

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Pastors Desk



Watch the Conductor

World renowned violinist, Joshua Bell, has an unusual way of leading the Academy of St. Martin in the Fields, a 44 member of chamber orchestra. Instead of a baton he directs while playing his Stradivarius with the other violinists. Bell told Colorado Public Radio, "Even while I'm playing I can give them all kinds of direction and signals that I think only they would understand at this point. They know by every little dip in my violin, or raise in my eyebrow, or the way I draw the bow, they know the sound I'm looking for from the entire orchestra".

Just as the orchestra members watch Joshua Bell, the Bible instructs us to keep our eyes on Jesus our Lord. After listing many heroes of the faith in Hebrews 11, Paul says, "Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith", (Heb. 12:1-2).

Because Jesus is with us always we have the amazing privilege of keeping our eyes on Him while He conducts the music of our lives.

Nov. 18th & 19th	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors
5:00 pm	A. & A. DeNino A. Jerez	L. Bain C. Hendricks M. Downing S. Kobeszko	K. Lucibello
7:00 am	The Lalo Family	B. Carroll	L. Pascale
8:00 am	The Valle Family C. Ocker	J. Mucerino C. Ocker L. Valle	J. Valle
9:15 am	The Przyhocki Family G. Harris	G. & L. Azares P. Gatti D. Giradelli	C. Rizzo
10:45 am	B. & T. Wyka P. Whallen	S. DeMaio Visit: A. Calabria K. Lucibello B. Wyka	A. Bilotti
12:15 pm	D. Perez M. & A. Memoli	J. Alfonso S. Capozzi W. Koeller C. Mosiello	B. East

Weekly Collections

This past weeks' collection will be in next weeks bulletin.

Thank you for your generosity

Blessing of the Infant Jesus

We would like to continue the new tradition here at St. Christopher's. On Sunday, December 3rd at the 9:15 am Mass we would like to bless the Infant Jesus that you will be placing in your manger at home.

As a family please bring the baby Jesus to Church with you for this special blessing. It is our desire to bring home the reality of the humility and love of Christ.



The Living Flame for the
Sanctuary Light will be
in memory of
Anthony G. Bilotti
for the month of November, 2017

Masses

Saturday, November 11th

8:30 am Marge Natoli
5:00 pm Ida Vita

Sunday, November 12th

7:00 am Eileen Powers
8:00 am Lyn Marra
9:15 am Anthony Giordano
10:45 am Raymond G. Leonard
Dorothy LaColla
12:15 pm Joseph & Frances Casolaro
Walter T. Pasuco

Monday, November 13th

7:00 am Pamela LeDonne
12:05 pm Joseph J. Corcoran
Special Intentions - Myra & Neil Rambaldi
7:30 pm Jeanne A Cere

Tuesday, November 14th

7:00 am Jean Frasca
12:05 pm John Zimmer
Johanna Esposito

Wednesday, November 15th

7:00 am Roseanne Mancuso
12:05 pm Michael Spataro

Thursday, November 16th

7:00 am Msgr. Frank B. Ferraioli
12:05 pm Edith Ann Powers

Friday, November 17th

7:00 am Marilyn Irizarry
12:05 pm Lawrence McLean

Saturday, November 18th

8:30 am Patricia Fagan
5:00 pm Rose & Alex Scerbo
Walter Pasuco

Sunday, November 19th

7:00 am John Coster
8:00 am Michael Lanza
9:15 am Teresa Intiso - Ober
10:45 am Isabel Veloso
Dorothy LaColla
12:15 pm Donald T. Morgan - 50th Anniversary
Walter Pasuco



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

Religious Education

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

Baptism

*Our next **Baptism preparation meeting** will
be on November 13th @ 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 **Nathan K. Nieglos**, who received the sacrament
of Baptism.*

Reflections

*The parable to the bridesmaids may seem
strange. After all aren't we to share what we
have? But the point is preparedness. Every-
day, we need to live as if it were our last (for
one day it will be). There are no holidays,
sick days, or vacation time for true disciples.
We need to be attentive to the inspiration of
the Spirit and to treat everyone with love and
compassion. Consider how can you keep
yourself prepared?*

2017 Bishops Annual Appeal

In Giving We Receive

*After decades of service to our parishes, our diocesan
priests have the opportunity to live at Nazareth Vil-
lage in Chester. A number of our priests reside there
while also serving parishes by celebrating Mass. Your
pledge is a great way to recognize the generous gift of
their priestly vocation. Please make a gift to the Annu-
al Appeal today as a way of showing thanks.*

SAINT CHRISTOPHER PARISH 20-WEEK CLUB MAINTENANCE & REPAIR FUND 2018

Raffle License #
ID #375-01-0914

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 10 (\$500/each) two winners on week 17 (\$400/each) and five winners on week 20 (\$1000/each).

January 2018		February 2018		March 2018		April 2018		May 2018	
1/6	\$150	2/3	\$200	3/3	\$250	4/7	\$350	5/5	\$375
1/13	\$150	2/10	\$200	3/10	\$500, \$500	4/14	\$350	5/12	\$400
1/20	\$175	2/17	\$200	3/17	\$300	4/21	\$375	5/20	\$1000
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1/27	\$175	2/24	\$250	3/24	\$300	4/28	\$400, \$400		\$1000
									\$1000
				3/31	\$300				\$1000

- C. A person can win more than once. Your name is put back in so you can win again.
- D. We are planning on having our first drawing on January 6, 2018. 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 5, 2018

20-week club# _____

Saint Christopher Church

Raffle License #

Calendar Raffle – 20-week club

ID #375-1-914

January, February, March, April, May 2018

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

_____ \$100 payment in full

_____ \$20 partial payment

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, November 19, 2017

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

Children's Motorized Truck Raffle

R.C. Ride on car

Perfect for children ages 3 to 6 years old

\$5.00 per raffle ticket (purchase date to be announced shortly)

Drawing will be on December 17th



All proceeds from this raffle will be used to help defray the cost of running our Family Fun Activities.

