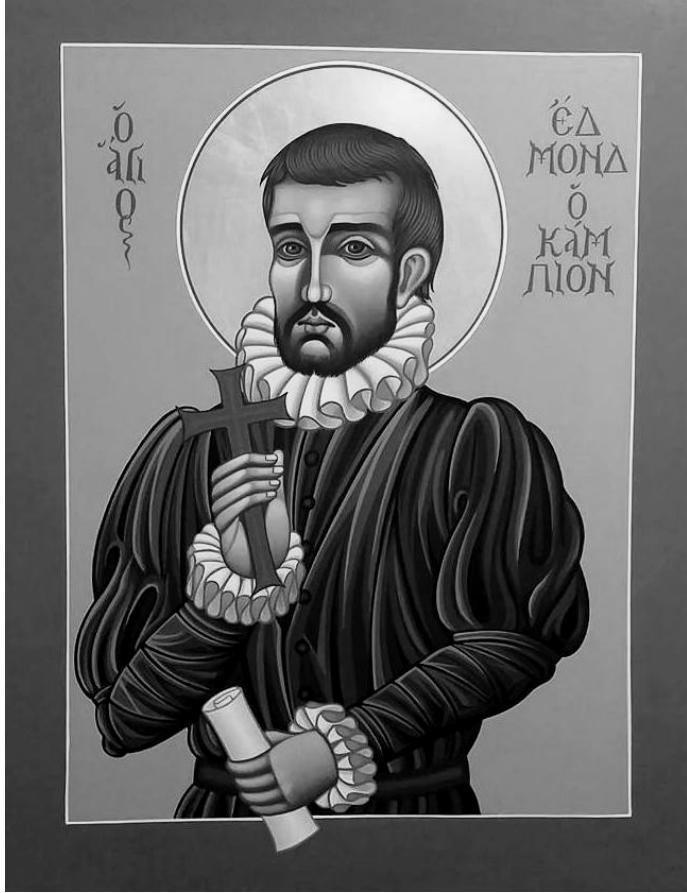


Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ July 2, 2017



Saint Edmund Campion Parish

*The merged parishes of Blessed Sacrament,
Our Lady of Peace and Saint Christopher*

Our Lady of Peace Campus

370 May Road
East Hartford, CT

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 9:00 am

Friday & Saturday: 9:00 am

Saint Christopher Campus

538 Brewer Street
East Hartford, CT

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am & 10:30 am

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am

Rev. John P. Gwozdz, Pastor
860-568-5240 • fr.gwozdz@aohct.org

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860-918-4022 • fr.moonnanappallil@aohct.org

Mr. William Bartlett, Deacon
deaconbill@yahoo.com

Mr. Philip Gosselin, Deacon
imgoose@comcast.net

CONFESIONS
(Saint Christopher Campus)
Saturdays: 3:00 pm



WEDNESDAY DEVOTIONS

(Saint Christopher Campus)

6:30 pm

Eucharistic Exposition and
Adoration • Scriptural Rosary •
Perpetual Novena in Honor of Our
Lady of the Miraculous Medal •
Benediction



THURSDAY PRAYER GROUP

(Our Lady of Peace Campus)

6:30 pm

Prayer, Song, Scripture, Friendship



FUNERALS

We will help you plan the Mass
of Christian Burial for your loved
one after arrangements have been
made with a funeral home.



BAPTISM

By appointment; please call
the parish office to schedule.



MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office
at least six months in advance
of your intended wedding date.



PARISH OFFICE

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Bonnie Szalay, Office Manager



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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 1 – 4:00 pm (SC)

Ray & Millie Stanizzi (Family)

Sunday, July 2 – 7:30 am (SC)

Charles Stebbins (Family)

Sunday, July 2 – 9:00 am (OLP)

John Albani (Family)

Sunday, July 2 – 10:30 am (SC)

Angee Willis (The Coates Family)

Monday, July 3 – 7:30 am (SC)

John & Louise Olinatz (Children)

Tuesday, July 4 – 7:30 am (SC)

Diane Olinatz (Family)

Wednesday, July 5 – 7:30 am (SC)

Dinis Leonardo (Wife & Family)

Thursday, July 6 – 7:30 am (SC)

Lucien Lavertu – Birthday Remembrance
(Grandchildren Tania & Khloe)

Friday, July 7 – 9:00 am (OLP)

Rev. Monsignor Charles W. Daly

Saturday, July 8 – 9:00 am (OLP)

