

"Am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous? Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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## LITURGY SCHEDULE:

- ◆ Confession times: <u>St. Christopher</u> Mon., 12 noon 1pm; Wed., 5-5:45 pm; Sat., 3-3:45 pm. St. Martin - Tues., 12 noon - 1pm; Thurs., 5:30 - 7pm.
- ADORATION (at St. Christopher) Wednesday, 9am 5 pm, closing with Benediction.
- ◆ WEEKEND MASSES:St. Christopher, 4 pm Saturday, 8 and 11 am Sunday At St. Martin, 5:30 pm Saturday, 9:30 am Sunday

Also posted on Facebook and parish website.

Information about the Archdiocesan response to the COVID-19 pandemic is at www.archlou.org/covid-19.



Newcomers welcome! Please register at the parish office, or use the form on our website. We enjoy having you worship with us and are glad you are here.

#### Faith Formation

Sacrament of Marriage- Please contact Fr. Hopper at least six months prior to the wedding date to begin your preparation process.

Sacrament of Baptism - Contact Glory Kramer to register for the required Baptism Preparation Class - that meets on the last two Sundays of each month.

### Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima



September 27.....Novie Bamba October 4.....Joyce Soult October 11.....Michael Stamper



Join us on Friday, Sept. 25th for our semester Kick-off Fire Night at St. Christopher, from 7-10 pm!! This event is open to all youth in the 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades. We ask that you please bring your own chair or blanket for around the fire, to please abide by the social distancing guidelines and bring a mask for when social distancing is unattainable.

We will be taking a Prayer Hike on Sunday, 27th! All youth in the 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades are encouraged to join us for a hike at Tioga Falls! We will meet in the parking lot of St. Christopher at **noon** to carpool to and from Tioga. Parents can pick their youth back up at Saint Christopher at 3 pm. Due to state regulations we ask that you abide by the social distancing guidelines and bring a mask for when social distancing is unattainable.

RSVP's and Permission Forms are required for this event and can be found on the Church website under the Youth Ministry tab.

Drivers are needed for the prayer hike event!! If you are over 21, have your Safe Environment Training and up-to-date background check through the Archdiocese of Louisville, and would like to help with transport, please contact Ashley Law at 270-723-0480 or ymc@bbtel.com.



#### Saturday, September 19

† William, Marty and Richard Price

#### Sunday, September 20

† Dawn McGrew BronnBauer 8 am

11 am For the Parishes

#### Monday, September 21

M.C. and Pam Jordan 9 am

#### Wednesday, September 23

† Francesca Quichocho

#### Friday, September 25

9 am † Bill Tice

#### Saturday, September 26

4 pm † Robert and Grace Hambly and Carol **Hambly Lantis** 



Offerings needed each week	\$6,550.00
Received Sept 5/6	\$6,691.55
Received Sept. 12/13	\$5,460.75



MAJ Robert Blume, LTC William Blume, Jr., CPT Jonathan Davis, Briana Degrella, Erik Enyart, TSGT Jesse Escalera, Jason Forcey, Charles Gerstenkorn, Hoffman, Sr., SSGt Tyler Karr, Jose F.

Madera, CW3 Jonathan Melton, Scott Parham, Aaron Reyna, Tara Reyna, Tsgt Fernando Rios, Jr., SGT Tommy Schlett, Jacob Stone, CPT Allison Warwick, Msgt Jeremy Yates, and all those who so faithfully serve our nation.



Religious Education/CCD classes, began Sunday, Sept. 13th. If you registered your child/children last year, there is no need to register again. If you are new or have not registered before, please call or text Glory Kramer at 270-317-0985.



Attention all Trail Life members: Tuesday meetings have resumed (with social distancing guidelines in mind). Call Mike Henderson for details about the meetings, or about joining: 270-307-3537.

FALL FESTIVAL FAMILY PARADE for the Signature HealthCARE residents, Sept. 23rd at 6 pm!



REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Posted on the inside doors of Church and on the Parish website are copies of the current prayer list for our parish. Thank you so much for your work of mercy in praying for our members, families and friends who are ill.

Giving More Back to the Community! committed to helping our communities grow and prosper. Year after year, local schools, churches and other



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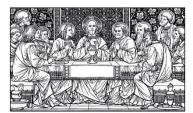
call 1-800-KROGERS, option 3. St. Christopher's organization number is DB062. Thank you for your support!!

Knights of Columbus CARRY-OUT ONLY Fish Fry, Saturday, Sept. 26th, 5-8:00 pm in the PLC. Fish I dinner for pickup, with details/price to follow. Side I I order of shrimp will also be available.



Flowers in the sanctuary this weekend were donated in memory of the Korean Martyrs.

Do not wait until a priest retires or is transferred to celebrate their service. Like Father's Day, let Priesthood



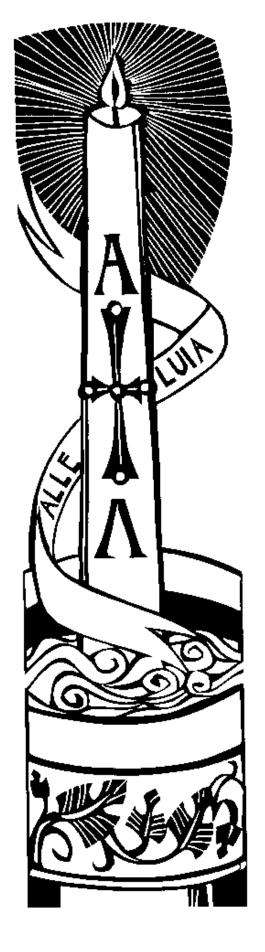
**Sunday** be the one day a year when we make it a point to make priests feel truly appreciated and special. Priesthood Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020, is a special day set aside

to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. Thank you, Fr. Hopper, for your "yes".

A portion of last weekend's collection was given to support the **Pontifical Good Friday Collection**, which supports Christians in the Holy Land. This collection was postponed this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

A portion of this weekend's collection will be given to the annual collection for Catholic higher education. This collection supports the Catholic University of America, as well as Bellarmine and Spalding Universities.

USHERS NEEDED!! (Especially for 4 pm Mass). Please call Mark Cobb at 270-300-2901 if you could volunteer to assist.



Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church?

Do you know someone who may be interested in the Catholic faith?

We welcome the baptized and the non-baptized to join us on Tuesday evenings at 6 pm.

The process of RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults helps you discern whether you are ready to commit to the Catholic faith.

Call one of us for more information: Gloria Ritter, 270-668-2842; Tim Curran, 270-668-5142; or Glory Kramer 270-317-0985

Or, drop your name and phone number in the collection basket and we will call you.

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Parents are called to sow the seeds of faith in their children. The partnership of home and parish is the ground for nurturing this faith. It is the quality of family life and parish involvement, as well as the use of a curriculum, and other resources that provide the fertile soil in which the child's faith may grow and mature.

How can we as parents, help to foster a good relationship with the parish who assists us in educating our children? - register and become

active parishioners, worship as a family, bring your child to Mass every Sunday, pray with your child, assist your child with religious education assignments, discuss what goes on in class with your child, offer your service as a catechist, aide, substitute or helper in the religious education program, and participate with your child in the many opportunities that are offered to be of service to others.

Religious Education



The primary goal of our catechetical program is to assist families in the spiritual formation of their children. This goal is best achieved when there is cooperation and communication between the families

religious education program. Good communication between the home and the RE program is important in serving the needs of the children.

The family, the domestic church, is the most important Christian influence on children, since it is in the home that a child first encounters love, trust, acceptance and forgiveness. It is through this lived experience that children first perceive a loving God in whom they can place their trust.

Catechists, teachers, helpers, the youth minister and the director of religious education strive to create an environment where children can belong to a Christian

community, develop positive attitudes, experience Christian love, grow spiritually, pray, read Scripture, study Catholic doctrine, and learn about responsible behavior, and prepare for adult life in the Church. The goal is to provide a solid foundation so our children can express what Catholics believe, and to live their faith.

