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MAY 8, 2022

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Welcome!

MASSES

Saturday

9:00 AM & 5:00 PM (Vigil)

Sunday

7:30 AM, 9:00 AM (Family Mass),
 11:00 AM

**Monday, Tuesday,
 Thursday, Friday**

9:00 AM

(No Wednesday Mass)

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:30—4:30 PM

at the church or by appointment.

ADORATION

First Fridays after 9:00 AM Mass
 until Noon and Wednesdays from
 7:00—8:00 PM

BAPTISM

Sundays at 1:00 PM. Contact the
 rectory to make arrangements, and
 go to our website for baptismal
 information and forms.

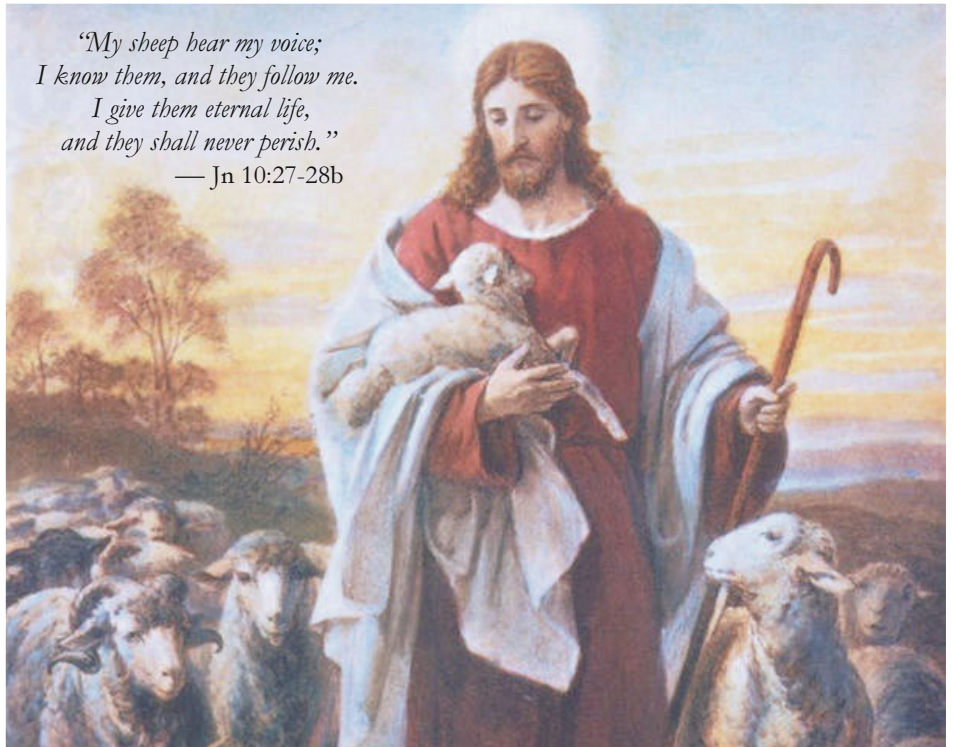
MARRIAGE

Contact the rectory at least
 six months in advance. Visit our
 website for information.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Parishioners in need of the
 Sacrament of Anointing of the
 Sick, please call the rectory.
 Do not wait until the last moment.

*“My sheep hear my voice;
 I know them, and they follow me.
 I give them eternal life,
 and they shall never perish.”*
 — Jn 10:27-28b



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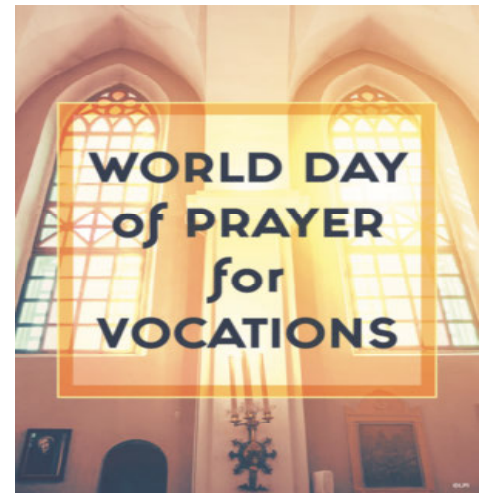
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Ellen Farina, *CRE* & Helen Moore, *CRE Assistant*

