



An Open Invitation

On May 15, 1976, I was ordained to the priesthood. It was 40 years ago. I have no idea where the time went. It seems like only yesterday that Bishop Casey ordained me at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson.

On May 22, 2016, I would like to celebrate a "Mass of Thanksgiving" at the 12:15 pm Mass followed by light refreshments in the all purpose room until 4:00 pm. I would like to invite the parishioners of St. Christopher with my family and friends to come and celebrate with me.

I am extremely grateful to you for all you have done for me and our parish.

Thank You!

Rev. Joseph J. Buffardi

St. Christopher Church

Sixth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

were strictly necessary, such as abstaining from eating meat sacrificed to idols and illicit sexual union. Some men informed the Gentiles that they must be circumcised if they wished to be saved, because of the Old Laws. Disciples then went forth to tell the Gentiles to honor only those rules which were strictly necessary, such as abstaining from eating meat sacrificed to idols and illicit sexual union.

Second Reading: Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

John depicts Jerusalem coming out of heaven, sparkling with the radiance of precious jewels. Angels were stationed at each of its twelve gates, and each gate bore the name of one tribe of Israel. The city had no temple, because God was its temple. The glory and light of God and the Lamb also replaced their need for the sun.

Gospel: John 14:23-29

Jesus tells his disciples, "Anyone who loves me will be true to my word." For those who do honor his word, both Jesus and God will love them and stay with them always. He also tells them that God will send the Holy Spirit in His place to give them the instructions they will need. Jesus then tells them that peace is his farewell gift to them.

Sunday
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

Monday
Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday
1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

Wednesday
Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday
The Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28,
10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53 (or where the Ascension is transferred to the following Sunday)
Easter Weekday: Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20

First Friday
Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

Weekly Collections

First collection	\$ 10,972.00
(including online giving \$ 842.00)	
Human Development	\$ 1,714.00
Last years collection	\$ 10,835.00

Attendance for last week 891
Thank you for your generosity!



Important Information

- For June 27th, 28th, 29th & 30th and for the whole month of July there will be no 7:00 am Mass.
- The 2017 Vigil Light (Sanctuary Light) will be available on **June 16, 2016**. First come, first serve, in person only. **One per family.**
- The 2017 Mass book will be opening on **June 16, 2016**.

New Prices for Mass Cards

Weekdays:

All Masses from Monday thru Saturday at 8:30 am and any Holidays or Holydays that fall on weekdays - \$10.00 (padded cards \$15.00).

Weekends:

From Saturday 5:00 pm and all day Sunday and any Holidays or Holydays that fall on weekends - \$15.00 (padded cards \$20.00).

Masses

Saturday, April 30th

8:30 am Ann Paterno
5:00 pm Deceased Vaz Family Members

Sunday, May 1st

7:00 am Deceased Members of the Parish
8:00 am Michael Bonomo
9:15 am Josiphine Verduce
10:45 am Vincent J. Petolino
Anthony Marotte
Antonio Veloso
12:15 pm Ashley Cistaro

Monday, May 2nd

7:00 am Special Intentions - Vincent Botte
12:05 pm Lawrence Que, Sr.
7:30 pm Marguerite Hubschman

Tuesday, May 3rd

7:00 am Sr. Mary Aurelia
12:05 pm Marguerite Hubschman

Wednesday, May 4th

7:00 am Special Intentions - Vincent Botte
12:05 pm Special Intentions - Chirise Rambaldi

Thursday, May 5th Ascension of the Lord

7:00 am Deceased Members of the Parish
9:00 am Msgr. Frank B. Ferraioli
12:05 pm Marguerite Hubschman
7:00 pm Arlene Campagna

Friday, May 6th

7:00 am Deceased Members of the Connor
Family

12:05 pm Michael & Virginia Bangiola

Saturday, May 7th

8:30 am Anita, Anthony & Joseph Natoli
5:00 pm Brother Thomas Rochacewski, C.S.R
Fray Scerbo
Bella Ricci, Rose & Peter Policastro
Julius Dumapit

Sunday, May 8th Mothers Day

7:00 am
8:00 am
9:15 am
10:45 am
12:15 pm

*All Masses are for
all Deceased
Mothers of the
Parish*

The Living Flame for the
Sanctuary Light will be
in Memory of
Br. Robert Thomas Rochacewicz, C.S.R
for the month of May, 2016



*Please remember in your prayers all the departed
family and friends of St. Christopher's Parish,
especially: Clara "Clair" Codella*

Religious Education

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

Baptism

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

Join us in welcoming into our family of faith:

**Shannon K. Antonelli, Antoinette A. Ryan &
Alena N. Cardenas**

Meditations

*Jesus was very clear about what was required of any-
one who would be his disciple: They must love one
another. His life was the example of love. Caring for
others, forgiving others, encouraging them to be the
best they could be. This is how Jesus loves you too.
Do you believe he really loves and forgives you?
Does that belief affect how you treat others? How we
love others is proof of our discipleship. What kind of
disciple are you?*

*Such as my love has been for you,
So must your love be fore each other.
-John 13:34*

Holy Day Reminder

Thursday May 5th, the Feast of the
Ascension of the Lord, is a holy
day of obligation.



