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Sunday, May 19, 2019  
Sunday of Easter

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Today's Gospel has two parts to it which are closely connected because they emphasize two dimensions of our relationship with God. The first part "**Now is the Son of Man glorified and God is glorified in him.**" reveals the glorification of God and His Son in two ways. First, by His obedience even unto death Jesus glorifies the Father by fulfilling His will. Secondly, Jesus, by undergoing suffering and death, glorifies the Father in the splendor of His Resurrection. The second half of the Gospel passage reveals a dramatic shift from the glory and grandeur of God to the intimacy of our relationship with Him. Jesus refers to His disciples as children. "**My children, I will be with you only a little while longer.**" The term children connotes both affection and dependence. Our relationship with the Lord should have both dimensions. He is creator but also Father. He is Lord of heaven and earth but also friend. He is master but also our brother. Jesus wants both dimensions to be present and vibrant in our relationship with Him.

**FIRST COMMUNION** – Congratulations to: **Brayan Jose Esteban, Tyana Garcia, Edwin Ortiz, Brayan Esteban Ramirez, Leidy Ramirez, Marisol Roach, Niomi Roach, Bryanna Rodriguez and Miliani Rodriguez** who received their **First Communion** on May 11. We also thank their parents as the first teachers in the Faith of their children. Special thanks to **Ms. Zobeida Diaz, Sr. Maria Saenz Pilar and Mr. Jose Villalta** for all that they did to prepare the first communicants and for making all the arrangements for the First Communion Mass. Congratulations and Thank You!

**ORDINARY MASS SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday** - 4:00 PM,

**Sunday** - 10:00 AM (Spanish) 12:00 (English)

**Monday thru Friday** - 12:05PM

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

**Saturday, May 18, 4:00 PM** – For the repose of **James E. Dempsey**, requested by **John Dempsey**

**Sunday, May 19, 10:00 AM** - For the repose of **Rosa Diaz Garcia and Migdalia Lopez Diaz**

**Sunday, May 19, 12:00 PM** - For the University Parish of St. Christopher

**Thursday, May 23, 12:05 PM** – For the repose of **Francis Helfrich**, 1<sup>st</sup> month memorial, requested by the parishioners

**Friday, May 24, 12:05 PM** – For the repose of **John F. Dempsey**, 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, requested by **John Dempsey**

**Saturday, May 25, 4:00 PM** – For the University Parish of St. Christopher

**CONFESSIONS** – Saturday 3:15-3:45, ordinarily after the 10:00 AM Sunday Mass, and by request.

**BIENVENIDO PADRE TOM CARZON** - Extendemos una cálida bienvenida al P. Tom Carzon, OVM. P. Tom profesó sus votos en 1992 como miembro de los Oblatos de la Virgen María. Fue ordenado sacerdote en 1996. Actualmente es el director del Seminario de Nuestra Señora de Gracia, que se encuentra en el Santuario Eucarístico de San Clemente en Boston. Desde principios de septiembre el p. Tom también ha estado ayudando con misas los miércoles y jueves aquí en San Cristóbal. Gracias p. Tom por estar con nosotros!

**MASSACHUSETTS BISHOPS STATEMENT** – The Bishops of Massachusetts recently released a statement about legislation pending on Beacon Hill seeking to expand abortion in the Commonwealth. A copy of this statement, and a handout by the Massachusetts Catholic Conference with further information as well as recommendations for ways of making your voice heard on this issue, are available in the back of the church. For additional information check out [www.macatholic.org](http://www.macatholic.org) or call 508-651-1900.

**STAFF CHANGE** – Brother Gary Davis, who has been serving on the parish staff since August 1, has been reassigned by his superior in the Brotherhood of Hope. He will be moving to the Brotherhood House in Minneapolis later this summer. His last day on staff at St. Christopher will be Sunday, June 16. More information about a farewell for Brother Gary will be forthcoming shortly.

**SERVICE TRIP** - Experience a Service Retreat for adults in one of the poorest regions of our country on the annual Adult Appalachian Service Trip to Eastern Kentucky on July 13-20, 2019. An informational meeting will take place on **Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm** to Our Lady Help of Christians Church, 573 Washington Street, Newton, MA (McPherson Room), or call Fr. Ed Riley @ 617-746-5425.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION** – To view the listing of marriage preparation offerings offered by the Archdiocese visit [www.bostoncatholic.org/TransformedInLove](http://www.bostoncatholic.org/TransformedInLove). Para información sobre la preparación matrimonial en Español, llame a Hna. Elsa Narvaez Rodriguez (617)746-5792.

**RECEIVING COMMUNION** – If one receives communion in the hand after receiving the consecrated host immediately **consume the host in the presence of the minister**. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

**WORD AMONG US** – **At the entrance of the Church are free issues (English & Español) of the Easter Word Among Us** a monthly publication that includes Mass readings, articles, daily reflections etc., They have been donated in support of St. Christopher as a University Parish. Feel free to take one!

**CADA JUEVES: ROSARIO & GRUPO DE ORACIÓN CARISMÁTICO (ESPAÑOL):** El Rosario a las 6:00 PM y el Grupo de Oración de 7:00 - 8:30 PM - Oraciones al Espíritu Santo, Perdón, Sanacion peticiones y cantos de alabanzas. Si desea hacer el Rosario en su casa, comuníquese con Jose Villalta (617) 749-6144. Para obtener información sobre el grupo de oración carismático, llame a Mercedes Vasquez al 857-237-2991 o Regla Soto al 617-319-2719.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION** – Jesus said: “Let the little children come to me.” The next scheduled date for the Baptism of children is **Saturday, May 25**. If you are interested in having a child baptized please contact Regla Soto, at 617-319-2719 to make the necessary arrangements.

**2019 CATHOLIC APPEAL** – The 2019 Catholic Appeal Goal for St. Christopher is \$9,298. **To date \$4,562** has been contributed by parishioners. Thank you to all who have contributed. If you have not yet had the opportunity to donate there are envelopes in the back of the Church or you can visit [bostoncatholicappeal.org](http://bostoncatholicappeal.org). You can view the Appeal’s 5-minute video at their website, or at the Parish website. Thank you!

**MATIGNON HIGH SCHOOL** - Matignon High School is Enrolling Now! Please call 617-876-1212 or email [admissions@matignon.org](mailto:admissions@matignon.org) to schedule a tour today!

**CORI FORMS** – All employees and volunteers (e.g. readers, Eucharistic minister, religious education teachers, ushers etc.) who assist at the Parish need to submit a CORI form annually. If you have not yet done so, please contact Megan at [admin@stchristopherchurch.org](mailto:admin@stchristopherchurch.org) to make arrangements to complete this required form.

**PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION** – There are four parish email addresses. To contact Fr. Paul, please use [pastor@stchristopherchurch.org](mailto:pastor@stchristopherchurch.org). For Parish Office items please use [office@stchristopherchurch.org](mailto:office@stchristopherchurch.org). For Megan Haile, the administrative assistant, please use [admin@stchristopherchurch.org](mailto:admin@stchristopherchurch.org). For UMass Boston Catholic Campus Ministry please use: [campusministry@stchristopherchurch.org](mailto:campusministry@stchristopherchurch.org).

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:** Thank you to those who use offertory envelopes and/or who give a weekly sacrificial offering. If for some reason you do not receive the envelopes or if you are new to the parish, please let us know. If you have moved, please provide us with your new address. If you are not here on a weekend, please return your donation by mail or on the following weekend. Your weekly offertory is critical to the parish.

**OFFERTORY:** \$766.87 (Spring Cleanup Collection - \$208.59)