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## Lantern September 2019

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. CHRISTOPHER'S?

#### Weekly and Monthly Events On Going

##### **Mondays:**

- Men's Bible Study 11:00AM
- Second Monday of the Month Make Lunches for Salvation Army in Surprise

##### **Tuesdays:**

- Outreach Meeting 10:00AM (once a month)
- Super Staff Meeting 9:30 AM (Second Tuesday of the month)

##### **Wednesdays:**

- Eucharist & Healing Service (Chapel) 10:00AM
- Choir Practice 4:00PM

##### **Friday:**

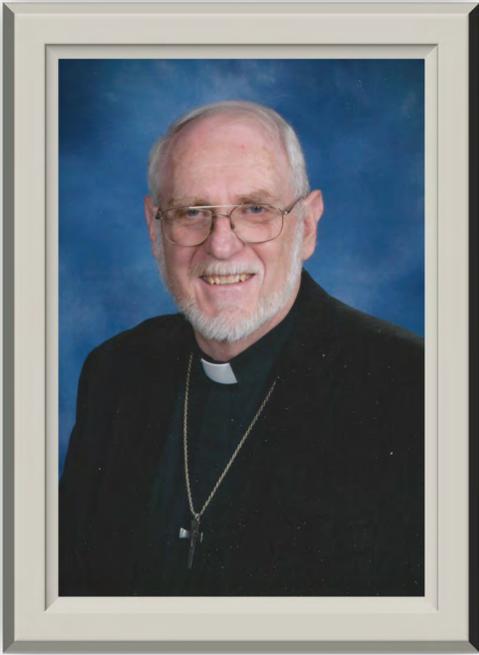
- St Christopher's Bowling, Lakeside Lanes 9:00AM

##### **Saturday:**

- Bargains and Bookstore 8:00AM to Noon
- Voter Registration 8:00AM-Noon (Last Saturday of the month)
- Men's Club Prayer Breakfast (Mercer's) 8:00AM fourth Saturday of the Month
- Make Lunches for Salvation Army in Surprise 9:00AM Parish Hall
- Women's Club Meeting 12:30PM (Second Saturday of each month)

##### **Sundays:**

- English Service 9:00AM
- Spanish Service 11:15AM
- Sunday School 11:15AM ( except last Sunday of the month)



**Message from Fr. Peter**

**Up the West Coast we go!  
See you next time!**





## From Our Senior Warden

Thank you for your help as we update our parish directory! The first steps are nearly done: getting your photo taken and completing your information sheet. Do we have the photo you want in the new directory? Have you completed and turned in an up-to-date information sheet for you and each of your family members? If you're missing either of these please contact Doreen in the office or me.

We can get this done.

In His love,

Beth

De la guardián mayor

¡Gracias por su ayuda para poner al día nuestro directorio parroquial! Los primeros pasos ya se hicieron: tomarse una foto y completar su hoja de información. ¿Tenemos la foto que quiere ver en el nuevo directorio? ¿Ha entregado su hoja de información completa y una para cada miembro de su familia? Si le falta la foto o las hojas favor de ponerse en contacto con Doreen en la oficina o conmigo.

¡Sí se puede!

En Su Amor



## OPERATION

## CHRISTMAS CHILD



Is a ministry of Samaritan's Purse, a multifaceted charity chaired by Franklin Graham. Every year shoeboxes are filled all over the world to send to needy children.

These boxes, that may be the first gift a child has received, are also called GO boxes, as in Gospel Opportunities. People around the world fill the boxes with gender and age appropriate gifts and Samaritan's Purse adds a book of gospel stories in the child's native language.

Teachers in the receiving communities are ready to engage with the children and when they finish their 12 Gospel lessons, they are given a Bible in their own language. It is so rewarding being the hands and feet of Jesus.

Please **JOIN** us. Fill a box, volunteer to gather boxes and pray for these children around the world

*Contact Jane Meyers with any questions.*

Collections for the boxes is November 18-25  
Schedule to follow.

## Book Store Made the News!



### Books and more available

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church Bookstore, 10233 W. Peoria Ave., is open 8 a.m.-noon Saturday morning. Sales and donations benefit the church's outreach programs. Jigsaw puzzles are 75 cents. Paperback books are three for \$1 and hardcover books are \$1 each. Magazines and periodicals are free. DVDs are \$1 and CDs are 50 cents. [Submitted photo]



### GROWING OUR FAITH

Sunday School got off to a great start on September 1<sup>st</sup>. We had 12 enthusiastic youngsters in class. Our lessons are tied to each Sunday's gospel to allow the families to discuss what "everyone" has learned on that particular day.

We now have 3 teachers; Patty Emanuelson, Marie Vogel and myself.

.This enables us to give each child the attention they need during various activities. Thank you parents and grandparents for entrusting your children to us so that they may learn of our Lord Christ.

We have two events coming up in the near future. First is the pinata at the Chili Cookoff and second in November we will start practicing Christmas music to perform at an 11:15 AM service on a Sunday (date still undecided) in December.

