

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS FOR November 19 to NOVEMBER 26

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S

SAT 7:30 EVELYN GREENE & DEC'D FAMILY MEMBERS
SUN 8:45 MADGA RAHAMUT Req. by Peggy Hughes
11:30 HARRY VIOLA Req. by Cheryl Williams
1:30 WILLIAM BOWLER Req. by Carmenza Bowler
MON 8:00 KEITH JENNINGS Req. by Peggy Hughes
TUE 8:00 JAMES & BEATRICE FORD, JAMES P. FORD
& LOUIS MORRIS Req. by B. Morris
WED 8:00 PATRICK RAHAMUT Req. by Peggy Hughes
THU 8:00 THANKSGIVING TO THE HOLY TRINITY & HOLY
FAMILY Req. by E. Feely
FRI 8:00 ALICE SORANO Req. by B. Morris
SAT 8:00 GEORGE DURR Req. by L. Durr

ST. PATRICK'S

SAT 5:00 AL CHOPYACK Req. by Mary Chopyack
SUN 10:15 RICHARD CURINGA Req. by Joe & Barbara Paonessa
MON 9:00 KEITH BONET Req. by Joe & Nora Comolli
TUE 9:00 LAWRENCE & MARY O'BRIEN Req. by Larry &
Nora O'Brien
WED 9:00 RITA LIPPERT Req. by Verplanck Seniors
THU 9:00 VINCENT ALTIERI Req. by Mickey Foster
FRI 9:00 **NO MASS**
SAT 5:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
SUN 10:15 FRANK & MARY O'BRIEN Req. by Robert Kelleher

Baptisms: Scheduled & Celebrated by appointment. Parents should call the rectory at least four weeks in advance, and must attend instructions. Church Law requires that only Catholics in good standing are eligible to be Godparents. No Baptisms will be scheduled during Lent.

Anointing of the Sick: We offer this sacrament to those who are seriously ill, at home or in the hospital. We urge you to contact the office before someone goes to the hospital for an operation. (A priest may not be available later)

Ministry of the Sick: Holy Communion will be brought to the sick, upon request. The bedridden or chronically ill can be placed on the "Eucharistic Ministers" visitation schedule.

Wedding: Engaged couples must make arrangements in person, at the office at least six months in advance.

Parish Membership: We welcome all new members to our parish. Please register at the office, by phone or in person. Registration forms are available at the entrances to the Churches. Also, please notify the office if your address has changed or if you would like to be added to the weekly envelope system.

Saint Christopher and Saint Patrick Collections

Regular Collection
\$5,157.00

Insurance
\$1,447.00

Update on Handicap Entrance, Rectory & Office Renovation Project: I am writing to express my thanks and appreciation for the generous support you have given to the rectory upgrade, office renovations and handicap access. We are now moving on the final phase which is the living quarters and the bedrooms. Financially our goal is in sight, however, we have a shortfall of \$9,000. We are still receiving volunteer time and effort from our parishioners with skills for support of our parish – Saint Christopher and Saint Patrick. Your assistance is **GREATLY** needed for us to finish the work we have set out to do as quickly as possible. **PLEASE HELP IF YOU CAN!** If you have any questions, please call Bob Hemsing 914-552-7188 or Luis Pasato 914-844-7727. **With Gratitude, Father George.**

Events this Week:

Sunday Second Collection – Catholic Charities
Wednesday Thrift shop open from 9:30am-12:30pm
Saturday Thrift shop open from 9:30am-12:30pm
Sunday Second Collection – Archdiocesan Tax

We will be celebrating the **175th Anniversary of St. Patrick's Church** in 2018. Anyone who has any ideas on how we can celebrate this **momentous event** please come to the Parish Council meeting on November 20 at 7:30 and share your ideas.

The Mass Book is open for 2018. Please let us know if you would like Masses said for your loved with dates. We will try and honor them. You can call, mail or e-mail the Rectory. Thank you.

Cemetery News: Please note the recently posted signage on the building in the cemetery regarding rules & regulations of same. These rules are not new and they reflect the Archdiocese of NY rules & regulations. While most people are in compliance, some are not. Please adhere to the posted rules & regulations and remove borders and other items not allowed by December 1, 2017. Any non-permitted items not removed by December 1, 2017 will be removed on or before December 15, 2017. Please share this info with those who are not members of our Parish. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

As of December 1, 2017 the **back gate** of the Church grounds will be closed to traffic.

Knights of Columbus Christmas Wreath Sale: To help prepare for the Christmas season and the coming of Our Lord Jesus. The Knights of Columbus Council 462, will be selling Christmas wreaths. A beautifully formed, decorated wreath to hang on your home or warm a loved one's gravesite. A plain decorated wreath for \$10. The proceeds this year will go towards our many charitable causes such as our seminarian scholarship fund. Sales will take place the weekend before Advent, at **All Masses**, English and Spanish, the weekend of November 26.

If anyone is in need of a **Notary Service**, St. Christopher/St. Patrick can assist by calling Maria 914-737-1046 or Bob Hemsing 914-552-7188.

