Pastor ............................................................ Rev. George Oonnoonny
Parochial Vicar/Vicario Parroquial ............................................. Rev. Matthew Cherian
Coordinator of Faith Formation (CCD) Program ............................... Mrs. Lisa Quist

MASSES - BUCHANAN LOCATION †
Saturday evening .................................................. Spanish 7:30 pm
Sunday ......................................................... 8:45, 11:30 am, Spanish 1:30 pm
...................................................................................... Eastern Rite 4:00 pm
Holy Day ............................................................... As Announced
Weekdays: Monday thru Saturday .................................. 8:00 am

CONFessions
Saturday ............................................................. by appointment
Spanish ........................................ before Mass on Saturday or Sunday
or anytime by appointment

OFFICE HOURS
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday ......................... 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
Friday .................................................................. 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Mon., Tues., Thurs. & Fri. ......................... 5:00 to 7:30 pm (Spanish)

MASSES - VERPLANCK LOCATION†
Saturday evening .................................................. 5:00 pm
Sunday .................................................................. 10:15 am
Holy Day ............................................................... As Announced
Weekdays: Monday thru Thursday .................... 9:00 am

CONFessions
Saturday ............................................................. 4:00 to 4:30 pm
or anytime by appointment

OFFICE HOURS
Thursday ............................................................. 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

THRIFT SHOP
Wednesday and Saturday ......................... 9:30 am to 12:30 pm
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER 1 to OCTOBER 8

ST. CHRISTOPHER’S
SAT  7:30  WILLIAM BOWLER Req. by Carmenza Bowler
SUN  8:45  BEN MARTINELLI Req. by Claire Martinelli
11:30  JOHN & THERESA McHALE, EILEEN DANON &
       THOMAS McKEON Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Davin
1:30  EVELYN GREENE & DEC’D FAMILY MEMBERS
MON  8:00  LESLIE LANGTRY Req. by Lewis Family
TUE  8:00  CHARLES & GERALDINE AHNEMAN & WARREN
       & BEATRIZ AHNEMAN Req. by G. Ahneman
WED  8:00  MADGE RAHAMUT Req. by Carol Ackbarali
THU  8:00  MICHAEL & ANNE LYNCH & NORA LYNCH
FRI  8:00  BARRY ALLEN Req. by Theresa Johnson
SAT  8:00  LIVING & DEC’D MEMBERS OF FEELY Req. by
       E. FEELY

ST. PATRICK’S
SAT  5:00  DEC’D MEMBERS OF THE PICCIANO FAMILY
       Req. by Phil & Dianne Picciano
SUN  10:15  RYAN TIMOTHY BURNS  Req. by Mary Jane Everett
MON  9:00  JOAN DALY Req. by Richard Murray
TUE  9:00  JOHN KULERS Req. by Joe & Nora Comolli
WED  9:00  VINCENT ALTIERI Req. by Mickey Foster
THU  9:00  RAY & CONNIE MURRAY Req. by Ken &
       Chris Rudner
FRI  9:00  NO MASS
SAT  5:00  RICHARD CURINGA Req. by Peggy Hughes
SUN  10:15  ANGELA McMAHON Req. by Daley & Hughes
       Families

Baptisms: Scheduled & Celebrated by appointment. Parents should call the rectory at least four weeks in advance, and must attend instructions. Church Law requires that only Catholics in good standing are eligible to be Godparents. No Baptisms will be scheduled during Lent.

Anointing of the Sick: We offer this sacrament to those who are seriously ill, at home or in the hospital. We urge you to contact the office before someone goes to the hospital for an operation. (A priest may not be available later)

Ministry of the Sick: Holy Communion will be brought to the sick, upon request. The bedridden or chronically ill can be placed on the “Eucharistic Ministers” visitation schedule.

Wedding: Engaged couples must make arrangements in person, at the office at least six months in advance.

Parish Membership: We welcome all new members to our parish. Please register at the office, by phone or in person. Registration forms are available at the entrances to the Churches. Also, please notify the office if your address has changed or if you would like to be added to the weekly envelope system.

