

# ST. CHRISTINE'S PARISH FAMILY



1295 Main Street, Marshfield, MA 02050

**Mission Statement:** *We are the Roman Catholic parish family of Saint Christine, gathered by Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and united with the Holy Father, Archbishop and Pastor, to evangelize, to grow in the Spirit and to reach out to others in loving service.*

**Pastor** Rev. Thomas J. Walsh

**Assisting Priests** Rev. Jack Schatzel  
Rev. Thomas Umbras  
Rev. Brian Conley, SJ

**Pastoral Associates** Mary Doolan  
Doretha Gurry

### **Religious Education**

Kathy Scanlan, Director of Confirmation  
and Youth Ministry  
Maryanne Bursaw, Administrator of Confirmation  
and Grades 6 - 7 - 8  
Lauretta Grant and Susie McCarthy,  
Administrators: Pre-School - Grade 5  
Gen Guimond, Secretary

**Music** Meri-Lee Mafera, Director

**Parish Secretary** Joan Woodhull

**Facilities Manager** Ron Coledge

**Asst. Facilities Manager** Tim McGonagle

Please notify the rectory to arrange for the Eucharist to be brought to any ill, elderly or homebound parishioner.

### **Parish**

Rectory 781-834-6003  
Religious Education Office 781-837-0088  
Facebook [www.facebook.com/stchristinesmarshfield](http://www.facebook.com/stchristinesmarshfield)  
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**Mass Schedule:** Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 7:00, 9:00 and 11:30 am  
(11:00 am: Memorial Day thru Labor Day)  
Daily Mass Monday through Friday 9:00 am

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm  
Last Wednesday of the month 6:30 - 8:00 pm

**Summer Mass Schedule (July and August)**  
St. Christine's Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 7:00 and 11:00 am  
St. Theresa's Chapel Sunday 8:30 and 10:00 am

We invite you to register as a member of our Eucharistic community and we hope you will support our parish by your presence, prayers and talents. Parish registration forms are available on the ushers' tables in the church and on our parish website.

October 22, 2017



**Saturday, October 21**

5:00 pm Paul Roos - Birthday Remembrance

**Sunday, October 22**

7:00 am Josephine Walsh - Birthday Remembrance

9:00 am Bill and Marcia McDonough - Anniversary

11:30 am Joseph and Josephine Nicastro - Anniversary

**Monday, October 23**

9:00 am William Santucci - 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

**Friday, October 27**

9:00 am David Lehan - 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Saturday, October 28**

5:00 pm Mark Ahearn - Anniversary

**Sunday, October 29**

7:00 am Mark and Kay Wesley - Memorial

9:00 am Jonathan White - 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

11:30 am John Brown - 2 month Anniversary

**Vocation:** We pray that our love may be a sign of God's presence in the world.

**Reflections:** Our mission is to live lives of faith, love and hope.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION October 14/15**

<b>Budgeted Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 9,800</b>
<b>Received:</b>	<b>\$ 6,577</b>
<b>On-Line Giving:</b>	<b>\$ 2,740</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 9,317</b>

Today is World Mission Sunday. In today's second collection, we are asked to reach out to help those in need with pastoral and evangelization programs in over 1,150 missions in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and Latin America. Through the work of the missionaries, the poor receive practical help and experience God's love and mercy. Please write your checks payable to St. Christine's with World Mission Sunday written on the memo line. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**Saint Christine's Men's Group** is a gathering of Christian men who are dedicated to the mission of Faith, Charity and Service. The men meet monthly at 7:30 am for Mass and discussion on faith. This year the topic of discussion is the wonderful Gospel of Saint John. During the year we help feed the homeless in Boston at the Sisters of Missionary of Charity and also provide Thanksgiving meals, buy presents for a family in need at Christmas, award 2 scholarships to our graduating seniors and clean the grounds at Saint Theresa's Chapel in the Spring. Please join us! For further information, please call Norm Shacochois at 781-834-4097.

Today's Gospel contains a crucial message for you and me. Jesus makes it clear that we possess dual citizenship. We are citizens of earth and heaven and we have responsibilities towards both worlds...toward God and Caesar.

