

ST. CHRISTOPHER

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastoral Staff:

Rev. Abraham Panthalanickal Deacon: Jim Tucker

Mass Times

Sunday:

8:30am, 11:00am, and 4:00pm (Spanish)

Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday: 8:30am Wednesday: 6:30pm Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

<u>Communion Service</u>

Tuesday: 8:30am

Confessions

(in sunroom)

Monday, Thursday, Friday: 7:30am Saturday: 7:30am & 4:00pm Wednesday: 5:30pm Or by appointment

Adoration and

Benediction

Monday, Tuesday Thursday,

Friday and Saturday:

7:30am

Wednesday: 5:30pm

Parish office hours:
9am-1pm M-F
or by appointment. Please
leave a message so we
can return your call.



December 21, 2025

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel.

Journey to the Inn

PLEASE JOIN OUR ADVENT CELEBRATION TODAY AT 5:30PM.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Wednesday December 24th
VIGIL MASS
5:00pm

Christmas carols start at 4pm with adult choir then children's choir sings at 4:30pm
*Hot Chocolate and Cookies to follow

Thursday December 25th MIDNIGHT MASS

12:00am

*Wine and Cheese to follow

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

Thursday 10:00am NO INCENSE

HISPANIC CHRISTMAS MASS

Thursday 4pm



Thursday, January 1st

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

Holy Day of Obligation:

Adoration & Benediction

7:30am

Mass 8:30am

&

Adoration & Benediction

5:00pm

Mass 6:00pm

Wednesday 12/31 Mass will NOT be a Vigil

Office Holiday Hours this week and next week:

Mon thru Wednesday 9am-1pm Closed Thursday & Friday We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Joyful New Year!

Mass Intentions

Vigil People of the parish Sunday, December 21 8:30: Mr. & Mrs. Matt Dyer 11:00: Vivian Edmonds

4pm: +Petra Leon & +Maria de

la luz Velasquez

Monday, December 22 +Dottie Smith

Wednesday, December 24

5 pm Vigil People of the parish

Thursday December 25

All Masses: People of the parish

Friday December 26

+Rita Singer

Saturday December 27

+Geri & +John Parazinski

IT'S HERE!

The parish app is ready for download so you can verify your contact info and see your giving. Please ask adult children to register their own contact information.

Use the QR code or look in your app store for the Diocese of Nashville app. When the app is downloaded and opened the first time, you will be asked to enter the keyword for our parish.

Our parish's keywords: English: stchristopher Spanish: sancristobal



THANKS TO YOUR GENEROSITY, WE HAVE MET OUR PARISH'S BAAM GOAL! IF YOU HAVE NOT CONTRIBUTED YET, WE WILL HAVE A NEW GOAL IN 2026.

Birthday List

Sunday 12/21:

Emma Rose Horner, Sloane Hewitt, Anna Gorzny, Abel Cano Martinez

Monday 12/22:

Kennadi Miller, Judith Nance

Tuesday 12/23:

Stephanie Bowes, Miriam Fajardo, Alexandra Garduno, Berenice Garduno, Issac Joel Luna

Wednesday 12/24:

Kimberly Bellard, Robin Hudson, Melissa Medina, Andrea Rivera, Carol Wallick

Thursday 12/25:

Mary Carol Ambrose, Dylan Perez, Francisco Soto Duarte

Friday 12/26:

Benjamin Guerrero Rubio, Erin-Leigh Hennessy

Saturday 12/27:

Ever Antonio de la Cruz, Mikaela Brenner, Olga de la Rosa **Sunday 12/28:**

Jack Copeland, Jack Horan, Jennifer Rosales, Yuri Santos, Brooklyn Schoenly

Please help us keep our data current; if you see a name that shouldn't be here or we missed a name that should be here, tell us!

Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.



Congratulations and prayerful wishes to

Samantha Sanchez

on the occasion of your quinceañera





ST. CHRISTOPHER CATHOLIC CHURCH

Church Offertory:
December 14th Collection

Church: \$ 5,272.00 Hispanic: \$ 680.00 Online Giving: \$ 2,341.32

Total: \$ 7,613.32

Thank you for your generous contributions!

Retirement Fund for the Religious \$1,245.00 "God loves the cheerful giver."





Our Lady of Guadalupe \$912.00

Please join our Advent Celebration

on December 21st at 5:30PM.

Journey to the Inn

This event is open to all families of the Parish to sing Christmas Carols and retrace Mary and Joseph's Journey to the Inn through the Gospels (Read in English and Spanish)

Refreshments will follow in the Family Life Center.



Únase a nuestra celebración de Adviento el 21 de diciembre a las 5:30 p.m.

Este evento está abierto a todas las familias de la parroquia para cantar villancicos y recorrer el viaje de María y José a la posada a través de los Evangelios (Leer en inglés y español)

A continuación, se ofrecerán refrigerios en el Centro de Vida Familiar.





Our November donations totaled 10,251.76 with a large single donor donation specifically for Thanksgiving food for our neighbors.

May God bless everyone who helped with food and delivery of our December baskets. Also a special thanks to those who shopped for and delivered gifts made possible by another large targeted donation for families with children.