Saint Christopher and Saint Patrick Collections

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Update on Handicap Entrance, Rectory & Office Renovation Project: I am writing to express my thanks and appreciation for the generous support you have given to the rectory upgrade, office renovations and handicap access. We are now moving on the next phase which is the living quarters including the kitchen, living & dining areas and the bedrooms. Financially our goal is in sight, however, we have a shortfall of $12,000. We are still receiving volunteer time and effort from our parishioners with electrical skills support of our parish – Saint Christopher and Saint Patrick. Your assistance is GREATLY needed for us to finish the work we have set out to do as quickly as possible. PLEASE HELP IF YOU CAN! If you have any questions, please call Bob Hemsing 914-552-7188 or Luis Pasato 914-844-7727. With Gratitude, Father George.
Events this Week:

- **Sunday**: Second Collection – Maintenance & Repairs
- **Wednesday**: Thrift shop open from 9:30am-12:30pm
- **Saturday**: Thrift shop open from 9:30am-12:30pm
- **Sunday**: Second Collection – Catholic New York

**BAPTISM**: The Christian Community of Saint Christopher and Saint Patrick would like to welcome with great joy those reborn by water and the Holy Spirit. Christopher Noel Chuqui, Geoffrey Nicholas Cedillo, Sue Joy Avery, Kimberly Kayla Caracundo, John Ariel Yanza and Santino Rodriguez. May God always bless you and your families.

**The Mass Book is open for 2018.** Please let us know if you would like Masses said for your loved with dates. We will try and honor them. You can call, mail or e-mail the Rectory. Thank you.

We thank all the community for participating in the International Celebration, especially for the coordinators and all those who set the tables representing the different countries, in the same way to the DJ, dance, artists, Girls Scouts and Boy Scouts and CCD Families who participated at the festival. We also thank all those who bought tickets for the TV raffle. The winner of the 60" Smart TV was Mr. Luis Arevalo. The amount collected from the **Hispanic community** was:

- At the festival tables $2532.00
- For the raffle of Television $3327.00; giving a total of $5857.00.

The amount collected from the **American Tables** was $638.00. Total for our parish $6497.00.

**Fall Crafts Festival**, will be held inside Mt. Carmel Hall on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, October 7, 8 and 9 from 12 noon – 6 PM. **Outside**, the Mt. Carmel Society and the Town of Cortlandt invite you to a Fall Festival Friday, October 6 through Monday, October 9 in the **ball field** on 8th St. in **Verplanck**. Hayrides, Pumpkins, Carnival Rides and Food. There is a children’s parade on Saturday at 12:30 and Fireworks Saturday night at 8 PM. The Fall Festival hours are Friday, 5-9 PM, Saturday and Sunday 1-8 PM and Monday 1-7 PM.

**Beginning Experience of the Hudson Valley** is offering a **healing weekend** from **October 6 to 8, 2017** at the St. Lawrence Retreat Center in Beacon, NY. This invitation is open to men and women of all ages who have suffered the loss of a spouse through death, divorce, or separation. It is a time to heal and a time to begin anew. Reservations are required. For information or registration, please call Mary Anne at 914-260-5087 or Phyllis at 914-261-5812 or email to ny.hudson.valley@beginningexperience.org

**Rummage Sale** in support of **ACTS-NY** to be held on Saturday, October 7, 9 to 4 & Sunday, October 8, 9 to 3 at Holy Name of Mary’s Gymnasium in Croton-on-Hudson. ACTS is a retreat which focuses on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service. The goal is to new yourself spiritually, strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, and to create lasting and supporting friendships.

If anyone is in need of a **Notary Service**, St. Christopher/St. Patrick can assist by calling Maria 914-737-1046 or Bob Hemsing 914-552-7188.

The sick are comforted just knowing that we pray for them. Please remember these members of our Parish Family, who are ill, in your prayers: Mickey Foster, Beverly Lewis, Ray Mackey, Aidan McElgunn, Sheila Dahlike Moore, John Mecca, Susan Rose, Michael Boddie, John Boddie, James Boddie, Kathy Farrey, Art Farrey Sr., Ed Lent, Margaret Hesselgrave, Colin Lent, Eddie Lent, Sean Flaherty, Joao Manino Vaz, Marilu Selicco, Robin Pasquale, Phyllis Novohradsky, Kelsey Berger, George Malles, Ann D’Onofrio, Peggy Finn, Omar Navarro, Maria Zavaglia, Mary Jane Sabatini, Paul Hughes and Stan Hojnacki who are sick.

The **winner** of the **26 Week Club** for week #18 is #213 Frank & Cindy Godino. The seller was the Church.

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading**: Ezekiel 18:25-28
Ezekiel reminds the people that if a sinner turns away from his iniquity, he will live, not die.