The Gospel reminds us that we are to be good citizens. We are to vote, pay our taxes, obey the law and work in our community for the betterment of all. The Gospel also makes it clear that in being good citizens we are to live our faith and be true to God and the commandments. We cannot separate our faith beliefs from whom we are as citizens.

We are a government of the people, by the people and for the people. It is WE who must make informed, conscientious decisions as we render to God what is God's and to Caesar what is Caesar's. We cannot compromise our obligation to God.

So, what is God's? Jesus gave His life to answer that question. He gave us the rule when He said: "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. That is the greatest and first commandment. The second is like it. "You must love your neighbor as yourself." Jesus reminds us that we cannot fulfill the first if we are not living the second. Loving God and not loving your neighbor is a contradiction.

Jesus has given us the pattern to follow as we live in our world. We are to honor God by loving the commandments. We are to respect the sacredness of life and protect life in all stages. We are to be the defenders of human dignity. We are to speak our for the poor, the abused, and the victims of war and injustice. We are to open our hearts and minds to all victims of prejudice and discrimination.

Jesus devoted His entire ministry to show us by example how to live the great commandment given to us by God. Let us pray that when we see conflict between God and Caesar, we choose to fulfill our obligation to God.

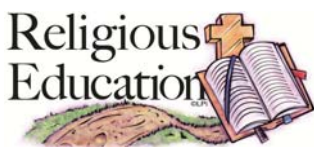
God bless you. Father Tom

**Lectors:** Your new 2018 Lector workbooks are now available in the sacristy. Please stop by and take yours home with you. Thank you.

**Sowing Seeds** With the cooler weather approaching, Sowing Seeds welcomes donations of newer jackets, sweaters and warm clothing. Always needed are diapers and baby wipes for babies and toddlers and personal care items such as soaps, deodorants, toothpaste and brushes, shaving cream and razors and laundry detergents.

The Clothing Bank located on the corner of Route 139 and School Street is open on Thursday and Saturday mornings from 10:00 am to 12 noon to distribute and receive donations. Thank you for your help.

## Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### All Religious Education Classes will meet as scheduled.

The CCD Office is open Monday afternoons from 1 - 4 pm and Tuesday through Thursday from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm.

**Grade 4 Bake Sale:** Our fourth grade students will hold a Bake Sale after the 5 pm, 9 am, and 11:30 am Masses next weekend, October 28/29. The money raised will be used to purchase blankets for our Blanket and Coat Collection in November. Thank you in advance for supporting this wonderful initiative.

**Grade 5:** Our fifth students will participate in a special Mass at 5:00 pm next Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. Students will bring their Giving Tree donations to this Mass. All fifth grade students and their families should attend.

**Grade 2 - Quilt Mass:** On Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at the 9:00 am Mass, our second graders and their families will celebrate the completion of the First Communion Quilt. All second graders should be present for this liturgy which will focus on the importance of belonging to our parish family. Thank you to all the volunteers who assisted in the making of this beautiful quilt.

### Conformation Classes

Grade 10	Sunday, October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	4:30 pm
Grade 9	Sunday, October 29 <sup>th</sup>	4:30 pm

Religious Education Tuition fees are now due. Please remit your payment to the CCD Office as soon as possible. Thank you.



### Pumpkins to Carve

Pumpkins have been placed on the windowsills of the church. You are invited to take one home with you, carve it and return the

pumpkin to the church windowsills before the 5:00 pm Mass next Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Horizon for Children PlaySpace** is seeking volunteers to play with homeless children to help them to learn and grow. A training session will take place on Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 9 pm in Bourne. A commitment of 2 hours a week is needed. To find out more about this rewarding program or to view other training dates or to fill out an application, call 508-510-3250 or visit [horizonchildren.org/playspace](http://horizonchildren.org/playspace).



Next weekend, the names of all our parishioners who have passed away this past year will be read at all the Masses.

### CATHOLIC WOMEN TODAY

We will gather together to honor Our Lady and the Miracle of Fatima on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in the Church. All ladies are invited to take part in a prayer service "In Memory of Our Loved Ones." We will take a moment to share reflections from those who viewed the film "Fatima" followed by a discussion and questions. Refreshments will be served in the children's room.