Next delivery date: Saturday, January 17

*Nonperishable donations may be placed in the boxes at the top of the stairs to the basement**

Please make checks payable to St. Vincent de Paul. Our PayPal account is sydpdickson1951@gmail.com. At Venmo use the "Friends & Family option via Venmo! @sydpstchristopher

"Charity is the cement which binds Communities to God and persons to one another \dots " St. Vincent de Paul



ADVENT WEEK FOUR: LOVE

During this final week of Advent we rejoice in the endless love that God has for us, which is made apparent in the birth of his Son. We reflect on the good news of God's love brought to us from the angel Gabriel.

TODAY'S GOSPEL

This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about.
When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph,
but before they lived together,
she was found with child through the Holy Spirit.
Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man,
yet unwilling to expose her to shame,
decided to divorce her quietly.
Such was his intention when, behold,
the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and
said,

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home.

For it is through the Holy Spirit
that this child has been conceived in her.
She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus,
because he will save his people from their sins."
All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said
through the prophet:
Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,

and they shall name him Emmanuel,
which means "God is with us."
When Joseph awoke,

he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.

Matthew 11:7-11

Parish Office

Secretary Teryl Plaisance secretary@stchristophercc.com

Bookkeeper - Amy Schoenly bookkeeper@stchristophercc.com

Religious Ed - Amber Gonzales religiouseducation@stchristophercc.com

Music Coordinator - Marisa Kryza musicministry@stchristophercc.com

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Parish Council

Chairman - Regina Webster websterreginam@gmail.com

Vice-chair - Tom Roche rochetom@comcast.net

Prayer List

Jim Anthony, Nancy Brownfiel, Margaret Chavez (sister of Lois White), Roger Durant (brother of Brian Durant), Charles Elston, Rose & Jerry Elston, Steve & Susana Freund, Linda Greene (Sue Zimmerman's sister-in-law). Blaine Hogan, Louise Hornick, Sherry Laws (daughter of Sylvia McCutchen), Logan Family, Robert McCutchen (Son of Sylvia McCutchen), Sydney Matt (family member of Lee Durant) Fatima Mora, Anne Marie Reyes (daughter of Carol Cupo), David Shoulta, Mary Jane Stark, John Suddoth,

Martha Williams (mother of Patsy DeVandry), Doug Zimmerman (son of Jerry & Sue Zimmerman)

Please message Teryl at secretary@stchristophercc.com or call the office and leave a message to retain, add, add back, or remove names.

Detailed or anonymous prayer requests received via the website will be put in the basket taken up with the gifts at Sunday Masses.

Mission Statement

We, the members of St. Christopher Church, are called by God to become a Believing, Loving, Caring and Welcoming Catholic Community. We commit ourselves personally and collectively to study the WORD of God and to proclaim the GOOD NEWS to the world. We gather together to celebrate the LOVE of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, which inspires and urges us to serve our brothers and sisters as bread broken for many. Filled with the knowledge and love of Christ, we go to the world as a CHRISTOPHER*, bearing the light of Gospel values. *Christopher means "Christ-bearer."

St. Christopher Prayer Almighty and eternal God! With lively faith and reverently worshipping Your Divine Majesty, I prostrate myself before You and invoke with filial trust Your supreme generosity and mercy. Illuminate the darkness of my intellect with a ray of Your Heavenly light and inflame my heart with the fire of Your Divine Love, that I may contemplate the great virtues and merits of the Saint in whose honor I make this prayer, and following his example imitate, as he did, the life of Your Divine Son. Moreover, I beseech You to graciously grant me, through the merits and intercession of St. Christopher, the petition which through him I humbly place before You, devoutly saying, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven." Vouchsafe graciously to hear it, if it is to Your greater glory and the salvation of my soul. Amen.



Sacrament Information

Infant Baptism: Baptism preparation classes take place in English and in Spanish as needed for parishioners who've been registered at least six months. Contact Father Abraham or Felix Leon (Spanish instruction) or call the parish office to register.

- •Confession: Confessions are heard every day before Mass during Adoration, every Saturday from 4:00-4:45 PM, and on request.
- Sacrament of Matrimony: Contact the pastor at least 4 months prior to proposed wedding date to receive marriage preparation. Couples must fulfill all diocesan regulations.
- Anointing of the Sick: Anyone who is at risk of death or old age can receive this Sacrament; please inform the Pastor if any parishioners are unwell.

Marriage Classes

Te quireres preparer para El Sacramento de Matrimonio. Ven arecibir las Platicas prematrimonia les en Espanol. Para mas informacion con

Antonio y Lidia Mota (615) 573-6960

For the Children

A children's cry room is open during all Masses. Please feel free to use it when babies and young children are in need of space or distractions. There is a wall flat screen where you can view the on going Mass (See directional signs on east side of church.)

O.C.I.A.

(The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) Anyone who desires to become

Catholic, or anyone, including,
Catholics, who would like to learn more
about the Catholic faith is invited to call
Deacon Jim Tucker to join his class. Please
contact Deacon Jim @ 615 446-8281 or
jtuck40@bellsouth.net or fill out one of the
forms at the church entrance labeled "

R.C.I.A Registration Form"