The sick are comforted just knowing that we pray for them. Please remember these members of our Parish Family, who are ill, in your prayers: Mickey Foster, Beverly Lewis, Ray Mackey, Aidan McElgunn, Sheila Dahlke Moore, John Mecca, Susan Rose, Michael Boddie, John Boddie, James Boddie, Kathy Farrey, Art Farrey Sr., Ed Lent, Margaret Hesselgrave, Colin Lent, Eddie Lent, Sean Flaherty, Joao Manino Vaz, Marilu Selicco, Robin Pasquale, Phyllis Novohradsky, Kelsey Berger, George Malles, Ann D'Onofrio, Peggy Finn, Omar Navarro, Maria Zavaglia, Mary Jane Sabatini, Paul Hughes and Stan Hojnacki who are sick.

The **winner** of the **26 Week Club** for week #24 is #333, Rand Kennedy. The seller was Eileen Alexander.

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First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

An encomium for a good and worthy wife, this passage from Proverbs extols all the virtues which a worthy wife possesses – fidelity, industriousness, skill, charity to the poor, and fear of the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Once again, Paul reassures the Thessalonians, who are anxious about the coming of Christ, that they need not fear being unprepared because they are “children of light.”

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus narrates the parable of the talents – in the story, the silver pieces given to the three men. Two of the men invest their coins and double their worth, but the third buries his coins in the ground and earns no return. The message of Jesus is that we must use to the fullest the talents we have received.



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EVENTOS DE LA SEMANA DEL 19 AL 26 DE NOVIEMBRE

Domingo 19 de Noviembre: Segunda Colecta es ayudar con las Caridades Católicas.

Domingo 26 de Noviembre: Segunda Colecta es ayudar con los Impuestos a la Arquidiócesis

TRIGÉSIMO TERCERO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Inversiones sabias o necias, bancos y aún tasas de intereses... la parábola de hoy no permite escaparnos de la vida en el mundo ni de la realidad que este mundo un día terminará. Los que se preparan para el regreso del Señor no pueden vagar o quedarse esperando sin hacer nada. Una vez más la lectura del Antiguo Testamento ilumina hoy el Evangelio. La esposa digna y hacendosa de los Proverbios no es alabada por su hermosura ni por sus encantos, sino por desarrollar hábil y conscientemente los dones que Dios le ha dado, por dar frutos y por usar esos dones para servir a los demás con generosidad. El contraste con el siervo cauteloso de la parábola no puede ser más notable. La esposa de los Proverbios confirma la actitud ingeniosa de los dos primeros siervos para desarrollar sus "talentos".

Fijémonos en que mientras "talento" en los Proverbios conlleva el significado textual de la palabra, el "talento" en Mateo se refiere a un monto astronómico de dinero, ¡equivalente a veinte años de salario! Hoy que tanto dinero ganado arduamente e invertido cuidadosamente se ha evaporado, nuestra verdadera riqueza queda más claramente definida por los "talentos" de los Proverbios: nuestras habilidades, ya sean naturales o adquiridas, nuestras aptitudes cuidadosamente perfeccionadas y generosamente compartidas.

En caso de que pensemos que nuestro Maestro es muy duro y exige mucho, igual que el siervo perezoso pensó de su amo, debemos notar que no se menciona que el amo le haya quitado la suma que le confió a los dos primeros siervos ni la ganancia que hicieron con ese dinero. Antes bien, la suerte del siervo cauteloso debe servir para darnos una sacudida y sacarnos de ese estado soñoliento de "paz y seguridad" contra el cual san Pablo nos pone en advertencia. En vez de obrar con cautela, la comunidad cristiana y los discípulos individualmente deben emprender iniciativas creativas y hasta atrevidas por el Reino, tomar riesgos para invertir la riqueza que el Maestro ha invertido en nosotros, y animar a otras personas a hacer lo mismo.

RETIRO DE ADVIENTO

Sábado 25 de noviembre en el salón parroquial, empezando a las 12 pm y terminando con la misa de las 7:30 pm. Habrá confesiones y cuidado de niños.

SOLEMNIDAD DE
LA INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN DE LA SANTÍSIMA VIRGEN MARÍA

Santa Misa viernes 8 de diciembre a las 7:30 pm. Es día de obligación.

GRUPO DE ORACION: Todos los jueves a las 7:30 pm en el sótano del salón parroquial

MISA DE DEVOCIONES: Los segundos sábados del mes a las 7:30 pm.

CONFESIONES: Los primeros sábados del mes después de la Misa de las 7:30pm.

El Portón de atrás de la Parroquia se cerrará desde el 1 de diciembre, 2017.

PARISH PAY (DONACIÓN AUTOMÁTICA)

Queridos feligreses les invitamos a participar de Parish Pay que es otra manera de cómo hacer su donación semanal a la parroquia. Visite la página www.chrispatparish.churchgiving.com. Lo que necesita es una tarjeta de débito o crédito. Muchos feligreses ya están participando de este sistema de contribución semana. Únase a este grupo de hermanos. Recuerde que la iglesia necesita de su contribución semanal para permanecer abierta.