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The Parish Pastoral Council meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the River Chapel. Visitors are always welcome. To place items on the agenda, please contact Melissa Rumohr-Clark, President.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**Saturday + Sunday, January 23rd and 24th**

4:30 p.m. Anita Sbrochi by Fausto Sbrochi
 9:00 a.m. St. Christopher Parishioners
 11:30 a.m. Bill Brown by Pat Brown & Family
 6:00 p.m. David Montenaro by Cathy & Don Parker

Weekday Masses**Monday, January 25th**

8:30 a.m. Christine Kidwell by Pat Hutchison
 & Marlene Antolino

Wednesday, January 27th

6:00 p.m. The Souls in Purgatory by Vince Staley

Thursday, January 28th

8:30 a.m. Judi Cincione by Cincione Family

Friday, January 29th

8:30 a.m. Anne Hall by John Connor

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**Saturday + Sunday, January 30th and 31st**

4:30 p.m. John Losekamp by Bernard Losekamp
 9:00 a.m. Little Victor Batista by Pandora Porcase
 11:30 a.m. Mary Anne Ryan by O'Reilly Family
 6:00 p.m. St. Christopher Parishioners

Weekly Stewardship Report**Weekly Offertory Breakdown – January 17, 2016**

Total Envelope Count	103
Total Envelope Amount	\$ 3,526.00
Loose Checks #29	
Total Loose Checks Amount	\$ 1,518.00
Total Loose Cash Amount	\$ 1,495.00
Total Collection Amount	\$ 6,539.00
EFT/Automatic Contributions	\$ 13,421.23

2nd Collections:

Propagation of Faith \$ 1,212.00

Mass Attendance:

January 2 & 3	1,043
January 9 & 10	986
January 16 & 17	1,145



Congratulations to Seth Holway, Anthony Sanderell and Benjamin Wolfe for making the Honor Roll at St. Charles Preparatory School. Also a congratulations goes out to Alexander Holway for making Merit Roll.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 30TH AND 31ST

	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
4:30 p.m. Saturday	Debbie Petrella & Jim Woltz	Alyssa Petrella	Barbara Fink & Blanche Luczyk
9:00 a.m. Sunday	Lynn Sonderman, Sue & Bill Riesenberger, Cindi & Tom Schwirian, Larry Wilhem & Liz Elder	Joe Sonderman & Matt Tangeman	Luke Stottlemire, Lane Stottlemire & Marie Grassi
11:30 a.m. Sunday	Nubia & Jose Alvarado, Pat Brown & Volunteer	Kyle Takavitz & Susie Gershutz	Joshua Androsac, Cassandra Androsac & Aidan O'Reilly

ALTAR CARE FOR JANUARY: MaryTherese Croarkin; Linens: Becky Bohlman

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn during the month of January to remind us of the Presence of the Eucharist and for the intentions of Susan Carr & Barb McGhee.

FROM THE DESK OF MSGR. JOHN CODY

Dear friends and parishioners of St. Christopher Parish:

1. **First Penance** – I’m sure all of you will join me in congratulating our parish 2nd graders who made their First Penance this weekend, on Saturday morning.
2. **The Bishop is coming** – On Saturday, February 6th, at the 4:30 p.m. Mass, Bishop Frederick Campbell will be here to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to our parish 7th and 8th graders. We congratulate them and wish them the fullness of the Grace of the Holy Spirit as they complete their Initiation begun at their Baptism.
3. **BAA Pledge** – Thanks to all who have completed their BAA Pledge for 2015. There is still about \$10,000.00 of pledges not yet paid. I would greatly appreciate it if those who have not completed their pledge would do so. And to all, thank you for supporting this annual fund drive that funds the activities of the Diocese of Columbus, including the Tribunal, of which I am the Judicial Vicar! Your generosity is needed and appreciated!
4. **Year of Mercy** – Pope Francis is challenging all of us to devote ourselves to the practice of mercy. We tend to be hardhearted a lot, wanting severe punishment for everyone else but ourselves. Our Lord Jesus has said in Luke’s Gospel and elsewhere, “Be merciful as your Father is merciful.” This involves a change of heart on our part, and a willingness to forgive and forget – especially when there are people who have hurt us. Being merciful does not mean that we let everyone get away with anything. But it is a challenge for us to reconcile with one another and to allow people to learn from their mistakes. The woman caught in adultery, Zacchaeus in the tree, and the other sinners who were outcasts in society found a friend in Jesus. We too should be ministers of reconciliation. One excellent way to observe this Holy Year is to give emphasis to the works of mercy. In case you have forgotten them, here they are:

