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The Parish Pastoral Council meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the River Chapel. Visitors are always welcome. To place items on the agenda, please contact Melissa Rumohr-Clark, President.



The Baptism of the Lord
Saturday + Sunday, January 9th and 10th
 4:30 p.m. Betsy Holland by Susan Haninger
 9:00 a.m. Elsie Hagan by Francis & Hilda Doyle
 11:30 a.m. St. Christopher Parishioners
 6:00 p.m. Special Intentions by Jeanne Brown

Weekday Masses

Monday, January 11th
 8:30 a.m. Tom Croarkin by MaryTherese Croarkin
Wednesday, January 13th
 6:00 p.m. Thomas Stambaugh by Vince Staley
Thursday, January 14th
 8:30 a.m. John Losekamp by Bernard Losekamp
Friday, January 15th
 8:30 a.m. Joyce May by Judith Fisher

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday + Sunday, January 16th and 17th
 4:30 p.m. Tom Croarkin by MaryTherese Croarkin
 9:00 a.m. Dominic & Lucia Ciotola by Guido Ciotola
 11:30 a.m. Erich Bohlmann by Bohlmann Family
 6:00 p.m. St. Christopher's Parishioners

**Weekly Offertory Breakdown –
 January 3, 2016**

Total Envelope Count	120	
Total Envelope \$ Amount		\$ 7,347.00
Loose Checks #	27	
Total Loose Checks \$ Amount		\$ 950.00
Total Loose Cash \$ Amount		\$ 1,345.00
Total Collection \$ Amount		\$ 9,642.00
New Year's Offering		\$ 3,501.96
2nd Collections:		
Religious Retirement		\$ 2,730.00
Children Charities		\$ 4,072.00
Mass Attendance:		
December 19 & 20	1,018	
Christmas Eve & Day	1,385	
December 26 & 27	721	
January 2 & 3	1,043	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 16TH AND 17TH

	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
4:30 p.m. Saturday	Mary Ann Bondra & Kimber Moehrman	Beljeania Berry	Patrick & Mike Rowland
9:00 a.m. Sunday	Lue & Jeff Bauer, Sue & Greg Berning, Liz Elder, Mary Helber & MaryTherese Croarkin	Jeff Bauer & Terry Brown	Michael DeLuccia, Connor & Ian Murphy
11:30 a.m. Sunday	Marilyn Friedman, Nubia & Jose Alvarado, Volunteer	Mike Motil & Joshua Androsac	Jack Margiotta, Masha Schindler & Nicole Bond

ALTAR CARE FOR JANUARY: MaryTherese Croarkin; **Linens:** Becky Bohlman
 The Sanctuary Lamp will burn during the month of January to remind us of the Presence of the Eucharist and for the intentions of Susan Carr & Barb McGhee.

FROM THE DESK OF MSGR. JOHN CODY

Dear friends and parishioners of St. Christopher Parish:

1. Baptism of the Lord – This celebration marks the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus, our Lord. This is a good time for all of us to call to mind our own baptism into the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Our baptism is really our commission to go out and witness to the gospel by how we live our lives – what we say and what we do. In holy Baptism, we are made sharers of His priesthood. Are we “asleep” in our baptism? Is our realization of our union with God and one another in Baptism no longer a challenge for us? Have we ignored the power of this great gift we have received? The Lord depends on us to be His minister and witness in the world. He has given us the wherewithal to do this through the grace of Baptism. We rejoice to be His disciples!

2. The Holy Year of Mercy – Pope Francis is challenging all of us to devote ourselves to the practice of mercy. We tend to be hardhearted a lot, wanting severe punishment for everyone else but ourselves. Our Lord Jesus has said in Luke’s Gospel and elsewhere, “Be merciful as your Father is merciful.” This involves a change of heart on our part, and a willingness to forgive and forget – especially when there are people who have hurt us. Being merciful does not mean that we let everyone get away with anything. But it is a challenge for us to reconcile with one another and to allow people to learn from their mistakes. The woman caught in adultery, Zacchaeus in the tree, and the other sinners who were outcasts in society found a friend in Jesus. We too should be ministers of reconciliation. One excellent way to observe this Holy Year is to give emphasis to the works of mercy. In case you have forgotten them, here they are:

Corporal Works of Mercy:

Feed the hungry
Shelter the homeless
Give drink to the thirsty
Visit the sick and imprisoned
Clothe the naked
Bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

Admonish sinners
Instruct the uninformed
Counsel the doubtful
Comfort the sorrowful
Bear wrongs patiently
Forgive offenses
Pray for the living and the dead

If we devote ourselves to practicing these, we will go a long way to observing the Holy Year in a fitting way.

