

WHEN THE WINE RAN SHORT, THE MOTHER OF JESUS SAID TO HIM, "THEY HAVE NO WINE." - JN 2:3

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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### **PARISH** INFORMATION

**JANUARY 16, 2022** 



## Welcome to St. Christopher Parish

PRAYING FOR HEALING & UNITY United in Spirit | Sharing our gifts | Revealing Christ by our love

In our Catholic tradition, St. Christopher represents a Christ-bearer, one who carries Christ. Our community strives to bring this image to life as we unite to share Jesus' Good News and love our neighbor. Whether you are a first-time or returning visitor, we are glad you are here! If you are called to join us, online registration is available through our website home page. If you prefer to register in person, please contact the Parish Office or stop by during business hours. Together as the Body of Christ we will celebrate God's presence among us with hope and joy.

For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them. - Matthew 18:20

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#### SACRAMENTS BAPTISM

Class on 2nd Tuesday, 7pm Pre-registration required; contact the parish office. **Baptism is at 12:15 p.m. on the first and third Sundays.** 

**RCIA (Catholic Faith Initiation)** Andrea Parker, 937.898.3542 ext. 109

**RECONCILIATION** Saturdays 4:15pm-4:45pm

#### MATRIMONY Arrangements are to be made no less than six months in advance. More Info: Call Bonnie Allen 937.898.3542 ext. 101

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**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH 753 S. Hyatt St., Tipp City, OH 937.667.3419** *Pastor, Fr. John Tonkin Weekday: T/TH: 8:30a | W: 7p Weekend: SA: 5p | SU: 8a, 10:30a.* 

## WELCOME TO ST. CHRISTOPHER PARISH

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- Wonship Schedule -

### MASS & PRESIDER SCHEDULE

St. Christopher			topher	St. John the Baptist			
S	1 15	5 pm	Fr. Smith	5 pm	Fr. Gene		
SU	1 16	9 am	Fr. Smith	8 am	Fr. Gene		
		11 am	Fr. Smith	10:30 am	Fr. Gene		
Μ	1 17	No Mass/Comm. Service		No Mass/Comm. Service			
Т	1 18	6:30 pm	Fr. Smith	8:30 am	Fr. Smith		
W	1 19	9 am	Fr. Smith	7 pm Fr. Smith			
ТΗ	1 20	6:30 pm	Fr. Smith	8:30 am	Fr. Smith		
F	1 21	9 am	Fr. John	No Mass/Comm. Service			
S	1 22	5 pm	Fr. John	5 pm	Fr. Smith		
CI I	1 23	9 am	Fr. John	8 am	Fr. Smith		
SU		11 am	Fr. John	10:30 am	Fr. Smith		

### MASS INTENTIONS AT ST CHRISTOPHER

S	1 15	5 pm	St Christopher Parish
SU	1 16	9 am	Joan Trimbach
		11 am	Virgil Gaerke
Т	1 18	6:30 pm	Richard & Mildred Boesch
W	1 19	9 am	Martha Rivers
ΤН	1 20	6:30 pm	Eugene Crompton
F	1 21	9 am	Lois Roselle
S	1 22	5 pm	Vince De Vanney
รบ	1 23	9 am	Brain Dahlinghaus
		11 am	St Christopher Parish

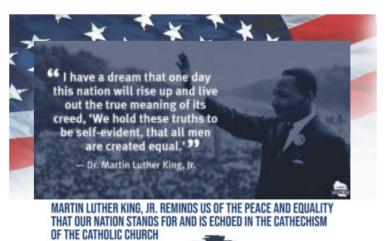
### MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

9am	11am
243	265

### SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS

CURRENT FISCAL YEA	R	7/1/21 - 6/30/22
SUNDAY'S DATE	ACTUAL GIVING	YEARLY GOAL PER WEEK
January 9, 2022	\$22,485.00	\$25,961.54
	Offerings	\$556,390.51
	Offerings Goal	\$726,923.16
	Difference +/-	-\$170,532.65
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"CREATED IN THE IMAGE OF THE ONE GOD AND EQUALLY ENDOWED WITH Rational Souls, all men have the Same nature and the same origin. Redeemed by the sacrifice of Christ, all are called to participate In the same divine beatitude: all Therefore Enjoy an Equal Dignity."

CCC 1934

TOGETHER, LET US PRAY FOR PEACE IN OUR NATION, IN OUR COMMUNITY, IN OUR SCHOOLS, IN OUR HOMES, IN OUR CHURCH, AND FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

WEEK OF PRAYER

"I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one."

