ST. CHRISTINE'S PARISH FAMILY

1295 Main Street, Marshfield, MA 02050

Trunk or Treat Sunday 28 at 2 pm Please join us.



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.

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

Parish

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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
St. Christine's Saturday
Sunday
St. Theresa's Chapel Sunday

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.



Saturday, October 27

5:00 pm Bill and Marcia McDonough - Anniversary

Sunday, October 28

7:00 am Thomas and Mary Sheridan - Memorial

9:00 am Jonathan White - 17th Anniversary

11:30 am George Mamet - Month's Mind

Thursday, November 1 All Saints Day

9:00 am Helen and Leonard Kenney - Anniversary

7:00 pm Our Parish Family

Friday, November 2 All Souls Day

9:00 am All our departed loved ones

Saturday, November 3

5:00 pm Michael Ryan - Memorial

Sunday, November 4

7:00 am Our Parish Family

9:00 am Kelly Duggan - Memorial

11:30 am Gary Christmas - 20th Anniversary

Leonard Carisiti - Anniversary

All Saints Day: Thursday, November 1st is a holy day of obligation. Masses will be celebrated at 9 am and 7 pm.

Vocation: We pray that our love may be a sign of God's

presence in the world.

Reflection: How is God calling you?



On November 1st, our Book of Remembrance will be placed in the sanctuary for the month of November. You are invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones in the

book. We ask our parishioners to remember all those who passed away in their prayers.

This weekend the names of our recently departed loved ones will be read at all the Masses.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION October 13/14

Budgeted Goal: \$ 9,800 Received: \$ 6,117 On-Line Giving: \$ 2,740 Total: \$ 8,857

Thank you for your generous support of our parish.

FIRST FRIDAY: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction will take place on Friday, November 2nd after the 9:00 Mass. All are welcome.



Daylight Saving Time ends next weekend. Please remember to turn your clocks BACK one hour next Sunday, November 4th.



Dear Friends,

As hard as it is to believe, we are headed into November. This Thursday is November 1st, the Feast of All Saints. As the leaves begin to fall and we come to the end of a liturgical year, we celebrate this month of remembrance which reminds us of those who left us but their memories are still in our hearts and in our minds. It reminds us that those that have died have moved forward in their journey and reached their destination while we are still here in our everyday human journey. We miss them deeply and never forget them.

As we begin November, we also want to remember the Veterans, those that served for our country in the past and those that are in the military now. These men and women made it possible for us to be able to practice our religion here in America. Thank you to all of them.

In this month of November as we approach Thanksgiving, I would like to highlight a group of humble dedicated volunteers whose work is hardly ever seen or talked about. That is the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Here at Saint Christine's, from the monetary donations in the boxes at the entrances of the church, a small group of volunteers provide food directly or supermarket gift cards to allow the hungry to purchase milk, eggs and other perishable items. This past year they quietly helped feed many children and adults. This ministry also provides emergency assistance with food, utilities, shelter, medicine and other services. Their work is done quietly and confidentially but yet so essential to so many. They offer tangible assistance to those in need on a person-to-person basis. They maintain the confidentially and dignity of all they serve. They witness God's love by embracing the poor with charity and justice. As Our Lord said: "The poor are always with you." So their mission never ends. Donations are needed to help with their mission. I am so very grateful to these dedicated servants and I ask you to often remember the boxes as you enter the church.

In November, we remember all saints as well as those we love and remember in our own lives. Let us pray for those we loved. We are all ordinary people but we are all able to do extraordinary things in our own way just as the saints did. We continue a longstanding tradition of our early church where we are praying for the souls of those we love. We place those names in our Book of Remembrance. We pray for all those who have died and gone to heaven. We will continue this for the month of November. Let us remember our loved ones by writing their names in our Book of the Remembrance during November.

Happy November!!

Love, Father Steve

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



There will be no Religious Education Classes on Wednesday, October 31st due to Halloween.

