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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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We invite you to register as a member of our Eucharistic community and we hope you will support the parish by your presence, prayers and talent.

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Mass Schedule

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	7:00 am, 9:00 am, and 11:30 am 6:00 pm (September - March)
Monday through Friday	9:00 am

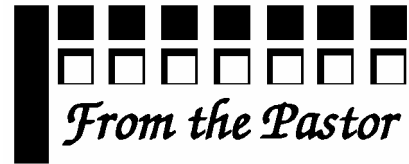
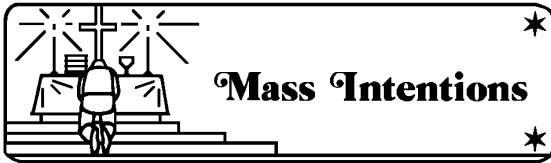
Reconciliation Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 pm

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

Parish Secretary Joan Woodhull
Facilities Manager Ron Cooledge

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



Saturday, January 28

5:00 PM Bea Brady - Anniversary

Sunday, January 29

7:00 AM Peace in the World
 9:00 AM Timothy Murphy - 3rd Anniversary
 11:30 AM Victor Medeiros - Memorial

Saturday, February 4

5:00 PM Arthur Armstrong - Memorial

Sunday, February 5

7:00 AM The Youth of our Parish
 9:00 AM Mary Cedrone - Birthday Remembrance
 11:30 AM Earl Crocker - 4th Anniversary

**Blessing
 of
 Throats**

Next weekend, February 4/5, we will celebrate the Feast of Saint Blaise. A general Blessing of Throats will take place at the end of each Mass.

St. Blaise was a physician and a priest in the third century and was elevated to Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia. At his intercession, a child was cured of a disease of the throat. Since that time, his aid has been solicited by those suffering from diseases of the throat.

VOCATIONS: We pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially within our archdiocese.

REFLECTION: What demons do you need Jesus to expel from your life?

OFFERTORY COLLECTION January 21/22

Budgeted Goal:	\$ 9,800
Received	\$ 7,157
Electronic Giving:	\$ 711

This weekend there will be second collection for the Church in Latin America which provides support for pastoral projects in the financially poor dioceses in Latin America and the Caribbean. This collection funds lay leadership programs, youth ministry, evangelization programs and formation programs for religious, priests and deacons. Thank you for your generosity.

TEACHERS' RETREAT

There will be retreat for all teachers in the parish hall on Friday, February 3rd from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Please join us for some soup, bread, prayer and fellowship. Please call the CCD Office at 781-837-0088 if you plan to attend.

Today, I will speak at each of the Masses announcing the beginning of an increased offertory program that should prove to be very important for the life of our parish. Recent economic difficulties continue to affect our parish financially, as it has many of your households. We continue to experience a growing deficit in our regular offertory and need to make a concerted effort to raise our Sunday Offertory Collection. You may recall that six years ago we initiated a similar program that yielded good results.

We realize that much has already been asked of you and some families or individuals are experiencing difficult financial times, but we are counting those who are able to make a sacrifice and increase their weekly offering.

You will receive a program Brochure and "COMMITMENT ENVELOPE" in the mail. This brochure will contain special information about our circumstances as well as a statement of parish finances. Please read the brochure carefully and prayerfully. You will be asked to return your *Commitment Envelope* to Mass on Saturday, February 18th or Sunday, February 19th.

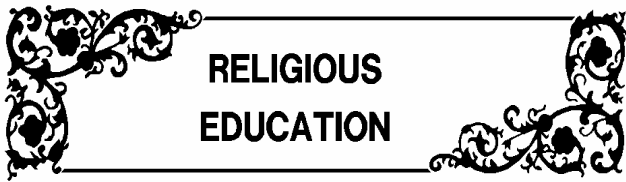
As I mentioned in my column two weeks ago, consultation on the Proposed Pastoral Plan for the Archdiocese continues. This proposed plan does not call for the closing of any parishes. It focuses on the means by which pastoral services will be provided in our parishes. Each pastoral collaborative will be served by a Pastoral Service Team. It is expected that there will be 125 Pastoral Services Teams and most will serve 2 - 3 parishes. The team will be composed of Priests, Deacons, Pastoral Associates and lay ecclesial ministers. There will be one pastor in each collaborative. It has been proposed that our collaborative would be the three churches in Marshfield. This is certainly good news for us since our parishes have been meeting for years and sharing programs. As the consultation now continues with Parish and Finance council members, let us continue to pray for guidance of the Holy Spirit as the Plan evolves. It is estimated that once the Plan is completed and approved, it may take 3 to 5 years for it to be implemented fully in the Archdiocese.

Thank you and God bless you. Father Tom



**ADORATION OF THE
 BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Friday, February 3rd at 9:30 am
Closing prayers will begin at 4:15 pm.
All are welcome.



All CCD classes will meet as scheduled this week.

ACTIVE PARENTING is a very successful skill building course for parents. Facilitated by Susan West, R.N, classes will continue on Thursday evening, February 2nd from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the rectory.

***** CCD CANCELLATIONS *****

Now that the winter season is upon us, there may be occasions that CCD classes will be cancelled due to inclement weather. If classes are cancelled, notification will be available on Channels 5 and 7. Please tune into these stations or log onto their websites. Additionally, cancellations will be announced on WATD radio (95.9).