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.

St. Christopher Women's Book Club

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 3rd at 7:15 pm in room 110.

Book selection for May: Troublemaker by Leah Remini & A Fatal Grace by Louise Penny.

We hope to see you at our next meeting, even if you just want to stop by and see what we are all about, no obligations just drop by :)

New members are always welcome!

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



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.**

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.

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, May 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 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.

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

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. on May 6th.

Bus trip to the Sands Casino, in Bethlehem, Pa. will be on May 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 John Mola at 973-335-8947.

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.*

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.



St. Christopher's Pre-Cana Program

We will be having our next pre-Cana class on **June 25th**. For more information please call the rectory at 973-539-7050.

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St. Christopher's Prayer Group

Tuesday, May 3rd at 10:30 am

Wednesday, May 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.



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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 #1 - Peanut butter, pasta, spaghetti sauce, juice, canned corn, baking mixes, mustard, ketchup, dish-washing liquid, laundry detergent, toothpaste, deodorant.

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

20 Week Club -

The winners of this week's 20 week club drawing (17th Winners):

#280 Mike & Christine Ocker
Congratulations!

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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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Cancer support at no charge.

Support, education, hope, so that no one faces cancer alone. Contact Cancer Support Community at 908-658-5400 or visit them at www.cancersupportnj.org for more information.

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The Compassionate Friends, a self help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents will be meeting on Thursday, May 12th at St. Christopher's Church, 1050 Littleton Road, Parsippany, at 7:30 pm in room 101. Program: "How to handle celebrations, weddings, graduations, etc." Come and let us help each other learn how to begin again. For more information please call Lily Capriglione at: 973-568-4164.

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The Catholic Schools Office, Diocese of Paterson, is seeking applicants for the 2016-2017 school year for the following positions:

-Principal, St. Andrew the Apostle Elementary School, Clifton, NJ.

-Principal, St. Therese Elementary School, Succasunna, NJ. Information and application materials can be found at <http://www.patdioschools.org/administrative-openings>. Closing date for applications is May 15th, 2016.

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Monday, May 2, 2016, the **Women's Society of St. Christopher's Church** will meet in the All Purpose room at 8 PM immediately following the 7:30 PM Mass in Church. We will make final arrangements for our June dinner confirming the place and time. Please come prepared to give Ginny your payment for the dinner if you are planning to attend. At this meeting we will have our "Ice Cream Social" where ice cream will be served along with other refreshments. All are welcome to attend.

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The Saint Francis Residential Community, an independent Senior Living Facility, located in Denville, NJ, is having their next Garage Sale at a new location, 18 Pocono Road (near the barn), on Friday, May 13th, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm, and on Saturday, May 14th, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Proceeds benefit all resident activities. Any questions, visit our website www.saintfrancisres.com for directions or contact Sister Johnice at 973 – 627 – 5000.

May 7th & 8th	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors
5:00 pm	A. Azzizzo B. & B. Davies	M. Downing L. Bain J. & M. Davies	J. Colleran
7:00 am	R. Meigs L. Taylor	B. Carroll	M. Dumapit
8:00 am	T. & D. Metcalf M. Morales	W. & A. Price E. Haynes	M. Appio
9:15 am	C. & C. Berardo C. Rizzo	P. & K. Berardo P. Allocca K. Blunt	S. Marsh
10:45 am	B. & T. Wyka A. Apro	R. Vento Visit: M. & M. D'Ambrosa B. Wyka	A. Bilotti
12:15 pm	K. & N. Hardy D. DeL-aEspriella	J. & B. East L. & R. Polanski	E. Shabet



ALL SAINTS ACADEMY CORNER

ASA – An Extension of
 Our Parish Community

Like our parish, All Saints Academy is a diverse community that celebrates the benchmarks of faith and practice traditionally found in the legacy of Catholic education. As a school in the Diocese of Paterson, All Saints Academy's *AdvancEd* Accreditation and STEM Certification provide a standards-based educational framework, setting a path for continuous improvement in instruction, 21st century learning and student performance. The very important presence of faith education truly makes All Saints Academy an extension of the mission of our Catholic parish. All parish families are welcome in our school. Pope Benedict XVI said, "No child should be denied his or her right to an education in faith, which in turn nurtures the soul of a nation." This is the time to consider All Saints Academy for your child's faith-based education – an experience that will foster a lifetime. Contact our principal, Mrs. Judith Berg, at 973-334-4704, for more information regarding admission and scholarship opportunities at All Saints Academy.

