

St. Christopher by-the-River
AN EPISCOPAL PARISH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO

Advent 2024

Dear Member of St. Christopher's,

Although we will not be holding a Holy Eucharist service on Christmas Eve this year, we will still be holding a Family Vespers service on Christmas Eve for the community at 3:30 PM, and of course we will all be celebrating and rejoicing throughout the Christmas Season. We will still be decorating the church for Christmas with trees and some poinsettias and window boxes. **Decorations will be up from Dec 22nd – Jan 5th.** These decorations enhance the beautiful historic beauty of our church home. It is a glorious and fitting way to help celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.



Everyone in the congregation is invited to honor or remember loved ones by donating to our Christmas décor. Your loved ones will be commemorated by having their names recorded in the Christmas bulletin, which will also be included on Sunday Dec 22nd and Sunday Dec 29th. Some of you have generously been donating through particular pieces of our Christmas decorations such as trees and wreaths, and we thank you as you are able to continue that tradition. The suggested donation to the Christmas Flower Fund is \$25.00. You may also give online by visiting our website www.stchrisbytheriver.org.

- Please complete this form (*PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY*) and **return it** with the donation you are able to make **by Monday, December 16th**.
- Please make checks payable to St. Christopher's and note 'Christmas Flowers' in the memo.
- For all responses received after December 16th, we will do our best to include them in the Christmas bulletins.

Yours in Christ, Carolyn Misco & The Christmas Flower Committee

*Please complete this form and return this paper to the church office
or mail to PO Box 519 Gates Mills 44040 by Monday, December 16th.*

The flowers throughout the church are given to the glory of God and...

- Given in faithful thanksgiving (*for no one specific to be named*)

- in loving memory of: _____
(intended for deceased loved ones)

- In honor of: _____
(intended for honoring living loved ones or blessings)

Donated by: _____
(how your name will appear in bulletin)

Amount enclosed: \$ _____ Telephone _____