

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday, May 5th

8:30 am Christina Azares
5:00 pm Fray Scerbo

Sunday, May 6th

7:00 am John Wojcik
8:00 am Sophia Joy LaBruna
Betty Chorny
Brian Osterhout
9:15 am Christina Azares
10:45 am Linda Boscarino
Consolacion A. Arcilla
12:15 pm Virginia & Anthony Marotte
Benito Magbanua

Monday, May 7th

7:00 am Mrs. Slicker
12:05 pm Christina Azares
Anna Spring

Tuesday, May 8th

7:00 am Marianne Masiello
12:05 pm Christina Azares

Wednesday, May 9th

7:00 am Elisa Raimo
12:05 pm Anita & Anthony Natoli

Thursday, May 10th The Ascension of the Lord

7:00 am All Deceased Members of the Parish
9:00 am Elisa Raimo
12:05 pm Christina Azares
7:00 pm Benito Magbanua

Friday, May 11th

7:00 am Special Intentions for Healing -
Cheryl Lotito
12:05 pm Deceased Members of the Connor Family

Saturday, May 12th

8:30 am Msgr. Frank B. Ferraioli
5:00 pm Brother Thomas Rochacewicz, C.Ss.R
Patrick Vita
Deceased Members of the
Fernandez Family

Sunday, May 13th Mothers Day

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

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

*The Living Flame for the Sanctuary
Light will be for the special
intentions of:*

Kaneesha Vaz
for the month of May, 2018

*Please remember in your prayers all
the departed family and friends of
St. Christopher's Parish, especially:
Christina Azares, Elisa Raimo &
Marianne Masiello*



May 12th & 13th

Altar Server

5:00 pm T. & J. Carifi, A. Bauman
7:00 am The Rozanitis Family
8:00 am S. & A. Valle, C. Ocker
9:15 am C.J. Hilgendorf, J. Summa, A. Zecena
10:45 am T. Metcalf, T. Wyka, M. Villanueva
12:15 pm The Rankel Family

Eucharistic Minister

5:00 pm S. & S. Richards, J. & A. Rochacewicz
7:00 am B. Carroll
8:00 am L. Valle, C. Ocker, N. Gordon
9:15 am P. Gatti, D. Giradelli, E. Haynes,
B. Chmielewski
10:45 am The Arcilla Family **Visit:** C. Metcalf,
C. Mosiello, L. Copeland
12:15 pm J. Kobeszko, M. Pasuco, R. & L. Polanski

Lectors

5:00 pm C. Haney
7:00 am L. Pascale
8:00 am J. Valle
9:15 am A. Mogani
10:45 am J. Lucibello
12:15 pm B. East

From the Pastors Desk -

John 15:9-17

After so much teaching, conversation, walking and witnessing of miracles, the disciples still can't seem to understand where the kingdom of Jesus is. He points out once again that his kingdom will be in heaven, not on earth. Through it all, they hold onto their belief that Jesus has come to overthrow the Roman Government and to rule as a Jewish king over Palestine. One more time, Jesus tells his disciples that his kingdom will be in heaven, but that they will not be alone on earth. He promises them that the Holy Spirit will come to help, comfort and defend them, teaching them what they will need to know. When you have those moments of feeling lost and abandoned by those you consider loved ones, who do you turn to and what do you need?

2018 March Storm Collection

I would like to thank the many Parishioners that contributed to our 2018 March Collection. We collected a total of \$12,440.00. This was a tremendous help. Once again - our Family of Parishioners come through!

Weekly Collection

Sunday	\$11,516.75
(including online giving \$ 1,108.00)	
Last Year	\$10,896.00

Attendance: 712

Thank you for your generosity

20 Week Club

Our 17th lucky winners:

#150 Sam Moy &

#264 Gary & Christine Nagel

Congratulations!! Thank you all for contributing to such a very important fundraiser.

Religious Education

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

Baptism

*Our next **Baptism preparation meeting** will be on **May 14th @ 7:00 pm** in room 101. Please call the rectory to enroll and for any other information you may require.*



First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

Peter preaches to the Gentiles for the first time in the house of Cornelius. Peter realized that God would accept any person who acted uprightly, regardless of his or her heritage. Then the Holy Spirit descended on the Gentiles and Peter allowed them to be baptized in the name of Jesus.

Second Reading: I John 4:7-10

John advises all believers to love one another, for love is a gift from God. The person without love does not know God, whose love for us is so great he sent his only son so that we might have life through him.

Gospel: John 15:9-17

Jesus asks his disciples to live on in his love and to "Love one another as I have loved you." He explains that he chose them to follow him, and promises if they keep his commandments they will have anything that they ask for in his name.

Sunday Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17, **Monday** Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26—16:4a, **Tuesday** Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11, **Wednesday** Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15, **Thursday** Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20 Or in some Ecclesiastical Provinces: The Ascension of the Lord Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13; Mk 16:15-20, **Friday** Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23, **Saturday** Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28.