Grade 1 - Tours of the Church

Fr. Steve will take our first graders on a Tour of the Church this week. The tours will be held during regular class time. Parents are welcome e to join us.

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

Grade 2 - Quilt Mass: On Sunday, November 4th 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.

Grade 9 and Grade 10 Sunday, Nov. 4th 4:30 pm Classes will meet together for their annual service project for the Marshfield Food Pantry. Each student is asked to contribute \$2.00 and at least one non-perishable food item for the Food Pantry. Monetary donations will purchase food cards for families for Thanksgiving.





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

St. Christine's Grand Annual Collection

Goal: \$ 100,000

Total Received: \$ 69,400

Thank you for your generosity and support of our parish.

<u>Altar Servers</u>: 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.

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



TRUNK OR TREAT Sunday, October 28th

Please join us for St. Christine's 2nd annual Trunk or Treat! Pull your car or truck into the 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.

Sowing Seeds With the weather turning cool, 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, shaving cream and razors deodorants, toothpaste and brushes, and laundry detergents.

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



We extend a warm welcome to our newest recipients of the Sacrament of Baptism:

Daniel Joseph Burke, Jr. Connor Patrick Donahue Jameson Hall Jordan Hall Gia Marie Holleran Reese Harper Morin Eli Michael Rooney Cannon Cristano Souza

Brooker Harper Wood

Cori Forms: The Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires all volunteers at St. Christine's Parish to fill out an annual Cori Form. We will begin collecting Cori Forms for the new year effective July 2018 through June 2019.

For your convenience, a staff member is available in the foyer of the Church after all the Masses this weekend.

***Please stop by with your Picture ID to fill out a form.

**** You may also do one of the following: .

- 1. Take a Cori form home, fill it out and return it in person to the rectory with picture ID.
- 2. Mail a completed Cori Form to the rectory with a copy of your picture ID.

****Please note: Due to security, Cori forms are not available on our parish website.



NEW DAY BEREAVEMANT SUPPORT GROUP OPEN HOUSE

A Journey from Grief to Healing Wednesday, November 7^{th} 1 - 3 pm

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 process through the pain that caused by the death of a loved one. We welcome all who have suffered a recent or not so recent loss. If you are able to attend or are interested in knowing more about the group, please call Susie McCarthy at 781-837-0088 x 19.



November 1 All Saints Day

Altar Servers: M. Friday, M. Friday Eucharistic Ministers: C. Kennedy, M. Bernard

Lector: M. Zarella

November 3rd and 4th

Altar Servers:

5:00 pm: O. Cregan, A. Cregan

7:00 am: B. Burch

9:00 am: C. Larson, G. Schindler 11:30 am: A. LoNigro, C. Robbins

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:00 pm: T. Bullock, S. Bullock, G. Schindler, C. Sullivan,

L. Keyes, D. DeSantes, A. Finn

7:00 am: R. Cullivan, M. Qualter, M. Alberti

9:00 am: R. McCauley, E. White, G. Guimond, N. Skinner,

P. Norris, B. Norris, R. Berardi

11:30 am: S. Kiley, D. Desmond, J. Desmond, H. Hamill,

A. Duane, K. Duane, L. Greenwood

Lectors: 5:00 pm: P. Mitchell 7:00 am: A. Medinus

9:00 am: L. Larson 11:30 am: M. D'Souza

Miramar Retreat Center will offer a retreat for you to reflect on the life and spirit of women who are the Windows of the Divine. This retreat, facilitated by Sr. Maureen Casey SND and Fr. Tom Umbras, SVD, will take place from Sunday, November 11th through Saturday, November 17th. Please call Miramar at 781-585 2460 for information.

Cursillo for Men is a short course in Christianity and an opportunity to deepen your faith with God. Cursillo will meet on November 29th through December 2nd at Campion Center in Weston. Please call 617-332-5548 or visit bostoncursillo.org for information and registration.

