Saint Edmund Campion Parish

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

Our Lady of Peace Church
370 May Road
East Hartford, CT 06118

Mass Schedule:
Sunday: 9:00 am
Friday & Saturday: 9:00 am

Saint Christopher Church
538 Brewer Street
East Hartford, CT 06118

Mass Schedule:
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am & 10:30 am
Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am

Visit us on the web: stedmundcampionparish.org

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CONFESSIONS
(Saint Christopher Church)
Saturdays: 3:00 pm

WEDNESDAY DEVOTIONS
(Saint Christopher Church)
6:00 pm
Eucharistic Exposition, Adoration and Benediction • Perpetual Novena in Honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal • Scriptural Rosary

THURSDAY PRAYER GROUP
(Our Lady of Peace Church Hall)
6:30 pm
Prayer, Song, Scripture, Friendship

FUNERALS
Once arrangements are made with a funeral home, we will help you plan the Mass of Christian Burial.

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.

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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 light at the Our Lady of Peace Church burns this week.

**World Mission Sunday**

**Propagation of the Faith Collection This Weekend**

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**Parish Support**

- What We Collected (October 13): $6,085*
- Parish School Collection: $1,845**

- Includes $720 received through our Online Giving program and $120 from mail-in offerings.
- **Includes $210 received through our Online Giving program and $127 from mail-in offerings.

Thank you for your support of our parish community!

**Mass Intention for the Week**

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

**Saturday, October 19 – 4:00 p.m. (SC)**
- Matthew Michael Harrison (Family)

**Sunday, October 20 – 7:30 a.m. (SC)**
- John Roncaioli (Friend)

**Sunday, October 20 – 9:00 a.m. (OLOP)**
- Clement Dulude ~ 3rd Anniversary (Family)

**Sunday, October 20 – 10:30 a.m. (SC)**
- Concetto “Tino” Miano
  (The Dellarippa Family)

**Monday, October 21 – 8:00 a.m. (SC)**
- Jose Figueiredo (Wife Maria)
- Manuel & Maria Machado (Daughter Maria)

**Tuesday, October 22 – 8:00 a.m. (SC)**
- Filomena Chaves Melo (Maria Leonardo)

**Wednesday, October 23 – 8:00 a.m. (SC)**
- Dinis Leonardo (Wife & Family)

**Thursday, October 24 – 8:00 a.m. (SC)**
- Diane Olinatz (Family)

**Friday, October 25 – 9:00 a.m. (OLOP)**
For the People of the Parish (Missa pro populo)

**Saturday, October 26 – 9:00 a.m. (OLOP)**
- William Bonetti ~ 3rd Anniversary (Wife & Family)

**Saturday, October 26 – 4:00 p.m. (SC)**
- Mollie & Bill McClincheay
In Remembrance of Their Wedding Anniversary
(Daughter Colette & Rene Letourneau)

**Sunday, October 27 – 7:30 a.m. (SC)**
- Mona Tibbetts (Richard & Mary Burke)

**Sunday, October 27 – 9:00 a.m. (OLOP)**
- Sophie Gudlewski (Sally & Al Labieniec)

**Sunday, October 27 – 10:30 a.m. (SC)**
- Dorothy Slota (Husband & Family)

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ADULT BIBLE ADVENTURE
We will meet again this Wednesday, October 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel at the Saint Christopher campus. (The chapel is located inside the school building – a.k.a. the Parish Center, 580 Brewer St.).

We will begin our next session with chapter 10 in the Acts of the Apostles. Our time together begins with music to center ourselves and then we have opening prayer. We then read sections of our chosen scripture and discuss it. Sometimes our discussions are supplemented with audio or video commentary. We end with a closing prayer and return home with joyful hearts because we encountered God’s truths in the scripture. Please join us! All adults are welcome! Our group typically meets every other Wednesday from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Come when you can and bring your Bible! Questions? Contact Deacon Phil at 860-568-5001 or at imgoose@comcast.net or Steve Cadwallader at 860-568-5477.

PRAYER/SHARING GROUP
Our Prayer/Sharing Group will meet again this Thursday, October 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the Our Lady of Peace church hall. The topic of discussion for this week will be “The Commandments and The Beatitudes.” All members of Saint Edmund Campion Parish and friends are invited to attend. Please join us for an evening of Prayer, Song, Scripture Sharing and Friendship. Refreshments follow each meeting and all are welcome to stay.

SAINT EDMUND CAMPION AWARD
The Saint Edmund Campion Award Committee is seeking candidates to receive this year’s award. The award will be given to parishioners who have contributed their time and talent to the service of our parish, its programs and ministries, and service to the community. There will be three awards:

Youth (through the 8th grade)
Teen (High School)
Adult

Please submit a short biography outlining how the candidate has fulfilled the areas of service. Place your submission in a sealed envelope marked to the attention of the Award Committee. You may drop your submission off at the parish office or place it in any weekend’s collection basket by Friday, November 15. The award winners will be announced on Sunday, December 1 - the feast day of Saint Edmund Campion.

M. LOUISE SWEETLAND SCHOLARSHIP
The M. Louise Sweetland Scholarship Committee is now accepting applications for this year’s scholarship candidates. If you are a registered member of the parish and have a child(ren) attending either a Catholic grammar school or high school, you are encouraged to see Father after Mass today to pick up an application. Alternatively, you may call Kevin Burns at 860-209-2378 to arrange to have an application sent by regular mail or by e-mail. The deadline to submit applications is November 8, 2019. Completed applications may be given to Fr. John or Fr. Joseph or can be dropped off at the parish office.

The PreK 3 class at Saint Christopher School did an engineering activity by creating spiders for snacks. Edible STEM projects!

Thank you to all who donated to their can, bottle and scrap metal drive. You helped make it a successful day!

LIFE AFTER CONFIRMATION
Great news! Our Life After Confirmation class is now underway for those who have been confirmed who are high school and college aged. This class is perfect for those in that age group who want to continue their faith education...and have fun while doing so! The next class will be held on Sunday, October 27 at 7:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. in the community room on the second floor of our Parish Center, 580 Brewer Street (use the Saint Christopher School pre-school entrance) *If we are not at the door, ring the bell or text us and we will come down to get you.

Class starts with 15 minutes of a movie in line with our faith, followed by studying the 4 pillars: The Creed, Sacraments, Commandments and Prayer. Dig deeper into our rich and beautiful faith and find answers and understanding on various topics with a great group of young men and women.

For more info, call or text Mr. and Mrs. Hartley at 860-796-0165 or just show up and check it out!
OPEN HOUSE ~ November 3
Looking for school options? Visit Saint Christopher School, our East Hartford PreK 3 through Grade 8 elementary school! There will be an Open House on Sunday, November 3 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Come and learn about all that we have to offer: good location, busing available to EH students, small class sizes, excellent test scores, financial aid available - visit and see for yourself! This is an educational opportunity that has a proven track record of academic success. Contact Mrs. Welch at 860-568-4100 for more details. www.saintchristopherschool.org

LECTIO DIVINA & DAILY READINGS

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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.”

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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.

Reflection for Next Sunday, October 27 – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
In this parable of the Pharisee and the Publican, Jesus offers the humility of the tax collector as a model for the prayer of a disciple. This parable reminds us that when we pray, we must remember our need for God in our lives. If we are too full of ourselves, there is too little room for God’s grace to work in us.