

From the Pastors Desk - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Located on the campus of the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana, the Basilica of the Sacred Heart is considered one of the most beautiful churches in the United States. It is the mother church for the Congregation of the Holy Cross in the United States, as well as the oldest parish founded and still staffed by the congregation. Located in the basilica's basement is the Bishop's Museum, containing artifacts from the U.S. bishops dating back to the 1800's.

In 1870, construction began on the basilica, which is built in the shape of a cross. The first Mass was celebrated here on the feast of the Assumption, August 15, 1875.

On January 17, 1992, the church was designated a minor basilica by Pope John Paul II. The honor of "minor basilica" is given to a church in recognition of its historical importance or significance as a place of worship.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

First Collection	\$12,001.75
Scholarship Fund	\$ 1,154.50
Last Year	\$ 11,074.00

Attendance 837

Thank you for your generosity

9th Annual Mega 50/50 Raffle winners.

**# 236 - Angela Calabria - \$3,662.50, # 305 John Reinke - \$2,930.00 and
#50 Cristina Stewart- \$732.50.**

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to all who participated in our important fundraiser.

Religious Education

If you have any questions concerning our Religious Education/CCD program, including communion and confirmation dates, please call Mary Ann Jacisin in the CCD office from Monday thru Thursday at (973) 539-6208.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 22nd

8:30 am Chuck Molinaro IV
5:00 pm Walter T. Pasuco, 1st Anniversary

Sunday, September 23rd

7:00 am Deceased Members of the Parish
8:00 am Betty Chorny
Elizabeth Betty Shutta
9:15 am Edward P. McMillan
10:45 am Larry Eckel
Chuck Molinaro IV
12:15 pm Elsie Gallese
Julieta Banua

Monday, September 24th

7:00 am Trish Muscillo Franks
12:05 pm William Fagan

Tuesday, September 25th

7:00 am Trish Muscillo Franks
12:05 pm Diane Cavallo

Wednesday, September 26th

7:00 am Scott Pallotta
12:05 pm Cathleen Gruchacz

Thursday, September 27th

7:00 am Catherine & Fred Corcoran
12:05 pm Col. Paul A. Kelly

Friday, September 28th

7:00 am Msgr. Frank B. Ferraioli
12:05 pm Susanna Cipolla

Saturday, September 29th

8:30 am Elizabeth "Betty" Shutta
5:00 pm Larry Eckel

Sunday, September 30th

7:00 am Msgr. Frank B. Ferraioli
8:00 am William (Bill) Szmak, Carol Clark
Marie Lanza
Clarence, Minnie & Craig Hall
Salvatore Neglia
9:15 am Joseph Jacisin
10:45 am Fortunato Legion Perez
12:15 pm Helen Cooper

*The Living Flame for the Sanctuary
Light will be in memory of:*

Herbert Fagan

for the month of September, 2018

Rest in Peace

*Please remember in your prayers those who
entered into their new and eternal life in
Christ recently, especially:
William G. Divine*



September 29th & 30th

Altar Server

5:00 pm A. DeNino, T. & J. Carifi
7:00 am A. Rozanitis
8:00 am S. & A. Valle
9:15 am A. To, G. Harris, C. Hilgendorff
10:45 am C. Ocker, J. Vadakkedam, L. Taylor
12:15 pm The Imperati Family

Eucharistic Minister

5:00 pm J. & A. Rochacewicz, J. Sole, P. Allocca
7:00 am B. Carroll
8:00 am P. Luther, L. Scangarella, J. Mucerino
9:15 am C. To, S. Hilgendorff, D. & S. Kaschalk
10:45 am L. & M. Sostak, C. Ocker, C. Mosiello
12:15 pm L. & R. Polanski, B. & J. East

Lectors

5:00 pm K. Lucibello
7:00 am E. Shabet
8:00 am L. Pacale
9:15 am J. Rabadi
10:45 am A. Bilotti
12:15 pm K. Longo

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Baptism

Our next Baptism preparation meeting will be on October 8th @ 7:00 pm in room 101. Please call the rectory to enroll and for any other information you may require.

First Reading: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

Wicked people discuss their anger at the just one, because they do not like being reproached for their evil ways. They want to see if he is the Son of God, so they decide to torture him and see if God will come to defend him. They decide to condemn him to a shameful death and see if the claims are true that God will take care of him.

