ST. CHRISTOPHER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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DECEMBER 3, 2023 FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT Upcoming Events :

<u>Knights of Columbus</u> Potluck today after 11:00 AM Mass! This event is open to all



Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration

December 12

Call Anthony Mota for more information (615) 481-9791

Journey to the Inn

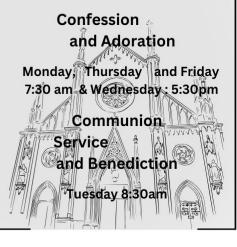
2023, December 17

Rosary every Saturday after the Vigil Mass in Spanish





Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am, and 4:00pm Monday, Thursday and Friday 8:30am Wednesday: 6:30pm Saturday Vigil: and 5:00 pm



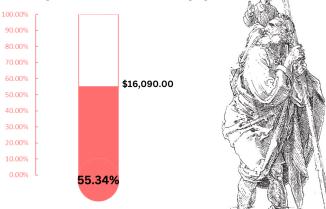
Prayer

Give me the grace, dear Lord, to turn away from the many noises of the world that compete for my attention and to turn only to You and to all You wish to say. Come, Lord Jesus, come into my life more deeply during this Advent season. Jesus, I trust in You.

Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation) December 8, 2023 Mass Times: 8:30 AM & 6:00 PM

| This Week | | 12/3/23-12/10/23 | |
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| Sunday December 3 Vigil Mass 5:00:+ James David Cauthen 8:30 AM: Emma Lois Plaisance | <u>Monday December 4</u> 7:30 am- Confession and Adoration 8:30 Am: Judi Young | <u>Tuesday December 5</u> 7:30 AM Adoration 8:30 AM: Communion Service | <u>Wednesday December 6</u> 5:30 PM: Confession and Adoration 6:30 PM: Helen Hughes St. Nicholas Day Feast day |
| 11:00 AM: People of the Parish 4:00 PM: Jose and Eva Herrera Birthdays: Matthew Allsbrooks Ernestina Rosales and Susan Smith. | Birthdays: Leonida Albert, Kelly Bates, Chelsea Bucio, Amy Fitzgerald, Simonne McEhiney, Paizlee Miller and Randy Reed. | Birthdays: Joseph Cauthen, Adriel Galeana, Ansley Stringfield, Braylon Vanhook and McKenna Vanhook. | (December 6) of St. Nicholas, the 4th-century bishop of Myra. St. Nicholas is the patron saint of Russia and Greece, of a number of cities, and of sailors and children, among many oth- er groups, and was noted for his generosity. |
| <u>Thursday December 7</u> 7:30 am- Confession and Adoration 8:30 Am: Thomas Hughes Birthdays: Charlie Edward, Jahleon Galeana, Martin Nigliazzo, Kaylee Olayo- Reyes, Robert Schoenly and Thomas Standley. | Friday December 8 7:30 AM: Confession and Adoration 8:30 AM: + Shirley Anthony Immaculate Conception Feast Day Birthdays: Conception Curley, Paul Duckart, and Misael Sanchez. | <u>Saturday December 9</u> 7:30 am- Adoration 8:30 Am: Julian Janik 7:00 Pm: Rosary Birthdays: Mike Bogard, Hayley Figueroa, Teresa Todd and Deacon James Tucker | Sunday December 10 Vigil Mass 5:00:Lois Plaisance 8:30 AM: The Intentions of the Knights of Columbus 11:00 AM: Christopher Hannum 4:00 PM: People of the Parish |

Bishops Annual Appeal



We need your help to reach our Annual Bishops Appeal Goal! Every dollar counts this December! We Appreciate your Generous Contributions and Support. Church Offertory:

Church:\$5,587.20

WeShare:\$1,382.95



"God loves the cheerful giver."

2 Corinthians

Thank you for your generous contributions!

Dear Saint Christopher, protect me today in all my travels along the road's way.

Give your warning sign if danger is near so that I may stop while the path is clear.

Be at my window and direct me through when the vision blurs From out of the blue.

Carry me safely to my destined place, like you carried Christ in your close embrace. Amen.

Gospel

'Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come.



MK 13:33-37 Mother's Group

Interested in connecting with fellow moms in our parish? You are not alone! Introducing the St. Christopher's Parish Mom's Group, an opportunity for mothers to build fellowship and support within our community. We hope to host stroller walks, bible study opportunities, and "mom/kids hangs", etc. We are just getting started and we'd love for you to join us! To learn more, reach out to Shannon Baudry at (615)332-4892 or shannon.baudry@gmail.com.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

12.5- Stuffing bags for SVDP society at 6:30PM Social Hall

12.16- **Christmas Party** with Guest speakers Mr. Daniel & Mrs. Michelle Schachle

Interested in joining the Young Adult Ministry? Call Christina Cesario @ (615) 970-2516

55& Over

<u>Women's</u> Club

1st

of the

month!