Corporal Works of Mercy:

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| Feed the hungry | Shelter the homeless |
| Give drink to the thirsty | Visit the sick and imprisoned |
| Clothe the naked | Bury the dead |

Spiritual Works of Mercy

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| Admonish sinners | Instruct the uninformed |
| Counsel the doubtful | Comfort the sorrowful |
| Bear wrongs patiently | Forgive offenses |
| Pray for the living and the dead | |

If we devote ourselves to practicing these, we will go a long way to observing the Holy Year in a fitting way.

5. **Evangelization – Bring a friend or family member to Church!** Evangelization is a big word that simply means: “handing on the faith.” In the past, we relied on the professionals to do this, the priests, brothers and sisters in religious life. With the diminishing numbers of the clergy and religious, and the increasing number of Catholics, the laity must get involved in this effort. The New Evangelization, much spoken of in today’s Church, has to do with outreach to nonpracticing Catholics. All of us know some who, for whatever reason, do not practice their faith. Sometimes, all it takes is an invitation to church with us that gets them back on track. Would that all would know the strength and comfort we receive through the Sacraments of the Church. Issue that invitation to someone you care about today! Come home to the Church in 2016!

6. **Second Collections:** January 30 & 31: St. Vincent de Paul collection
7. **Pray for Our Servicemen and Women – Captain Justin Habash, son of Matt and Diane; Captain Brian Borkowski, brother-in-law of Linda Wolfe; Major Shawn Walrath, grandson-in-law of Bill and Betty Tyznik; Pvt. E3 Corey Vail, Army; John Weinheimer, grandson of parishioner Miriam Blanchard, is in the Navy; Cpl. Kevin Kelly; Lt. Evan Kelly; Major Nicholas Joseph Ervin son of Mary Ervin; Staff Sgt. T.J. Grennell (Afghanistan); Andrew Eugene Flowers; Lt. Col. Mark Mauri; Specialist Ryan Geoit, grandson-in-law of Bob & Joanne Girardi; Captain Stephen Hueckel; 2LT Cameron Bowling; Sgt. Robert Russell; Captain William Cahill; Private First Class Tyler Mark Morris, grandson of Angie Morris; Lt. Commander Colin Kane; 2nd LT David Valentino & wife, 2nd LT Melissa Valentino, USAF, grandchildren of Dominic & Flora Valentino.** Please pray for them and forward to us any names of servicemen/women related to or friends of parishioners, so that we may remember them in our prayers.

God bless,
 Msgr. John K. Cody, Pastor




REMEMBER OUR SICK AND HOSPITALIZED IN YOUR PRAYERS – Paula Bassett, Jaime Berry, Linda Boyd, Billy Jo Brink, Miriam and Danny Casey, Becky and Tommy Colcord, Margaret Dawson, Henry Drayer, Betty and Mark Evans, Frances Fitzgerald, Pauline and David Hawkeye, Patty Human, Sue Johnson, “Jonesy,” Mary Elizabeth Koehl, Anna Belle Marshall, Jean Montenegro, The Moore Family, Theresa J. Nardone, Linda Olvera, Mila Orbovich, Teddy Petry, Antoinette Pratsinakis (Daughter of Nancy Figliola and Granddaughter of Pat Brown), Anna Reed, Danny Reeds, Amanda Rich, Teri Ruzicka, Denise Schumaker, George Simcox, Mary Slone and Family, Jacob Timms, Isabelle Whitley, Whitmore Family, Fred Wilcox and Mary Yingst.