Rev. Francis T. Kerwan

Saturday, July 8 – 4:00 p.m. (SC)

Domenico & Maria Brunzo

Ken Harrison, Sr. (Family)

Sunday, July 9 – 7:30 a.m. (SC)

Mark Tardiff & Debbie Fallacaro (Family)

Sunday, July 9 – 9:00 a.m. (OLP)

Eva & Walter Bragdon

William & Ruth Kennedy (Daughter Anne)

Sunday, July 9 – 10:30 a.m. (SC)

Dominick & Marietta Natalie (Children)

(OLP) = Mass celebrated at Our Lady of Peace campus
(SC) = Mass celebrated at Saint Christopher campus

PARISH SUPPORT

What We Collected (June 25):

Blessed Sacrament:	\$ 1,908
Our Lady of Peace	\$ 3,542
Saint Christopher:	\$ 4,212*

*Includes \$598 received through our Online Giving program and \$245 from mail-in offerings.

Thank you for your support of our parish family.

DISCIPLESHIP

The conditions of discipleship outlined in today's Gospel written by Matthew may appear harsh. Yet they underline for us a truth—choosing anything with one's whole heart has consequences. Choosing life with Christ means that every relationship we have must be understood from a new perspective. For many in Matthew's community, this choice brought division to their family.

Matthew also outlines the reward of hospitality offered to Jesus' followers. Jesus explains the difficulties of discipleship, yet reveals that those who welcome the disciples have also welcomed him.

Today's Gospel also highlights for us the importance of hospitality in the Christian life. To welcome another in Jesus' name is to extend hospitality to Jesus himself. We have many opportunities in our daily life to reach out to others, to be a welcoming presence and a sign of God's love.

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SANCTUARY LAMP

The lamps beside our church's tabernacles remind us of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.



† The candle at the Our Lady of Peace campus burns this week

For Father James Nock
May God Bless Him in His Retirement

† The candle at the Saint Christopher campus burns this week

For the People of
Saint Edmund Campion Parish

From the Pastor...

My dear friends,

“See, I am doing something new! Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?” These words of God, spoken through the prophet Isaiah (43:19), are said to his people in every place and in every age, and it has a special meaning for us as our three parishes of Blessed Sacrament, Our Lady of Peace, and Saint Christopher join together to form one new Catholic family of faith: the Parish of Saint Edmund Campion.

God is doing something new for us, as he is in many parishes throughout our archdiocese. Can we perceive it? Can we appreciate it?

Change can be difficult, of course, because it usually involves a loss of some kind. Certainly, that's understandable and we need to give ourselves permission to grieve. But, as time goes by, we will find healing and, while healing, we will recognize the many benefits that also come from change.

When God does something new, it is always for our good. Nothing bad comes from our good God. This time of change is also a time of excitement as the rewards of God's work unfold before us.

I'm greatly impressed by the good things that have been happening as our three parishes work together to become one parish. Many people from each parish know people from the other parishes and so now, friends who worshipped God separately, can worship God together as a new family of one faith.

There was a time when the faithful of all three parishes were together: Saint Christopher's began as a mission of Blessed Sacrament in 1955 and Our Lady of Peace began as a mission of Saint Christopher's and became a parish in its own right in 1971. Now we're together again, and we've moved a few steps closer to respond to the prayer of Jesus: “May they all be one.”

It is my privilege and delight to serve you as the pastor of the new parish family of Saint Edmund Campion. I look forward to working with you as we become instruments of God's work in East Hartford. “See, I am doing something new!” says the Lord. “Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?”

May God bless you all,

Father John Gwozdz, Pastor

MASS INTENTIONS

Many of the Masses being celebrated during the remainder of this year will be offered for more than one person. This is necessary in order to satisfy the intentions that have already been booked at the three parishes. Future intentions will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis with only one intention being taken for each Mass. The chart to the side shows how the intentions that have already been booked will be handled. If you have any questions, concerns or would like to book an intention, you are asked to call the parish office at 860-568-5240.

