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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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

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. Eric Bohlmann by Bohlmann Family
 6:00 p.m. St. Christopher's Parishioners

Weekday Masses**Monday, January 18th**

8:30 a.m. Baker Family by Bond Family

Wednesday, January 20th

6:00 p.m. Peter Clevinger by Kaylan Campbeo

Thursday, January 21st

8:30 a.m. Ronald Stambaugh by Vince Staley

Friday, January 22nd

8:30 a.m. Mary Ursula McClain Maher 58th Anniversary
 by Mary Ann Maher

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**Saturday + Sunday, January 23rd and 24th**

4:30 p.m. Anita Sbrochi by Fausto Sbrochi
 9:00 a.m. St. Christopher Parishioners
 11:30 a.m. Bill Brown by Pat Brown & Family
 6:00 p.m. David Montenaro by Cathy & Don Parker

Weekly Stewardship Report**Weekly Offertory Breakdown – January 10, 2016**

Total Envelope Count	104	
Total Envelope \$ Amount		\$ 5,989.00
Loose Checks #	31	
Total Loose Cks \$ Amount		\$ 1,263.00
Total Loose Cash \$ Amount		\$ 1,114.00
Total Collection \$ Amount		\$ 8,366.00
2nd Collections:		
Trinity Tuition Assistance		\$ 1,372.00

Mass Attendance:

December 26 & 27	721
January 2 & 3	1,043
January 9 & 10	986



REMEMBER OUR SICK AND HOSPITALIZED IN YOUR PRAYERS – Paula Bassett, Jaime Berry, Linda Boyd, 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.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 23RD AND 24TH

	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
4:30 p.m. Saturday	Melissa Ruhmor-Clark and Mirta Blatnik	Susan Haninger	Jamie Clark & Melissa Rumohr-Clark
9:00 a.m. Sunday	Kathleen Belcher, Dominic Valentino, Jim Woltz, Elli & Kimber Moehrman, Cathy Myerholtz & Barbara McGhee	Matt Cincione & Cathy Myerholtz	Zane Diehl, Gage Diehl & Joshua Androsac
11:30 a.m. Sunday	Susie Gerschutz, Pat Brown, Sharon Schindler & volunteer	Darla Reardon & Jennifer Journey	Emily Matthew, Fifi Criswell-Carder & Tia DiRienzo

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:

- 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.

- Poinsettias to take home!** – With the Christmas season over, our beautiful Christmas decorations have been dismantled. Please feel free to take any of them that are under the communion rail!
- 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 2015!
- Second Collections:** January 16 & 17: Propagation of the Faith
- 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

TRINITY SCHOOL 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@cdeducation.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@cdeducation.org with your precious photographs. Also looking for sports team pictures, pictures of faculty/administrators or other historical photographs – Thank you!

Last Call Mass

Sunday, January 24th • 6 o'clock

Celebrant
Fr. Metzger

Lector
Lauren Dull

Sacristan
Judith Fisher

Eucharistic Ministers

Stacey Bergmann, Marilyn Friedman, Nathan Esselbaum, Jacob Lammers, Rita Morgan, Christina Congelio & Bev Finkel

Servers
Kyle MacLaughlin & Ryan Ferguson

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

**High School Youth Group**

Join us in helping those in need this summer! Teens currently in grades 8-12 may participate in this 5-day mission trip within the Diocese of Columbus. Interested in spending just a few days out of your busy summer helping others? Parents, come to an information session Sunday, January 24 at 7:10 p.m. (after Last Call Mass) in the St. Albert Room to find out more! The trip will take place July 10-14. Questions? Contact Alyce Horwat at christopheryouth@aol.com.

Adults who enjoy working with teens to accomplish painting, gardening, construction, or repair tasks are also needed to make this trip a success. If this sounds like you, please join us at the information session.

Upcoming Events:

January 24 – Youth Group, meet in Cafeteria, 7:10 p.m.
January 24 – Mission Trip parent/adult information meeting, St. Albert Room, 7:10 p.m.
February 6 – Sub making in Cafeteria, 9:00 a.m.
February 7 – Super Bowl Sub Sale at all Sunday Masses



Congratulations to Seth Holway, Anthony Sanderell and Benjamin Wolfe for making the Honor Roll at St. Charles Preparatory School. Also a congratulations goes out to Alexander Holway for making Merit Roll.

Mercy Changes Everything!

“Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven.”

Pope Francis

Columbus Catholic Women’s Conference

FEBRUARY 20, 2016 ~ 8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

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The day begins with Mass followed by a day of inspiration. Hear the testimony of an Atheist Convert, Jennifer Fulwiler. Enjoy the beautiful music of Sarah Kroger. Fr. Cromley will inspire us all to evangelize our great Catholic Faith and Sonja Corbitt’s vivid speaking style will encourage all of us to grow closer to Christ. Of course the day will include the powerful Sacrament of Confession as well as intimate time in Adoration. Please Join over 2,000 women of The Columbus Catholic Diocese. You won’t regret it! <http://www.columbuscatholicwomen.com/>. Contact **Dee Dee Monaco** at dmonaco@columbus.rr.com.



Super Bowl Sub Sale: The Youth Group will be selling subs on Super Bowl Sunday, February 7, at all Masses!! Help support our parish youth group by purchasing a large, delicious sub for only \$5.00!!