 Welcome to the Parish of St. Christopher & St. Sylvia! We hope that all new residents to the Red Hook area will feel at home in our Parish and strive to become an active member of our faith community. Please take a moment to stop by the rectory office to fill out a new parishioner form and meet a member of the Parish staff!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

	Intentions	Requested by:
Sat., May 7	Easter Weekday	
9:00 am	Alan Chlystun †	Rick & Barbara Rizzolo
5:00 pm	Judith Scaffidi †	Scaffidi Family
Sun., May 8	Fourth Sunday of Easter	
7:30 am	John Cayea †	Lynda & Dave Jutton
9:00 am	Mother's Day Triduum (1)	
11:00 am	Albert & Margaret Levanti †	Linda Levanti
Mon., May 9	Easter Weekday	
9:00 am	Mother's Day Triduum (2)	
Tues., May 10	St. Damien de Veuster	
9:00 am	Mother's Day Triduum (3)	
Wed., May 11	Easter Weekday	
No Mass	_____	
Thurs., May 12	Sts. Nereus & Achilleus	
9:00 am	Regina Sandfort †	Ed Sandfort
Fri., May 13	Our Lady of Fatima	
9:00 am	Albert Hazel †	Terry & Amy McCann
Sat., May 14	St. Matthias	
9:00 am	Bill Conley †	Rick & Barbara Rizzolo
5:00 pm	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Sun., May 15	Fifth Sunday of Easter	
7:30 am	John Cayea †	Joan Swift
9:00 am	Vinko Djurkinjak †	Franca Djurkinjak
11:00 am	Steven Warmuth †	Betty & John Kennedy



May 7th— May 13th
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Next Weekend
COLLECTION FOR CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE

STEWARDSHIP REPORT
May 1, 2022

Weekly Collection \$4,736
 WeShare \$2,495

Our parish greatly depends on your consistent financial support. Thank you!



Is swearing a sin?

By Philip Kosloski

Swearing, or using bad language, is mentioned numerous times in the Bible and is explained as a sin in the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

In today's popular culture, swearing, or using bad language, is extremely common. At first glance, it doesn't appear to be a sin, as it doesn't always hurt someone. Technically speaking, the use of profanity is not in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, but it does fall under a few different categories.

Using the Lord's name in vain

First of all, whenever someone uses the Lord's name in their swearing, it is a direct violation of the second commandment. The second commandment **forbids the abuse of God's name, i.e., every improper use of the names of God, Jesus Christ, but also of the Virgin Mary and all the saints.** CCC 2146

This is probably the most obvious way that swearing can be a sin, as it does not treat God's name with respect.

Calling other people names

The next way that swearing can be a sin is by **calling other people vulgar names.** God calls each one by name. **Everyone's name is sacred.** The name is the icon of the person. **It demands respect as a sign of the dignity** of the one who bears it. CCC 2158

Calling someone a profane name is another clear example of how a person can violate the second commandment.

Foul language in general

After the above examples, there is more gray area, as the Church doesn't specifically list every single curse word in the *Catechism*. However, the Bible does repeatedly stress the need to avoid all "foul language."

But now you must put them all away: anger, fury, malice, slander, and **obscene language out of your mouths.**

Colossians 3:8

It is not what enters one's mouth that defiles that person; but **what comes out of the mouth is what defiles one.**

Matthew 15:11

As with all sin, a person must **know** that it is a sin and say these words with full **consent.** Sometimes we may let one slip, and this isn't always easy to stop. **The key is to try and let our language lift other people up, instead of bringing them down.** *reprinted with permission/Aleteia*

Q & A

Daily Prayer Versus Mass?

QUESTION: I have a friend who says she doesn't need to attend Mass because she prays to God every day. What are your thoughts on this justification?