JOHN 17:20-21



## **GOSPEL** MEDITATION

### ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he sister's and took his hand exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always haul, through the challenges and interesting to note that Jesus saves sorrows as well as the successes the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior in us remains. As spouses are asked quality of life we find in Christ. It is to remain faithful to each other



not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path. God's celebratory delight

through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

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### REFLECT & RESPOND

### FIRST READING

The prophet Isaiah used marriage imagery (bridge and groom) to describe the Lord's love for his people, Israel. What do you see as some implications of this marriage imagery?

### SECOND READING

Paul taught the Corinthians that the individual gifts of the Holy Spirit are meant to benefit and unify the community of faith. How do you use your spiritual gifts within your faith community?

### GOSPEL READING

Jesus turning water into wine at the wedding feast in Cana was one of the first public "signs" he performed revealing his divinity. It also showed Jesus' compassion, sparing the family shame at running short of wine. How do you imagine the family reacted to Jesus' intervention and rescue?

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

#### RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

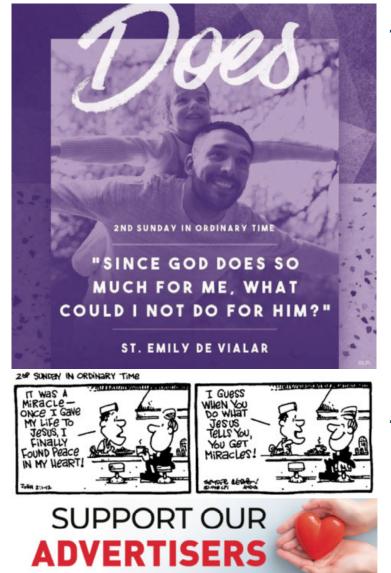
### **IT TAKES ALL KINDS**

*"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."* 

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and



though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

### CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

#### HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR THE DEAD THROUGHOUT THE YEAR?

We commemorate the faithful departed on November 2nd each year. However, we can and should continue to pray for the dead. Our growth in Christian perfection takes a long time. At the time of our death, many of us might not be saints yet. But God, in His mercy, allows for those who love Him to experience purification after death. Our word for that state is Purgatory. It's the antechamber of heaven, so to speak. We know we're getting in the house, but we're not quite ready to go all the way in. There's rain to shake off our coats and dirt that's clogging our shoes.

Here on earth, we can pray for the souls in Purgatory. One way is to request that your parish offer a Mass for the intention of a specific loved one. We can also remember the departed in our daily prayers. Just as we have special intentions for family and friends here on earth, we can pray for those who have died. It's also a good act of Christian charity to pray for the forgotten, those who have no one else to pray for them. God knows who they are!

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### CATHOLIC TRIVIA

### WHAT ARE THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?

### ANSWER:

- 1. Fortitude
- 2. Wisdom
- 3. Understanding
- 4. Counsel 5. Knowledge
- 6. Pietv
- 6. Piety 7. Francí
- 7. Fear of the Lord

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## **CALLINGS** *PARISH INITIATIVE*



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# CASSEROLES FOR SVDP

The goal is to send 144 casseroles to help feed the hungry at St. Vincent de Paul. The Catholic Daughters are asking for your help in making this possible by taking at least one of the casserole pans available in the Gathering Space during the weekend of the dates listed below. The recipe and instructions are contained in the pan. These casseroles are not baked and can be made and frozen at your convenience. Won't you please help us to feed the hungry in our area during this cold winter?

# PANS AVAILABLE WEEKENDS OF: February 5 & 6, 2022 February 12 & 13, 2022

# **FROZEN CASSEROLE COLLECTION DATE:** Saturday, February 19, 2022 between 9 and 10 AM at the front driveway (under the

portico) of the church.

**QUESTIONS?** If you have any questions, please contact Donna Schorr at 412-401-1472



The Catholic Ministries Appeal is the annual campaign to support six local ministries that teach, feed, and heal.





To make your gift online visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA or text "DONATE" to (513) 586-1978 or use you phone's camera to scan the QR code.

# SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

# DISCOVER THE DIFFERENCE

### CURIOUS ABOUT ST. CHRISTOPHER SCHOOL?

Join us for an opportunity to see first hand what St. Christopher School is all about:

- Tour the campus & envision your child's future at St. Chris
- Teachers and parents available to answer your questions
- Explore tuition options & solutions

# PROSPECTIVE STUDENT

CAMPUS TOURS FOR <u>NEW</u> K-8 STUDENTS

**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY** 

[SUN] JANUARY 30 | 10AM - 12:30PM



# to schedule a tour

Email principal Tim O'Loughlin, toloughlin@scpschool.org with your name, planned arrival date/time, and number attending by Jan. 26th.



