

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH

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3350 Union St. P.O. Box 399 North Chili, NY 14514

December 24th-26th, 2021

Readings for the week

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18

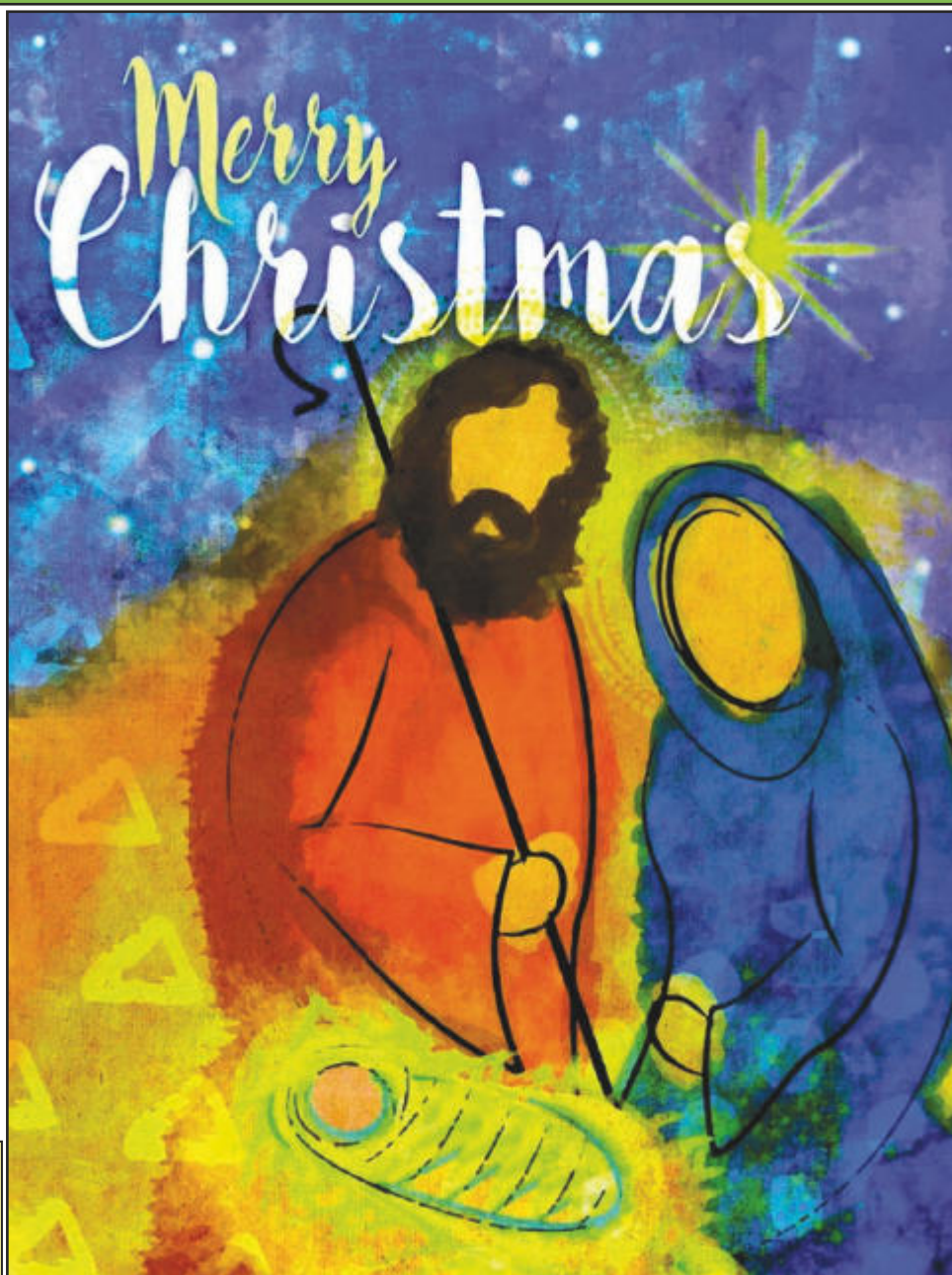
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



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Mass Schedule:

Tuesday and Wednesday at 9:00 AM

Monday, Thursday and Friday (No Services at this Time)

Saturday at 4:30 PM Sunday at 10:00 AM

Dear Parishioners,

We have arrived at the Solemn Feast of Christmas. On behalf of myself and the entire parish staff we wish you all a very Happy and Holy Christmas. We pray that you all receive many blessings during this Christmas season and in the New Year to come. Enjoy these days. Enjoy family. Enjoy the gift of each other. Be grateful for what is and what's to come. I've excerpted a passage from a Creighton U. reflection and it reads:

"Let these days take us to the scene of our Lord's birth. We can imagine the anxiety that filled the experience of Mary and Joseph. We can keep in our consciousness their trust in God. The Christmas music on the radio or at our church services and liturgies can bring the faith of these hymns and songs into our hearts. And, once it is there, these songs of faith will remain in the background all day long. When we are tempted to worry or complain, to be hurt or angry, to be frustrated or exhausted, the hymns will draw our hearts to rejoicing and gratitude.

This week can guide our hearts to reflect on the meaning of Christmas - the gift of self-giving love. We can ask ourselves, what generosity can come from the gratitude I have in my heart after celebrating this gift of redemption? Who in my world needs more love? What happens in me when I think about the people in my family and in the world who need my support?