If you don’t want to purchase a sub for yourself you may purchase a sub to be donated to Holy Family Soup Kitchen. Just purchase a sub and place it in the cooler marked “Holy Family” and it will be delivered to the soup kitchen on Monday.



The Young Professionals will start their Lenten Bible Study on Tuesday, February 16th at 7:00 p.m. and will continue for the following four Tuesdays. We will be doing an in-depth study of the Mass and the significance behind it. The cost is \$12.00 for the workbooks. All are welcome. To sign up, please contact Lauren Dull by February 6th. For more information visit dull.36@osu.edu or go on the St. Christopher’s Young Professionals Facebook page.



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.



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 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).

Looking ahead:

January 24, 2016 – Cuban Adventure 2015: Come hear about the adventure of three St. Christopher parishioners, **Susan Allardyce, Elaine DiSalvo, and Blanche Luczyk**, who participated in a People to People Tour of Cuba. A brief history of the Catholic faith in Cuba, including the visits of Pope John Paul, Pope Benedict and Pope Francis, will be discussed. **Elaine** has been a member of St. Christopher’s since 1984. Cuba was stunningly magnificent and Susan and Blanche were the best traveling companions ever. **Susan** has been a parishioner since 1973 and considers the trip to Cuba one of her best experiences ever. **Blanche** has been a parishioner since 1985 and loves to travel, meeting people from all over the world.



FESTIVAL NEWS:

PLEASE MARK THE DATES JUNE 17 & 18, 2016

Thanks to all who volunteered their time, talent and treasure to make the 2015 Festival a great success.

Our 2016 Summer Festival will be June 17 & 18, 2016.

The next Festival meeting will be Tuesday, February 2, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Albert Room. Pizza will be provided, please join us and help support your St. Christopher Parish.

Volunteer opportunities will be posted soon.

Let’s make this the best Festival yet!!!

Mother Angeline McCrory Manor, the only Catholic skilled nursing center in Columbus, was recently recognized in *U.S. News & World Report's Best Nursing Homes 2015* issue as receiving their "5 STAR" rating for quality health and wellness care. McCrory Manor provides long-term skilled and short-term rehabilitation services with the presence of the Carmelite Sisters. **Volunteers** are needed to lend their support for Eucharistic Ministry, Website support, music therapy (we have a lovely grand piano) and fund-raising efforts. McCrory Manor is located on East Broad Street just south of St. Therese's Retreat Center. Please contact Kathy Drufke at [614-729-6606](tel:614-729-6606) or Kdrufke@mangelinemanor.org.

The Sons of Italy is sponsoring and proudly presents **Elvis and 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.!

St Christopher's **HOMEBOUND MINISTRY** extends this heartfelt note of Appreciation to everyone for their role in helping to revitalize one of our traditions of baking cookies for our homebound parish family members. To Chris Lutmerding and Pandora Porcase for donating beautiful Christmas Tins, our Women's Club and parish bakers including but not limited to: Naomi DeCapua-Stanley, Sue and Steve Haninger, Lynn Sonderman, Clara DiRienzo and granddaughters, and Meg Wright for gifting us with your delicious homemade baked goods, to Linda Wolfe, PSR teachers and students for providing Christmas cards, ornaments, and fresh oranges, and to our Homebound Ministers for all of their steadfast assistance. Christmas Tins were delivered throughout the city and as far away as Maine. How awesome is that?! Thank you so very much for all of your assistance and for creating such wonderful Christmas Cheer!!! If you know of anyone who is temporarily or permanently homebound, please call our church office, inform any of our homebound ministers or contact Beljeania@aol.com, or call 614-315-1047.



St. Christopher's 40+ **MINISTRY** for all maturing parishioners will be enjoying their first outing and celebrating **ST. VALENTINE'S DAY** at **THE CAMBRIDGE TEA HOUSE**, 1885 W. 5th Avenue, where Grandview, Marble Cliff and Upper Arlington conveniently meet, on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13th, 10:00 a.m.** All are welcome to enjoy a selected menu of quiche, assorted scones, and pastries and of course Tea!!! Estimated cost is \$9.00-\$11.00 per person. (Gentlemen are welcomed and encouraged to attend). Please **RSVP** by **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5th**. Contact Beljeania@aol.com or call 614-315-1047.



St. Brendan Catholic Church, Women's Club Spaghetti Dinner: Announcing the fabulous, delicious, famous St. Brendan Women's Club Spaghetti Dinner on **Saturday, January 23, 2016, 4:00-8:00 p.m.** The all-you-can-eat event is held in the **St. Brendan's school multipurpose room, 4475 Dublin Road, Hilliard, Ohio**. Dinner includes spaghetti, homemade meatballs (*from a secret recipe*), salad, rolls, beverage and dessert. Cost for this all-inclusive meal is \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for kids 10 and under. Advanced tickets may be purchased after 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Masses on January 17, or by contacting Linda Abraham at 614-579-5182 or email labraham61@gmail.com. Buy early before January 20 and save \$1.00 per ticket. Tickets will be on sale at the door at regular prices. This is one fabulous January event that you will not want to miss!



The Jubilee Museum is honored to announce a memorial exhibition for **Father Harry Schneider**, a dedicated priest from the Diocese of Columbus. Fr. Harry was also an accomplished artist and jeweler.



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.

Sponsor of the Week



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