3. Evangelization – bring a friend or family member to **Church!** – Evangelization is a big word that simply means: “handing on the faith.” In the past, we relied on the professionals to do this, the priests, brothers and sisters in religious life. With the diminishing numbers of the clergy and religious, and the increasing number of Catholics, the laity must get involved in this effort. The New Evangelization, much spoken of in today’s Church, has to do with outreach to nonpracticing Catholics. All of us know some who, for whatever reason, do not practice their faith. Sometimes, all it takes is an invitation to church with us to get them back on track. Would that all would know

the strength and comfort we receive through the Sacraments of the Church. Issue that invitation to someone you care about today! Come home to the Church in 2016!

- 4. Second Collections:** January 9 & 10: Trinity Tuition support, January 16 & 17: Propagation of the Faith
- 5. Pray for Our Servicemen and Women** – **Captain Justin Habash, son of Matt and Diane; Captain Brian Borkowski, brother-in-law of Linda Wolfe; Major Shawn Walrath, grandson-in-law of Bill and Betty Tyznik; Pvt. E3 Corey Vail, Army; John Weinheimer, grandson of parishioner Miriam Blanchard, is in the Navy; Cpl. Kevin Kelly; Lt. Evan Kelly; Major Nicholas Joseph Ervin, son of Mary Ervin; Staff Sgt. T.J. Grennell (Afghanistan); Andrew Eugene Flowers; Lt. Col. Mark Mauri; Specialist Ryan Geoit, grandson-in-law of Bob & Joanne Girardi; Captain Stephen Hueckel; 2LT Cameron Bowling; Sgt. Robert Russell; Captain William Cahill; Private First Class Tyler Mark Morris, grandson of Angie Morris; Lt. Commander Colin Kane; 2nd LT David Valentino & wife 2nd LT Melissa Valentino USAF, Grandchildren of Dominic & Flora Valentino.** Please pray for them and forward to us any names of servicemen/women related to or friends of parishioners, so that we may remember them in our prayers.

God bless,
 Msgr. John K. Cody, Pastor



REMEMBER OUR SICK AND HOSPITALIZED IN YOUR PRAYERS – Paula Bassett, Jaime Berry, Billy Jo Brink, Miriam and Danny Casey, Becky and Tommy Colcord, Margaret Dawson, Henry Drayer, Betty and Mark Evans, Frances Fitzgerald, Pauline and David Hawkeye, Patty Human, Sue Johnson, “Jonesy,” Mary Elizabeth Koehl, Anna Belle Marshall, Jean Montenaro, The Moore Family, Theresa J. Nardone, Linda Olvera, Mila Orbovich, Teddy Petry, Antoinette Pratsinakis (Daughter of Nancy Figliola and Granddaughter of Pat Brown), Anna Reed, Danny Reeds, Amanda Rich, Denise Schumaker, Mary Slone and Family, Jacob Timms, Isabelle Whitley, Whitmore Family, Fred Wilcox and Mary Yingst.

**St. Christopher’s Women’s Club –
 Winter Soup Sale Fund Raiser**



**Homemade soups –
 Spicy Roasted Butternut Squash Soup (gluten free)
 Creamy Tomato Basil Soup (gluten free, vegetarian)
 Chicken & Wild Rice Soup**

\$8.00 quart

We will take orders January 9 & 10, 2016. Soup will come frozen and will be ready for pick-up after Mass on January 23-24, 2016. Payment will be at the time you pick up your soup.

TRINITY NEWS



Trinity Catholic Elementary School is accepting registrations for its two full day Kindergarten classes for the 2016-2017 school year. Our wonderful school has small class sizes and a family atmosphere. Tours available at the school every day. Contact Principal Jim Silcott at jsilcott@cducation.org or at 488-7650 for more information.

Trinity Catholic Elementary School is looking for eighth grade graduation pictures from the old St. Christopher and Our Lady of Victory schools to put on our walls in order to showcase the history of Catholic education in the Tri-Village area since 1922. We will make copies and return pictures to you in a timely fashion. Please contact Principal Jim Silcott at 488-7650 at the school or at jsilcott@cducation.org with your precious photographs. **Also looking for sports team pictures, pictures of faculty/administrators or other historical photographs** – Thank you!

