Good Shepherd & St Christopher

October 8th 2023 - Ordinary Time



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St Christopher's Campus (Office Closed on Fridays) Sat Vigil 530pm Sunday 745, 945, and 1145am Daily Mass at 9am (Tuesday thru Friday) Adoration and Confessions Thursday 7-8pm

Good Shepherd Campus (Office Closed Fridays) Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm Sunday 8:30 am ● 10:30 am Daily Mass at 8:00 am (Tuesday thru Friday) CONFESSIONS Saturdays 3:00-3:45 pm October 7th was the Feast of the Holy Rosary—if your rear view mirror or desk, dresser or pockets have seen more of the rosary than your hands—it's time for an upgrade.

15 minutes a day—or if you commute listen and pray along with EWTN's Holy Land Rosary through the speakers from You Tube.

Meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary is like the listening to or reading the Scriptures in manageable doses so you can focus and be fed on these riches.

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To Hell & Back: Dante's Divine Comedy

Father Maurer will teach 7 weekly Wednesday sessions of one hour each to explore the content, history and theological themes of this classic of Western Literature at 7pm.

Heaven's next as we have been led up the Mount of Purgatory and through the flames of lust and back to the Garden of Eden: the earthly Paradise. Dante's guide, Virgil, who has seen him through the worst of it allows Beatrice to "take it from here" and allows him to return to Limbo. Dante, grateful for Virgil's help vet sorrowful that he will not share in the life of Heaven presses upward to the celestial spheres.



The Holy Name Society

invites all men of the Saint Christopher & Good Shepherd to attend our October 10th meeting. The dinner meeting starts at 7:30 PM with Pizza, Salad and Refreshments in the School. The Rosary will be offered in the St. Christopher's School Chapel at 7:00 PM. Please stop in and join us. All are welcome.

Contact Greg Fildes at HolyName@stchrisredhook.org



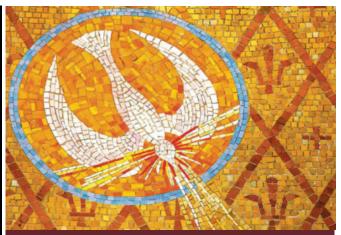
NEXT FOOD PANTRY

Saturday, October 14th at 10am.

30 Benner Road Red Hook

To the right you'll see a pair of older hands praying—over the past few weeks I've been really touched by the visits and even the passing of several really amazing senior citizens well into their eighties and nineties. In addition to the sadness of death I often become crestfallen thinking, "These folks had the faith in their bones..." They were products of the great formation of the 40's and 50's which frankly has been unparalleled ever since.

Let's pray for the folks who are homebound or at facilities like Ferncliff or Brooke Meade as well as those we've buried. Let's also ask them to pray for our parish that the efforts we're making now will pay spiritual dividends 70 years from now.



Confirmation Party

OPEN INVITE AFTER CEREMONY 10/27 at 6pm ST CHRISTOPHER'S SCHOOL

CATERED FOOD FOR ADULTS

London Broil, Grilled Chicken Potatoes, Chicken Parmesan, Pasta Salad and Rolls w Soda w/ option to BYOB for adults

FOOD FOR THE KIDS

HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS MAC & CHEESE, RAMEN SODAS

Eat together as family with your guests and also enjoy them with their friends as we have a bonfire, music, two bounce houses, gaga ball, and more to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation as a parish family. Everyone in the parish is welcome to come NOT just folks for Confirmation.

RSVP with as many people as you'd like by October 20th by emailing to rectory@stchrisredhook.org



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The Latino Day of the Dead is essentially Catholic. While movies sometimes "Disney" it up...Coco is about praying for the souls in Purgatory. Join us on November 2nd to pray..... see right.



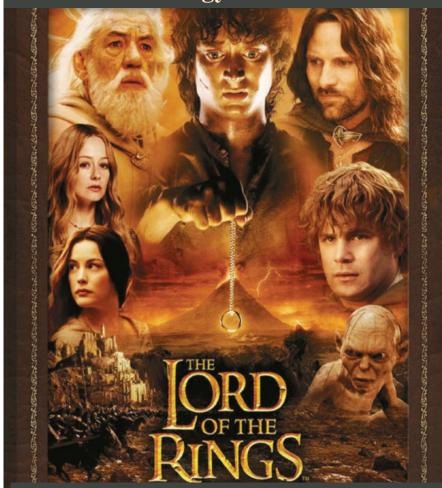
November 2nd All Souls' Masses

8am St Joseph's Rhinecliff

9am St Christopher's

7pm Good Shepherd (parts of Mass in Spanish for El Dia de Los Meurtos)

Advent Theology Series Nov 29th



Wednesdays Good Shepherd @ 7pm
We'll take three weeks off from Dante and then
plunge into JRR Tolkien's greatest work.

aThe Upper Room

sounds like a trendy place in Rhinebeck w/ \$48 appetizers but its the location of the Last Supper & where they gathered on Pentecost.

Over the past few weeks men (young & old) have joined us for the Dante class, as CCD teachers and more. I would like to expand this to an "Upper Room Men's Bible Study" during Lent.