Check out our pictures in this issue

## TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME

Earlier in the Month Several St. Christopher's people joined on a bus to the Diamond Backs baseball game. There were more but not in the picture. (Must be shy)



### SUNDAY READERS NEEDED

Do you have a pleasant voice and enjoy speaking in public? I cordially invite you to join our group who faithfully read the lessons and Psalms each Sunday morning throughout the year.

It is an important and vital part of services at Saint Christopher's and I'm sure you would find it rewarding. Please speak to me any Sunday if you would like more information.

Thank you.  
Clive Chancey

### Last Month it was new Blinds!

#### This Month:

- A new roof to the Chapel
- Replacement doors for Bargains!
- Oleanders to cover the Solar equipment
- Men's room repairs in Middleton.

Much happens here that is not always noticed. Look around!

Talk to Bill Lynn or Jane Meyers to help!

## Our Current Outreach Activities

### The Boot Fund—Shoes for Needy Children

In the past, the Boot Fund paid for gift cards at Payless Shoes. for needy students in elementary school. Payless Shoes has gone out of business so this time we bought \$200 worth of Walmart gift cards and gave them to the school nurse at Cheyenne Elementary School.

### Drought and Famine in Kenya

A drought induced famine in Kenya has caused the price of staples like corn, beans, rice, bread and milk to skyrocket 60% or more.

Consequently, school fees for our two students, Judy and Faith, have increased from \$600 per year to \$675 per year.

We recently sent a check for \$150 to cover this increased cost for 2019.

### Justa Center “Thank You” Letter Received

We received a “Thank You” letter for our \$250 donation to Justa Center. So far this year, Justa Center have helped 190 homeless **seniors over 55 years** old find housing. This includes 37 veterans, two couples and 45 women.

### Valley View Food Bank Donations

During August, Bill Lynn delivered 366 pounds of food to Valley View Food Bank. Thank you Bill for volunteering and thank you to everyone who brought food items.

### 2019 Water Donation Program

Wow! St Christopher's has donated over 125 cases of water and \$350 to the Phoenix Rescue Mission Code Red program this summer. Many of these cases of water were 32 and 40 bottle cases so we estimate that we contributed and paid for over 8,000 bottles of water for thirsty Rescue Mission clients.

## Guest Speaker Sunday, October 20th

Almost two years ago, Vincent Kituku, a native of Kenya, spoke at our 9am service about his ministry to orphaned and needy girls in Kenya. As a result of Vincent's visit, our church now pays tuition and room & board for two Kenyan high school girls named Faith and Judy. Both are currently sophomores at Caring Hearts High School. Bonnie Franco corresponds with Judy and Connie Stresing corresponds with Faith.

Vincent is returning to Sun City the weekend of October 20th. He will give a short report about Faith and Judy, during the worship service and then give a Power Point presentation about Caring Hearts High School in the parish hall during coffee hour. Please plan now to be in church on October 20th and to stay after church for Vincent's program.

## VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE



Have you moved recently?  
Changed your name?

Do you want to declare or change your political party? If so, you'll need to update your voter registration so that you're ready to vote in the next election!

Updating your registration is easy and takes just a few minutes. A registration drives is being held on last Saturday of the month

At St. Christopher's Episcopal Church  
between 8:00am and noon.



**October**

Ana Martinez  
Barbara Welsh  
Carolyn Bellerive  
Carmen Borda  
Genessis Cazarez  
Denisse Rios  
Dennis Bustamante  
Nnaemeka Anako  
Reynaldo Borda  
Lilly Murray  
Breanna Valenzuela  
Sharon Anson  
Rafael Rodriguez  
Harley Díaz Ríos  
Patricia Emanuelson  
Natalee Valles  
Sofía Valles

**Day**

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**Anniversaries**

**None**

**ST CHRISTOPHER'S IS NOT JUST A CHURCH IT'S A FAMILY!**



**BAPTISM**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**



**QUINCEAÑERA**

**USHERS**



## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

- Wednesday October 9 Interment of Katherine Craine's ashes in the Chapel 10:00AM
- Friday October 11 Christopher Singers, Mary's Place at 11:00AM
- Saturday October 12 at 2:PM Celebration of life for Katherine Craine
- Sunday October 13 Blessing of the Animals  
Thursday Celebration of Life for Louie Gay at 2PM reception after
- Friday and Saturday October 18 & 19 Diocesan Convention
- Sunday October 20 Women's Club Chili and Hot Dog Cook Off at 4:00PM
- Saturday October 26 West Valley Wind Ensemble Concert at 3:00PM
- Thursday October 31 Last Women's Bible Study for Fall, lunch to follow.

**Women's Club INVITES YOU  
TO OUR CHILI Cook Off!  
& HOT DOGS!**

**Sunday, October 20, 2019**

**4:00PM**

**Church Parish Hall**

**RSVP by 10/17/19, in Narthex**

**or call**

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