### TRUNK OR TREAT

Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Please join us for St. Christine's 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Trunk or Treat! Pull your car or truck into the back parking lot at St. Christine's at 1:30 pm and decorate your trunk for

Halloween. Bring the kids or yourself in costume and LOTS OF CANDY to give out. The kids will TRUNK OR TREAT from car to car from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. There will be another designated parking lot for those who just want to come for treats. We kindly ask that you bring new kid sized pajamas (one pair per family) to be donated to Sowing Seeds. Won't it be wonderful for kids to have new PJs to wear during the holidays. If you have any questions or would like to help with this tradition, please contact Joanie Pozerski at [quailrunskis@hotmail.com](mailto:quailrunskis@hotmail.com).

### St. Christine's Book Group

If you enjoy reading you are invited to join St. Christine's Book Group. All are welcome to come join us on Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the parish hall for a discussion on the book:

**The Return of the Prodigal Son** by Henri Nouwen

### Protecting God's Children - Virtus Program

All adults 18 years of age or older who volunteer at Saint Christine's Parish in any ministry **must attend** this mandated child abuse prevention **one time only** training.

Class will be offered on:

St. Christine's:	Thursday, Oct. 26 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm	hall
Assumption	Monday, Nov. 6 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 - 8:30 pm	hall
Holy Family	Sunday, October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	4:00 pm	hall
	Tuesday, November 7 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm	hall

Please contact the CCD Office at 781-837-0088 to make arrangements to attend this class.

**Altar Servers:** Your new schedule is now available in the sacristy and on our parish website. A new list of Altar Server's phone and e-mail addresses is also in the sacristy.

### St. Christine's Grand Annual Collection

Goal: \$ 100,000

Total Received: \$ 99,500

*Thank you for your generosity and support of our parish.*



**NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT  
SUPPORT GROUP OPEN HOUSE**

**A Journey from Grief to Healing  
Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 10 am-12 noon**

The New Day Program is based on the premise that sharing one's thoughts, feelings and experiences with others in a similar situation is one of the most helpful ways to move beyond the pain that is caused by the death of a loved one. If you are recently or not so recently bereaved because of the loss of a loved one, you are welcome to attend. If you are unable to attend but are interested in knowing more about the group, call Dotty Gurry at 781-834-6003 x 18.



**October 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Altar Servers:**

- 5:00 pm: D. DeSantes, R. DeSantes
- 7:00 am: J. Leoffler
- 9:00 am: O. Cregan, K. Cregan
- 11:30 am: C. Larson, E. Tracey

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

- 5:00 pm: K. Pelkowski, I. Mamet, S. Bullock, T. Bullock, A. Finn, A. MacDonald, J. Feeney
- 7:00 am: T. Leoffler, M. Alberti, F. Woodfall
- 9:00 am: R. McCauley, R. Concannon, K. Riley, M. Graham, D. Evans, M. Mello, N. Andersen
- 11:30 am: A. Duane, K. Duane, A. Fallacara, J. Rockwell, M. D'Souza, M. Smith, C. Jean

**Lectors:**

- 5:00 pm: P. Kosman      7 :00 am: K. Shea
- 9:00 am: M. Cregan      11:30 am: L. Larson

**FIAT** is for single women considering a vocation to the religious life. FIAT will have their next meeting on at Saint Clement Eucharistic Shrine in Boston on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 9 pm. If you are interested, please call Sister Marian Batho 617-746-5637 or e-mail at [Sr\\_Marian\\_Batho\\_CSJ@RCAB.org](mailto:Sr_Marian_Batho_CSJ@RCAB.org).

**Miramar Retreat Center** in Duxbury will hold a day retreat on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 7:00 pm. Explore your losses through uplifting presentations, inspirational sharing with others, quiet downtime and prayer with nature. For information and reservation, please call Miramar at 781-585-2460 or visit [miramarretreat.org](http://miramarretreat.org).

**Cursillo for Women** is a short course in Christianity and an opportunity for you to deepen your faith with God. Cursillo will meet on October 26 through 29 at the Campion Center in Weston. Please call 617-332-5548 or visit [bostoncursillo.org](http://bostoncursillo.org) for information and registration.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** will meet this Sunday from 1:00 to 3:00 pm in the Children's Room. If you would like to learn to knit/crochet, please join us. For information, call Judith Casullo at 781-834-4681 or Maryellen at 781834-3420.



