

St. Christopher

Catholic Church

January 22, 2006

1000 Michigan, Marysville
364-4100



Staying Clear About Everything

by Fr. Art Baranowski

Fact: The more you do, the more you own, the more people you know-that's not better. I know people who have a great deal of money and what money can buy and they are far from happy. I know people always on the go and they are far from having any depth or wisdom.

The goal of life is not having more or doing more. The goal of one's life is staying focused on what is really important. Not getting distracted.

The Catholic Parish also has a goal. Our goal is NOT to have more programs going on. Our goal is not to get people involved doing more things when many people already are too busy and have no silence in their lives. Nor is the goal of the parish to get as many parishioners knowing as many other parishioners as possible so we can be friendly.

The goal of the parish is to be the church-pure and simple. The way the church is formed is around the altar.

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information meeting
this Sunday
January 22, 5:30 p.m.
St. Christopher's - Quest Room

**Quest/ Parish Youth
"St. Anne's Church Tour"
Sunday, January 29
9:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

All high school students and
parents attending
Sunday's Church Tour & lunch in
Mexican Village
MUST turn in a consent form by
Wednesday, January 25th.



**This Sunday's
Gospel**
Mark 1:14-20

Today's Gospel suggests a total change in one's life. Simon and Andrew set aside what had been their life's work to follow Jesus. Their immediate response to accept Jesus' call testifies to their recognizing him as their leader. James and John, too, abandoned work to follow Jesus. Believing in the gospel means a personal attachment to the person of Jesus and going with him on his way.

1. When have you been drawn to someone and it changed your life?
2. When have you found it necessary to leave someone or something behind in order to make a change?
3. What is one practical way you could focus on Christ and his call to you?

Next Sunday's Readings

*Deuteronomy 18:15-20
1 Corinthians 7:32-35
Mark 1:21-28*

WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sunday, January 22, 2006

9:30 a.m. Breaking Open the Word
For those adults and teens inquiring about the Catholic Church.

9:30 a.m. Baby/Toddler Sitting
Ages 10 months – 3 yrs.

9:30 a.m. Children's Church
Ages 3 yrs – Kindergarten

10:30 – 12 p.m. RCIA /Quest Rm.

10:45 a.m. 1st-8th Grade

1:30 p.m. 1st Communion Parent Mtg.

6:30 p.m. Quest Leaders

7:00 p.m. Quest

Monday, January 23, 2006

7:00 p.m. 1st Communion Parent Mtg.

Wednesday, January 25, 2006

4:00-5:15 p.m. 1st-6th Grades

7:00-8:30 p.m. 7th, 8th Grades

Thursday, January 26, 2006

6:00 p.m. Pastoral Musicians

Saturday, January 28, 2006

(Bagel Sale After Mass)

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 8th Grade
Retreat Parents/ Kids

4:00 p.m. Confession

5:00 p.m. Enrollment 1st Communion

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, January 29, 2006

(Bagel Sale After All Masses)

9:30 a.m. Enrollment 1st Communion

9:30 – 11:00 a.m. DR Mtg. /Quest Rm.

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Rainbow

Meeting: Jan. 22, 6:00-6:30 p.m.
For Parents, students and chaperones in Room #1

Chaperone Only Meeting:
6:30-6:45 p.m.

So, our very first thing here is to make the Mass the most beautiful and faith-filled experience possible. All of us have to make the Mass the best experience by the simple things like coming with a peaceful and recollected mind set-not rushing to church, not using the cry room, not squeezing the Mass between several other activities on the day's schedule.

The goals the parish is to get better at hearing God call us and to be a holy people. We simple have to find ways to quiet down and lead a simpler less cluttered life. The small groups in the parish are the best way we have for people to help each other stay focused on God in every day life.

The Rosary Altar Society will meet on Tuesday, January 31 at 7:00 PM for Adoration. Afterwards, we will gather in the Social Hall to assemble rosaries for the Dominican Republic Parish. All Ladies are invited to attend. Please join us.

BURIED IN CHRIST

The members of St. Christopher's extend their prayers and sincere sympathy to the family of Virginia Krueger buried on Monday, January 16, 2006



1st Communion Parent Only Meeting

Sunday, Jan. 22 1:30 p.m.
Or

Monday, Jan. 23 7:00 p.m.

- Parents choose the meeting most convenient for you. You need to attend only one of these meetings.
- Children do not have to attend this meeting.

