

## ST. CHRISTOPHER

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

713 W College St, Dickson, TN 37055 615-446-3927 www.stchristophercc.com



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

## Communion Service

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 14, 2025

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

# ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE Monday, December 15 at 6pm

To prepare for our penance service, you are invited to join us in the social hall to watch **Forgiven**, a series of 30-35 minute videos on Confession from FORMED.ORG

Monday December 15 at 5:30pm Episode tba

You are also invited to form a group to view at your convenience in the social hall; please schedule with the parish office. Sign up with FORMED.ORG for free using our zipcode 37055 and watch on your phone or tv anytime!

# **SECOND COLLECTION TODAY**Retirement Fund for Religious



Please join our Advent Celebration on December 21st at 5:30PM.

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.



## **Mass Intentions**

Vigil +Les & +Carol Berens
Sunday, December 14

8:30: +Joe Webster

11:00: People of the parish

4pm: +Catalina Martinez

Monday, December 15

8:30am Dawson Family

Wednesday, December 17

Julie Kuehler

**Thursday December 18** 

Kaaren Duckart

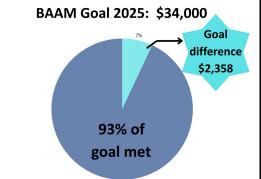
Friday December 19

Thomas & Helen Hughes

Saturday December 20

Richard Duckart





\$31,642

received as of 12/12/25



## **Birthday List**

### Sunday 12/14:

Angela Sanchez Felipe, Ashley Carrera, Alexis Martinez Meza,

Norma Soto Arteaga

Monday 12/15: JoDee Osting,

Tuesday 12/16:

Regina Webster, Maria Figueroa, Glory Farris, Anthony Garduno, Paula Broyles, Julie Kuehler

Wednesday 12/17:

Nathaniel Couterie, Heather Brann, Susanna Freund, Levi Hargrove, Anahi Gutierrez

#### **Thursday 12/18:**

Luz Krasinski, Joanna Mae Broyles, Lila Cole, Lindsey Cochran, Kaaren Duckart

Friday 12/19:

William Smart

Saturday 12/20:

Richard Duckart, Sue Stringfield, Ashley Albert, Paula Eleazar

## Sunday 12/21:

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

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!

## Lord, come and save us.



#### **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







May God bless everyone that helped with food and delivery of our November baskets. Please remember our neighbors when you shop for Christmas celebrations. Canned goods (meats or vegetables), cereals (rice or pasta), or your favorite side dish will make someone's Christmas special.

Donations in October were \$2770 plus one additional generous annonymous gift.

#### Next delivery date: Saturday, December 21

\*\*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 svdpdickson1951@gmail.com. At Venmo use the "Friends & Family option via Venmo! @svdpstchristopher

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

## THIS WEEK at ST. CHRISTOPHER

## **KNITTING MINISTRY**

Meets on Wednesdays
Call Susana if you are interested at (805) 276-2584

## **COMMUNITY ROSARY**

Thursdays in the church at 7pm
We pray in Spanish but all in the parish are
welcome to join us!
Contact Felix for questions:
(615) 454-1555

## **LECTIO DIVINA**

Renovación carismática
Te invita a orar y meditar la palabra de Díos,
siempre viva y eficaz La lection divina.
Veirnes 7 PM en la iglesia

## **HOMEBOUND MINISTRY**

If you or someone you know is in need of receiving Holy Communion at home, please contact Philip Brown, coordinator of the sick & homebound ministry.

Phil's email is on page 4.

#### The Heart of Our Mission

ALL MEN OF THE PARISH ARE INVITED

1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month
in the Parish Office, 7:15pm

The Heart of Our Mission







## ADVENT WEEK THREE: JOY

The Pink Candle represents the third week in Advent, this candle is called the Shepard's candle. Pink is the liturgical color for Joy. This Sunday is referred to as 'Gaudete' Sunday and is suppose to remind us of the Joy the world felt at the birth of Our Savior.

#### TODAY'S GOSPEL

Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John,
"What did you go out to the desert to see?

A reed swayed by the wind?
Then what did you go out to see?
Someone dressed in fine clothing?
Those who wear fine clothing are in royal palaces.
Then why did you go out? To see a prophet?
Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet.
This is the one about whom it is written:
Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;
he will prepare your way before you.
Amen, I say to you,
among those born of women
there has been none greater than John the Baptist;
yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than
he."

Matthew 11:7-11



\*\*Enights meet the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the basement of the church office 7pm.

12/21 - Journey to the Inn (will need volunteers to help set-up and clean up)

12/28 - Consecration to the Holy Family

## **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

**Sick & Homebound Ministry** - Philip Brown homeboundministry@stchristophercc.com

## **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"