ANSWER: If the only reason for going to church were to talk to God, your friend might be right. Prayer is not something limited to a physical place or even a holy place. If the sole purpose of the Church were prayer, it would be a narrow purpose indeed. The Church is a community of believers, formed by "one Lord, one faith, one Baptism." It is an outward sign of our faith in God instituted by Christ, and the purpose of the Church is to give us grace, that is, a share in God's life. Coming to Mass is not really for God's sake, but for ours. If we believe that Jesus is truly present in the holy Eucharist, then we will want to be in his presence. We will want to be fed by him. Our daily prayer and good works are strengthened by our authentic encounter with our Lord. For Catholics, it is at Mass that we celebrate the source and summit of our faith. If this is true, why would we ever stay away? ©LPi

THIS WEEK AT ST. CHRISTOPHER-ST. SYLVIA

Sunday, May 8



Monday, May 9

Prayer Shawl Meeting	2:00 pm	PC
“Lectio Divino” Bible Study	6:30 pm	PC

Tuesday, May 10

Prayers for Life	9:30 am	Church
Holy Name Meeting	7:00 pm	PC

Wed., May 11

Holy Hour	7:00 pm	Church
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Thursday, May 12

Choir Practice	7:00 pm	Church
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Friday, May 13

SVDP set-up		PC
Friday Night Hoops	8:00—10:00 pm	Gym

Saturday, May 14

SVDP Food Pantry	10:00am	PC
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Sunday, May 15

Holy Name Breakfast	8:00-11:00 am	Gym
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Dear Parents:

I would like to take this time to “thank you” for the opportunity to work with you and your children! It has been a pleasure to watch them grow in their faith and love for Jesus. Their joy and enthusiasm always made my day so special!

Please keep me in your prayers as I start a new phase in my life... “retirement” as I will keep all of you in my prayers and close to my heart!

I wish you all the best here at St. Christopher’s and Good Shepherd in whatever your future holds.

Many Blessings!
Ellen Farina

Confirmation Parent Meeting

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

Thursday, May 12, 2022

6:30 pm in classroom #8

All Confirmation paperwork is now due! Please submit any outstanding paperwork to the Religious Education Office.

Enjoy your Summer!



Registrations are due by May 22nd!

“Summer With The Shepherd” Vacation Bible School
June 27th through July 1st from 9:00 am — 12:30 pm

at St. Christopher School. For children Pre-K through 6th.

Registration forms are located in back of the church or can be printed from the parish website. Adult and teen volunteers are needed for the success of the program. Call Kitty Ghee at 845-876-6798.



CAMP VERITAS 2022

August 8th—13th (10-12 graders only)

Lake Champion, Glen Spey, NY

August 14th—20th (7-9th graders only)

Camp Lakota, Wurtsboro, NY

Visit www.campveritas.org
for more info. & to register.



*Congratulations to all our
First Communicants and
their families*

PARISH EVENTS & INFORMATION

LECTIO DIVINO

Are you ready to turn away from the stresses of life and experience the life-giving Word of God? This is not your normal "Bible Study", but a way to read, meditate, pray and contemplate the Scripture. Each week we will be using the Gospel reading of the next Sunday to explore Scripture in this manner. We will meet on Mondays, beginning April 25th through May 23rd at 6:30 pm in the St. Christopher Parish Center. You don't have to attend every week to participate. All are welcome!

GARDEN HELP NEEDED

We are looking for a few volunteers to help care for the small garden at St. Christopher School. If you enjoy gardening and can offer an hour or two of help twice a month, please contact the parish office.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS

Saturday, May 21st

St. Christopher Parish Center,
30 Benner Rd. from 8:30 am—3:30 pm. To register, please contact Bill Owens at 845-756-2481.



50th GOLDEN JUBILEE WEDDING MASS

Couples celebrating their 50th Anniversary this year are invited to attend the Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass on Sunday, June 5th at 2:30 pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral. His Eminence, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan will be the Celebrant. Anyone unable to attend can request a certificate. Please contact the Parish Office to register before May 16th.



Farewell Reception for Father Crawford

Sunday, May 22nd at 12:15 pm
(following the 11:15 am Mass)
Good Shepherd Parish Hall
3 Mulberry Street, Rhinebeck



On June 1st, Father Crawford will begin a new assignment at The Parish of St. Matthew & Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Hastings-on-Hudson.

