



The Parish of St. Christopher - St. Margaret Mary



The Church of St. Christopher
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Office Hours: Monday - Friday,
9:30am - 4:00pm
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Rev. Joseph M. McLafferty, Pastor
Rev. Tomy Joseph, Parochial Vicar
Rev. John P. DeLora, SIUH Chaplain, in residence
Rev. Edward Devina, in residence
Rev. John A. Boehning, Weekend Celebrant
Rev. Deogracias Lingao, Weekend Celebrant
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Deacon Patrick Graham

The Church of St. Margaret Mary
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9:30am - 2:30pm
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July 17th, 2016 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASSES

Monday - Friday: St. Christopher 9:00am
St. Margaret Mary ... 8:00am
Monday: Island Shores 10:30am, Residents Mass
Saturday: St. Christopher 9:00am and 4:30pm (Vigil)
Sunday: St. Christopher 9:15am, 12:00pm
and 7:00pm
St. Margaret Mary ... 8:00am and 10:30am
Holy Days of Obligation as announced

CONFESSION

*Friday: St. Christopher after 9:00am Mass - 10:00am
Saturday: St. Christopher 1:30pm - 2:30pm
Otherwise by appointment; call (718) 351-2452
* Throughout the Year of Mercy, Dec. 8th, 2015 - Nov. 20th, 2016.

BAPTISMS

By appointment. Interviews of parents seeking baptism for their children are arranged by calling the Parish Office; (718) 351-2452.

MARRIAGES

By appointment with one of the priests at least six months in advance of the wedding date. Please contact the Parish Office for further information; (718) 351-2452.

SICK CALLS

Please call the Parish Office; (718) 351-2452.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday - Friday: St. Christopher 12:00pm - 4:30pm
Mrs. Ellie Keane, Coordinator (718) 987-3059

NEW PARISHIONERS

All new parishioners are invited to register at the Parish Office and to participate in our parish life.

ST. CHRISTOPHER SCHOOL

15 Lisbon Place, 10306 (718) 351-0902
Mrs. Catherine Falabella, Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION and RCIA

560 Lincoln Avenue, 10306 (718) 351-2119
Mrs. Barbara Regan, Coordinator



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

Lk 10:41-42

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 16 th	
9:00am ^(C)	Patrick Burke
4:30pm ^(C)	Mary Carroll Sciacca
Sunday, July 17 th	
8:00am ^(M)	Joe (Sully) Sullivan
9:15am ^(C)	Members of the Legion of Mary
10:30am ^(M)	Richard Darcy
12:00pm ^(C)	Rosemarie De Feo
7:00pm ^(C)	Donald Parker
Monday, July 18 th	
8:00am ^(M)	Louis Cretella
9:00am ^(C)	Rose & Irving McKee & Adrian Fichtman
Tuesday, July 19 th	
8:00am ^(M)	For Intentions of Andrew Lee & Fam.
9:00am ^(C)	Vincent St John
Wednesday, July 20 th	
8:00am ^(M)	Anthony Saltarelli
9:00am ^(C)	Gary P Charles
Thursday, July 21 st	
8:00am ^(M)	August Orlando
9:00am ^(C)	Vincent Zappi
Friday, July 22 nd	
8:00am ^(M)	Joseph Zieris
9:00am ^(C)	Kathleen Owens
Saturday, July 23 rd	
9:00am ^(C)	Joseph Schirripa
4:30pm ^(C)	Deceased Members of the Vito Family
Sunday, July 24 th	
8:00am ^(M)	Louis Cretella and Sylvia Scott
9:15am ^(C)	Deceased Members of the Doherty Family
10:30am ^(M)	Frank Pira
12:00pm ^(C)	Maria & Gaetano Puleo
7:00pm ^(C)	For the Parishioners

^(C) St. Christopher Church

^(M) St. Margaret Mary Church

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

“... touch only the tassel on his cloak,
and as many as touched it were healed.”
- Mark 6:56