**Second Reading**: Philippians 2:1-11
Paul urges the converts at Philippi to be united in spirit and ideals, avoiding rivalry and dissension. He ends with the beautiful hymn extolling the humility and sacrifice of Christ.

**Gospel**: Matthew 21:28-32
Jesus speaks words of rebuke to the chief priests and the elders because they are not believing the teachings of John the Baptist. He warns them that tax collectors and prostitutes, who do believe John, will enter the Kingdom of God before them.
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EVENTOS DE LA SEMANA DEL 1 AL 8 DE OCTUBRE

Domingo 1 de Octubre: Segunda Colecta para ayudar con el Mantenimiento y Reparaciones.
Jueves 5 de Octubre: Exposición y Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento en la Iglesia a las 7:30 pm.
Sábado 7 de Octubre: Taller de Liturgia en el Salón parroquial.
Domingo 8 de Octubre: Segunda Colecta para el Periódico Católico de Nueva York.

VIGÉSIMO SEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Hay un himno religioso en inglés que a veces se ha traducido así al español: “¡Oh, cuando los santos vayan 
marchando, cuánto quisiera, Señor, estar entre ellos!” Y no hay mejor estación que el otoño, cuando la 
naturaleza muere poco a poco ante nuestros propios ojos, para recordarnos que más tarde o más temprano 
todos tendremos que marchar en ese desfile. ¿Esperamos estar entre los primeros del desfile? ¿Recuerdan el 
reto de Jesús durante el invierno pasado y a los comienzos del Tiempo ordinario: “Sean perfectos como su 
Padre celestial es perfecto”?

El peligro surge cuando comenzamos a percibirnos a nosotros mismos como eminentemente aptos para estar en 
primera plana o destinados por favor divino para dirigir el desfile. Después de todo, nos encontramos entre 
aquello pocos que siempre tratan de decirle sí a Dios en un mundo donde tantos le dicen que no.

Pero con Jesús decir que sí no es suficiente; las palabras impresionantes no significan nada si no van 
ampanadas de la obras. Cualquiera puede cambiar en el reino lleno de gracia de Jesús, desde los 
cobradores de impuestos y prostitutas hasta los pecadores menos interesantes como nosotros. Aun los que han 
dicho que no a Dios, pueden arrepentirse, emprender de nuevo su camino y por fin hacer lo que les pidió el 
Padre. En el reino de Jesús la competencia debe cederle el paso a la cooperación, la disensión a la unanimidad 
y el egoísmo a la entrega desinteresada en favor de los demás.

¡Si tuviéramos “los mismos sentimientos que tuvo Cristo Jesús”, tal como lo describe Pablo tan dramáticamente 
diciendo que Jesús “se humilló a sí mismo”! Al final, Dios, que no sólo es justo sino que es la misma Justicia en 
sí, no impone el castigo, como dice Ezequiel, sino que respeta nuestra libertad, permite que nos juzguemos 
nosotros mismos y reconoce nuestros juicios.

AGRADECIMIENTO

Les damos las gracias a toda la comunidad por Participar en la Celebración Internacional, de manera especial a 
los Coordinadores y a todos los que pusieron las mesas representando los diferentes países, de la misma 
manera al DJ, a la danza y a los artistas que participaron en el festival. También agradecemos a todos los que 
comparon los tickets para la rifa del Televisor. El ganador de la TV inteligente de 60” fue el Sr. Luis Arévalo.

La cantidad recaudada de la Comunidad Hispana fue:
- En las mesas del festival $2532.00
- En la rifa de la Televisión $3327.00; dando un total de $5857.00.

La cantidad recaudada de la Comunidad Americana fue $638.00. Total recaudado $6497.00

Nuestra parroquia les invitan al Taller de Liturgia que se realizará el próximo sábado 7 de octubre empezando a la 1 pm y terminado con la Santa Misa de las 7:30 pm. Les pedimos su asistencia a todos los coordinadores y miembros de cada grupo/devoción. Y a su vez invitamos a toda la comunidad a este Taller que nos ayudará a nuestra formación espiritual. La donación es de $10 incluye la comida y habrá cuidado de niños. Para mayor información comuníquese con el Sr. Luis Coronel.
Gospel Today
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 21:28-32

The older son in the parable first told his father no, I will not work, but had a change of heart and went to work in the vineyard. When we make poor choices, and have a change of heart, God forgives us and lets us try again.

"‘I will not,’ he answered, but later he changed his mind and went.” -Mt 21:29
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