Let's do the same with my "Upper Room" crew—a group of CCD moms who helped me plan the youth group. It's open to all women from the parish. Perhaps during Advent? We can gather for deepening our friendships with faith like we discussed, perhaps at a restaurant's private room without the \$48 apps)

Mass Intentions

Weekend of October 7th & 8th

4:00- Gary, Barry, Raymond & Betty Lutz 5:30 – Daniel Alvarez by the Family

7:45-Sebastiamma by Rick and Barb Rizzolo 8:30- Mary Hinton by Wendy Smith 9:45- George Whelly by Susan & Michael Cerulli 10:30 – Mary-Kathryn Poletto by by GS Women's Soc. 11:45 – Ann Hoch by Her Family

Tuesday 8am Veronica Kenny by Kathleen Kennedy 9am Chris Cayea by the Boyd Family

Wednesday 8am Chester Thomas by Kathleen Kennedy 9am 9am Elizabeth Conforti & Desiree Mullen by Alice Dillon

Thursday 8am Glenn Barrows by Mary Ann Barrows 9am Ann Gilfeather by Betty Bader

Friday 8am Beatrice Kenny by Kathleen Kennedy 9am Joan Martin by The O'Connell Family

Weekend of October 14th & 15th

4pm Tillie Van Etten by Laurie Walters 530pm Intentions of the Holy Name Society

745am Barbara & Sal Moccia by Fran Remenek 830am Corrine & Christopher Tatavitto by Robert& Doreen Campbell 945am Dorothy May Kilmer by the RH Community & Church Family 1030am Al & Alice Vasti by Betty Lutz 1145am Ann Gilfeather by Lisa Dolan

Collections for the past four weeks will be posted next week. We've been doing them monthly as mentioned because they give us a better sense since many WeShare donations come at the start of the month. It keeps us from getting overly pleased with ourselves at the start of the month and keeps us from panicking at the end of the month. Thank you for considering an increase to support us & keeping us in good shape.

Blessings and congratulations to Benjamin & Sarah on their marriage last weekend at St Christopher's!



Welcome God's family Daxton!

Welcome to God's **Family Rosie** and Camilla!



This terrific little guy come to Mass with his family each week—but his brothers overshadow him. They said, "we're his bodyguards!"

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Saturday—November 18th

And come to Our Lady's Guild's Annual Christmas Fair at 30 Benner Road—Shop cute Christmas crafts, candles, support your parish, and enjoy great food with your family or friends.



"It's getting hot (and cold) in here..."

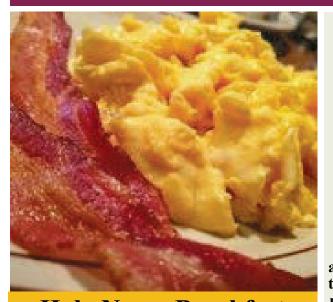
We're starting on the installation of our new school boiler. Thanks for your increase in generosity in the weekly collection and your "Renew and Rebuild" pledge allows us to do a \$65,000 project like this. In addition a generous benefactor has come forward to promote a "match" to air-condition the gym for more use in the summer. More about that soon...

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Holy Name Breakfast
October 15th
St Christopher's Gym
8-11am

HELPING HANDS TO OTHERS—H2O

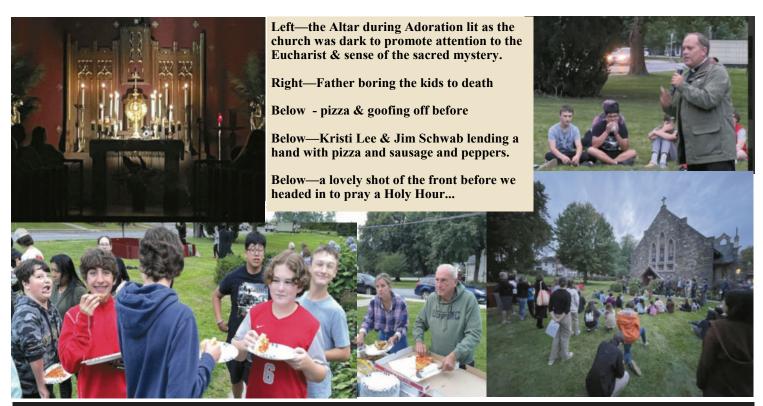
"I was thirsty and you gave me to drink..." Matthew 25:35

We recently received two one thousand dollar donations to help this program. I want to express my gratitude for those donors and the work it will allow us to do for others in need.

Do you have a small home repair or odd job you're not able to do? Maybe a handrail is needed or a small area needs patching or paint? A garden may need to be cleaned and raked out, a bulb changed in a ceiling fixture, or furniture moved....you know – jobs that are too small to call in a professional. Our organization may be able to help! Contact us and we will discuss what's possible and a couple of our volunteers will help get the job done. Some jobs may require you to pay for parts or supplies but our volunteer services are free.

Finally, if anyone would like to become an H2O volunteer, please give us a call & experience why we are involved in this mission.

Jim: 914-388-1736 Rick: 845-235-5985



9 days ago I was blown away by the response to Eucharistic Adoration with our new CYO youth group and Confirmation candidates. On the lawn at St Christopher's we had half an hour of music, games, pizza, sausage & peppers outside and then 65 kids and 50 adults went in and many were introduced (75% of them) to Adoration for the first time ever. They spent one hour praying & were amazing. No wanting to leave for the bathrooms, invited to sit, almost all stayed kneeling, no "glow" of phones snuck in and a peaceful pall of silence during the rosary w/ 10 minute pauses of silence. You should complement your kids if they went to this and resolve to come next month.



Ceremony for First Penance

will take place on November 4th after the 4pm Mass at Good Shepherd. We'll have some games, youth group, Chinese buffet for families, and then Adoration with the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The kids will also hear the story, "You are Special" by Max Lucado read to them which gives a lovely preparation for this sacrament. Perhaps begin to read it to your littles ahead of time....you can buy it on Amazon.





Another CYO season is gearing up for a great start. Thanks to our director Aaron, our coaches, parents and players.

St Sebastian, Pray for Us.



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