847.



## *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.





Come join us for ...



# St. Christopher's



Friday, May 18, 2018 at 6:30 pm  
in the All Purpose Room.



Hot dogs and refreshments will be available for purchase with free snacks for the kids.

Game Night fun includes Kids Bingo and a kid's tricky tray.



# SENT.

*Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to the  
Cathedral of St. John the Baptist*

Join hundreds of young people  
in the diocesan celebration of the  
re-dedication of the Cathedral.

The program includes:

- Tour of the Cathedral
- Games and snacks
- Engaging speakers and music
- Mass with the Bishop

**June 10 | 2:30 PM-6:00PM**

Register online at  
[www.insidethewalls.org](http://www.insidethewalls.org)

