

# ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH

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January 9, 2022

## Readings for the week

**Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/ Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

**Monday:** 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday:** 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

**Friday:** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

**Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

**Next Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11



## THE BAPTISM *of the Lord*

"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16c

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## *Stay in touch with us!*

### Website:

<http://www.stchristophersnchili.org>

**To join Flocknote:** Text the message CrookedCross to 84576 **OR**

† Go on line to: <https://stchristopherschurchnort.flocknote.com/>

**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

### As we pray this week:

The vivid narratives of this week's gospel are packed with stories of Jesus' entering into the lives of real people and touching them in extraordinary ways. These are not far away stories, but ones that have a real meaning for us. This is a week of invitation from Jesus to us, with two invitations for us to ponder in our hearts this week.

Jesus encounters Levi, a Jewish tax collector. Because of his profession, he was probably wealthy but he had humiliated his family and made himself a pariah to most of those around him. Jesus' response to this "outcast" was to invite him to be one of his closest disciples - and to dine at his house.

In our own lives we may find a loneliness or separation from people in our family or others in our lives. We have parts of our lives that are dark and embarrassing and seem unchangeable. It is into this very darkness and discomfort that Jesus extends the same invitation to us: "Follow me." This clear and personal call to us is from Jesus who already knows us and our failings and yet asks us to be with him. We can hear this invitation more clearly if we can be touched with awareness of our own failings and understand more deeply how much we need a savior in our lives. It is then that our hearts open to accept this invitation.

This week Jesus invites us to follow him, as friends and disciples. This is a good week for us to contemplate with Jesus, what we are looking for and how much we want to turn and follow him. We can pray to Jesus for the strength to leave the patterns and habits of our lives that so often turn us away from him and ask for the grace to make a new beginning in our lives. If we can sit with our hands open in humility, we can accept that we can't do this on our own, but know in our hearts that with the help of God, nothing is impossible.

Selections from: Creighton University Online Ministry, Daily Prayer

**Let us pray:** We pray for the repose of the soul of Gary Buckland, who passed away January 2, 2022. We also pray for his family. May God give them strength and healing during this difficult time.

**'Tis the season. . . of inclement weather!** Any cancellations we may have due to inclement weather will be found on WROC channel 8 and 13Wham.com. Posts will also be made on Flocknotes and Facebook.

**The Discover Christ Program** resumes this weekend after the 10:00 Mass on Sunday.

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

### **CMA INFORMATION AS OF DEC. 30, 2021**

We have 164 donors, with \$34,131.44 pledged. This brings us to 53.75% of our goal. Every donation counts to meet our required target. Remember, the CMA helps fund ministries that nurture children and teenagers in the Catholic faith and teaches values they'll carry into adulthood. Thank you for your continued support.

**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.

### **Eucharist Ministry News**

The Eucharist Ministry will meet in the church hall from 10 to noon on Monday, January 10. As the weather gets colder and colder, the need for hats, scarves, and blankets become more and more urgent. In our work we try to have a stash on-hand for those in need, but knitting and crochet takes time. Please consider adding your hands to the work! Please reach out to Joanna Aguglia (594-9378) or Sheila Beers (764-9189) for more information.



**The Card Ministry Needs You — Again!!**

Once again, the Card Ministry is looking for a few volunteers to make St. Patrick's Day cards for our March distribution. No prior experience necessary, just a creative spirit. Since we now have some "experienced" card makers, we would probably only have to meet once. As before, all supplies will be provided but if you have any ideas for cards, they are certainly welcome. I'm thinking about meeting in the afternoon of February 8, 9, or 10. If interested text Lisa at (585) 298-6273 or email me at [eguernsey@rochester.rr.com](mailto:eguernsey@rochester.rr.com). Looking forward to another fun afternoon.

**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](mailto:saintpeterskitchen@gmail.com) or 585-235-6511.

**A New Year -- A New Opportunity**

Many older folks in our community have given up their keys and no longer drive. Yet, they still need to get to medical appointments, go shopping, do their banking, have their hair cut. Can You Help? If you have a couple of hours a week, or even a couple of hours a month, consider being a volunteer driver. You can select your geographic area and the times you wish to drive. You will be provided with training, and supplemental accident and liability insurance. Call Sr. Anne Guerin at 244-8400, ext. 142, or email her at [aguern@lifespan-roch.org](mailto:aguern@lifespan-roch.org) and she will help you get started. Why wait?

