

St. Christopher Church

All Saints

Pastors' Desk

Christian Hope for Today

We all have dreams and hopes. Yet, we have no guarantee that all that we hope for and dream will come to pass in this life. We might find ourselves disappointed, crushed, even despairing. Not so with "Christian Hope".

Christian Hope is grounded in God. It is a solid trust that God's promises of the Kingdom will be fulfilled. We base our conviction on what God has already done for us: God's forgiving and reconciling love was manifested in Christ, for all. It is a communal hope based on God's covenant and expressed in our own work of reconciliation. Hope, directed to the future, bridges the imperfect, unfulfilled reality of the now and kingdom of holiness and wholeness yet to come. Christian Hope is a pure gift, a gift of the Spirit that motivates us to imagine and live our lives of faith more vividly and more deeply. Share the gift of Hope.

Weekly Collections

Last week	\$ 10,627.00
(Online Giving \$755.00 included)	
Last year	\$ 9,279.00

*Thank you for your generosity!
Attendance for last week – 912*

Sunday

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Monday

Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

Tuesday

Rom 12:5-16b; Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday

Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday

Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-10

First Friday

Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8

First Saturday

Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15

First Reading: Revelations 7:2-4, 9-14

John recounts for us the details of his vision. An angel bearing the seal of the living God demands that the land and sea not be destroyed; huge crowds stand before the throne of the Lamb crying out that salvation comes from God; angels gathered round and praised God; an elder questions John and explains that those dressed in white are the ones who have survived the great period of trial.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

Once again John speaks to us of love. He points out to us the great love that the Father has for us by allowing us to be called children of God. John explains that the world doesn't recognize us because it never recognized Jesus. Our future will be revealed to us and in that light we shall see him as he is.

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12a

When Jesus saw the crowds of people he went up to the mountainside gathered his disciples around him and began to teach them. This lesson in love has come to be known to us as the great Sermon on the Mount" or The Beatitudes."

Prayer of the Day

Memorare

Remember,
most loving Virgin Mary,
never was it heard
that anyone who turned to you for help was left unaided.
Inspired by this confidence,
though burdened by my sins,
I run to you for protection for you are my mother.

Amen

Visit our web site at:
www.stchristopherparsippany.org

Masses

Saturday, October 31st

- 8:30 am Kristen Ritter
Special Intentions -Vilorio–Hazim Family
5:00 pm Jerry Hoffman
Evelyn DeOcampo Lopez

Sunday, November 1st All Saints Day

- 7:00 am Special Intentions
Special Intentions - Vilorio–Hazim Family
8:00 am Felipe Martines
Linda Price
9:15 am Rose & Nicholas DiVincenzo, Sam
& Connie Calabria, Rita & Mickey D'Ambrosia
10:45 am Edith & Henry Lehto
Christopher Calabrese
Deceased Members of the DeCroce Family
12:15 pm Ruben Dumapit
Kayla Nakonechni
Kristen Ritter

Monday, November 2nd All Souls Day

- 7:00 am Special Intentions
12:05 pm Special Intentions for the the Savarese Family
For all Deceased Members of the Perez-Pantino
Families
7:30 pm Rose & Nicholas DiVincenzo
Special Intentions - Vilorio–Hazim Family

Tuesday, November 3rd

- 7:00 am Norman Todero
12:05 pm Kristen Ritter
Special Intentions - Vilorio–Hazim Family

Wednesday, November 4th

- 7:00 am Special Intentions - Vilorio–Hazim Family
12:05 pm Anthony Maciag
Susan Zimmer
Ann DeCroce

Thursday, November 5th

- 7:00 am Vincent C. Pannullo
12:05 pm Anne Louise Williams
Special Intentions - Vilorio–Hazim Family

Friday, November 6th

- 7:00 am Special Intentions - Vilorio–Hazim Family
12:05 pm Michael Ryan

Saturday, November 7th

- 8:30 am Special Intentions
Special Intentions - Vilorio–Hazim Family
5:00 pm Rose & Alex Scerbo
Fern Ledwon
Carmen Antonelli