Meets every

Wednesday

Meet Every Third Monday at 12pm In the Social Hall bring lunch and a drink! Dessert will be provided.

<u>Journey to the Inn</u>

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) Please join our Advent Celebration on December 17th at 5:30PM. Refreshments will follow in the Family Life Center.



<u>Knights of Columbus</u> <u>Council 8241</u>

12/2 - Knights of Columbus annual Christmas party 12/3 - Parish-wide potluck lunch and monthly business meeting 12/17 - Journey to the Inn (parishwide event)

A special thank you to the Women's Club for helping set up for the Seniors and Singles Dinner! The dinner was a success and so much fun!



KNITTING MINISTRY

MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING AT 9:30am in the Parish Hall.



November donations: \$3,228.50 In October we assisted 15 families with rent/utilities totaling \$4,228.82 Next Collection December 10, 2023



Thank You to everyone who took the time and energy to put up our beautiful Nativity (Made by Rose Littrell)

ADVENT WEEK ONE: HOPE

The first candle, which is purple, symbolizes hope. It is sometimes called the 'Prophecy Candle' in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Messiah.

Parish Leaders

55 & Over: Rose Littrell 615 406-5938

Finance Council: Paul Hudson Chairman- 615 289-1630

Knights of Columbus: Josh Helton-GK 615-428-7060

Parish Library: Terri Thomas, Chairman-

615 330-0033 Parish Council: Dan Schachle, Chairman-423 991-2044

St. Vincent de Paul: Chip Fye, President 615-446-3927, ext 7

Women's Club: Diana Morgan, President -(615) 351-1591

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."

Parish Council

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Sacrament Information

- •Infant Baptism: Baptism preparation classes in English are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 PM and in Spanish on the second Saturday of the month at 6 PM. Contact the parish secretary for Baptism paperwork and to register for the class.
- •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.

Prayer List

Jim Anthony, Mark Beasley (son of Joyce Henning), Alvin Biggs (cousin of Sylvia McCutchen), Mike

Calvo, Margaret Chavez (sister of Lois White) Kaedence Clark, James David Cauthen(Son of Jayne and Joe Cauthen) Scott Davdison (Nephew of the Duckart Family), Dawn Davis, Dennis DeBlock, Leigh Durant, Mark Engele (son of Leo Engle) Charles Elston, Rose & Jerry Elston, Ben Fanta, Steve & Susanna Freund, The Friddle Family, Martina Fye, Mike Greer, Nick Hansen (son of Loretta Hansen), William Hargreaves (brother of Sylvia McCutchen), LeAnne Hennessy (daughter-in-law of Sandy Hennessy), Joyce Henning, Maria Luisa Miranda Hernandez (mother of Olga Gonzales), Joey Hornick, Louise Hornick, Wyatt Hudson (Son of Michael and Brittany Hudson), Cecile Jenkins (friend of the McCutchen Family, Michael &

Mary Johnson, Michael Joseph, Marie Kanyuh (daughter of Justine Reilly), Brett Kiser (brother of Brenda Lill), Rose & Jerry Littrell, Jessica Lundquist

(Daughter of the schachle Family) Aida Malihan (sister of Glory Farris), Anothy Mazzo, Carolyn

McCann,Judith McCliss, Robert McCutchen (Son of Sylvia McCutchen) Fatima Mora, Larry Overby (father

of Cissy Byrne), **Kathy Pharris**, **Denise Rangel** (Daughter of Glenn and Brenda Lill) **Justine Reilly**, **Bob** & **Delores Rosenthal** (brother and sister in-law of Marcia Standley), **Anna Sanchez** (sister of Lou Pena), **Rob**-

ert & Amy Schoenly, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Sluck, Mary Jane Stark, John Suddoth, Kathy Tucker, Lily Whelan, Martha Williams (mother of Patsy DeVandry), Jo Winters, Amy Woodworth (Daughter of Joyce Henning), Woody Woodworth, Doug Zimmerman (son of Jerry & Sue Zimmerman)

Message from Management

Please do not leave the Bulletins or Homilies in the Church Pews, if you do not plan to take your bulletin or Homily with you, please return them to the front of the Church.

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.)

R.C.I.A.

(The Rite 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"