Reflections

The key message and command that Jesus has given to us is that we must love one another as he has loved us. What does it mean to truly love others? Do you have to have warm, fuzzy feelings to affirm that you "love" someone? Can anyone be excluded from our love? Read and reflect on the passage from First Corinthians, Chapter 15, verses 4 through 7. Consider how lovingly you treat others whether they are friend, foe or stranger.

AS the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Live on in my love.
-John 15:9

"Jesus said to his disciples, 'As the Father loves Me, so I also love you. Remain in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will remain in My love, just as I have kept the Father's commandments and remain in His love... This is My commandment: love one another as I love you... It was not you who chose Me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain... This I command you: love one another.'"

-HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Vocations Discernment for young men 15-25. "Quo Vadis—Where are you going?" It is time to share our faith and meet other young men seeking God's will. Quo Vadis will be held on June 27th –29th at St. Mary's Abbey Retreat Center in Morristown, NJ. There is no cost. For more information and/or register contact Fr. Edgar Rivera and David Monteleone in the Vocations Office at 973-777-8818, ext.711, by email:revedgar@patersondiocese.org.

Parish Activities

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 morning adult education at 10:30 am room 110. New Topic: Pope Pius XII

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St. Christopher's has a Pre-Cana Program, for more information please call the rectory at 973-539-7050.

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St. Christopher's Prayer Group

Will be every Tuesday, at 10:30 am and every Thursday, after 12:05 pm Mass

Pray the Rosary every Monday – Friday after the 12:05 pm Mass.

Miraculous Medal Novena & Rosary will be at 12:30 pm every Monday at St. Christopher.

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St. Christopher is hosting the 2000 Hail Mary Devotion, to our Blessed Virgin Mary, every First Saturday of every month. Please join us on June 2nd, 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. For details call Josie Mendez (973) 887-7835 or Jeanette East (973) 334-8766.

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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.

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

St. Paul Inside the Walls...

For programs and events and to register visit www.insidethewalls.org or call (973) 377-1004

The Pope Francis Society

Our program helps 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".

Food List: Peanut butter, pasta, spaghetti sauce, juice, canned corn, baking mixes, mustard, ketchup, dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, toothpaste, deodorant, cold cereal, granola bars, cookies, crackers, tuna, Chef Boyardee, canned chicken meat, canned fruit, shelf stable milk, bath tissue, facial tissue, paper towels.

Pancake mix, pancake syrup, tea, coffee (ground or instant), soup, rice, canned beans (any variety), jelly, macaroni & cheese, side dishes (rice-a-roni, pasta sides, etc).

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

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: **To be announced.**

Bus trip to the Sands Casino, in Bethlehem, Pa. Bus leaves St. Christopher's parking lot at 9:15 am. Date: **May 14th.** 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.

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.

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St. Christopher Women's Book Club

Join us for our next book club meeting which will be on Tuesday, June 5th at 7:00 pm in room 110. Delicious refreshments are always served, as well as a very animated discussion about the books. Definitely a fun time! The new book selection **Beware the Past - by Joy Ellis.**

Hope to see you there, new members are always welcome.

Soft yoga for hard times at St. Christopher

Every Thursday from 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm in room 110. Come and experience for yourself the wonderful range of healthy benefits that yoga and meditation can offer you.

For more information including price, contact Penny Proserpi, who is the yoga instructor at pprosperi51@gmail.com.

Parish Activities

* The Compassionate Friends, a self help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents will be meeting on Thursday, May 10th at St. Christopher's Church, 1050 Littleton Road, Parsippany, NJ., at 7:30 pm in room 101.

Program: How to handle upcoming celebrations (Please bring in photo of your child).

For more information call Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164.

* **The Woman's Society** will meet on Monday, May 7th at 12:45 pm in room 101 in the school, following the 12:05 Mass in Church. This will be our Ice Cream Social along with a general meeting. A payment of \$23.00 must be made at this meeting for our luncheon next month at Bruno's, June 12th at 1:00 pm. The meeting is open to anyone who wishes to attend. Refreshments will be served.

***Catholic War Veterans of America**

Memorial Day Poppies Fundraiser

Members of the Army Chaplain Fr. Charles Watters, Parsippany Post 1967 will be offering Memorial Day Poppies after all the Masses on May 12th & 13th. Honoring America's war dead by wearing poppies is traditionally done every Memorial Day. Funds raised will help the Parsippany War Veterans Post continue to assist our local veterans, our local parishes and our local Catholic men's & women's organizations.

* Next Week, we will take the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on margins of society, including victims of war, oppressions, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

* English Church Music Concert

The music ministry of St. Catherine of Siena Church and many special guest singers and instrumentalists will be presenting a *free* concert of English church music on **Sunday, May 20th at 3pm** in the sanctuary of the church. The concert will include such great composers as Purcell, Stanford, and Vaughan Williams. The concert will conclude with the lively and festive Gloria (complete with brass ensemble) from modern English composer John Rutter. Save the date on the calendar—it will be quite the treat. All are welcome to this free event. Located at 10 N Pocono Rd, Mountain Lakes, St. Catherine's has ample parking and is accessible for all people.