St. Christopher's Church ***2016 First Communion***

Gabriella Jessica Albano
Amanda Nicole Aromin
Aliyah Cassandra Bilbao La Vieja
Alicia Elizabeth Brodie
Jonathan Paul Carifi
Tyler Vincent Carifi
Aiden Kane Coelho
Anthony Dominick Conetta
Marina Victoria D'Addario
Christopher William Dana
Angelica Ann Deegan
John Eric Ferdinandi
Kaya Mackenzie Garwood
Austin Michael Gudelanis
Jenna Marie Herre
Charles James Hilgendorff
Jayden John Jachera
Thomas Alfred Jae Jachym
Giuseppe Laviola
Benjamin Andrew Lee
Jason Matano, Jr.
Kayla Nicole Mautone
Jayden Judge Mendez
Alejandro Antonio Perez
Abigail Pantino Perez
Gianna Perez
Domenico Edward Prisco
Ashley Elizabeth Ramos
Michael Reese Rescigno
Nicholas Aaron Rice
William Rue IV
Tori Lynn Stampone
Vincent John Traina
Benjamin Oliver Wayland

Congratulations to you all!

Family Roller Skating Party

Sponsored by Saint Christopher Church

Where: Florham Park Roller Rink
192 Ridgedale Ave.
Florham Park, NJ
973-377-0465

When: Sunday, May 15th, 2016



Time: 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Cost: \$3.50 for skate rental, if you do not have your own

Who can come: Anyone associated with Saint Christopher's Parish Family is welcome

*****Remember, all children must be accompanied by an ADULT FAMILY MEMBER *****

Snack Bar Available at your own cost

No R.S.V.P. needed, just show up!!!
We have reserved the entire roller rink for our families

Come Join us!

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 ~

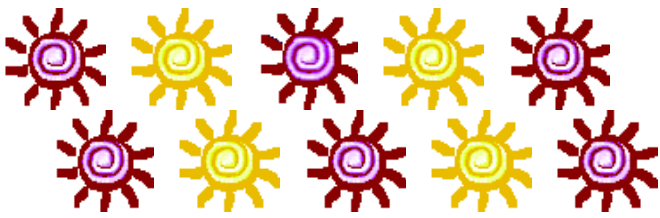
SHOP HOURS: Wednesday & Friday 11:00 am– 4:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

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



Summer Cardinal Camp All Saints Academy

All Saints Academy will host a six-week summer day camp for children entering grades preschool through six in September, 2016. The camp hours will be from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM, and the cost for the week of daily camp is \$240.00/student. After Care is available from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM for an additional weekly fee of \$40.00/student.

The weeks of camp operation will be:

- Week #1: June 20 - June 24 Week #2: June 27 - July 1 Week #3: July 5 - July 8 *** (\$190/wk)
- Week #4: July 11 - July 15 Week #5: July 18 - July 22 Week #6: July 25 - July 29

Cardinal Camp is open to all families of our Parsippany parishes, along with neighbors, friends and extended family members. A family may register for any number of desired weeks. Daily and weekly activities will be guided by student age groups and will include:

- Morning Gathering Time & Prayer* ❖ *Sports/Movement* ❖ *Arts & Crafts*
- STEM Activities* ❖ *Outdoor & Indoor Group Games* ❖ *Quiet Reading Time*
- Outdoor Water Play* ❖ *Creative Learning Centers* ❖ *Drama & Music Activities*

Camp will be organized and led by current ASA teachers and staff. Campers will bring their own snacks and lunches. On Wednesdays and Fridays, there are optional „order out,, lunches at an additional cost. To reserve your child,s place, please submit the form below along with a \$50 non-refundable deposit/student by May 6. First week,s balance including After Care must be paid in full by May 31. Subsequent weeks must be paid in full each Thursday prior to the week of attendance. Please mail your registration and payment to: *All Saints Academy, 189 Baldwin Road, Parsippany, NJ 07054*

Questions? Contact All Saints Academy at 973-334-4704 or Camp Director, Ms. Caitlin Sim - csim@allsaintspar.org

*** Camp will not be open on Monday, July 4. Weekly fee will be reduced to reflect a four-day week.

Student(s) Name: _____ Grade (in Sept.): _____ DOB: _____

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Address: _____

School Attending in September 2016: _____

Indicate the weeks your child(ren) will attend: #1 #2 #3 #4 #5 #6 (please circle)

Will your child/children also be registered for the After Care camp option (3pm-6pm)? Yes No

Parent (s) Name (s): _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Please enclose \$50.00 deposit/camper. Number of campers: _____ X \$50.00 = Total Deposit of \$ _____

Checks must be made payable to: *All Saints Academy*

Deposits will be posted to your first week,s cost. Additional camp registration materials and health forms will be sent to you upon receipt of this completed form. Due to the high affordability of this program, we are not able to offer sibling discounts, cost adjustments or refunds for unused days. Our school nurse will not be on site during summer camp. There will be at least one camp staff member present who possesses First Aid/CPR training. PS/PK campers must be fully independent in bathroom use – no exceptions.