Sunday, November 8th

- 7:00 am Sophie Szucs
Special Intentions
Special Intentions - Vilorio–Hazim Family
8:00 am Lenardo Scarano
Madison Torres
Theresa DeCroce
9:15 am Linda Bongiovanni
10:45 am Carol Parks
12:15 pm Ruben Dumapit
Anne Louise Williams

*The Living Flame for the
Sanctuary Light will be
in Memory of
Charles Ehrenfeld
for the month of
November*



*Please remember in your
prayers all the departed
family and friends of
St. Christopher's Parish, especially
Donald N. Miller*

Religious Education

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

Baptism

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

Meditations

*You may be familiar with emails that advise
you to forward them to at least 10 friends
within the hour in order to obtain your wish.
We like simple straight forward instructions.
If we do "x" then all will be well. Follow the
rules and reap the rewards. Jesus was very
clear about His "rules" - Love God and your
neighbor. It does not matter what other rules
we follow if we do not keep this one. But it is
the hardest and it takes a lifetime to learn
how to love.*

*I love you, O Lord, my strength, O Lord my rock, my for-
tress, my deliverer.*

-Psalm 18:2



Parish Activities...

Coffee and Class- Morning & Evening Adult Education

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 mornings** in room 110 in the school, from 10:30 am to 11:45 am followed by the 12:05 pm Mass
New topic: *Protestant Reformation & The Council of Trent.*

***Thursday mornings at 10:30 am** in room 110 in the school, New topic: *The Book of Revelation.*

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 for more information.

St. Christopher's Senior Social Club is a club to have fun and socialize. They will meet at the Community Center, at 1130 Knoll Road, Lake Hiawatha, NJ. The meeting for this month will be on November 6th & 20th.

Bus trip to the Sands Casino, in Bethlehem, Pa. Will be on November 9th. Bus leaves St. Christopher's parking lot at 9:15 AM. For information call John Mola at 973-335-8947. If you wish to learn more about the St. Christopher's Senior Social Club, please call either John Mola at 973-335-8947, or Anne Purcaro at 973-887-5186.

St. Christopher Women's Book Club

First book club meeting of the season was great as always, welcome to our new members and welcome back to all our other members. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 3rd at 7:15 pm in room 110. Our new book selections are:

November: All the Light That We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr.

We hope to see you there.. New members are always welcome!

Check our website for a brief synopsis of our book club selections .. www.stchristopherparsippany.org

St. Christopher is hosting the 2000 Hail Mary Devotion, to our Blessed Virgin Mary, every First Saturday of every month. Please join us on Saturday, November 7th 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 10:00 am and 6:00 pm.

Bring a Snack! For details call Josie Mendez (973) 887-7835 or Jeanette East (973) 334-8766.

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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 every

Wednesday at 11:30 am in the St. Christopher All Purpose Room.



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.

The Pope Francis Society

Our new program to help 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".

List #2 - Cold cereal, granola bars, cookies, crackers, tuna, Chef Boyardee, canned chicken meat, canned fruit, shelf-stable milk, bath tissue, facial tissue, paper towels.

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



St. Christopher's Pre-Cana Program For more information please call the rectory at 973-539-7050.

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St. Christopher's Prayer Group

Tuesday, November 3rd at 1:00 pm & Wednesday, November 4th at 7:00 pm

Remember, Pray the Rosary every Monday – Friday after the 12:05 pm Mass. Novena & Rosary @ 7:00 pm followed by Mass at 7:30 pm every Monday at St. Christopher.



St. Paul Inside the Walls...

For programs and events and to register visit
www.insidethewalls.org or call (973) 437-9741

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The Compassionate Friends, a self help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents will be meeting on Thursday, November 12th, at St. Christopher's Church at 7:30 pm in room 101. Program: Dr. Michael Giuliano, a prominent Morristown Psychiatrist, will be our guest speaker. Topic: How to Handle the Holidays. For more information please call Kathy Farrell at 973-335-9389.