**25<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Mass**

Cardinal Sean O'Malley OFM invites all couples in the Archdiocese of Boston who will celebrate their 25<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversaries in 2017 to the annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at Holy Name Church, 1689 Center Street in West Roxbury. Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm and includes the renewal of wedding vows. Family and friends are cordially invited. For information and registration, email [cotrupi\\_e@rcab.org](mailto:cotrupi_e@rcab.org) or call Liz Cotrupi at 617-746-5801.

**Visitors to the Sick Workshop:** A workshop for those who Visit the Sick and Homebound will be offered at Saint Peter's Parish in Plymouth on two Saturdays, November 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 3 pm. The workshop will discuss various visitation issues. The fee is \$40 and pre-registration is required. For information and registration, contact Karen Farrell at 617-746-5843 or e-mail [KFarrell@rcab.org](mailto:KFarrell@rcab.org).

**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES**

The following Catholic High Schools will host their Open Houses on the following dates:

Archbishop Williams H. S.	Sunday, October 22	11am - 2pm
	Thursday, Nov. 2	6 - 8 pm
Boston College H. S.	Sunday, October 22	12 noon - 2pm
Notre Dame Academy	Sunday, October 22	- 3 pm
Sacred Heart H. S.	Sunday, October 22	1 - 3 pm
	Sunday, November 5	1 - 3 pm
	(Sacred Heart Entrance exam - Oct. 28 - Nov. 18 - Dec. 2)	
Ursuline Academy	Sunday, October 22	11am - 2 pm
Xaverian Brothers Gr. 7/8	Sunday, October 22	9 - 11 am
High School	Sunday, October 29	9 - 11 am

Entrance Exams will take place at the high schools on two Saturdays: November 4<sup>th</sup> and December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please contact the school for an application and if you have any questions.

**Holy Family** in Duxbury will host a series for anyone seeking more in-depth knowledge about their faith. The series will take place on Wednesdays, October 18<sup>th</sup> thru November 8<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Parish Center. For information, call Jeanne Cregan at 781-934-5055 x 14.

**Christmas Craft Fair** : Our Lady of Assumption Parish will host their annual Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the parish hall. Handmade gifts from local crafters and artisans includes jewelry, pottery, jams, toys, ornaments and more. Refreshments, 50/50 Raffle, Bake Sale and Raffle prizes will also be available. For more information, please contact Kathy Doyle at 781-837-9110 after 6 pm.

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**WEEKLY SCRIPTURES & THOUGHTS  
for the Parish Family of Saint Christine**



**THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
OCTOBER 29, 2017**

**Reading**

**Ex 22:20-26**

*Just as Jesus tells us, this is God the Father telling us the same. We all must keep these in our hearts.*

Thus says the LORD:

"You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt. You shall not wrong any widow or orphan. If ever you wrong them and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry. My wrath will flare up, and I will kill you with the sword; then your own wives will be widows, and your children orphans. If you lend money to one of your poor neighbors among my people, you shall not act like an extortionist toward him by demanding interest from him. If you take your neighbor's cloak as a pledge, you shall return it to him before sunset; for this cloak of his is the only covering he has for his body. What else has he to sleep in? If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate."

**Psalm**

**Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51**

*David tells us to turn to the Lord in our daily stresses!*

**R. Give the Lord glory and honor.**

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all you lands. Tell his glory among the nations; among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

**R. Give the Lord glory and honor.**

For great is the LORD and highly to be praised; awesome is he, beyond all gods. For all the gods of the nations are things of nought, but the LORD made the heavens.

**R. Give the Lord glory and honor.**

Give to the LORD, you families of nations, give to the LORD glory and praise; give to the LORD the glory due his name! Bring gifts, and enter his courts.

**R. Give the Lord glory and honor.**

Worship the LORD, in holy attire; tremble before him, all the earth; say among the nations: The LORD is king, he governs the peoples with equity.

