

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 7, 2025

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see the salvation of God.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN
MARY
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8
Masses are at 8:30 am &
6pm (bilingual)

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

Tuesday December 9 at 6pm Episode 1
Thursday December 11 at 6pm Episode 2
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 anytime!

This week the Spanish community will have a two-day celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe beginning

Thursday evening.
All are welcome!

See schedules on page 2.



THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, DECEMBER 8



Mass Intentions

Vigil +Rev. Henry Baxa Sunday, December 7

8:30: People of the parish

11:00: Robert Schoenly

4pm: +Catalina Perea

Monday, December 8

8:30am +Mathai & +Theresa P.

6pm: People of the parish

Wednesday, December 10

+Dee Marshall

Thursday December 11

Christopher Hannum

Friday December 12

+Mary Laura Baltz

Saturday December 13

Roger & Betsy Edmonds



Church Offertory:

November 30th Collection

Church: \$ 4,606.00 970.00 Hispanic:

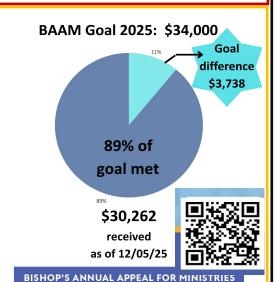
Online Giving: \$ 1,954.51

Total: 7,530.51

"God loves the cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians



Thank you for your generous contributions!



Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

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

When the app is downloaded and opened the first time, you will be asked to enter the Keyword for our parish.



pher's Church. Dickson TN 37055 Celebrando a nuestra Virgen de Rosario (en Gym 8:00PM-Danza 8:30PM-Bailables 9:00 PM- Mañanitas Mariachi 4:00PM- Hora Santa (en el v 5:00PM-Peregrinación 6:00PM-Santa Misa en el Gyn 7:00PM-Danza 7:30PM-Bailables y talento 8:30PM-Cena Familiar 9:30PM-Cantos de despedida

December 11

7 pm: Rosary

8 pm: Dance presentation

8:30 pm: Dancing

9pm: Closing music

December 12

6 am: Morning mariachi serenade

8 am: Rosary

9 am: Dancing

10:30 am: Talent presentations

Noon: Angelus

3:30 pm: Procession

4 pm: Rosary and offering of flowers

5 pm: Procession

6 pm: Mass in the gym

7 pm: Dancing

7:30pm: Dance and talent presentations

8:30pm: Supper

9:30 pm: Farewell with the choir

Birthday List

Sunday 12/7:

Charlie Edwards, Jahaziel Galeana, Kaylee Olayo-Rayes, Emelda Reeves. Martin Sander, Robert Schoenly, **Thomas Standley**

Monday 12/8:

Concepcion Curle, Paul Duckart, Misael Pedraza Sanchez

Tuesday 12/9:

Mike Bogard, Hayley Figueroa, Miguel Reyes Crispin, Terry Todd, Deacon Jim Tucker

Wednesday 12/10: none Thursday 12/11

Ivan Flores Aviles, Garrett Kight, Maria Guadalupe Reyes, Christian Tirado-Garduno

Friday 12/12:

Elizabeth Guadalupe Andrade, Xochil Andrade, Guadalupe Martinez Jasso

Saturday 12/13:

Carolina Figueroa Palacio

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.

Join us for our annual bilingual **Advent event** Journey to the Inn on December 21 after the 4pm Mass More info to come!





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 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

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

Our Lady of Guadalupe Rosary

Prayed Saturdays at 7 pm in the church by the Hispanic community in preparation for the festival of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 11 & 12

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.





ADVENT WEEK TWO: FAITH



The second candle, is purple and represents faith. It is called the 'Bethlehem Candle' as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

TODAY'S GOSPEL

John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea

and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!

I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I.

I am not worthy to carry his sandals.

He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

His winnowing fan is in his hand.

He will clear his threshing floor

and gather his wheat into his barn,

but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Matthew 3:1-2, 11-12



Knights meet the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the basement of the church office 7pm.

12/7 - Parishwide KC blood drive (please sign up to give blood after Mass)
12/13 - KC Christmas Party
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"