Mass of Remembrance and Healing for Pregnancy and Infant Loss is a liturgical celebration where one can experience the tender and healing love of God. A special invitation is extended to all who grieve the loss of a child as the result of miscarriage, stillbirth or abortion and will be celebrated on Thursday, November 1st at 7:30 pm at the Bethany Chapel at the Pastoral Center in Braintree. Contact the Pro-Life Office at 508-651-1900 for more information.

Blood Drive



Children's Hospital will hold a Blood Drive in honor of Dean Andersen, the 300th heart transplant recipient at Children's Hospital. Dean is the grandson of our parishioners,

Nancy and Tom Andersen. The Blood Drive will take place in Children's Hospital Blood Mobile unit in St. Christine's parking lot **next Saturday, November 3rd from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**. It only takes an hour to give the Gift of Life to someone. To schedule an appointment to donate blood, contact Lauren at 339-793-0152. Walk- ins are welcome.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

The following Catholic High Schools invite all parents and students who are interested in attending their schools to come to their Open Houses on the following dates:

Archbishop Williams H. S. Sunday, October 28 11 am - 1 pm

Thursday, Nov. 1 6 - 8 pm

Fontbonne Academy
Notre Dame Academy
Ursuline Academy
Ursuline Academy

Sunday, October 28 11 am - 1 pm
Thursday, November 15 6 - 8 pm
Sunday, October 28 11 am - 2 pm

The Catholic High School Entrance Exams will take place on Saturday, November $17^{\rm th}$ & December $1^{\rm st}$ at the high schools.

Please call the school for an application/information

Christmas Craft Fair: Our Lady of Assumption Parish will host their annual Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday, November 10th 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.



CYO BOYS BASKETBALL

Basketball Teams are now forming. Boys in Grades 9 thru 12 who are interested in playing basketball for Saint Christine's Junior and Senior teams should contact the coaches

for registration and additional information. Home games are played at Martinson Elementary School.

Senior Team for those 19 years and under, contact Bob Lang at kristinelang14@gmail.com.Junior Team for those 17 years and under, contact

Matt Steinaway at steinawaym@gmail.com.

Registration deadline is this Tuesday, October 30th.

Our Lady of Assumption Church in Marshfield will celebrate Mass on Sundays at 5:30 pm during the fall.

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WEEKLY SCRIPTURES & THOUGHTSFor the Parish Family of Saint Christine



THIRTIFIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME November 4, 2018

Reading Dt 6:2-6

Moses tells the Chosen People to 'Fear the Lord', we too must 'Fear' Him...and love Him! Honor Him by following His commands and hold Him in our love! Moses spoke to the people, saying: "Fear the LORD, your God, and keep, throughout the days of your lives, all his statutes and commandments which I enjoin on you, and thus have long life. Hear then, Israel, and be careful to observe them, that you may grow and prosper the more, in keeping with the promise of the LORD, the God of your fathers, to give you a land flowing with milk and honey. "Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone! Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today."

Psalm

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

Do you see the Lord as your strength? Have you followed Him or do you(we) just keep close when it is a hard time for us? What does it mean to be 'my rock'? Do we see Him there?

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, O LORD, my strength,

O LORD, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer.

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

My God, my rock of refuge,

my shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold! Praised be the LORD, I exclaim.

and I am safe from my enemies.

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

The LORD lives! And blessed be my rock! Extolled be God my savior.

You who gave great victories to your king and showed kindness to your anointed.

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

Reading Heb 7:23-28

Jesus, our high priest, perfectly shows us what we should be doing...we, however, have difficulty...
Brothers and sisters:

The levitical priests were many because they were prevented by death from remaining in office, but Jesus, because he remains forever, has a priesthood that does not pass away. Therefore, he is always able to save those who approach God through him, since he lives forever to make intercession for them. It was fitting that we should have such a high priest: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, higher than the heavens. He has no need, as did the high priests, to offer sacrifice day after day, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did that once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints men subject to weakness to be high priests, but the word of the oath, which was taken after the law, appoints a son, who has been made perfect forever.

