

ST. CHRISTOPHER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 Rev. Abraham Panthalanickal FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your Cross you have redeemed the world.

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

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.

O Father, we come before You with hearts full of gratitude for the victory found in the cross. May we always remember the joy that springs from Your sacrifice, transforming our sorrows into hope. Help us to embrace this divine love, sharing it with others, and living in the light of Your resurrection. Amen.

Venus in Jerusalem, and the dedication in 335 of the basilica and shrine built on Calvary by Constantine, which mark the site of the Crucifixion. More than anything else, this feast is a celebration and commemoration of God's greatest work: his salvific death on the Cross and His Resurrection, through which death was defeated and the doors

The feast of the Exaltation of the Holy

Cross celebrates two historical events:

the discovery of the True Cross by Saint

Helena, the mother of the Emperor

Constantine, in 320 under the temple of



OCIA (formerly known as RCIA) is the ADULT **FORMATION** class for those wishing to join the Church, complete their Sacraments of Initiation by getting Confirmed, or reconnect after an absence from the Church. Those just wanting to refresh their knowledge and commitment are also welcome to join. We are always looking for Confirmed Catholics to be sponsors for those joining the Church.

> We meet in the parish office at 9:45am on Sundays

UPCOMING EVENTS

to Heaven opened.

September 14: 1-8pm FLC Kermes September 13/14 Olive Wood sale see p.2 September 21: 2pm Women's Club Tea **Sunday October 19** Parish Picnic after the 11 am Mass until 3pm

Mass Intentions

Vigil Benjamin Hannum
Sunday, September 14
8:30: People of the parish
11:00: Nancy Brownfiel
4pm Kathleen Tetzlaff
Monday, September 15
Madelyn Kieler
Wednesday, September 17
Lyndi Ginsburg
Thursday, September 18
Rita Singer
Friday September 19
Ray Berens

The month of September is dedicated to
Our Lady of Sorrows - Feast day is
Monday September 15.
Reflect on the Seven Sorrows of Mary
and unite yourself to the suffering of
Jesus with her.



Here is the link to our electronic giving.

Please email or call the bookkeeper Amy for help to switch from WeShare to Push-Pay, which is integrated into our office software.



Do not forget the works of the Lord!



Saturday September 20

Hiltrud Compestella

Welcome to the Church
Santiago Ayala Perez



The Seven Sorrows of Mary

- 1. St. Simeon's Prophesy
- 2. The Flight into Egypt
- 3. The Loss of Jesus in the Temple
- 4. The Meeting of Jesus and Mary on the Way of the Cross
- 5. The Crucifixion
- 6. Mary Receives the Body of Jesus taken down from the Cross
- 7. The Burial of Jesus



Representatives from Bethlehem Christian Families (Wafa AlSahouri with The Shepherd And The Lost Sheep () are here to ask for your help and blessing for the native people of the Holy Land in Bethlehem. These families, sixty years ago, made up 18% of the population. Due to recent events in the Middle East, it has caused these families to face devastating economical strain, and caused the population to decrease to less than 1% in the Holy Land. These families have relied on the income from their religious hand carved olive wood artifacts to tourist. So we have come to the USA to try to help support these families by bringing their artifacts here to sell in the USA. All the proceed from sales will be send back to the families of the Holy Land so that they may be able to keep their homes and provide their families. The last few years were very tough for the

Christian families, and this is the only source of income .

https://theshepherdandthelostsheep.net

Birthday List

Sunday 9/14: Carrie Horzsa, Felipe Rivera, Theresa Schmidt Monday 9/15 Lydia Fasula, Eric Hatley, Mary Jones, Ethan Rogan, Adelyn Williams

Tuesday 9/16: Emily Antonio de la Cruz, Owen Bussell, Amanda Colin Contreras, Josue Mota, Ashtin Serna

Wednesday 9/17:

Valentina Correa Ramirez,
Dorothy Cunningham, Matthew Cyr,
Allyzon Ercambrack, Elia Gomez Lopez,
Emidia Navarro, Joel Newsom,
Maribel Ramirez, Marhta Ruiz,
Pauline Tripplett

Thursday 9/18: Cissy Byrne, Edwin Quintero, Eva Rosales

Friday 9/19:Rodrigo Colin Iniesto, Patsy De Vandry, Tommy Freno, Darren Guess, Jack Guttery, Tiffany Sanchez

Saturday 9/20: Margarita Aviles Vasquez, Emily Nava, Dana Rymer

Sunday 9/21: Shelley Normay Garcia, Mason Rosborough, Cristian Ruiz

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!

We occasionally have need of work or get calls asking if there is a parishioner who has a particular business; recently, for example, a request was made for an attorney who does wills. In order to help connect and support our parish family, we'd like to compile an office list of parishioners' businesses for referrals. If you'd like to be on the list, contact the office.

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all parishioners who were able to help with the funnel cake booth at St. Patrick's Irish picnic and at the Dickson County Fair. We were able to raise \$6,500 for St. Patrick Catholic School and almost \$14,000 for our Knights of Columbus programs. We greatly appreciate your help with these two fundraisers. Thank you.



Just a reminder that next weekend is the third weekend of September so there will be a second collection for the work of St. Vincent DePaul. Food baskets will be delivered next Saturday, September 20. Food donations are always welcome.

**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

55 & OVER

We meet on third Mondays in the Social Hall at noon, please bring a sack lunch and a drink, dessert will be provided.

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 our new sick & homebound ministry.

Phil's email is on page 4.



For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

John 3:16-17



The Dickson Catholic Young Adult
Group will have its first meeting
this week on

Tuesday, September 16

6-8:30 pm in the Social Hall.
Contact the leader, Jake Littleton
for more information.at
jakelittleton30@gmail.com



NEW MEETING TIME:

2nd Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. beginning in October

UPCOMING EVENTS:

9/21 - Exemplification of new Knights after 11 a.m. Mass (all Knights are encouraged to attend)

10/8 - Monthly business meeting at 7 p.m.10/19 - Parish picnic - Knights are needed to cook hamburgers, hot dogs, and french fries

Please contact Eric Kuehler at 706-338-7911 if you have any questions

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), Charles Elston, Rose & Jerry Elston, Steve & Susana Freund, Harold Goodrum. 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), Rita Seamon (family member of Lee Durant) 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"