

I am most grateful for the outpouring of support and kindness on the occasion of my 40th anniversary mass of priestly ordination. I wish to extend my sincere thanks to all who were able to join me at last Sunday's anniversary mass and reception, as well as the support and prayers of many others.

I am particularly grateful to the Women's Society, Martha & Mary Society and the Columbiettes who coordinated the reception, and the many parishioners who volunteered their time both at the church and the All Purpose Room. Please know of my sincere thanks to each parishioners as you most generously gave of your time and effort in making the celebration so enjoyable for me and my family.

I am grateful to Fr. Francis and our Deacons who joined in celebrating the mass, as well as the support of my family, parishioners from St. Mary's and friends who joined our parish family last Sunday afternoon.

I celebrate 40 years of priestly service in a spirit of praise and thanksgiving to God, and in gratitude for the protective care of the Blessed Virgin Mary. I am grateful to Almighty God for all the many blessings received throughout my life, including being Pastor of St. Christopher's.

Thank You!

Thank You from Fr. Joe



First Reading: Genesis 14:18-20

Melchizedek, a priest of God, prayed that Abram would be blessed by God. He also praised God for delivering Abram's foes into his hands.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Paul describes Jesus' actions during the last supper. Jesus broke bread and said it was His body given for us, asking that we do the same in remembrance of Him. He then passed the cup and called it His blood. Jesus then asked us to break bread in this manner to remember His death until He returns.

Gospel: Luke 9:11b-17

Jesus spoke to a large crowd when his disciples asked that he dismiss the people to give them a chance to find food and lodging. Jesus asked the disciples to give the crowd something to eat, but they had only five loaves of bread and two fish. Jesus then blessed and distributed the food, which fed about 5,000 people. Twelve baskets were then collected from what was left over.

Sunday

Gn 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

Monday

2 Pt 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday

Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday

2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27

Thursday

2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34

First Friday

Ez 34:11-16; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7

First Saturday

2 Tm 4:1-8; Lk 2:41-51

Weekly Collections

First collection	\$ 9,584.00
(including online giving \$ 807.00)	
Last years collection	\$ 8,856.00

Attendance for last week 848

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. **WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SUNDAYS!!!!**
- 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**.

Masses

Saturday, May 28th

8:30 am Special Intentions - Vincent Botte
5:00 pm Charlie & Evelyn Asea
Louise Bulgarini

Sunday, May 29th

7:00 am Michael Renn
8:00 am Michael Paglia
Mary Torsiello
Lee Lanza
9:15 am Edward Callahan
10:45 am Pawel Galek & Lucja Galek
Tomek Binczycki
Clifford Decker

Monday, May 30th Memorial Day

10:00 am Alphonse Ingenito

Tuesday, May 31st

7:00 am Special Intentions - Vincent Botte
12:05 pm John Zimmer

Wednesday, June 1st

7:00 am Deceased Members of the Parish
12:05 pm Scott Ringel

Thursday, June 2nd

7:00 am Julia Ubiera
12:05 pm Rose & Nicholas DiVincenzo

Friday, June 3rd

7:00 am Carol Miller
12:05 pm Paul & Elsie Bangiola

Saturday, June 4th

8:30 am Constance Scaduto
5:00 pm Shawn Kuphal
Elaine Mulcahy

Sunday, May 5th

7:00 am Theresa Scott
8:00 am Clarence, Minnie & Craig Hall
Mary Torsiello
9:15 am Secundino Trinidad
10:45 am Angela Colleran
12:15 pm Delores Sesta

The Living Flame for the
Sanctuary Light will be
for the special intentions of
The Mola Family
for the month of June, 2016



*Please remember in your prayers all the departed
family and friends of St. Christopher's Parish,
especially: **Dolores J. Sesta***

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 June 13th @ 7:00 pm in room 101. Please call the rectory to enroll and for any other information you may require.*

Meditations

We constantly hear about the importance of a balanced diet and the benefits of eating proper foods. Our spiritual development also requires nourishment. There are many resources available to us: the Scriptures, spiritual books, people who are experienced in the spiritual life, and the Eucharist. Do you take time to nourish your spirit? Do you value the gift of the Eucharist? Do you stop to reflect on what it means to receive the Eucharist? Do you use the resources to nourish and deepen your faith? Consider your spiritual "diet" and how you might improve it.

*Every time, you eat this bread and drink this cup,
You proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes!
-1Corinthians 11:26*

On Memorial Day, May 30, 2016 there will only be **one** mass at 10:00 am. On this day the **rectory will be closed.**



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, June 7th at 7:15 pm in room 110.

Book selection for June: The light between oceans by M.L. Stedman.

