



ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH

SERVICE TO HIS PEOPLE

Member of 5 Saints West Pastoral Planning Group

August 15, 2010

Assumption of Mary

Do You Explore the Good Word As A Family?

You can help yourselves and your children make the most of the Liturgy of the Word each Sunday by preparing ahead of time. It is just as hard for adults as it is for our youth to understand some of the readings from the Old Testament or even to comprehend the message from an epistle and the Gospel. These readings are read 1, 2, 3 and we are still hearing one word or a sentence from one of the readings when we realize that it is time to listen to the homily.

There are several ways that you can prepare for the following week. One is to go to www.loyolapress.com and search for Sunday Connection. There you will receive the readings for the Sunday along with background information on the Gospel and the Family Connection.

It is easier to choose one reading each week, especially if you have younger children. The Old Testament reading or the Gospel are good choices. I would use the Old Testament with the older children. These two readings usually have parallel themes. Once you have read the reading discuss what was read. Again, the information from the Sunday connection will be very helpful for your discussion.

Sometimes the readings are ones that we can identify with. Ask if anyone can identify with someone in the readings, is there anything that really caught their attention? Another way could be to have each person pick a character that he or she can identify with and why.

This week the reading is from Luke 1:39-56. We celebrate Mary's Assumption into heaven. The Gospel today recalls Mary's actions after the announcement of Jesus' birth by the Angel Gabriel. She will visit her cousin Elizabeth who is also with child and Elizabeth greets Mary fully recognizing they roles they and their unborn children have.

As a family talk about what you know about Mary and how she is a model of faith. Explain to the children that we are celebrating a holy day. On this day we remember that God took Mary, body and soul, to heaven. We also hear the beautiful song of Mary's praises to God – the Magnificat. Loyola recommends that today you have each person write or draw one or more ways in which they see God working in your family and in our world today.

Adapted from Loyola Press Sunday Connection
Finish your discussion by praying the beautiful Magnificat:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever.

AT THE CORNER OF BROADWAY V ...

..will be presented on Wednesday, August 18th at 7:30PM. Brought to you once again by our Youth/Young Adults and special guests, this wonderful evening will feature songs from our first four Broadway performances and wonderful new songs as well. Hosted once again by our very own Joanna Aguglia, this night is not to be missed! Tickets are \$5.00 at the door!

RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

As we sense the imminence of the end of summer, we look ahead to fall programs.

Do you know anyone who wants to learn more about the Catholic faith? Anyone who would like to be baptized, confirmed or receive the Eucharist for the first time? Are you that person?

Call the rectory 594-1400 or Joanne Popeck 249-9193 for more information.

<u>Mass</u>		<u>For</u> Aug 14	<u>to Aug 22</u>
			<u>By:</u>
Sat.	4:30 PM	Jack Madigan	Lily DiGiacomo
Sun.	9:00 AM	Sr. Carol	Golden Agers
	11:00AM	GeorgeNoeth and Jon David Noeth	family
Mon.	9:00 AM	For the people	of St. Christophers
Tues.	9:00 AM	Pat Prescott	Ken & Dee Milner
Wed.	9:00 AM	Robert Walsh	Tricia Thomas
Thur	9:00 AM	Communion	and prayer service
Fri.	9:00 AM	Mothers living and deceased	
Sat.	4:30 PM	Lydia Spillane	Eileen Spillane
Sun.	9:00 AM	Roberta Daniels	husband
	11:00AM	Pat Prescott	The Cabic family

NEXT WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, August 17

01:45 PM - 06:00 PM (Church) Corner of Broadway V - Rehearsal

Wednesday, August 18

7:30 PM (Church) Corner of Broadway V

Saturday, August 21

10:00 AM - 04:00 PM (Entire Bldg) Teacher Workshop Day



JUST A REMINDER THAT IF YOU HAVE NOT REGISTERED YOUR STUDENTS YET TO PLEASE DO SO.

Our books have arrived and we need to know if we have to order more.

Your school calendars are ready to be picked up. I will be at all the masses the weekends of August 14th, 15th, 21st, 22nd, 28th, and 29th. Karen and I will be in the office on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. through the end of August. You can stop by and see us at any time.

When you receive your calendar you will notice that during the week of September 12, Fr. Bob and I would like to meet with all the parents involved in the program. We have broken down the alphabet to make it easier for all of us. Letters A-F will meet on the 13th; G-M will meet on the 14th; and N-Z will meet on the 15th. All meetings will be held in the Parish Hall and begin at 7:00 p.m. Students are not to be at these meetings.

Green Autumn Harvest Raffle Questions & Answers

Can I put my child's or grandchild's name on the order form as a buyer" Can my wife and I purchase a ticket together?

Raffle tickets make great gifts... especially if they're winning tickets! However, the buyer's name must be a person who is at least 18 years old and only one name can be designated as a buyer on each ticket.