Please join us as we wish him well in his new endeavor!

HOLY NAME BREAKFAST NEXT WEEKEND

Sunday, May 15th at St. Christopher School, 30 Benner Road

\$8-adults \$6-children-ages 5-12 Under the age of 5-free
Made to Order Omelets * Pancakes Home Fries * Sausage
* French Toast * Scrambled Eggs Coffee * Orange Juice



SOCIETIES & CONTACTS

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H2O (Helping Hands for Others), Rick & Barbara Rizzolo.....845-235-5985.....H2O@stchrisredhook.org

**Introducing our new CCD Coordinator—
Hillary Gaddis-Clegg!**



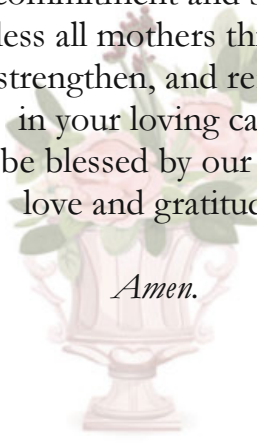
First off - I want to thank Ellen Farina and Helen O'Connell Moore for their contribution in the life of our parish in these past years as religious education. As Ellen has mentioned to you, she will be taking leave of her position this summer. I think I speak for all of us in wishing her the very best as she settles into her retirement.

Hillary Gaddis-Clegg, is not a stranger to many of you, including myself - her husband Lawrence and two children are part of the community in Rhinebeck. In addition to being Fr. Crawford's cheerful and able assistant at Good Shepherd for many years, I have known Hillary for many years too! It was almost providential that both my appointment and this position opened up. Hillary is a woman of great faith, familiar with the programs that I have run before, and enthusiastic to make some upgrades which have been discussed at Mass, at closing sessions and on Facebook. These upgrades will make our program more fun, convenient, efficient, faithful and shorter!

Thank you again for your warm welcome to me over these past months and to Hillary as we chart a course ahead - with God's help - for our kids and families at both churches.
— Fr. Maurer

Prayer For Mothers

Heavenly Father,
from the beginning you have chosen
to entrust the human person to mothers
in a special way.
We thank and praise you for the gift
of mothers; for their tenderness,
care, encouragement,
for commitment and sacrifice.
Bless all mothers this day.
Keep, strengthen, and refresh them
in your loving care.
May they be blessed by our open-hearted
love and gratitude.



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In your prayers, please remember the sick, especially:

- Kathleen Capozzi • Joseph Clements
- Scott Clements • William Daniels • Veronica Ellis
- Vincent Gallagher • Sylvia Ledenko
- Kathleen Mahoney • Vicki Mainiero
- Eleanor McMahon • Fred Miller
- Maryann Moul • Fred Planthaber
- Salvatore Sorrentino • Jimmy Wolfe

*To be added to the prayer list,
please complete the form below.*



SICK LIST FOR PARISH BULLETIN

Requests for the bulletin sick list are accepted only from the sick person or an immediate family member and remains for 6 weeks. To repeat, please resubmit.

Please return this form to the parish office. Thank you.

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Date _____

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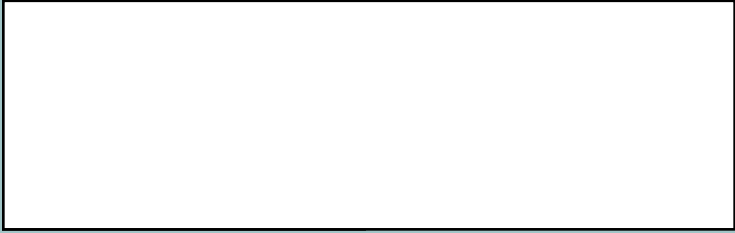
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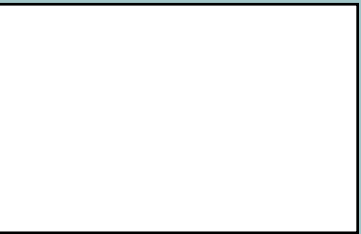
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