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

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, June 4th 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. Dates: June 3rd & June 17th .

Bus trip to the Sands Casino, in Bethlehem, Pa. Date to be announced. Bus leaves St. Christopher's parking lot at 9:15 am on June 13th . 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 or Anne Purcaro at 973-887-5186.

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.

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 31st at 10:30 am

Wednesday, June 1st 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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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.

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.



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, June 9th at St. Christopher's Church, 1050 Littleton Road, Parsippany, at 7:30 pm in room 101.

Program: How to survive? Will I survive? For more information please call Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164.
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Department with persons with disabilities Mega 50/50

Support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and take a chance at a big cash prize by participating in this raffle! Volunteers and members of the Calabrese House Family will be selling tickets after the Masses a on June 4th & 5th. Tickets cost \$10.00 or a book of 6 for \$50.00. Last years winner took home \$11,000.00, the winning ticket will be drawn at the Department June 27th ,Weigand Farm Golf Classic and you do not have to be in attendance to participate. Visit www.dpd.org/weigand for more information about his fundraiser and cause.
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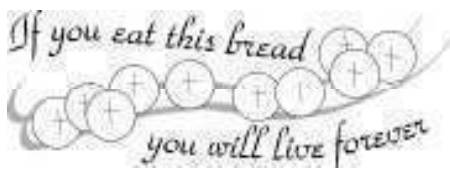
Lumen Center Program

Located in the Dominican Motherhouse on the Caldwell University Campus, One Ryerson Avenue, Caldwell, NJ 07006-6198

Tuesday, June 7, 2016

SILENCE IN OUR LIVES... CENTERING PRAYER - A PRAYER OF CONSENT

5:30 pm Supper; 6:15 pm - 7:45 pm Presentation
 Registration appreciated by June 2, 2016 Fee: \$25 - \$35
 To be and not to be - that is the challenge for most of us. We want quiet but when we have it we are at a loss how to deal with the deeper dimension of silence. Silence, which is the key to the contemplative side in each of us, that is the key to consenting to the indwelling Spirit..a path through centering prayer and beyond.
 Presenter: Father Carl Arico.



June 4th & 5th	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors
5:00 pm	The Lally Family	L. Bain M. Downing E. Lally E. Montefusco	J. Colleran
7:00 am	S. & I. Lalo	B. Carroll	C. Raman- cionis
8:00 am	The Valle Family	P. Luther L. Valle S. DeMaio	J. Valle
9:15 am	The Rankel Family	M. Cupo D. Giradelli B. & M. Pactwa	M. Morales
10:45 am	T. & D. Metcalf A. Apro	Visit: C. Metcalf B. & F. Zemo	C. Mosiello
12:15 pm	The Marsh Family	S. Marsh R. Parkes J. & L. Reinke	E. Shabet

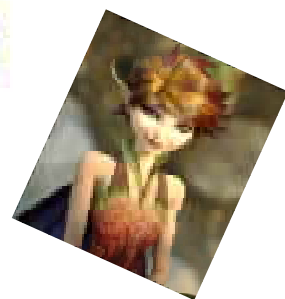
ALL SAINTS ACADEMY CORNER
Registration for Middle School -
September 2016

All Saints Academy welcomes all prospective middle school students and their families that seek the academic, spiritual and social opportunities that exist uniquely in our school community. All Saints Academy is a nationally recognized STEM school of the Diocese of Paterson. Our school offers a comprehensive, multi-curricular, rigorous academic program, centered on values-based education. A strong and loving Catholic identity permeates the environment. A spirit of faith, respect and joy are evident in our school. In addition to religious instruction, students model Christian ideals through cooperative activities, spiritual and liturgical celebrations, participation in Sacraments, and service outreach. We sponsor an active chapter of the Junior National Honor Society (JNHS) for middle school students. Just recently, the school's JNHS was recognized nationally as one of five middle school programs with an outstanding service component, specifically noting our "Soles4Souls" collection project in the spring of 2015. An active parent organization lends partnership and support to the school community. Contact our school principal, Mrs. Judy Berg, at 973-334-4704, to schedule a tour and classroom visit in our middle school.