TRINITY SCHOOL NEWS



Trinity Catholic Elementary School is accepting registrations for its two full day Kindergarten classes for the 2016-2017 school year. Our wonderful school has small class sizes and a family atmosphere. Tours available at the school every day. Contact Principal Jim Silcott at jsilcott@cdeeducation.org or at 488-7650 for more information.

Trinity Catholic Elementary School is looking for eighth grade graduation pictures from the old St. Christopher and Our Lady of Victory schools to put on our walls in order to showcase the history of Catholic education in the Tri-Village area since 1922. We will make copies and return pictures to you in a timely fashion. Please contact Principal Jim Silcott at 488-7650 at the school or at jsilcott@cdeeducation.org with your precious photographs. Also looking for sports team pictures, pictures of faculty/administrators or other historical photographs – Thank you!



Help is needed – Our Linda is in need again, if someone could help her. She nearly cut 3 fingers off at her job and cannot work until they heal. She could really use a bus pass and a gift card for food. Plus, a blanket. Thank you so much. Questions? Call Elaine DiSalvo.

LastCall Mass

Sunday, January 31st • 6 o'clock

Celebrant

Msgr. John K. Cody

Lector

Jacob Lammers

Sacristan

Kathy O'Neill

Eucharistic Ministers

Alisa Vidulich, Mallary St. John, Kathy O'Neill,

Nancy & Jim Joseph

Greg Bergmann & Lauren Dull

Servers

MaryEmma MacLeod & Zelma Hutton

Time, Talent and Treasure +++ We Thank you for sharing

REGISTRATION AT ST. MARGARET OF CORTONA FOR TRINITY PRESCHOOL CLASSES FOR 2016-2017

Preschool begins in September 2016:

Age 3 classes are on Tuesday and Thursday Morning

Age 4 classes are on Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning.

Age 4 & 5 classes are on Monday through Friday afternoons.

There will be registration and Open House at the St. Margaret of Cortona Borrelli Center on Sunday, January 24th, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. For any questions on the program, please call the director, **Linda Broderick** at **(614) 274-1922** or email her at **lbroderi@cducationorg**. If you have any other question about the announcement, please contact Barbara Maiberger, St. Margaret Church, at **614-279-1690**.



High School Youth Group

Join us in helping those in need this summer!

Teens currently in **grades 8-12** may participate in this 5-day mission trip within the Diocese of Columbus.

Interested in spending just a few days out of your busy summer helping others? Parents, come to an information session Sunday, January 24 at 7:10 p.m. (after Last Call Mass) in the St. Albert Room to find out more! The trip will take place July 10-14. Questions? Contact Alyce Horwat at **christopheryouth@aol.com**.

Adults who enjoy working with teens to accomplish painting, gardening, construction, or repair tasks are also needed to make this trip a success. If this sounds like you, please join us at the information session.

Upcoming Events:

January 24 – Youth Group, meet in Cafeteria, 7:10 p.m.

January 24 – Mission Trip parent/adult information meeting, St. Albert Room, 7:10 p.m.

February 6 – Sub making in Cafeteria, 9:00 a.m.

February 7 – Super Bowl Sub Sale at all Sunday Masses

Annual Catholic Man of the Year Luncheon Scheduled!! The Catholic Men's Luncheon Club – together with Bishop Frederick F. Campbell – will recognize Mr. Jeff Bernard of St. Matthew Parish Gahanna as Catholic Man of the Year for the Diocese of Columbus on Friday, February 5th! Mark your calendar and plan to participate in this popular and inspiring luncheon event to be held at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus! Mass (optional) at 11:45 a.m.; luncheon begins 12:15 p.m.; adjournment around 1:15 p.m. Reservations not needed, but please bring \$10.00 to cover the lunch and meeting costs. Questions? Contact Tim Merkle at **(614) 476-0739** or at **htm@ejhlaw.com**.

Mercy Changes Everything!

“Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven.” – Pope Francis

Columbus Catholic Women's Conference

FEBRUARY 20, 2016 ~ 8:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

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The day begins with Mass followed by a day of inspiration. Hear the testimony of an Atheist Convert, Jennifer Fulwiler. Enjoy the beautiful music of Sarah Kroger. Fr. Cromley will inspire us all to evangelize our great Catholic Faith and Sonja Corbitt's vivid speaking style will encourage all of us to grow closer to Christ. Of course the day will include the powerful sacrament of Confession as well as intimate time in Adoration. Please Join over 2,000 women of the Columbus Catholic Diocese. You won't regret it! <http://www.columbuscatholicwomen.com/>. Contact: **Dee Dee Monaco** at **dmonaco@columbus.rr.com**.



Hurry! Hurry! Time and space is limited, so register now for Jeff Cavin's new 8-week Bible Study "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible." (This study is a replacement study for his popular "Journey Through the Bible.")

Classes start on Thursday, February 4 and will meet in the Trinity School library from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

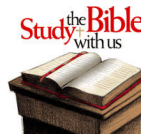
\$20.00 for the workbook will be collected at the first class.

For more information, contact Dee Dee Monaco at [614-206-8540](tel:614-206-8540) or register by sending your name, email address and telephone number to dmonaco@columbus.rr.com.



Super Bowl Sub Sale: The Youth Group will be selling subs on Super Bowl Sunday, February 7 at all Masses!! Help support our parish youth group by purchasing a large, delicious sub for only \$5.00!!

If you don't want to purchase a sub for yourself you may purchase a sub to be donated to Holy Family Soup Kitchen. Just purchase a sub and place it in the cooler marked "Holy Family" and it will be delivered to the soup kitchen on Monday.



The Young Professionals will start their Lenten Bible Study on Tuesday, February 16th at 7:00 p.m. and will continue for the following four Tuesdays. We will be doing an in-depth study of the Mass and the significance behind it. The cost is \$12.00 for the workbooks. All are welcome. To sign up, please contact Lauren Dull by February 6th or for more information at **dull.36@osu.edu** or on the St. Christopher's Young Professionals Facebook page.



Parish Festival

FESTIVAL NEWS: PLEASE MARK THE DATE – JUNE 17 & 18, 2016

Thanks to all who volunteered their time, talent and treasure to make the 2015 Festival a great success.

Our 2016 Summer Festival will be June 17 & 18, 2016.

The next Festival meeting will be Tuesday, February 2, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Albert Room. Pizza will be provided, please join us and help support your St. Christopher Parish.

Volunteer opportunities will be posted soon.

Let's make this the best Festival yet!!!

The Sons of Italy is sponsoring and proudly presents Elvis and John Lennon, Walt Sanders as Elvis and Dan Moyer as John Lennon, Saturday, February 13, 2016/Villa Milano. Admission of \$50.00 per person includes Dinner. Prepaid reservations Only. Doors open 6:00 p.m./Dinner 7:00 p.m./Show begins at 8:00 p.m. For information and tickets, contact Sos at soscod@cs.com or [614-582-7366](tel:614-582-7366).



Adult Education on Sunday, in the library of Trinity School, 10:00-11:25 a.m. Suggestions or questions? Please contact any one of our committee members:

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Coming next: January 24, 2016, Cuban Adventure 2015: Come hear about the adventure of three St. Christopher parishioners, **Susan Allardyce, Elaine DiSalvo, and Blanche Luczyk**, who participated in a People to People Tour of Cuba. A brief history of the Catholic faith in Cuba including the visits of Pope John Paul, Pope Benedict and Pope Francis will be discussed. **Elaine** has been a member of St. Christopher's since 1984: "Cuba was stunningly magnificent and Susan and Blanche were the best traveling companions ever." **Susan** has been a parishioner since 1973 and considers the trip to Cuba one of her best experiences ever. **Blanche** has been a parishioner since 1985 and loves to travel, meeting people from all over the world.

Looking ahead: January 31, 2016, Sacred Architecture and Prayer: Using photos of local Catholic churches, we will discuss how sacred spaces can lead people more deeply into the mysteries of the liturgy and contemplative prayer. **Gina Switzer** is an artist with a BA in Theology from Ohio Dominican University. For the past three years, Gina, a Lay Dominican, has been director of RCIA at St. Patrick's in downtown Columbus. As an artist, she has studied iconography with a Russian master and classical realism under Shane Wolf of the Angel Academy in Florence. Her recent work is focused on Christological images for Paschal candles. Large scale paintings can be seen at St. Andrew Parish and at the Catholic Men's and Women's Conferences.