If your intention was booked for...	It will be offered at...
4:00 pm (Sat) - Our Lady of Peace	4:00 pm (Sat) - Saint Christopher Campus
4:00 pm (Sat) - Saint Christopher's	4:00 pm (Sat) - Saint Christopher Campus
5:30 pm (Sat) - Blessed Sacrament	4:00 pm (Sat) - Saint Christopher Campus
8:00 am (Sun) - Saint Christopher's	7:30 am (Sun) - Saint Christopher Campus
8:30 am (Sun) - Blessed Sacrament	9:00 am (Sun) - Our Lady of Peace Campus
10:30 am (Sun) - Our Lady of Peace	9:00 am (Sun) - Our Lady of Peace Campus
10:30 am (Sun) - Saint Christopher's	10:30 am (Sun) - Saint Christopher Campus
7:30 am (M-Th) - Saint Christopher's	7:30 am (M-Th) - Saint Christopher Campus
9:00 am (M/W) - Blessed Sacrament	7:30 am (M/W) - Saint Christopher Campus
9:00 am (T/Th) - Our Lady of Peace	7:30 am (T/Th) - Saint Christopher Campus
9:00 am (F) - Blessed Sacrament	9:00 am (F) - Our Lady of Peace Campus
9:00 am (Sat) - Our Lady of Peace	9:00 am (Sat) - Our Lady of Peace Campus

OUR CLERGY

As the newly-formed parish of Saint Edmund Campion, we are happy to have on our clergy staff Father John Gwozdz who will serve as Pastor, Father Joseph Moonnanappalill (*moon-nah-nah-pōli*) who will serve as Parochial Vicar and William Bartlett and Philip Gosselin who will serve as Deacons. Father John has served the Saint Christopher parish and school community for the past two years. Father Joseph comes to us from Corpus Christi Church in Wethersfield. Deacon Bill has most recently served the Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady of Peace parishes and Deacon Phil has most recently served Saint Christopher parish. May God bless them all in their service to the Saint Edmund Campion parish.

OUR MUSIC MINISTERS

We are pleased to introduce to you the music ministers who will be serving Saint Edmund Campion parish. Wendy Quinn will be playing the organ at our 4:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil and Dorothea Jones will be playing the guitar at the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. These ladies have most recently served the Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady of Peace parishes. The musicians listed below have most recently served the Saint Christopher parish. Toni Mintel will be playing the guitar at our 7:30 a.m. Sunday Mass and Roberta De Fiore will be playing the organ at our 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. Roberta will also direct our Chancel Choir, which is currently on summer break, and work with our vocalists Steve Cadwallader, Ginamarie Garabedian and Julie Munley who will serve as cantors at our 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. May God bless them all in their service to the Saint Edmund Campion parish.

PRAYER/SHARING GROUP

The Prayer/Sharing Group will continue to meet on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Our Lady of Peace campus church hall. All members of our newly-formed parish of Saint Edmund Campion and their friends are invited to attend. The Holy Spirit works with us when we pray together. Please join us in an evening of Prayer, Song, Scripture Sharing and Friendship. Refreshments follow each meeting and all are welcome to stay. We meet each Thursday with the exception of holydays and holidays. For more information, please call Phyl Tyrseck at 860-568-3855, Barbara Veci at 860-568-2701, Pat Roberge at 860-568-5777, Barbara Hanson at 860-965-9162 or Leo Forte 860-568-7383.

SUMMER VACATION BIBLE CAMP

July 10 - 14 • 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Saint Christopher Campus

For more information, please call the parish office at 860-568-5240 or visit stchris-eh.org/vbc.php.

ATTENTION: EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

A training session for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be held in the church at the Saint Christopher Campus on Thursday, July 13 at 6:30 p.m. This session is open to all Extraordinary Ministers, but will be especially helpful to those ministers who will begin serving at the Saint Christopher Campus in the coming weeks. For more information, please contact Sheila DeLaura at 860-568-7465.

FLAME PROGRAM

Our Youth Ministry invites all high school aged students to this summer's FLAME program being held from 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. on the Wednesdays in July (5, 12, 19, 26). Join us for a bonfire, s'mores and conversation as we discuss the topic: *Proofs of God*. Come and learn so you can amaze your friends. Meet in the yard behind Saint Christopher School. For more information, send message to stchrisym@gmail.com.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

During these next several weeks, we will be consolidating the data of all three parishes to create a new Saint Edmund Campion database. While this is being done, **you are asked to continue to use the envelopes you have been using**. Saint Christopher families will receive an envelope set later this month that can be used during the month of August. A newly-designed set of envelopes will be sent to all Saint Edmund Campion parishioners in late August for use beginning the weekend of September 2/3.

OFFERING CHECKS

Those of you who make your church offering using a personal check are asked to make your check payable to Our Lady of Peace or Saint Christopher Church until further notice. We cannot open a bank account under the name of Saint Edmund Campion until our new parish is legally recognized, a process that our legal counsel is currently overseeing.