St. Christopher's Family Movie Night
is here once again, and we are very excited to be
presenting:



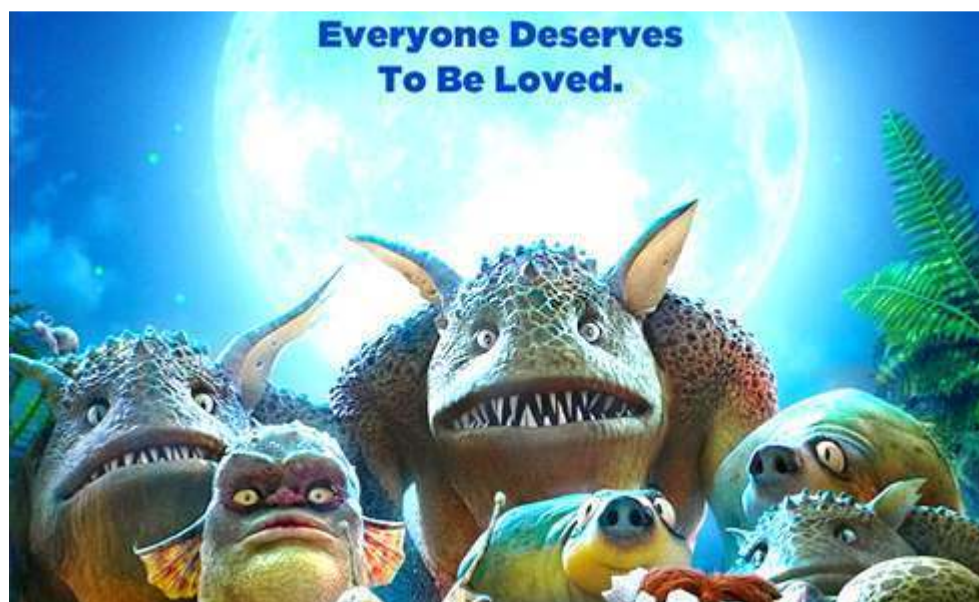
STRANGE MAGIC



on June 17, 2016

Ice Cream Sundaes will be served at 6:30 pm
with movie starting at 7:00 pm

****Remember to bring chairs****





St. Christopher Parish Vacation Bible School 2016

August 15th to 19th from 9:00 am to 11:30 am
CCD Office: 973-539-6208



All children Pre-K 4th to 5th grade as of September 2016 are eligible to attend. It is a week well spent learning about Jesus in a fun environment. It includes the life of Jesus for children, music, story time, arts and crafts, playtime, and snacks.

Registration: One child \$50.00, two children \$65.00, three or more children \$75.00

Please return registration forms by August 3, 2016 to:

**St. Christopher Parish
Vacation Bible School**
1050 Littleton Road
Parsippany, NJ 07054

Child's Name _____

Grade in September _____ Home Phone Number _____

Address _____ City _____

Emergency Contact Person & Number _____

Allergies (Please list all including food allergies) _____

Parent Signature _____



Private/Personal Information Sheet Kept in a Private File Cabinet

ST. CHRISTOPHER PARISH
1050 Littleton Road
Parsippany, NJ 07054

C.C.D. PROGRAM
Registration Form
2016-2017

Father's Name _____
(First) (Last)

Father's Address _____
(Street) (Town) (Zip) (Home/Cellphone)

Mother's Name _____
(First) (Last)

Mother's Address _____
(If Different) (Street) (Town) (Zip) (Home/Cellphone)

Child's Address _____
(Street) (Town) (Zip)

Home Phone _____ School _____

The Sacraments of Communion and Confirmation require a two year immediate preparation.

CHILD'S NAME	Date of Birth	CCD Grade in Sept. 2016	

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1 child \$70

2 children \$95

3 or more children \$115

****If possible, include the fee with your registration form. If this is not possible, please call the CCD Office and speak to Mrs. Jacisin or Fr. Joe.***

*****Parents: If the family is not registered at St. Christopher Church please add \$15.00 per child to the registration fee.***

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **ST. CHRISTOPHER CHURCH/CCD**

AMOUNT PAID _____ CHECK NUMBER _____ DATE ___/___/___

10 SIGNS OF A
SAFE PROGRAM
FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

1. **Screening** of staff / volunteers.
2. Adults trained in **safe environment strategies** and signs of abuse.
3. **Code of conduct** enforced.
4. **Open Communication** between parents and staff / staff and children / children and parents.
5. **Parents** always **Welcome**.
6. Children educated in **right relationships** & what to do if a relationship isn't right.
7. All children treated with **Dignity and Respect**.
8. **Clear Rules and Expectations**. consistent reinforcement / consequences
9. **Adequate supervision of youth**. team approach—accountability—no 1:1 isolation
10. All **abuse** is **reported**.

"If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor's Office and the Diocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator: Peggy Zanello at 973-879-1489. You may also be in touch with either of the Diocesan Response Officers: Rev. Msgr. James T. Mahoney, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, 973-777-8818 Ext. 205 or Sister Joan Daniel Healy, S.C.C., Chancellor/Delegate for Religious, 973-777-8818 Ext. 248.

The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan Web site: www.patersondiocese.org."