Second Reading: James 3:16—4:3

James discusses the importance of avoiding jealousy and strife. People should strive for peace and justice instead of concentrating on material pleasures which can tempt people to sin to obtain whatever they desire.

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

Jesus again attempts to prepare his disciples for his death and resurrection, although they do not yet fully understand. They had been arguing over who was the most important one, but Jesus tells them whoever wants to rank first must be willing to remain a servant to all. He also tells them that anyone who welcomes a child in his name welcomes both him and God.

Sunday

Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37

Monday

Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9

Friday

Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Jn 1:47-51

Let us pray for the safety of the following members of St. Christopher Parish who are actively serving in the military:

2LT. Sean Arcilla, PVT. Shane Arcilla, PFC. Cormac Bradley, CPT. Liam Connor, LTJG Megan Costello, PFC. Patrick DeBenedette, LCPL. Michael Del Russo, J. Fortes, OP. SPEC. S. Gross II, PVT. Ryan Jandora, SGT. Lauren L. Ferrel, Capt. Luis Marti, Capt. Michael A. Piccini, Michael Simoni, SPEC. Cory Therriault



If you know of any St. Christopher's parishioner who is currently serving in the military and would like them added to this list please contact the rectory (973) 539-7050.

What do you pray for? There is a joke about a man who kept praying to win the lottery. Finally the Lord said, "At least buy a ticket!" It is good to pray about our needs and concerns; but we also need to do our part. Praying that God will change the person who is annoying us is to miss the point. Our prayer should be for understanding, patience, and the wisdom to see what we need to change within ourselves. Instead of praying for that salary increase, perhaps we should be praying to do our job well, to become better steward of our resources, and grow in appreciation of what we do have. Consider your prayers and what you do to help those prayers get answered.

*Behold, God is our helper; the Lord sustains my life.
-Psalm 54:5*

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.

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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 **October 6th**, 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 advised.**

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

Our book club is resuming on Tuesday, October 2nd at 7:00 pm in room 110. Refreshments will be served, and they are delicious!! **October book selection: Beartown by Fredrik Backman.**

November book selection: A place for us by Fatima Farheen Mirza.

Hope to see you there, give it a try, I am sure you will want to join, 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 Prosperi, who is the yoga instructor at pprosperi51@gmail.com.

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings, and grandparents will be meeting on Thursday, October 11th, at St. Christopher's Church, 1050 Littleton Road (Rt. 202), Parsippany, at 7:30PM in room 101. **Program: *How to Survive; Will I survive?* (Photo sharing; bring a photo of your child).** For more information please call Lily Capriglione at: 973-568-4164.

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Welcome all knit and crochet artists and those who would like to learn! Materials and instruction provided. Projects can be made at home or with the group. Please join us at our meeting on September 25, 2018 at 1:00 PM in the Front office of the school. If you are unable to come, but are interested in participating, or, if you have any questions call Karen Longo at 973 267-3321 for information.

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2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal - Here I am Lord!

While there are many ways to give to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, there is a particularly beneficial opportunity if you are 70 1/2 or over and have an IRA. If you are in this category, the IRS requires you to take a required minimum distribution from your IRA each year. As a result, this distribution is added to your taxable income and increases the amount of the taxes owed to the government. However, instead of taking your required minimum distribution, you can instruct your IRA investment manager to donate this distribution to a charity such as the Bishop's Annual Appeal and this automatically omits this amount from your adjusted gross income. This tax benefit can be realized by all qualifying individuals, whether you take the standard deduction or itemize your deductions. This can be a significant benefit to you and a great way to support the work of the Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you are considering making a charitable donation using your IRA required minimum distribution, please be sure to first discuss this with your financial or tax advisor to make sure it is right for you.

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The Parsippany Health Department is offering a SMAC clinic to be held on Tuesday, September 25th from 8:30 am to 10:30 am. This is a blood test that will determine cholesterol, glucose, liver & kidney functions, blood count and more. Fee: \$21.00, for more information call 973-263-7160.

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Celebration of Marriage Retreat - September 28th - 30th at the Marianist Family Retreat Center located at 417 Yale Ave. Cape May Point, NJ 08212. This weekend is intended for couples married at least 10 years. It honors and celebrates the commitment of marriage. Cost: \$270 per couple (includes all meals, room, and program). Sign up online at www.capemaymarianist.org or call 609-884-3829 for more information.