**R. Give the Lord glory and honor.**

**Reading**

**1 Thes 1:5c-10**

*We are all imitators in our learning from each other and God. It's when others imitate us and turn to the Lord that we can celebrate as Paul does in his letter to the Thessalonians. Are you aware of your daily actions that others may be imitating?*

You know what sort of people we were among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, receiving the word in great affliction, with joy from the Holy Spirit, so that you became a model for all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.

For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth not only in Macedonia and in Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has gone forth, so that we have no need to say anything.

For they themselves openly declare about us what sort of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God and to await his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus, who delivers us from the coming wrath.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**John 14:23**

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Gospel**

**Mt 22:34-40**

*Coupled with the words of God in the first reading, the Pharisees could learn what is truly the greatest commandments. All laws have been made to follow the second of Jesus' two greatest commandments. What makes them work?  
Or not work?*

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a scholar of the law tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?"

He said to him,

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.

This is the greatest and the first commandment.

The second is like it:

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."

*Some Thoughts...* Rules are very important, aren't they? Whether you are at school, at work, or play there are rules that you are expected to follow. In just about every classroom that I have ever been in, there is a poster on the wall like this one with a list of rules that the teacher expects the students to follow. (Read the rules to the children.)

1. Don't talk when the teacher is talking.
2. Don't chew gum.
3. Stay in your seat.
4. Do your own work.
5. Keep your hands to yourself.
6. Follow directions.
7. Don't talk without permission.
8. Listen when someone is speaking.
9. Keep your desk neat and clean.
10. Be kind and respect one another.

I think that is a pretty good list of rules, don't you? Which one of these rules do you think is the most important? (give me some feedback.) Which rule do you think your teacher would think is most important? Well, if you were to ask me, I would say that the most important rule is "be kind and respect one another." The people in Jesus' day had to follow rules too. One day a lawyer asked Jesus, "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment?" How many commandments there are? There are ten, aren't there? Well, there were ten that Moses wrote on the tablets of stone and we call them the Ten Commandments, but the Jews actually had 613 laws. There were 248 dos and 365 don'ts. Wow! That is a lot of dos and don'ts isn't it? Can you imagine trying to remember all of them? Six hundred thirteen laws! Which one do you think Jesus said was the most important? Listen to what Jesus said to the lawyer.

Jesus answered him, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind,' this is the greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." In other words, Jesus was saying that if we could keep these two commandments, we would not have any trouble keeping the others.

It isn't easy to keep the commandments, is it? We need God's help each and every day. Let's pray and ask him to help us to love as he has commanded us. Dear Father, help us to love you with all of our heart and to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Amen.

Here's a couple of ways to help remember that Jesus is here. **Complete the Multiple Choices below—**

## *The Greatest Commandment*

Matthew 22:34-46

**It isn't always easy tho...**

### *Decoder Puzzle*

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
V	P	M	T	I	K	S	C	H	N	X	F	W	R	Y	L	Z	G	D	A	B	E	O	J	Q	U

1. 16-23-14-19 \_\_\_\_\_
2. 15-23-26-14-7-22-16-12 \_\_\_\_\_
3. 9-22-20-14-4 \_\_\_\_\_
4. 10-22-5-18-9-21-23-14 \_\_\_\_\_
5. 16-23-1-22 \_\_\_\_\_
6. 8-23-3-3-20-10-19-3-22-10-4 \_\_\_\_\_
7. 18-14-22-20-4-22-7-4 \_\_\_\_\_
8. 4-22-20-8-9-22-14 \_\_\_\_\_

GREATEST	HEART	LOVE	NEIGHBOR
LORD	COMMANDMENT	YOURSELF	TEACHER

### **MEN'S GROUP CALENDAR:**

**Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> - Men's Group Meeting**  
for all men of the parish. For information, call Norm at 781-834-4097 or Ed at 781-545-0881.

**Wednesday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> - Scripture Study - 7:30 pm**  
We will begin studying John's Gospel over the next several months. We expect to have much discussion using Michael Card's discussion notes.  
For more information or registration, please call Ed Casassa at 781.545.0881. Hope to see you then!

Or, for the younger ones, **color** the picture below!

*Do You Always-*

**LOVE  
ONE  
ANOTHER**

