



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.”



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.

PARISH INFORMATION

MASS TIMES (DURING COVID-19):

Tue & Thu 12:00 NOON
Wed & Fri: 9:00am
SATURDAY: 5:00 pm Sunday Mass
SUNDAY: 7:00 am Mass
9:00 am Mass
11:00 am Santa Misa

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

PARISH STAFF

PASTOR

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2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“Every valley shall be filled
and every mountain and hill shall be made low.
The winding roads shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”
- Lk 3:5-6

Todo valle será relleno,
toda montaña y colina, rebajada;
lo tortuoso se hará derecho,
los caminos ásperos serán allanados
y todos los hombres verán la salvación de Dios.
- Lc 3, 5-6

2^º DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO



Solemnity
Immaculate Conception

Wednesday, December 8
Holyday of Obligation
Holy Mass 9:00 a.m.



Fiesta
Nuestra Señora
de Guadalupe

Guadalupe
— Feast —
DECEMBER 11, 2021



! Marian Procession
! Procesión
! 4:30PM

Holy Mass | Santa Misa
Presided by Bishop Gerald F. Kicanas
! 6:30PM !

! Marian Serenade
! Serenata Mariana
! 7:30PM



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Pray
THE ROSARY

Wednesdays after the 9:00 a.m. Liturgy

Parish Ministry Groups

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Thursdays: 9:00 a.m. to Noon

First Fridays: 24 Hour Adoration after 9:00 a.m. Mass

SANTISIMO
ADORATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1-6
Tuesdays 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
at MCAT High School

Confirmation & Grades 7-8
Tuesdays 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
at St. Christopher Parish Activity Center

LifeTeen Youth Group Grades 9-12
Sundays 12:00 noon
at St. Christopher Parish Activity Center

MEDITATION

St. Ambrose shares some wisdom on our need to prepare the way and open the door for Christ. "You see that when the Word of God knocks hardest on your door, it is when his hair is wet with the dew of the night. In fact, he chooses to visit those who are in tribulation and trial, lest one of them be overwhelmed by distress. So, his head is covered with dew, with drops, when his body is laboring hard. It is important to keep watch so that when the Bridegroom comes, he is not shut out. If you are asleep and your heart is not keeping watch, he will go away without knocking; but if your heart is alert for his coming, he knocks and asks for the door to be opened to him." When life gets overwhelming and difficult and we find ourselves feeling a bit downhearted and miserable, these words can bring great comfort.

We sometimes choose to remain stuck in our uncomfortable darkness and being stuck becomes our norm. In this time of self-focus our hearts are closed to the graces and life God desires to give us. Wrapped in the robe of mourning and misery, we fail to see the mercy, justice, and love the Bridegroom wants to bring. If we take seriously the need to prepare the way for Christ and open our hearts in preparation for his visit, we can hear God's gentle voice calling us deep within. It beckons us to seek out its source and discover the inner calm and peace that can prevail over the darkness of despair. Sometimes our darkness is so dark that it may seem unsurmountable. Trusting in the spiritual friends who journey with us, and God's promise may bring a glimmer of light even when it is most difficult to keep our hearts' doors open. Sometimes, the only light in the darkness is found in trusting the faith of others both past and present.

We have to trust that God has already begun the accomplishment of good work in us and that humanity is on an incredible journey to something wonderful and awesome. God is not done. When we open the doors of our hearts, straighten the paths of our lives, and prepare the way, Jesus can come with God's simple gifts of peace, grace, and joy. Life throws a great deal at us. It is easy to get tired and confused. We have to train our hearts to keep watch, discern what is of value, and forge ahead. Not allowing ourselves to become so weighed down by things and brought out of focus is a tremendous goal to achieve this Advent season. God is knocking. Answer the door. You will see and understand life in ways you never thought possible before.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 5TH, 2021

Sun: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/
Lk 3:1-6
Mon: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14
[cf. Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26
Tue: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13
[cf. Is 40:10ab]/Mt 18:12-14
Wed: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Thu: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/
Mt 11:11-15
Fri: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/
Mt 11:16-19
Sat: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/
Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Next Sun: Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/
Lk 3:10-18

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 4th, 2021

†=Deceased

5:00 pm: † Amada Molina
† Carl Stevenson
† Maria Victoria Villa

Sunday, December 5th, 2021

7:00 am: † Taplin T. Puffinburger
† Ora Mae Lowery
Emmet Fay (health)
9:00 am: † Joseph Giannetti Sr.
† Roberto Enriquez
† Deceased Members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas
11:00 am: † Roberto Enriquez
† Elvira Chávez

Tuesday, December 7th, 2021

Noon: Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, December 8th, 2021

9:00 am: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, December 9th, 2021

Noon: St. Christopher Parish Family

Friday, December 10th, 2021

9:00 am: St. Christopher Parish Family

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

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

	<u>Week ending</u> <u>11/21/2021</u>	<u>Thanksgiving</u> <u>11/25/2021</u>	<u>Week ending</u> <u>11/28/2021</u>
Offertory	\$3,614.00	\$425.00	\$2,861.00
Second Collection			\$520.00
Online Giving	\$1,000.00		\$920.00
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