# WE WANT YOUR CHILD AT ST. CHRISTOPHER

Please join us for a special, private opportunity to meet the principal and kindergarten teachers of St. Christopher School, along with some current kindergarten parents who can answer your questions. We will talk about curriculum, a typical day, and tuition resources that make a St. Christopher education surprisingly affordable. Coffee, juice, fruit, and treats will be served.

## KINDERGARTEN PARENT PREVIEW

at St. Christopher Elementary School | 405 E. National Rd., Vandalia, OH

Please <u>**RSVP by January 26</u>** to Judy Shoup via the <u>REMIND APP</u>\* as to which date/time you plan on attending. \*To opt-in to the Remind App, text: @jshoup to 81010</u>

> [WED] JANUARY 19 | 7:00AM-9:00AM [THU] JANUARY 20 | 7:00AM-9:00AM \*[SUN] JANUARY 30 | 10:00AM-12:30PM

\* Tours by appointment only on SUNDAY [10am - 12:30pm] - To schedule, email Tim O'Loughlin at email above.

# HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

## WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022**

SUN	1/16	<b>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Is 62:1-5 Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3] 1 Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11
MON	1/17	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day St. Anthony, <i>Abbot</i> 1 Sm 15:16-23 Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 Mk 2:18-22
TUE	1/18	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 1 Sm 16:1-13 Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28 Mk 2:23-28
WED	1/19	 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 Mk 3:1-6
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FRI	1/21	<b>St. Agnes,</b> Virgin and Martyr 1 Sm 24:3-21 Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11 Mk 3:13-19
SAT	1/22	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 Ps 80:2-3, 5-7 Mk 3:20-21
SUN	1/23	<b>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> St. Vincent, <sub>Deacon and Martyr;</sub> St. Marianne Cope, <sub>Virgin</sub> Neb 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21



### PARISH ADULT MINISTRIES

### CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

Court St. Christopher #2748 To Join Contact: Peggy Rosales, prosales128@hotmail.com

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Fr. Aufderheide Council 12912 Contact to join: Joel Maurer, joel\_maurer@protonmail.com

### MEN OF ST. JOSEPH'S

Every Sat. 8:30–10am | Panera Bread - Miller Ln. | Fellowship and prayer. More Info: Randy Weddle 937-898-6775

### CHARISMATIC PRAYER

All are welcome | Prayer, Praise & Worship, DATES: Nov 15, Nov. 22, & Dec 13 in the church choir room | More Info: Anne Heywood aheywood@woh.rr.com

### WOMEN'S PRAYER

Twice a month on Tuesdays 7:30-9pm in the church | More Info: Marilyn Updyke 937-470-7259 or mmupdyke@att.net

### ROSARY

Every Monday 7–7:30 pm | Church | More Info: Lucy Geise 937-898-6803 or ljgeise@yahoo.com

After most Wed. & Fri. Masses 9:30–10am | Church After every 5th weekend of the Month Masses | Chapel

### BEREAVEMENT

Bringing comfort through service to those grieving a loss | More Info: Ellen Lang 937-898-2351 or ellen@af-ses.com

### **RESPECT LIFE**

Fellowship, prayer, and community efforts to end abortion and promote respect of life in all it's stages. More Info: Steve Wirick 937-414-9827 or stchrisforlife@outlook.com

### **PRAYER CHAIN**

Submit your prayer request online via the parish website or contact Donna Kitta: (937) 454-0481



Need gift cards for birthdays. weddings, Valentine's Day dinner, or just because?

Support the parish while you shop -buy your gift cards through SCRIP!

Scan here with your phone camera to learn more about St. Christopher SCRIP participation. Orders processed are processed on Monday mornings and arrive for pick up by Friday that week. Order forms found here or in Gathering Space.







# We Want You!

THE NEXT UPCOMING MEETING IN OUR AREA WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 10TH AT ST. ALBERT IN KETTERING. Please sign up to attend - your voice is needed!

The Holy Father, in seeking to hear from all the People of God on how to better bring the Mission of the Church to the world, has announced Synod 2021-2023. To start, he is asking for all dioceses throughout the world to conduct local meetings to discuss this very topic.

Who are the People of God? It is all the baptized. That means not only the lay faithful, those in religious orders, and the clergy. It also means those who are poor, disabled, migrants and immigrants, elderly, young adults, those who no longer practice the faith, women and men. In other words, everyone.

Did you know that when you were baptized you were called to a priestly, prophetic, and kingly mission to bring the good news to all? This duty then does not lie strictly with the clergy. The Holy Spirit dwells within God's people. The Holy Father recognizes that coming together to discuss how to better further the mission of the Church is where the Holy Spirit can work powerfully.

The 10 themes of the Synod that will be discussed:

• **Companions**: In our local Church, who are those who "walk together"?

• **Listening**: How is God speaking to us through voices we sometimes ignore?