**St. Christopher's Weekly Financial Report**

**December 25/26**

Mass Attendance...../.....	102
BUDGETED Sunday Offering.....	\$ 6,225.00
TOTAL Sunday Offering Collected.....	\$ 3,125.56
SHORTAGE for SUNDAY Offering...	\$ (2,973.44)

**January 1/2**

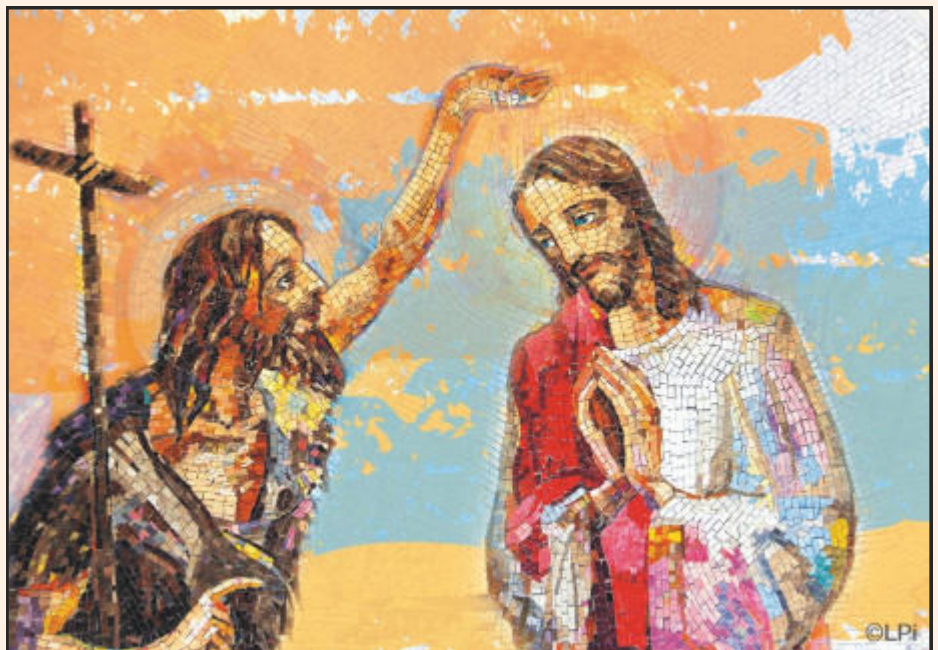
Mass Attendance.....	144
BUDGETED Sunday Offering.....	\$ 6,225.00
TOTAL Sunday Offering Collected.....	\$ 6,636.00
SHORTAGE for SUNDAY Offering...	\$ 411.00

**July 1, 2021 to Present**

BUDGETED TO DATE.....	\$ 168,075.00
ACTUAL COLLECTED TO DATE.....	\$ 129,267.65
SHORTAGE TO DATE.....	\$ (38,807.35)
WEEKLY AVERAGE since July 1, 2021....	\$ 4,787.69

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*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**Saturday, January 8**

4:30 PM– Jerry Bradt by Lillian Dee

**Sunday, January 9**

10:00 AM– Patricia Thompson Scholz by Donna & Scotty Strachan

**Monday, January 10**

**NO DAILY MASS**

**Tuesday, January 11**

9:00 AM– Bernie Lynch by Mike & Winnie Carletta

**Wednesday, January 12**

9:00 AM– Parishioners of St. Christopher's

**Thursday, January 13**

**NO COMMUNION SERVICE**

**Friday, January 14**

**NO COMMUNION SERVICE**

**Saturday, January 15**

4:30 PM– Maggie Wilson by Tom & Barb Staccone

**Sunday, January 16**

10:00 AM– Fred LeWalter by Jim & Sue Darby

*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:** 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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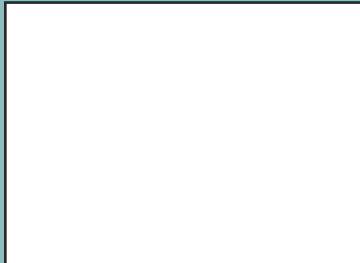
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