St. Christopher Parish



Thanksgiving Food Drive

*Saturday, November 18th & Sunday, November 19th
at all Masses*

We will be collecting food for the needy, and putting the baskets all together as we do every year for those who request them.

We are in need of turkeys, hams, turkey breasts and chickens. We are requesting general varied groceries, for example: canned fruits, vegetables, meats, juices, rice, etc., this way the families will have groceries for later in December. Food can be dropped off in the vestibule of the Church on November 18th and 19th, along with the turkeys or hams, etc.

If you cannot shop, but still wish to participate, please put monetary contributions in an envelope marked Thanksgiving and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the rectory.

Please, only non-perishable items, no frozen pies or vegetables.

***** All meats will be refrigerated until they are distributed*****

Pick up date: Monday, November 20th

Thank you for your generosity and cooperation!



Breakfast with Santa



On Saturday, December 2nd from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Santa will be arriving at 10:00 am.

There will be crafts, and be ready to take pictures with Santa.

Cost per family: \$10.00. For reservations please contact
Cathy Metcalf at 973-263-8741

Please detach the bottom and mail in with payment by: November 24, 2017

St. Christopher's Breakfast with Santa

Family Name: _____

Number of Adults _____ Number of Children _____

Phone Number: _____

St. Christopher Parish - 1050 Littleton Road, Parsippany, NJ (973) 539-7050

www.stchristopherparsippany.org





*St. Christopher's
Giving Tree*

Saturday, December 9th & Sunday, December 10th

The Giving Tree will go up the weekend of November 18th & 19th. The gifts will go to local parish families and individual children and adults that have been selected by Hope House, the Catholic Community Day Care, Friends Corner Day Care, Straight and Narrow and inner-city Parishes.

Please take a tag and return the tag with the unwrapped gift on the weekend of December 9th & 10th

If you would like to give the usual gifts listed below, we will be glad to accept those also, they will be distributed by Catholic Charities. Children and Adults are invited to bring a new, unwrapped gift to Mass on Saturday or Sunday, December 9th & 10th. Children are encouraged to earn the money and help in selection of the gift. The gifts may be placed on or around the Christmas tree before the beginning of Mass.

Items needed include: socks, mittens, watches, pajamas, coloring books, crayons, magic markers, puzzles, cd's, mp3 players (inexpensive), games, new toys, adult & child toiletries, scarves, hats, sweaters, sweatshirts.

2x and 3x sizes are always needed.

Thank you in advance for your generosity, especially in these hard times.

To: All 6th, 7th & 8th Graders
Re: Christmas Eve Pageant
From: Fr. Joe

Would you like to be part of the Christmas Eve Pageant? Would you like to be an actor or reader at the Mass on Christmas Eve? There will be a very important organization meeting on *Wednesday, November 22nd at 7:00 pm in the Church.*

The following are needed:

Reader for the Mass
Roman Soldier
Mary
Joseph
Angels
Shepherds
3 Kings

Come to the meeting in the Church or call the Religious Education Office at 973-539-6208.



You're invited to participate in a **Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Christopher Church** on Thursday, November 23rd at 10:00 am.
The children of the Parish, from K to 4th grade will participate in the Mass, and will be dressed as Pilgrims and Indians.

Family Thanksgiving Prayer

Dear Lord,
we bow our heads in heartfelt, thankful prayer;
For all the ways You've blessed our lives and your loving care.
We thank you for the hands that have prepared this special treat and
pray that you will bless all those who have no food to eat.

We're thankful for Salvation's plan and for Your Holy Word;
And pray we'll help to spread Your love to those who've never heard.
We're thankful for our freedom and for churches that are near;
Where we can meet and praise Your Name and worship without fear.

Amen



Simbang Gabi

*A Filipino tradition of a
nine-day novena of Masses during Advent
(December 15 - 23, 2017) in preparation for the
Nativity of our Savior, Jesus.*



You are cordially invited to join our Diocesan and parish-sponsored *Simbang Gabi* (Filipino for “Mass of the Night or Evening”) celebration:

St. Christopher Parish

1050 Littleton Road, Parsippany, NJ 07054

Thursday, December 21, 2017

Eucharistic Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Main Celebrant: Rev. Joseph Buffardi

**This nine-day novena is coordinated by the
Diocesan Commission for Catholic Filipino
Ministries (DCCFM) of the Diocese of Paterson**

**Refreshment immediately follows Mass
For more information please contact
Jeanette East (973) 334-8766**



Paterson Federation

Respect Life Mass



Most Rev. Arthur J. Serratelli, STD, SSL, DD
Bishop of Paterson
Celebrant

Rev. Jody Baran—Federation Chaplain
Concelebrant

Saturday, November 18, 2017 — 10:00 A.M. Mass
Saint John the Baptist Cathedral
381 Grand Street
Paterson, NJ 07505

Deacon Anthony O. Fierro, PGK
Respect Life Mass - Chairman

Michael Vaclavicek, PGK, FDD
Paterson Federation Chairman

Lake Parsippany Vol. Fire Co., Dist. #3
Ladies Auxiliary
14th Annual

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, November 26, 2017
7:30am - 12:30pm



Adults ~ \$6.00
Seniors (60 yrs. & over) ~ \$4.00
Children under 5 yrs. old ~ \$4.00
Children under 2 yrs. old ~ Free

Lake Parsippany Firehouse
255 Halsey Road, Lk. Parsippany