St. Christopher Church Hall

Friday ~ July 7, 2017

1:30 – 6:30 p.m.



Appt's: Call **1-800-Red Cross** (1-800-733-2767)

SAINT EDMUND CAMPION (January 24, 1540 – December 1, 1581) (Feast Day: December 1)

Edmund Campion was born in London, the son of a bookseller. As a child, Campion excelled academically and entered St John's College, Oxford, at the age of 15. He was ordained a deacon in the Anglican Church in 1564. Increasingly, Campion came to believe that the Catholic church was the true continuation of the Christian faith and only there would he find a home. In 1571 he entered the new seminary for English Catholics founded at Douai in France. He was ordained subdeacon and then walked, barefoot, to Rome to become a Jesuit in April 1573. Campion pursued his studies as a Jesuit and was ordained a priest in 1578. He was persuaded to join the first mission that was sent by the Jesuits to minister to the Catholics of England, who were strictly forbidden to practice their religion. Campion entered England in the guise of a jewel merchant, arriving in London on June 24, 1580. He moved between the houses of Catholics who practiced their religion in secret. At one such house, he was betrayed and was arrested on July 17, 1581. He was imprisoned and tortured in the Tower of London. When he refused under severe torture to recant his religious convictions, his captors invented charges that he had conspired to overthrow the queen. He was convicted of treason and executed. Throughout his ordeal, Campion exhibited religious zeal and great courage. He was canonized in 1970 by Pope Paul VI.

LECTIO DIVINA & DAILY READINGS

Sunday 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Kings 4: 8-11, 14-16a	Ephesians 2: 19-22	Genesis 19: 15-29	Genesis 21: 5, 8-20a	Genesis 22: 1b-19	Genesis 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67	Genesis 27: 1-5, 15-29	Zechariah 9: 9-10
Psalm 89: 2-3, 16-19	Psalm 117: 1bc-2	Psalm 26: 2-3, 9-12	Psalm 34: 7-8, 10-13	Psalm 115: 1-6, 8-9	Psalm 106: 1b-5	Psalm 135: 1b-6	Psalm 145: 1-2, 8-11, 13-14
Romans 6: 3-4, 8-11							Romans 8: 9, 11-13
Matthew 10: 37-42	John 20: 24-29	Matthew 8: 23-27	Matthew 8: 28-34	Matthew 9: 1-8	Matthew 9: 9-13	Matthew 9: 14-17	Matthew 11: 25-30

What is Lectio Divina?

While reading sacred scripture, read the words with a love and sense of discovery until something seems to strike home. Sit with the passage as one would with a good friend—not just thinking or analyzing, but instead remaining in a quiet, listening spirit, so the word can nurture and challenge you.

Call to Prayer: "Let us take a moment in the midst of all our activity to prepare ourselves for prayer."	The Word of God: Choose one of next Sunday's readings. One person reads the scripture aloud as others are attentive to a word, phrase, or theme that is meaningful to them. Allow for a minute of silent reflection. Have another person read the same scripture a second time.	Faith Sharing: Begin with an open ended question such as "What strikes you from this reading?" and/or you can use the "Reflection Question" found below. Allow time for reflection & sharing.	Closing Prayer: At the end of the faith sharing, invite participants to pray aloud for any particular petitions or praises they may have. Feel free to close with: The Lord's Prayer or spontaneous prayers or a faith-based song.
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Reflection for Next Sunday, July 9, 2017 – 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus humbly accepted his situation in life, and always trusted totally in his heavenly Father. Jesus is saying the same thing in the Gospel: don't depend upon yourself, trust in Him to help carry your burdens. More importantly, learn to carry your own burdens with His yoke — He is there to help you, to lighten your burden. That is what Humility is all about, learning to turn humbly to Jesus, acknowledge your need, and accept His help.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The local council will meet this Thursday, July 6 in the Saint Christopher campus church hall for their monthly business meeting at the following times:

- 6:30 PM – Council #4 Officer’s Meeting
- 7:30 PM – Blueberry Dessert Reception
- 8:00 PM – Council #4 Meeting



We welcome the following new members to our council:

- Darrell Lattanzio
- William Abrokwa
- Cameron Lewis

We are looking for men and their families who want to help us build up the family which is the domestic church. No time? It takes only 24 hours per year to save lives and change lives.

Young men who are full-time students can join at age 17½ and forego any costs while they are full-time students. Full-time military men are also exempt from any costs.

Please contact Grand Knight Bob Falkevitz at 860-568-5452 for more information.