All of us can imagine Jesus, Mary and Joseph living through their days. We can imagine their daily lives. We can ask for the grace to live in God's presence, just as they must have done, and for the grace to be sensitive to each other and care for each other as they must have. We can ask that we might imitate their busy lives, trusting and dependent on God. Looking on their hidden life together, we can grow in a desire to be more humble, in a peace with greater simplicity, in a courage to let God take care of us. Whether we experience the poverty of that holy stable or the ordinary simplicity of daily routine, we can enjoy this week as a special opportunity to be drawn to a greater closeness with Jesus."

Be Blessed everyone and have a safe and healthy Holiday Season. Make it Special.

Fr. Michael

The parish staff send all our parishioners and friends warmest thoughts and best wishes for a healthy, safe, and very Merry Christmas! May this season fill your home with joy, your heart with love, and your life with laughter.

There will be no daily Mass Dec. 28-29.

The parish office will be closed Dec. 28 to Dec. 31. We will reopen at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, January 3.

Important information will be coming your way in the next few weeks. PLEASE be sure we have your updated contact information.

This year we are going to do the cradle a little different. The recipient of this years cradle is The Bethany House. I sent an email to them and ask for their wish list this is the response I got from them. Our greatest needs for the women at Bethany are women's toiletries, soap, deodorant, lotion, smell goods socks, bath robes, cleaning products and gift cards. They are also in need of 6 robes size large among the other things on the wish list. The Christmas Cradle will be available until Little Christmas on January 6,2022

CMA UPDATE! AS OF DEC. 9: We have 133 donors with \$28,451.44 pledged so far. This brings us to 44.81% of our goal. The CMA Campaign Continues..... Let it be our mission this year to reach our parish goal before the end of December 2021. We can do this with everyone's participation and getting our pledge cards in early. Please remember, the campaign ends on December 31, 2021, however, we want everyone to know that whatever your pledge, you have until the end of May, 2022 to fulfill (pay) your full pledge amount.

As more and more parish committees/ groups return, we remind **all members they must have SAFE training and a completed background check as required by the diocese prior to serving.** Please contact Mary during regular business hours with any questions/ concerns.

Eucharistia Ministry News

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas filled with much joy and peace and many blessings!!

The January issue of Living with Christ is available. Anyone with a subscription can pick up the issue at the front entrance of the church.

Bookkeeper Position: Part time paid position, 10 hours a week. St. Peter's Kitchen is located at 681 Brown St. Its mission is to provide a hot lunch and other services to our guests. We have 39 years of service for the area. Ideal position for a retired person who wants to continue using her/his skills. Ability to use Quickbooks. Hours are flexible but mornings are best. Monday through Friday. Days are flexible. Will require in house attendance. If interested, contact Patricia Lorenzen, Executive Director of St. Peter's Kitchen at saintpeterskitchen@gmail.com or 585-235-6511.

St. Christopher's Weekly Financial Report	
December 11/12	
Mass Attendance...../.....	187
BUDGETED Sunday Offering.....	\$ 6,225.00
TOTAL Sunday Offering Collected.....	\$ 5,982.00
SHORTAGE for SUNDAY Offering...	\$ (243.00)
July 1, 2021 to Present	
BUDGETED TO DATE.....	\$ 149,400.00
ACTUAL COLLECTED TO DATE.....	\$ 114,042.10
SHORTAGE TO DATE.....	\$ (35,357.90)
WEEKLY AVERAGE since July 1, 2021....	\$ 4,958.35
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'Blessed are those who see Christmas through the eyes of a child'
Wishing you peace and joy this Christmas and all year through!



The Faith Formation Team

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 25– CHRISTMAS DAY

10:00 AM– Parishioners of St. Christopher's

Sunday, December 26

10:00 AM– Mary DiPonzio by El & Cathy DiNitto

Monday, December 27

NO DAILY MASS

Tuesday, December 28

NO DAILY MASS

Wednesday, December 29

NO DAILY MASS

Thursday, December 30

NO COMMUNION SERVICE

Friday, December 31

NO COMMUNION SERVICE

Saturday, January 1

4:30 PM– Fred Le Walter by Celeste Dynski-Trumble

Sunday, January 2

10:00 AM– Fr. Dollen by Ken & Dee Milner

Prayer Ministry

Please contact the rectory if you would like to be added to the list of people who need prayers. If you or someone you know has been hospitalized and would like to have a pastoral visit, please contact the Church Office at 594-1400 ext.: 100

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Linda & Robert Springer	Richard Welch
Pat Schryver	Beulah Reihle
Valerie Brescia	Bob Early
Dominick Fantauzzo	Fr. Bob Gaudio
Roz Fadden	Dino Pezzimenti
Robert Eich	Jason Powarzynski
Scotty Strachan	Ronald Bianchi
Mary Rose Bianchi	Tony Baker
Jane Zaepfel	Bill Yanklowski

Please keep the families of those who have lost loved ones in your prayers.

Parish Staff

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Finance Committee Chair– Tom Staccone

889-3784

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM or by appt.

Baptism: Baptisms are scheduled on Saturdays at 10 am. Please contact Mary to begin the Baptismal process. You must be a registered and active member of the parish in order to have your child baptized.

Marriage: Please contact Church Office at least 6 months before wedding.

First Reconciliation, First Communion &

Confirmation: Contact the Faith Formation Office, 594-1441 ext. 110

Anointing of The Sick: Please contact the Church Office at 594-1400 ext. 100



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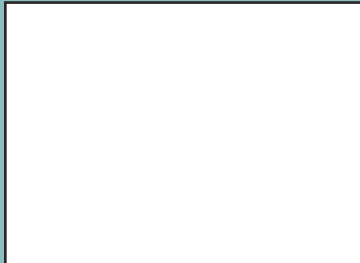
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