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Silver and Gold Anniversary Mass - Couples, were you married in 1968 or 1993? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary during a special Mass to be offered on November 4, 2018 at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, NJ. Bishop Serratelli will serve as main celebrant on this joyful occasion. ***Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office at (973) 539-7050. The deadline to register is Monday, October 15, 2018.*** You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

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-Sept. 26th though Nov. 4th. Forty days to pray and fast in defense of LIFE, in front of Planned Parenthood, 196 Speedwell Ave., Morristown. Choose an hour. Email 44lifeus@gmail.com, or call 973. 627.1654.

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Prayer for Life and Dignity

Eternal God, creator and sustainer of life,
bless us with the courage to defend all life
from conception to natural death.

Bless us with the strength to respect all peoples
from east to west, from north to south,
so that we may truly follow the call of Jesus to be neighbor.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit.

Amen

(From Being Neighbor: The Catechism and Social Justice, USCCB, April 1998)

Upcoming dates to remember:

2018

September 28th	Family Game Night @ 6:30 pm
October 26th	Family Magic Night @ 7:00 pm
November 25th	Family Roller-skating
December 1st	Breakfast with Santa 9:00 am

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January 18th	Family Movie Night @ 6:30 pm
February 8th	Family Sports Night @ 6:30 pm
March 30th	Breakfast w/ Easter Bunny @ 9:00 am
April 7th	Mayo Theatre, Play @ 4:30 pm
May 24 th	Mega Game Night @ 6:30 pm
June 14 th	Movie & Ice Cream @ 6:30 pm

Religious Educations Dates to Remember

October 7th 12:15 pm Mass

The opening of the Confirmation retreat.

October 14th 9:15 am Mass

Inscription ceremony for all 9th graders who are preparing for Confirmation.

October 28th 9:15 am Mass

The Cross Mass for al 2nd graders.

Come join us for ...



St. Christopher's



Friday, September 28, 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.





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 17, 2018 — 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

Bill Roberts PGK, FDD
Paterson Federation Chairman



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FRIDAY, September 28, 2018

- WHERE:** All Saints Academy Gymnasium, 189 Baldwin Road, Parsippany
- TIME:** Doors open at 5:30 p.m. First game will be called at 7:00 p.m.
- TICKETS:** \$30/person includes 1 Bingo sheet for each of the regular games.

Additional sheets for regular and special games will be available for purchase at the event.

Tables accommodate parties of 8. Tickets are non-refundable. By law, no one under 18 may participate in BINGO games.

Patrons are encouraged to bring their own snacks & beverages. No food & beverages will be sold.

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All Saints Academy's DESIGNER BAG BINGO ADMISSION FORM

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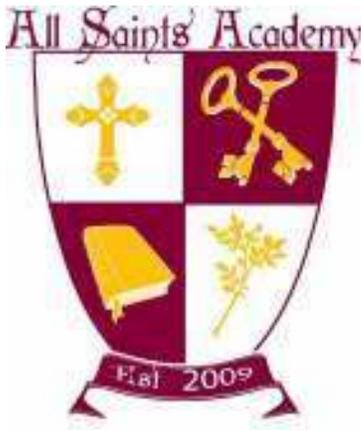
I am enclosing my Check # _____ for (number of _____ admissions) Total enclosed: \$ _____

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All Saints Academy Beefsteak Dinner

Saturday, October 13, 2018

6:30 PM - 10:30PM

St. Ann Church

781 Smith Road, Parsippany

\$50 per person

Includes: unlimited filet mignonette, thinly sliced bread, French Fries, salad, soda, coffee/tea, dessert

- BYOB-

Name:

Phone Number:

Email:

Number of tickets: X \$50.00 = \$

- Reserve tables of 8-10 guests.
- Groups of less than 8 will be seated with other guests.
- Include all guest names and complete payment (multiple checks are OK.)

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Make checks payable to **All Saints Academy**.
Please send form and payment by October 4, 2018 to
All Saints Academy - 189 Baldwin Rd. Parsippany, NJ 07054
Questions: contact Dara O'Dowd at 973-590-0638



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We Suggest picking an hour or two per week.

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