Remember to Keep in Your Prayers

Joyce Farrell, Virginia Tracey, Connie Green, Corey Aspey, Irene Brow, Patrick Owens, Leo & Betty Visga, Ralph & Nancy Ceglarek, Dorothy Smarch, Simone Stern, Barbara Rumley, Dorothy Horn, Maria Miller, Bill Soboleski, Elizabeth Wessel, Theresa Prince, Rosie Dazer, Maureen Pochodylo, Greg Riley, Lori Charette, Helen Ferris, Albert Kubek, Kathy & Karen Carty, Kyle Clayton, Patrick McCarthy, Bernard Shafran, Loreen Metheny, Helen Senik, James Newson, Florence Ferris, Al Kustowski, Marlene Konik, Mary Blessinger, Dominic, Gino & Jordan Pecoraro, Russel Rumsey, Doris Godi, Barbara Stockwell, Harvey Brodeur, Mary Hodges, Patricia Pavlov-Leins, Jean Brockdorff, Kyle Stivers, and those who care for them.

Think about Spring Term!

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Get a head start for spring 2006 term by calling 313-883-8520 to speak with an admissions counselor. New student admission ends April 1. Classes start May 8.

Seniors— Please join us at Marydale Center for a **Free Buffet Breakfast**. Served: **last Friday of the month. 8:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m.**

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**Weekend Liturgy
January 28 & 29, 2006**

Day/Time	Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Sunday, 9:30 a.m.	Sunday, 11:30 a.m.
Mass Intention	Raymond Ciarmella (8 yrs.) by JoAnn & Family Angeline Osentoski (12 yrs.) by Bob & June Ward	Parishioners of St. Christopher	Joan Kosmowski By Ted Raymond Ciarmella (8 yrs.) By JoAnn & Ted	Lillian Zacharias by her Grandchildren Emma Buch (30 days) by Gary & Brenda Smarch
Celebrant	Fr. Baranowski	Fr. Baranowski	Fr. Baranowski	Fr. Britz
Lector	Joe Pavlov Mike Finch	Ron Horbes Nancy Trudell	Martin Fraschetti Karen Fraschetti	Jon Bilina Stephanie Makowski
Eucharistic Minister	Mike King Marilynn Pavlov Jerry Ayotte Jack Quinlan Richard Clark	Charlotte Carufel Linda Tokarski Barb Stocker Rollin Stocker Mariol Schmitt	Cheryl Borowski Russ Hill Terrie Formaz Beth Graham Dieter DeVigili Kathy DeVigili Bernadine Newby	Kimberly Erb Lisa Jones Chrisann Krohn Eugene Mozal Deanne Quain Kathy Robison Joanne Wesch
Cantor	<i>As Assigned</i>	<i>As Assigned</i>	<i>As Assigned</i>	<i>As Assigned</i>
Altar Servers	Ryan Watson Adam Cieslinski	Lauren Curley Kelly Maertens	Michael Schultz Alex Newby	Stephanie Erb Emmanuel Canto
Hospitality Ministers	Jerry & Lorraine Frendt Mike Kapus	Kraig, Nancy, Kraig, Nate Hohf	Betty Emerick Lavonne Cloutier Keith, Paula, Angela, Laura, Bret Bluhm	Sam, Karen, Nick Militello

**Weekday Mass Intentions
January 23, 2006 – January 27, 2006**

Monday, 9:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tuesday, 9:00 a.m.	Maxine White , by her husband
Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.	Veronica Quinlan , by Bernard & Dorothy Shafran
Thursday, 9:00 a.m.	Mar Simms , by William Simms
Friday, 9:00 a.m.	Dorothy Frendt , by Al & Helen Westrick

Readings for the Week

Sunday, January 22

Jon 3:1-5, 10
1 Cor 7:29-31
Mk 1:14-20

Monday, January 23

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 24

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19
Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday, January 25

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22
Mk 16:15-18

Thursday, January 26

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5
Mk 4:21-25

Friday, January 27

2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, January 28

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17
Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday, January 29

Dt 18:15-20
1 Cor 7:32-35
Mk 1:21-28

Stewardship Thought...

There is a certain urgency in today's Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples-Andrew, Simon, James, and John. Each one follows Jesus *immediately*, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow-workers. To what is Jesus calling me- at *this* moment, in *these* circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Jesus said to them, 'Come after me and I will make you fishers of men.'" Mk 1:17

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**Financial Stewardship At
St. Christopher's**

January 14 & 15.....\$10,935.84
Children.....12.41
Youth.....2.00

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