• **Speaking Out**: What enables or hinders speaking up courageously, candidly, civilly, and responsibly in our local Church and in society?

• **Celebration**: How do prayer and liturgical celebrations actually inspire and guide our common life and mission in our community?

• **Sharing Responsibility**: As missionary disciples, how is every baptized person called to participate in the mission of the Church?

• **Dialogue**: To what extent do diverse peoples in our community come together for dialogue?

• **Ecumenism**: What relationships does our Church community have with members of other Christian traditions and denominations?

• **Participation**: How does our Church community identify the goals to be pursued, the way to reach them, and the steps to be taken?

• **Discerning**: What methods and processes do we use in decision-making?

• Forming Ourselves: How does our church community form people to be more capable of "walking together," listening to one another, participating in mission, and engaging in dialogue?

Learn more at www.CatholicAOC.org/Synod. Want to participate? On the website you will find an opportunity to sign up for one of our local meetings near you. We hope to see you there! And, if you know someone who has left the faith, please invite them to participate too!

If you do not have access to the internet, please tear off the tab below, drop it in the collection basket, indicate which meeting you would like to attend (from the list on the bottom of this page) and the parish will sign you up. God Bless!

### **QUESTIONS:** Please contact St. Christopher liaisons, Amy McEntee (937) 657-5407 or Mark Bade (937) 689-5005

PLEASE FILL OUT, DEATCH, AND PLACE IN COLLECTION BASKET OR TURN IN AT PARISH OFFICE. I wish to participate. Please sign me up!

Synod 2021-2023 Archdiocesan Meeting Dates & Sites

Name:	Deanery	Date	Time	Location	Street	City	Zip
	Cathedral Deanery	1/29/2022	9-11 AM	St Francis Xavier	611 Sycamore St	Cincinnati	45202
Phone number:	St Andrew Deanery	1/13/2022	7PM	Good Shepherd	8815 Kemper Rd	Cincinnati	45249
	St Francis DeSales Deanery	2/10/2022	7-9PM	Bartlett Center	6616 Beechmont Ave	Cincinnati	45230
Gender (Optional):	St Lawrence Deanery	2/5/2022	9:30-11:30	St John the Baptist Church, Harrison	10010 Carolina Trace Rd	Harrison	45030
Parish:	St Margaret Mary Deanery	1/15/2022		St Ignatius of Loyola	5222 North Bend Rd	Cincinnati	45247
Falisii	Dayton Deanery North	1/13/2022	7-9 PM	Reis Conference Center at St Peter	6161 Chamberburg Rd	Huber Heights	45424
Email:	Dayton Deanery South	2/10/2022	7-9 PM	St Albert	3033 Far Hills Ave	Kettering	45429
	Hamilton Deanery	1/22/2022	10-12 Noon	Queen of Peace	2550 Millville Rd	Hamilton	45013
		1/9/22	2-4 PM	St. Bernadette	1479 Locust Lake Rd	Amelia	45102
Age (Optional):	and a second second	1/16/22	2-4 PM	St Michael	16 North Fourth St	Mt Orab	45167
0 . 1	St Martin Deanery	1/23/22	2-4 PM	St Mary	212 South High St	Hillsboro	45133
Meeting Location you would like to attend:	St Marys Deanery	1/18/2022	7-9 PM	St Charles Ctr	2680 US127	Celina	45822
	Sidney Deanery	TBD	6-8 PM	St Michael Hall	33 Elm St	Ft Loramie	45845
	Springfield Deanery	TBD			1		

# CHILDREN'S LITURGY

GROWING WITH THE GOSPEL | PRESCHOOL - 3RD GRADE

**GOSPEL** 

### PRE - 1ST

At a wedding party, Mary said to Jesus, they have no more wine. Help them. Even though it was not time for him to perform miracles, Jesus honored his Mother by changing the water into wine. When you obey God by honoring your mother's wishes,



you turn ordinary things, like opening a door, emptying trash, or making the bed into a gift Of love. This love makes your mother and God smile.



2ND - 3RD

Mary had great faith in God. She also knew that God could do anything. So when the wedding servers ran out of wine, she knew Jesus could help. She said, "Do whatever Jesus tells you to do."

That's the smartest thing any of us can do.

# 🚺 PRAYER

### PRE - 1ST

Lord, help me turn chores for my family into gifts for you.

### 2ND - 3RD

Dear God, help me to do everything you say. I know you can do anything.



### PRE - 1ST

I will put all of my toys away neatly after I finish playing.

### 2ND - 3RD

What does Jesus tell you to do in his word, the Bible? Find out by reading the Bible for 15 minutes a day with your family. You could start by reading Luke.



Q.J

Find the two identical jars.



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