*** Please note that if Marshfield Schools are closed, Saint Christine's CCD classes are also cancelled.

ST. CHRISTINE'S SCHOLARSHIPS

Application forms for any graduating high school senior who is a member of our parish are available in the sacristy, the CCD Office and the Guidance Office at Marshfield High School. Completed forms with a photo and required essay must be returned by April 1st.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Adult Confirmation classes will be offered over the next three months to any adult in the south region who has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Classes will be held at St. Mary of the Nativity Parish in Scituate beginning Thursday January 26th from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in the parish Center. For more information or questions, please contact Jane Kuklis, Pastoral Associate, at 781-545-3335 x 212 or e-mail Jane at jkuklis@stmaryscituate.org.

COPING WITH THE LOSS OF A SPOUSE

Beacon Hospice is offering a grief support group for those who have suffered the loss for their spouse. Sessions will take place on Thursday mornings from 10:00 to 11:30 am at the Duxbury Council on Aging. This group, which is free of charge, will meet for eight weeks and is open to anyone. Pre-registration is required by calling Scott Ciosek at 508-747-7222.

SOWING SEEDS

Drivers are urgently needed to take people to medical appointments in Weymouth, Brockton, Plymouth or on local errands. Others choose to accompany patients to hospitals in Boston. If you are available to drive a few miles each month, either locally or to Boston, please call Sowing Seeds at 781-837-3337. Thank you.

CATHOLIC WOMEN TODAY invites all women of the parish to join them in their next meeting on Sunday afternoon, February 5th at 1:00 pm. The meeting will feature our "Treasure in the Field Prayer Service" in the church followed by a "paper craft project" in the parish hall. Please bring 5 to 8 photographs that go together (new baby, family event, wedding, birthday party, etc.). The completed craft can be used as a unique gift for grandparents and others. Please join us!



Pre-Cana Conference

DAY FOR ENGAGED COUPLES

St. Christine's Pre-Cana program will be offered on Sunday, February 19th. The Program will begin with Mass at 9:00 am and continue until 4:30 pm with lunch included. Couples who need to complete this pre-requisite for marriage are invited to call Dotty Gurry at 781-834-6003 x 18 to register and for more information.

CYO BASKETBALL

Following are the dates of the games for St. Christine's Basketball Intermediate and Junior Teams.

Home games are played at Martinson School in Marshfield.

Intermediate Boys Games

Jan. 29 - 1:15 pm - at Martinson (St. Ann's - Quincy)

Feb. 4 - 2:15 pm - at Sacred Heart (No. Quincy)

Feb. 5 - 1:15 pm - at Martinson (St. Agatha's - Milton)

Junior Boys Games

Jan. 29 - 12:15 pm - at Martinson (St. Gregory's - Dorchester)

Feb. 5 - 12:15 pm - at Martinson (Resurrection - Hingham)

We wish all the members of our parish teams success and we encourage our parishioners to attend these games to cheer our parish teams on. God bless you. Father Tom

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

St. Paul's - Hingham Sunday, Jan. 29 12 noon - 3 pm

Holy Family - Rockland Sunday, Jan 29 10:30 am-12noon

LIFE LINE SCREENING provides preventive health screenings for cardiovascular disease. On Tuesday February 21st in the parish hall beginning at 9:00 am, St. Christine's will host a Life Line Screening event to scan for the risk of stroke and other vascular conditions. Also available will be several different blood tests for thyroid, diabetes, cholesterol, etc. Appointments are limited so please call 888-653-6441 to schedule your appointment or if you have any questions. You may also visit their website at www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.com. A few complimentary certificates for one screening test are available at the rectory.



Saint Christine's Parish is now offering Online Giving. It is safe and secure way for you to make your church donations. Online Giving lets you set up a recurring pledge or a one time gift to our offertory and special collections. It enables to give the way you want without using your church envelopes. To get started with this convenient giving option, visit saintchristines.org.

MINISTERS' SCHEDULE February 4/5

Altar Servers: 5:00 pm: J. Hendriksen, A. Verni
7:00 am: M. K. Roffey
9:00 am: A. Weisser, A. Weisser
11:30 am: M. Greenwood, D. Desantes
Eucharistic Ministers:
5:00 pm: P. Bak, M. DeStefano, T. Bullock, S. Bullock,
C. Gardner, J. Kiley, S. Kiley
7:00 am: M. Panarelli, M. Mastriani, L. Bak
9:00 am: P. Shafto, M. Graham, P. Mullen, D. Evans, I. Carriere,
R. Berardi, L. Provost
11:30 am Nancy Andersen, S. Williams, K. Pelkowski, L. Roffo,
C. Kennedy, M. Bernard, Mike Anderson
Lectors: 5:00 pm: D. Robins 7:00 am: M. Wall
9:00 am: E. Shacochis 11:30 am: J. Arseneau
If you are unable to serve your assigned mass, please get a substitute to serve for you.



Meetings of the Week

Sunday:	Shawls	1:00 pm	hall
Monday:	Choristers	5:30 pm	church
Tuesday:	Adult Choir	7:00 pm	church
Wednesday:	Moms, Pops & Tots	9:30 am	hall
Wednesday:	Meditation	7:00 pm	rectory
Thursday:	New Day	10:00 am	rectory
Thursday:	Active Parenting	7:00 pm	hall
Friday:	Teachers retreat	7:00 pm	hall


LIVING THROUGH LOSS is a support group for those who have lost a loved one. Sessions will take place for 8 weeks at Holy Family Parish in the lower hall beginning on Thursday, February 2nd from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Anyone is welcome to come. For more information and/or questions, please call Deacon Art at 781-585-4444.

MOMS, POPS & TOTS

St. Christine's Play Group is open to children, moms, dads and/or caregivers to come together for friendship and fun. The play group will meet each Wednesday morning from 9:30 to 11:00 am and includes time for play, crafts and snacks. The coordinator is Anne Frye and it is free of charge. If you have any questions, please feel free to call St. Christine's rectory at 781-834-6003.

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