



Saint Christopher Catholic Church

Mission Statement:

"St. Christopher Catholic Church, empowered by the Holy Spirit and nourished by the Eucharist; Proclaims, Witnesses, and Shares the Good News of Jesus Christ. We invite all of you to join us as we live our faith!" and reach out in charity to those in need."

"SEE THAT YOU TELL NO ONE ANYTHING, BUT GO, SHOW YOURSELF TO THE PRIEST AND OFFER FOR YOUR CLEANSING WHAT MOSES PRESCRIBED." - MK

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Please contact the office for information or send an email to reception@stchristophermarana.com. Parents and Godparents must attend a class before the baptism.

Marriage: Engaged Couples planning to marry must contact the parish office at least six months in advance.

Anointing of The Sick: The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is for the spiritual comfort, strength and healing of the ill. Please notify the church office when you or another parishioner would like to receive this Sacrament.

(Due to Covid-19 Priests in the DOT are restricted from visiting hospitals)

PARISH INFORMATION

MASS TIMES (DURING COVID-19):

Tue—Fri: NOON (outdoor)
SATURDAY: 5:00 pm Sunday Mass
SUNDAY: 7:00 am Mass
9:00 am Mass (outdoors)
11:00 am Santa Misa (estacionamineto)

Live-streaming of Sunday Mass
9am English & 11am Spanish

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm |
and by appointment

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 9:30 am – 5 pm

(face masks and safety protocols must be observed)

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February 17, 2021

Outdoor Mass & Services | Misas al aire libre & Servicios

9:00 AM Holy Mass (English) | Distribution of Ashes
12:00 PM Holy Mass (English) | Distribution of Ashes
3:00 PM Liturgy of the Word |
Distribution of Ashes (English)
4:00 PM Liturgia de la Palabra |
Distribución de cenizas (Español)
5:00 PM Holy Mass (English) | *Available also on Facebook Live*
Distribution of Ashes
7:00 PM Santa Misa (Español) | *También disponible por Facebook Live*
Distribución de cenizas



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READINGS FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
LECTURAS DEL QUINTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

First Reading : Lv 13:1-2, 44-46

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron, “If someone has on his skin a scab or pustule or blotch which appears to be the sore of leprosy, he shall be brought to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests among his descendants. If the man is leprous and unclean, the priest shall declare him unclean by reason of the sore on his head.

“The one who bears the sore of leprosy shall keep his garments rent and his head bare, and shall muffle his beard; he shall cry out, ‘Unclean, unclean!’ As long as the sore is on him he shall declare himself unclean, since he is in fact unclean. He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp.”

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11

R. (7) I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Second Reading: 1 Cor 10:31—11:1

Brothers and sisters, Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God. Avoid giving offense, whether to the Jews or Greeks or the church of God, just as I try to please everyone in every way, not seeking my own benefit but that of the many, that they may be saved. Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Holy Gospel: Mk 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, “If you wish, you can make me clean.” Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, “I do will it. Be made clean.” The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean. Then, warning him sternly, he dismissed him at once.

He said to him, “See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them.”

The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. He remained outside in deserted places, and people kept coming to him from everywhere.

Primera Lectura: Lv 13, 1-2. 44-46

El Señor dijo a Moisés y a Aarón: “Cuando alguno tenga en su carne una o varias manchas escamosas o una mancha blanca y brillante, síntomas de la lepra, será llevado ante el sacerdote Aarón o ante cualquiera de sus hijos sacerdotes. Se trata de un leproso, y el sacerdote lo declarará impuro. El que haya sido declarado enfermo de lepra, traerá la ropa descosida, la cabeza descubierta, se cubrirá la boca e irá gritando: ‘¡Estoy contaminado! ¡Soy impuro!’ Mientras le dure la lepra, seguirá impuro y vivirá solo, fuera del campamento”.

Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 31, 1-2. 5. 11

R. (1a) Perdona, Señor, nuestras pecados.

Segunda Lectura: 1 Cor 10, 31–11, 1

Hermanos: Todo lo que hagan ustedes, sea comer, o beber, o cualquier otra cosa, háganlo todo para gloria de Dios. No den motivo de escándalo ni a los judíos, ni a los paganos, ni a la comunidad cristiana. Por mi parte, yo procuro dar gusto a todos en todo, sin buscar mi propio interés, sino el de los demás, para que se salven. Sean, pues, imitadores míos, como yo lo soy de Cristo.