St. Christopher's Second Hand Rose Thrift Shop

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

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 the Church

**Due to the extensive amount of inventory we have, we will not be accepting any merchandise until further notice.
For more information call 973-713-4939**

Come join us for ...



St. Christopher's



Friday, May 18, 2018 at 6:30 pm
in the All Purpose Room.



Hot dogs and refreshments will be available for purchase with free snacks for the kids.

Game Night fun includes Kids Bingo and a kid's tricky tray.





Drac's pack is back for family movie night at St. Christopher's

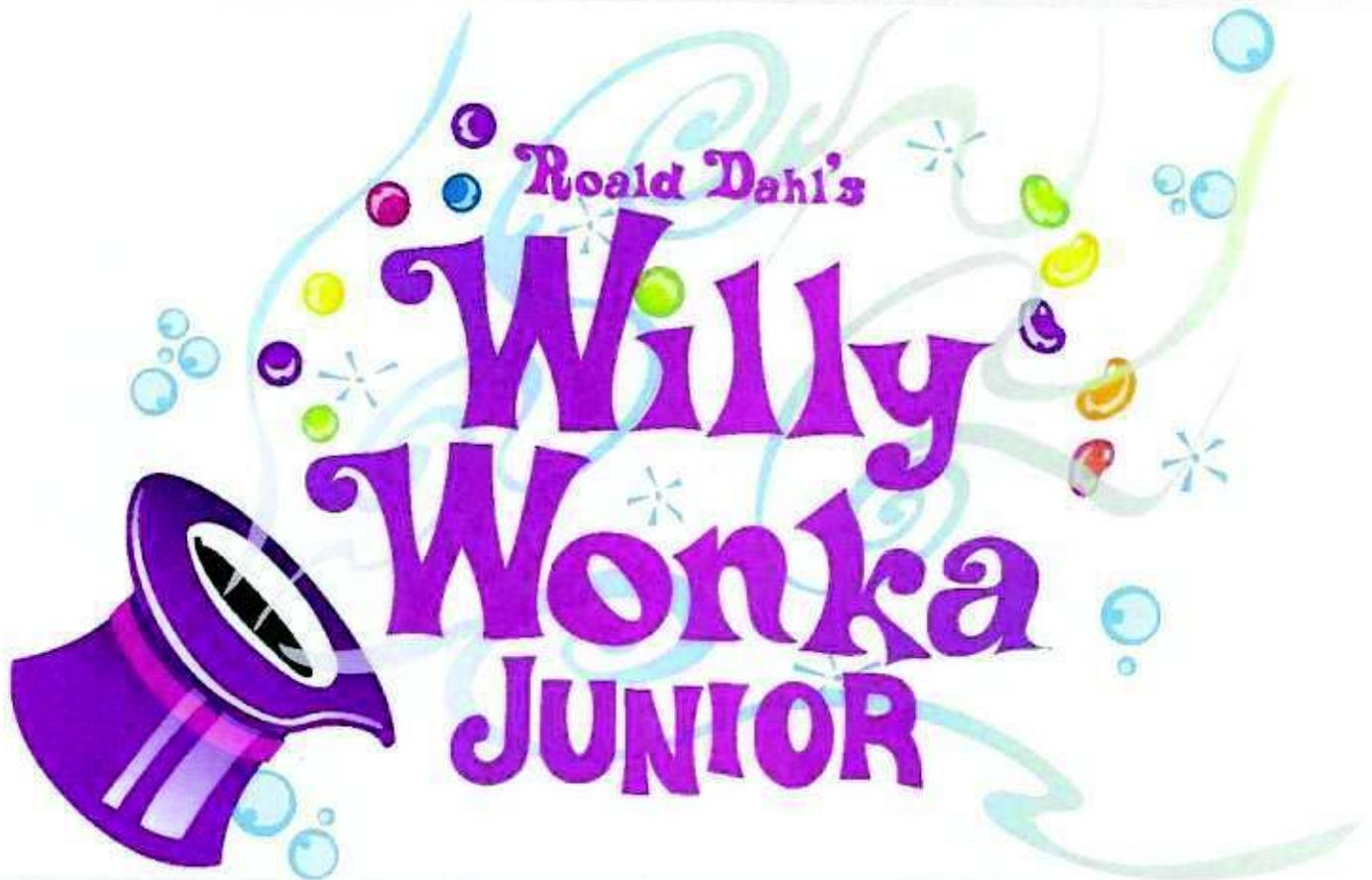
on June 15, 2018

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

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



ALL SAINTS ACADEMY
PRESENTS



May 17th & 18th, 2018

7:00 P.M.

Tickets \$10.00 each

Location - All Saints Academy Gymnasium
Please contact school office for tickets 973-334-4704