Rosalina Alvarez	Rose Giangarra	Timmy Mohin
Ann Basso	Frank Gillick	Frank O'Donnell
Sal Cigliano	Kathleen Gillick	Grace Parker
Lorraine Conway	Josephine Hughes	Franco Poire
Terence Crowley	Michael Leone	Thomas Puleo
Mary Graham Delmar	Nicholas Lombardi	Robert Sabatino, Sr.
Janet Dennis	Jake LoNigro	Carmen Santore
Edwina Dunne	Diego Lopez	Alexis Savattere
Carol Fiore-Miano	Richard Malanga	Phyllis Savattere
Concetta Fisher	Delia Mandia	Eleanor Shields
Marie Flannery	Delia Mayott	Helen St. John
Ann Gambino		Alice Wilson
Frank Gambino		

NOTE: Those in **bold** were added this week.

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

FOR THE WEEK OF July 17th



The **Bread & Wine** at St Christopher are being offered for Gaby Campos and
The **Sanctuary Lamp** at St Christopher is being offered for Gary P. Charles



“... **A TIME TO MOURN** ...” - Ecclesiastes 3:4



Pray for the souls of Rev. James Smyth, Emanuela Nigro, Kathleen “Kitty” Durso and their families.

“I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live” - John 11:25-26

REFLECTION

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In any household with more than one child, parents have to deal with sibling rivalry. The more benign forms find expression in simple competition, in which one child strives to do better than another in contests or sports. At other times, the rivalry shows itself in a negative light, offering up comments on who's not doing what, whether that is schoolwork or household chores. The supposedly aggrieved child has a heightened sense of justice, often proclaiming that the other child seems to get away with doing less.

It almost seems as though this is what is playing out in the Gospel story today between Martha and Mary. Martha wants Jesus to be the arbiter of the dispute, much as if she would be running to Mom or Dad. Mary seems to have found the sweet spot, sitting at the Teacher's feet. Plenty of German-inspired stained glass windows show exactly that, portraying Mary with an almost beatific quality to her face, while Martha stands in the background with a rather sour grimace. Jesus sits between them as though he is the referee between the two feuding sisters.

Since the time of Augustine the story of Martha and Mary has often been interpreted as a commentary on the difference between the active and contemplative life-with the contemplative winning out. It's hard to imagine that a Gospel such as Luke's, so filled with stories of compassion and assistance, would profess that view. It is Luke's Gospel that includes the story of the good Samaritan, the classic example of active love of neighbor. Maybe a better way for us to understand the story of Martha and Mary is this: Mary's example is a reminder that we must clearly hear what Jesus is teaching. We cannot just run about acting as we always have. Rather, we need to take his teaching to heart, and in that way ensure that our actions are based on his commands.

MESSAGE FROM FR. JOE

As the Summer continues, so too, does the work on the legal incorporation of St. Christopher and St. Margaret Mary Parish. Last August the two parishes became one according to the archdiocese, and as of September 1st, they will become one corporation legally according to the religious corporation laws of New York State. Currently, we already share in all the pastoral and sacramental aspects of one parish, but we are two legal corporations, St. Christopher Church and St. Margaret Mary Church. Right now each has its own tax identification number, by-laws, trustees, bank accounts, etc. but as of September 1, 2016, there will be ONE corporation with a new tax identification number, one set of trustees, and bank accounts under our new name of "Church of St. Christopher and St. Margaret Mary."

In order to continue this process of incorporation, the two trustees from St. Christopher, Edward Kessig and Elena Brady, and the two trustees from St. Margaret Mary, Staci Memmesheimer and Frank Sadjak, signed paperwork of resolutions this past week, allowing for this transition from two corporations to one. The paperwork was then sent back to the legal department of the Archdiocese who files the papers, and helps obtain a new tax identification number. This number is similar to a person's social security number as it identifies the new corporation, allows the new corporation to open bank accounts, and permits the new corporation to pay for purchases and services.

I will keep you updated when this incorporation is complete. I thank you for your support and prayers, and look forward to continuing to work together in our mission of spreading the Good News of the Gospel through sacramental worship, prayer, and charitable works.