Del Santo Evangelio: Mc 1, 40-45

En aquel tiempo, se le acercó a Jesús un leproso para suplicarle de rodillas: “Si tú quieres, puedes curarme”. Jesús se compadeció de él, y extendiendo la mano, lo tocó y le dijo: “¡Sí quiero: Sana!” Inmediatamente se le quitó la lepra y quedó limpio.

Al despedirlo, Jesús le mandó con severidad: “No se lo cuentes a nadie; pero para que conste, ve a presentarte al sacerdote y ofrece por tu purificación lo prescrito por Moisés”.

Pero aquel hombre comenzó a divulgar tanto el hecho, que Jesús no podía ya entrar abiertamente en la ciudad, sino que se quedaba fuera, en lugares solitarios, a donde acudían a él de todas partes.

MEDITATION

The Church, as a voice of the Gospel, proclaims the sacredness of all human life. Everyone created by God is fashioned in God's image and has Divine DNA at the center of their soul. God never leaves what God creates but always remains intimately bound to what he has given form. Everyone has a place and because they have received the gift of Divine Blessing, nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, unclean or marginalized. Even the most broken of souls has a place. We, the Body of Christ, have the privilege and responsibility to give voice to the voiceless. The cries of the little one in his or her mother's womb are just as sacred as the cries of one who is homeless and hungry. The migrant deserves our attention as much as the forgotten elderly and even the prisoner, with a heart hardened by anger and resentment, deserves respect and dignity.

The Gospel of Life is often hard to swallow, and we would rather keep those we consider unclean, different or unfixable in a place by themselves. It is hard to see them with us, but they deserve to be. There is far too much violence in this world and the result of that violence is the assault on human life. Many are forced to leave the place they call home in search of safer ground, finding few if any along the way who will help them. How different today's Gospel story would be if Jesus gave in to what was politically correct at that time. The leper would have been turned away and a soul, already beaten down by disease and fear, would have experienced an even deeper wound. Jesus wouldn't have captured much attention from anyone, nor would he have mirrored the Father's compassion and love.

Where do we stand with all of this? Do we at least understand that God's vision is often in conflict with the vision put forth in our world and even the one we advance ourselves? There is no doubt that it is incredibly challenging to find a place for everyone at the table. This challenge is compounded when the systems of operation and structure that are so ingrained in us affirm power and privilege rather than inclusivity and justice. Everything really goes askew when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement raise their ugly heads and we find ourselves with quite a mess. It's time to admit that things have been a mess for a very long time. The mess needs to be healed, not by erasing it but by allowing God to touch it and make it whole. We need to bring God back to the center of life where God belongs. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But, knowing that wholeness, healing, and dignity are worthy pursuits, we can more confidently labor to achieve God's vision. ©LPi

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14TH, 2021

Sun: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/
Mk 1:40-45
Mon: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 [14a]/
Mk 8:11-13
Tue: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/
Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10 [11b]/Mk 8:14-21
Wed: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/
2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thu: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25
Fri: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15
Sat: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32
Sun: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/
Mk 1:12-15

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 13th, 2021

† = Deceased

5:00pm St. Christopher Parish Family

Sunday, February 14th, 2021

7:00am † Emilia Norero

9:00am Laura Lenox (birthday)

11:00am † Manuela Moiza Carranza

† Mariana Lourdes Sanchez Davalos

Craig y Ileana Schurhamer (21 aniversario de bodas)

Felix y Norma Lopez (63 aniversario de bodas)

Roberto Enriquez (salud)

Savanna Godinez (cumpleaños)

Tuesday, February 16th

Noon St. Christopher Parish Family (well-being)

Wednesday, February 17th

Noon ASH WEDNESDAY

Thursday, February 18th

Noon St. Christopher Parish Family

Friday, February 19th

Noon † Dorothy Gervais

† Jessica Elizarrarás

To request a Mass intention, please call or stop by the office.

Fridays of Lent



Stations of the Cross

3:00 p.m. English

6:00 p.m. Bi-lingual



FISH FRY-DAYS To - Go

Only \$10

Meal includes

Fried fish, side-dish, dessert & drink

Fridays 3:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

All meals prepared by volunteer parishioners with great care for cleanliness and according to health protocols. Maintain social distancing and wear a mask at all times on parish property. Meals are for take-out only and not to be consumed at the parish.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

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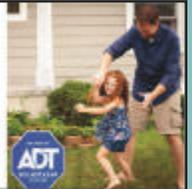
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