Youth Updates

YOUTH RETREAT!!!

The youth retreat is coming quickly! August 27-29 we will be having a youth retreat at Kamp Koinonia, which is a beautiful camp out in Italy Valley, NY (about an hour and a half away). If you're looking for a great time with a perfect balance of fun, energy, reflection, chill-time, prayer, and crazy great times, this is for YOU! There will be many group events, small group events, and even time for personal reflection and relaxation! The camp has an awesome indoor chapel, beautiful outdoor chapel, craft lodge, main lodge with ping pong and many other games, and also a huge amount of outdoor field space! We will be doing some fun unexpected wild activities, along with some quiet activities such as stargazing and the ZILCH! This retreat will be available to anyone who just finished grades 6-12! The theme of the retreat will be announced soon, and registration forms are now out at both entrances!! This is an event you don't want to miss!! We hope you will join us! Just as a heads up, it will cost roughly \$40 per person depending on one more figure we have to get from the camp director on our bill. If you are not sure about the financial part of it, PLEASE speak to me! I don't want anyone missing this because of money...if you would like to attend, talk to me and we will make it work! If you are interested in chaperoning this event, please contact Kim and Dave! We are looking for volunteers to help out as small group leaders and also helping as the cooks/kitchen staff! Thank you in advance for your love and guidance!



First Eucharist Reunion Liturgy

Don't forget if your child made his or her First Eucharist in 2010 there is a required Reunion Liturgy on October 3rd at the 11:00 a.m. Liturgy. Please call the parish office to let us know if your family will be attending this mass. Father Bob will be speaking to all of our children. The girls can wear their dresses if they want too. We look forward to having all of our families coming together once again as a community.

Golden Agers

The Golden Agers will meet on August 24th following the 9:00 AM Mass. We will be going to Canandaigua and taking a Boat ride on a Captain Gray's Tour Boat from 11:00 to 12:00. The cost will be \$10.00 per person. After the boat Ride we will be going to lunch at Pepper's restaurant in Canandaigua at 12:30. We will order off the menu.

The Boat has room for 24 people so if you want to go please sign up by August 22nd, and the first 24 people to sign up will be able to go. Please call Chris McCabe at 293-9248 and let her know if you will be able to go or if you do not plan to go. Also let her know if you can drive.

Men's Retreat

It is time to make plans for the Annual Men's Retreat. The men of St. Christopher's are scheduled to make their retreat on the weekend of September 17 thru 19. The theme this year is "**Spirituality: Talkin the Talk and Walkin the Walk**". For further information, please call Jim Robinson at 594-5694.

St. Christopher's Women's Retreat

Sept. 10-12, 2010 @

Notre Dame Retreat House, Canandaigua, NY

"**Spirituality: Talkin the Talk and Walkin the Walk**"

Afraid to leave the kids for a weekend? Come and just spend Saturday at the retreat house. This will allow you to attend the bulk of the conferences. There is also time on Saturday for confession with any one of the priests and Mass at the end of the day.

Husbands encourage your wives to take this time off and attend the whole retreat. Once Mom is away, get together with the kids and plan a special activity for Saturday. That could be anything from cleaning house—with dinner out as a reward, or going out for a picnic, or a ball game of a movie, etc. This can be a weekend, Dad, to do something special with your kids.

For more information or to make a reservation call Marlene Paine at 889-2809 or Lorraine Robinson at 594-5684.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

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HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Join Deacon Dick and Rose Marie Lombard for the spiritual journey of a lifetime to the Holy Land. Departs Rochester February 6, 2011 for 10 days. Visit the places that Jesus walked including Bethlehem, Nazareth, Sea of Galilee and more. Celebrate Mass on this Catholic trip. First class accommodations. Information meeting at St. Elizabeth Seton on Thursday, August 19 at 7 PM in Bailey Hall. Questions? Call Deacon Dick at 259-3846 or email at rlombard2@rochester.rr.com.

Novena

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Family Novena will begin at Christ the King Church on Tuesday, August 31st at 7:00pm and continue for nine consecutive Tuesday evenings. The Novena includes Rosary, Novena Prayers, Scripture Reading followed by a brief homily and Benediction/Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Joy of Stewardship

Parish Financial Stewardship Summary

LAST WEEK	YEAR TO DATE
\$6,246.45	\$ 33,543.92

Stewardship calls us to discern our gifts and talents, to develop them and to share them for the glory of God. Stewardship calls us to honestly inventory our strong suits and our shortcomings. God gifted some people with hospitality skills. He gave others intellectual gifts. He blessed some of us with musical talents, and others with the gift of prophecy.

Everybody had gifts. To live as a steward requires us to discern our gifts, to thank God for them, to hone them, and to share them with others, with our Church, and with the world.

Stewardship ... Live It!

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SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS:

Sunday Eucharist Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Weekday Eucharist 9:00 AM Mass or Communion Svc