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Jn 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.**

<u>Gospel</u> <u>Mk 12:28b-34</u>

How far are we from God's kingdom? Dare to ask Him that question and listen for the response! One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him. "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.' And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him,

"You are not far from the kingdom of God."

And no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Some Thoughts... As we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, our Lectionary skips a chapter that helps set the context for today's reading. If we were to read the sections skipped (chapter 11 and part of chapter 12), we would hear about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, his cleansing of the Temple, and the questioning of Jesus' authority by the chief priests, scribes, and elders. The context, therefore, for this Gospel is Jesus' growing exposure before the Jewish authorities. Jesus is being questioned and tested by the Jewish authorities, yet the scribe who addresses Jesus in today's Gospel seems to be an admirer; he is not testing Jesus.

The question posed in today's Gospel requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional commandments, numbering into the hundreds. For a devout Jew, adherence to the Mosaic Law is an expression of faithfulness to God's covenant with Israel. The ranking of these commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus was not the only Jewish religious teacher to connect these two commandments, love of God and love of neighbor. Both of these commandments were central elements of the religious tradition that Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed, these commandments continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbor. Many believe, however, that this connection was heard in a new and fresh way when spoken by Jesus.

The scribe who questions Jesus in today's Gospel engages in a positive dialogue with Jesus. He agrees with Jesus' teaching that the commandments to love God and love neighbor stand above the commandment to offer worship and sacrifice in the Temple. With this dialogue, Jesus appears to close the debate with the Jewish authorities. Mark reports that no one dared to question Jesus further.

Was Jesus called to answer or to address what seemed to be a constant failure of the Jewish people? GUESS WHAT!? It is not just the Jewish people!! It seems all mankind is failing with this...Do you believe that we can be holy by ourselves? I believe we all fail miserably at this. Wasn't that why Jesus came to take our place, because we couldn't do it! Lots of times we don't even think about what is the right next thing to do...How do we make sure we do? Perhaps we could start our day with a quick comment to Jesus to provide whatever we need for this next day in His service!

Unfortunately, there are many days I don't even spend 5 minutes with Jesus in prayer. I pray today that I will beginning tomorrow and today! Blessings on all this week!

MEN'S GROUP CALENDAR:

You may have noticed that there have been several mentions about Cursillo Weekends. It is an opportunity to experience teachings and graces with fellow Christians wanting to know more of the love of God for us. For more info contact Crystal at 617.680.6008 or Ed at 781.545.0881.

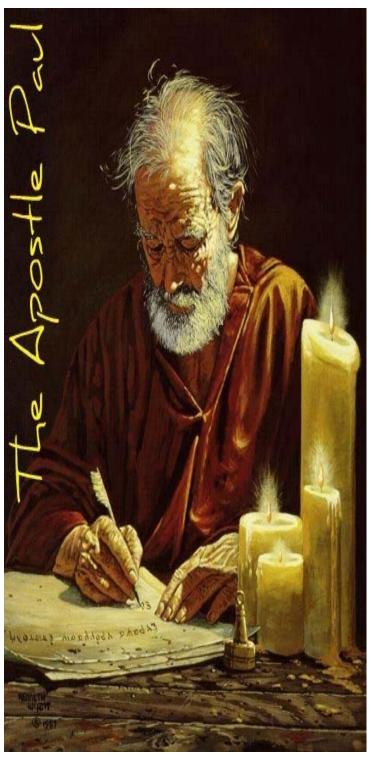
Men's Group Calendar

The next Men's Group Meeting will take place on Saturday, October 27th at 7:30 am with Mass followed by a discussion.

Wednesday - Scripture Study - 7:30 pm
We will continue with our Bible Study program as we study the Gospels of Saint Mark using Michael Card's study guide. For more information, please call Ed at 781.545.0881.



The writerof many Letters,Paul



Do you like to draw and color??