Columbus Theology On Tap
 Thursday, February 11th, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
 Speaker **Aaron Richards**,
 "The Gifts of the Holy Spirit"
 El Vaquero, on Olentangy River Road.

Contact: cbustheologyontap@gmail.com (no phone contact #). Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ColumbusTheologyOnTap/>.

World Marriage Day Celebration: Sunday, February 14th, "Love, Marriage, and the Meaning of Life." All married couples are invited to the Diocesan Celebration of World Marriage Day, Sunday, February 14th, from 1:30-4:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church, 414 E. North Broadway, Columbus. Dr. Andrew Sodergren, a Catholic psychologist with Ruah Woods in Cincinnati, will discuss ways to strengthen your marriage relationship, blending Catholic theology and insights from psychology. This will be followed by a Holy Hour for Marriage. There is no charge for the event but space is limited. Kindly RSVP by February 10th at <http://familylife.coldsdioc.org> or 614-241-2560.

St. Christopher's **HOMEBOUND MINISTRY** extends this heartfelt note of Appreciation to everyone for their role in helping to revitalize one of our traditions of baking cookies for our homebound parish family members. To Chris Lutmerding and Pandora Porcase for donating beautiful Christmas Tins, our Women's Club and parish bakers including but not limited to: Naomi DeCapua-Stanley, Sue and Steve Haninger, Lynn Sonderman, Clara DiRienzo and granddaughters, and Meg Wright for gifting us with your delicious homemade baked goods, to Linda Wolfe, PSR teachers and students for providing Christmas cards, ornaments, and fresh oranges, and to our Homebound Ministers for all of their steadfast assistance. Christmas Tins were delivered throughout the city and as far away as Maine. How awesome is that?! Thank you so very much for all of your assistance and for creating such wonderful Christmas Cheer!!! If you know of anyone who is temporarily or permanently homebound, please call our church office, inform any of our homebound ministers or contact Beljeania@aol.com, or call 614-315-1047.



St. Christopher's 40+ **MINISTRY** for all maturing parishioners will be enjoying their first outing and celebrating **ST. VALENTINE'S DAY** at **THE CAMBRIDGE TEA HOUSE**, 1885 W. 5th Avenue, where Grandview, Marble Cliff and Upper Arlington conveniently meet, on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13th, 10:00 a.m.** All are welcome to enjoy a selected menu of quiche, assorted scones, and pastries and of course Tea!!! Estimated cost is \$9.00-\$11.00 per person. (Gentlemen are welcomed and encouraged to attend.) Please RSVP by **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5th**. Contact: Beljeania@aol.com or call 614-315-1047.

"A Slavic Evening" St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church is having a dance on Saturday, February 6th. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance and \$12.00 at the door. You may purchase advance tickets by contacting Pat Papai at 614-457-0764. **BEFORE January 30th. Children 12 and under are FREE!** Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the dancing begins at 7:30 and goes until 11:00 p.m. Cabbage rolls, kielbasa, pirogi, beer, wine, soft drinks, etc., will be available for sale. Music is provided by the Tom Katrenich Orchestra and there will be a special presentation by Columbus' Croation Dance Troupe "Selo." St. John Chrysostom is located at 5858 Cleveland Avenue, in Columbus. Come and join us in the music and dancing!

Landings: Welcoming Inactive Catholics! Do you know someone who might benefit from this program? Landings, a ministry of the Paulist Fathers and the St. Thomas More Newman Center's Reconciliation Team, is an eight week program geared toward welcoming returning and inactive Catholics. In this program a group of active Catholics, some of whom are "returnees" themselves, join with participants to share and explore their faith together. Landings offers a safe place to be listened to, a place for understanding and healing, and a place to ask questions. A new session of Landings will begin **Tuesday, February 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the Newman Center, 64 W. Lane Avenue, Columbus.** For more information, please refer anyone who may be interested to Bill Sparks at (614) 439-0038 or landings@buckeyecatholic.com.

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