LastCall Mass

Sunday, January 17th • 6 o'clock

Celebrant

Msgr. John K. Cody

Lector

Tom Chansky

Sacristan

Kathy O'Neill

Eucharistic Ministers

*Elizabeth Bergmann, Judith Fisher, Jim Woltz,
Mallary St. John, Kathy O'Neill, Nancy & Jim Joseph*

Servers

Erin Morgan & Ryan Petrella

Time, Talent and Treasure+++ We Thank you for sharing

High School Youth Group

Happy New Year!

Our next meeting will be January 10.

**Meet for dinner in the cafeteria after Last Call Mass
around 7:10 p.m.**



**New Lector Books are available.
To receive one,
please see Pandora**



Adult Education on Sunday, in the library of Trinity School, 10:00-11:25 a.m. Suggestions or questions? Please contact any one of our committee members:

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Coming next:

January 10, 2016 – Mercy: Healing for the Modern Family:

During this Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy we will discuss the current crisis in family life as well as the Church's call to reach out to those in our families in need of God's mercy. We will reflect on the World Meeting of Families and Ordinary Synod on the Family, discovering ways to invite all people to live out the truth of God's design for marriage and family life with joy and hope. **Dan Thimons** is the director of the diocesan Office of Marriage and Family Life. He is a graduate of the Franciscan University of Steubenville and the Pope John II Institute for Studies in Marriage and Family in Washington.

Looking ahead:

January 17, 2016 – The Origins of the Seven Deadly Sins:

How did the idea of seven deadly sins originate? We'll find that it actually started with a monk in fourth-century Egypt who made a list of the eight primary demons. What were these eight demons and how did they become seven sins in western Christianity? **David Brakke** is the Joe R. Engle Chair in the History of Christianity and Professor of History at Ohio State. His books include *The Gnostics: Myth, Ritual, and Diversity in Early Christianity* (Harvard University Press 2010).



Seeking new members for the Altar & Rosary Society. Responsibilities include laundering and ironing small purificators and finger towels used during the Mass for one month each year. Another volunteer activity is cleaning the Altar and Sanctuary area (vacuuming, putting out new linens, cleaning holy water fonts, etc.) with another member one month during the year. Please contact Mary Halloran for details at 614-481-0256 or celtic4543212@yahoo.com.

The Sons of Italy is sponsoring and proudly presents Elvis & John Lennon, Walt Sanders as Elvis and Dan Moyer as John Lennon Saturday, February 13, 2016/Villa Milano. Admission of \$50.00 per person includes Dinner. Prepaid reservations Only. Doors open 6:00 p.m./Dinner, 7:00 p.m./Show begins at 8:00 p.m. For information and tickets, contact Sos at soscod@cs.com or 614-582-7366.

Catholic Men's Luncheon Club Event

No luncheon event will be held in January 2016, since the Catholic Men's Luncheon Club is on Christmas holiday break. However, **mark your calendar for Friday, February 5, 2016**, when the Luncheon Club and Bishop Frederick Campbell will reveal the identity of the 2016 Catholic Man of the Year! Join us for this popular and inspirational event at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus beginning with Mass at 11:45 a.m.!

**Catholic Youth Summer Camp**

A High Adventure Camp that fosters High Adventure Faith

Catholic Youth Summer Camp is Ohio's one and only weeklong, residential high adventure camp for students entering grades 6-12. Activities typically include: jet skis, water tubing, paintball, blobbing, go-carts, archery, zip lining, rock climbing, ropes course, mountain boarding and more! CYSC offers a truly Catholic and safe environment with daily catechesis that awakens faith and builds missionary disciples. A week at camp includes daily Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation, small group conversations, worship, service and authentic community. See www.cysc.com to get more information and to register.

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St. Christopher Annual Financial Report Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015 Budget Year, July 15 Thru June 2016 18-December-15

	Fiscal Yr. 2014/2015	Budget Yr. 2015/2016
Income:		
Offertory	608,043	614,956
Other Parish Income	25,029	30,000
Parish Activities Gross Receipts	93,337	114,987
Total Income	726,409	759,943
Expenses:		
Parish Salaries and Benefits	291,191	310,019
Church Supply and Expense	43,192	38,500
Office Supply and Expense	39,549	28,100
Maintenance and Utilities	82,679	65,480
Music Ministry/Last Call	82,205	67,500
PSR/Youth Ministry/Adult Formation	10,003	18,500
Insurance and Taxes	13,071	14,240
Major Capital Expenditures	19,967	12,000
Diocesan Assessment	37,837	42,041
Grade and High School Assistance	95,454	163,563
Total Parish Expenses	715,148	759,943
Net Gain/(Loss)	11,261	0