FIND A CHURCH AND MASS WHILE ON VACATION

It can be difficult for Catholics to find a Mass when traveling, on vacation or when it is not practical to attend their regular parish. The *Mass Times* website makes it easy to find a Church and Mass by city, state or zip code.

You can find *Mass Times* at www.masstimes.org.



OUR LECTOR SCHEDULE

For the weekend of July 23 & 24 the following are asked to Lector at the Mass indicated:

- 7/23 @ 4:30pm I. Doherty;
- 7/24 @ 8:00am W. Meagher;
- 7/24 @ 9:15am E. McKee;
- 7/24 @ 10:30am Sr.B. Hecllo;
- 7/24 @ 12:00pm V. Ramos;
- 7/24 @ 7:00pm E. Brady

OUR ALTAR SERVERS

For the weekend of July 23 & 24 the following are asked to assist on the altar at the Mass indicated (**remember to wear black shoes**):

St Christopher

7/23 @ 4:30pm; Isabella & Mercedes Placencia,
Nicholas Varricchio;

7/24 @ 9:15am; Alex Cammarano, **Michael & Nicole Kindja**
7/24 @ 12:00pm ; Christopher Mooney, Andrew Cranston,

Tyler DiDonato

7/24 @ 7:00pm; Maria, Patricia & Robert McFeeley,
Isabella Roman

St Margaret Mary

7/24 @ 8:00am; Erin, Abby & Natalie;
7/24 @ 10:30am; Michael A & Sophia A



SUMMER WORSHIP

Please continue to practice your Catholic faith by attending Sunday services during the summer months, especially during your well deserved vacation. Enjoy and be safe.

AND THE WINNERS ARE...

50-50 at St Christopher - \$207 won by Mrs Joseph Andriulli

The 200 Club for June at St Margaret Mary \$750 won by #144 and \$500 won by #165.

CATHOLIC CRUISE

7 Night Western Caribbean Cruise with Fr John Boyhan Nov 13th to Nov 20th on Holland America's **Nieuw Amsterdam** out of Fort Lauderdale - -Ports of Call: Half Moon Cay, Bahamas + George Town, Grand Cayman + Cozumel, Mexico + Key West, Florida. Prices begin at \$1,767 or two passengers including all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass offered. Deposit of \$350 per person required to reserve your cabin. Space is limited. For further info or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785 / Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com

MEMBERS IN THE SERVICE

Please remember the following members of our Parish Family currently serving in the US Armed Forces.

ARMY
Major Suzanne L. Jones,
DDS,ABGD,FAGD



If you have a family member who is an active duty military member please notify Peggy Rybarczyk (718) 351-2452 of their their name, rank and branch so we can add them to our prayer list.

AUGUST BASKETBALL SUMMER WORKOUT

Our parish coaching staff will again conduct workouts this Summer for players entering grades 1-8 in September. The sessions will be held in St Christopher's Gym and begin on Aug 1. These are optional workouts, but all St Christopher-St Margaret Mary players are urged to attend as often as possible. There is **no fee** for this program. The only requirement is that the children come prepared to work hard and be attentive. Players should wear shorts, t- shirts, socks and sneakers and **must** wear knee pads. A water bottle or thermos and a towel are recommended.

Monday Schedule

4-5pm Gr 2-3 (Boys/Girls)
5-6pm Gr 4-5 GIRLS
6-7pm Gr 6-8 GIRLS
7-8pm Gr 4-5 BOYS
8-9:45pm Gr 6-8 BOYS

Thursday Schedule

5-6pm Gr 4-5 GIRLS
6-7pm Gr 6-8 GIRLS
7-8pm Gr 4-5 BOYS
8-9:45pm Gr 6-8 BOYS

Questions Call Coach Carmine (917) 371-3766

YOUR ENVELOPE COUNTS

	July 10, 2016
St. Christopher	\$4,339- regular \$1,285- school support
St. Margaret Mary	\$2,035- regular



Thank you for your continuing generosity