Religious Education Objectives

Next in-person class is on October 4

St. Christopher religious education objectives of faith formation are the same as those that parents require of their children at home: to promote knowledge of the faith:

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- ⇒ to promote meaningful participation in the liturgy and sacramental life of the Church
- ⇒ to integrate moral formation into a Christian way of life
- ⇒ to teach children and adults how to pray with Christ, in Christ and in communion with the Church
- ⇒ to initiate the Christian into the life of the local church community
- ⇒ and to foster active participation in the mission of the Church.

The vibrant life of children in our parish is a treasure – images of Christ's presence the in us.



Parents, youth, and children make a commitment to regular attendance at all classes and activities. Good attendance makes it possible to grasp religious concepts and to foster a sense of "belonging" to the parish community.

Attendance

Substituting sports or other events for RE teaches that these things are more important than their religious formation. Try to schedule events around religious education classes. If a child or youth is absent, parents notify Glory Kramer, 270-317-0985. It is also important that children arrive on time for class.

## Sacrament Preparation Classes

Sacrament preparation classes are offered to second graders who prepare for First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Holy Communion and sixth graders who prepare for Confirmation. Good attendance is necessary in all years of religious education.

Sacrament preparation for older students (past 2nd grade), who have not received the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist, have the opportunity to participate in a class available to prepare these children for these sacraments.

Preparation for the sacraments is life-long

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<u>Volunteers:</u> As in any educational setting, the religious education program relies heavily on volunteers. Please remember that our catechists are giving their time and talent to help strengthen the faith of the children. Not all of them are professional teachers, but they strive to give of themselves to carry on the mission of Christ in our parish. Take a moment to thank them.

Each new year of religious education is exciting. Catechists, teachers, helpers, and parents look forward to helping each child proceed along his/her journey to discover God. We ask for the support of the entire community. We also ask for your prayers; that God may bless us, our work, and all of our children.



The Marquette Method teaches a couple to monitor the female hormones along with other natural signs of fertility to aid the couple's self-knowledge of their fertility in planning their family.

# **Introductory Fall Classes**

ONLINE-Monday, September 21st at 6:30 PM St. James in Elizabethtown-Tuesday, October 20th at 6:30 PM For More Information and to Register Contact: Angela Hobbs, RN, BSN

(270)735-3883

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# THANK YOU

Parishioner gifts are always greatly appreciated, and right now, the gifts of hand sanitizer and other cleaning aids have been wonderful supplements to our regular supply. Thank you, again. May God bless your kindness!



Right to Life Kentucky Heartland invites you to participate in the local chain of the 33rd Annual National Life Chain on Respect Life Sunday, October 4, 2020, from 2:30-3:30 pm. Participants stand on the public sidewalk holding pro-life signs (provided by KRLA) and praying silently for an end of abortion in our country. Signs will be distributed from the parking lot of Cecilian Bank on 31W. Please arrive at 2:15 to choose a sign and get in place. Should the bank's lot be full, please park only where businesses are closed. ALL WHO PARTICIPATE ARE ASKED TO SOCIAL DISTANCE AND WEAR MASKS. Questions? Call Becky at 270-352-7012.





The Knights of Columbus invite everyone to a Holy Hour for the Unborn, on Monday, September 28th, at 5:30 pm in the Church.

**NOTE:** Printing deadlines have changed (due to COVID-19). Any material for the bulletin needs to be in to the Parish Office NO LATER than Monday morning for the following weekend.

**ANOINTING of the SICK -** Friday, September 25th, immediately following the Stations of the Cross, after the 9 am Mass.



Anointing of the sick

If you or a family member are hospitalized and would like to request a pastor visit, please notify the parish office. Also those requesting homebound visits for communion and/or confessions should call the office to schedule a time in which you might be visited.

We pray for all of our suffering families!

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"In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the

heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit."

Ephesians 1:13

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