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To help us display our faith and to remind others of the reason for the season and what the holiday is really about, the **Parsippany Council Knights of Columbus** will be selling Keep Christ in Christmas car magnets after all the Masses on the weekend of November 28th & 29th. The magnets are \$5.00 each and all net proceeds will be used for the Knights' Youth and Charity Fund.

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SAINT ANN WEEKEND CRAFT FAIR

Nov. 14, 9 am – 3 pm and Nov.15th, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm at St Ann Church located on 781 Smith Road, Parsippany NJ.

More than 60 vendor tables, handmade items, jewelry, pet items, Thanksgiving and Christmas décor, etc. Pete's Kitchen, Bake Sale, Empanada Guy, Tricky Tray, 50/50, door prizes
 Free admission

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Sr. Pat Blostic, SMIC, is now a resident at St. Anne's Villa, 190 Park Avenue, Florham Park, NJ 07932. Her telephone number is: 973-292-6555, extension 6323. Her room number is 323. She is grateful for many who helped her at St. Christopher's.

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Monday, November 2, 2015, the **Women's Society of St. Christopher's Church** will meet in Room 101 immediately following the 7:30 pm Mass in Church. This is a general meeting for the members at which we will get together to discuss the upcoming Christmas dinner. Please come prepared to pay for the dinner if you have not already. Refreshments will be served. All are invited to join us.

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Bishops Annual Appeal - Serving Christ among us

Just as the Bishop's Annual Appeal supports a number of vital causes, there are a number of ways to make the pledge. In addition to making a one-time gift or pledge payable over several months, you can also make an on-line gift by going to www.2015appeal.org and following the instructions to make a one time contribution. Thank you for your support!

Nov. 7th & 8th	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors
5:00 pm	M. Morales J. Summa A. Zecena	L. Bain M. Gelosa L. Asea M. Downing	R. Gelosa
7:00 am	The Rozanitis Family	B. Carroll	K. Lucibello
8:00 am	The Marsh Family	J. Hoffman P. Luther S. Marsh	L. Pascale
9:15 am	T. & D. Metcalf G. Harris	C. Callahan M. Cupo R. DiMaggio E. Shabet	M. Rankel
10:45 am	B. Anastasi D. DellaEspriella K. Gaydo	R. Vento Visit: C. Metcalf M. & M. D'Ambrosa	M. Montefusco
12:15 pm	N. Rigolosi J. Ratcliffe C. Dumapit	B. & J. East T. & J. Raccioppi	J. East

“Beloved, see what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know Him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall become has not been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall become like him, for we shall see Him as He is....for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

The day we can call our own. It is ours for we are on the way to heaven, our destiny. It is ours for we can choose the person who models for us the path to holiness. It is ours, for God has called us to a life of holiness. Our church in this modern era asks us to learn the way of modern saints, as Saint John 23rd or Saint John Paul II. We learn from the holiness of martyrs like Blessed Oscar Romero or the mercy of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta. What made them who they are? They tried to live what Jesus taught. They were people of the Beatitudes. His teaching on the poor, in spirit, those striving for justice, seeking holiness, are the marks we use to see if we are on the path to sainthood. This is our moment. We have only one life and it calls us to holiness, to be saints. This is our moment to respond and redirect our lives. There is nothing wrong in being a saint.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

SAINT CHRISTOPHER PARISH 20-WEEK CLUB MAINTENANCE & REPAIR FUND 2016

Raffle License #
ID #375-1-914

Location: 1050 Littleton Road
Parsippany, NJ 07054
Time: 12:00 noon

- A. Each participant pays \$100 once or \$20 a month for 5 months, starting January and ending in May.
- B. There is a winner selected each week, two winners on week 11 (\$500/each) two winners on week 18 (\$400/each) and five winners on week 20 (\$1000/each).

January 2016		February 2016		March 2016		April 2016		May 2016	
1/2	\$150	2/6	\$200	3/5	\$300	4/2	\$350	5/7	\$400
1/9	\$150	2/13	\$200	3/12	\$500, \$500	4/9	\$350	5/14	\$1000
									\$1000
1/16	\$175	2/20	\$250	3/19	\$300	4/16	\$375		\$1000
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1/23	\$175	2/27	\$250	3/26	\$300	4/23	\$375		\$1000
1/30	\$200					4/30	\$400, \$400		

- C. A person can win more than once. Your name is put back in so you can win again.
- D. We are planning to have our first drawing on January 2, 2016. Drawings will be held each SATURDAY. A list of winners will be posted in the vestibule of the Church and in the bulletin.
- E. If a participant fails to pay the monthly dues, he/she will be disqualified for the remainder of the drawing.
- F. If gambling is a problem for you or someone in your family, DIAL 1-800-GAMBLER.
- G. The aggregate value of all prizes **\$11,300**. No substitution of the offered prizes may be made.

PLEASE PRINT – FILL OUT FORM AND RETURN TO: St. Christopher Rectory

All forms must be returned no later than January 2, 2016.

20-week club# _____

Saint Christopher Church

Raffle License #

Calendar Raffle – 20-week club

ID #375-1-914

January, February, March, April, May 2016

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

_____ \$100 payment in full

_____ \$20 partial payment

Pizza Night With Bishop



Thursday, November 5, 2015 – DePaul High School, Wayne

Monday, February 1, 2016 – Morris Catholic High School, Denville

Thursday, March 17, 2016 – Pope John Paul XXIII, Sparta

Each Night at 7 PM



If you are a young man in high school or college, or even older, come join Bishop Serratelli and priests from the Diocese of Paterson for adoration, reflection, fellowship...and of course, pizza.

For more information, please contact the Vocation Office
at 973-777-8818, ext 711



**ALL SAINTS ACADEMY
FALL OPEN HOUSE DAYS
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6
9AM - 6PM**

- ✓ Nationally recognized STEM School – all grade levels, PS-8
- ✓ Faith-based education and community
- ✓ Model early childhood center
- ✓ Personalized middle school program
- ✓ Rigorous academics for competitive high school placement
- ✓ Positive family partnerships with faculty and staff

*SHADOW DAY STUDENTS
ARE WELCOME!
GRADES 2-7*

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place for your future. Limited Shadow
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ALL SAINTS ACADEMY CORNER

ASA - A Model Early Childhood Center

All Saints Academy hosts an extensive Early Childhood Center that is considered a model setting for young children of the Parsippany area. It includes a PreSchool level for three-year old children, a PreKindergarten program for four-year old children and a full day Kindergarten. The faith-filled environment provides young children with a nurturing setting for a “first school experience.” The early childhood curriculum is developmentally driven, capturing the essence of each child through the integration of spiritual, physical, intellectual and social-emotional components. The teaching team has developed a highly enriched language and mathematics program based on the combination play and pre-academic skills. All early childhood instruction is also infused with the tenets of STEM education. Vibrant teaching and genuine learning occurs through the interweaving of science, technology, engineering and math in daily classroom lessons. There are full and half day sessions available in both the PreSchool and PreKindergarten levels. After School care until 6pm is also available for students of the Early Children Center. Please contact All Saints Academy’s principal, Mrs. Judy Berg, at 973-334-4704. for information regarding your child’s entry into this fine program.



www.allsaintspar.org

St. Christopher's Second Hand Rose Thrift Shop

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

~ OPEN SUNDAYS AFTER 9:15 am MASS ~

SHOP HOURS: Wednesday & Friday 11:00 am– 4:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Located in the OLD Nursery School across from Church

Come in and checkout all our great merchandise at amazingly low price!



For more information call [973-713-4939](tel:973-713-4939)