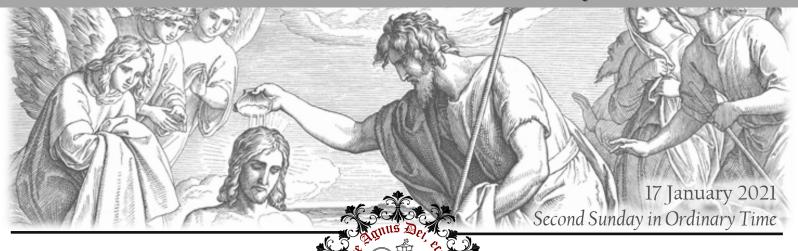
# SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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SERVING THE MISSIONS OF SAINT ALBERT THE GREAT AND SAINT MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN



MASS SCHEDULE

Sat, 16 Jan Second Sunday in OT 4:00 pm (MQH) Pro Populo

Sun, 17 Jan Second Sunday in OT 8:30 am (SJB) Souls in Purgatory

Wed, 20 Jan St. Fabian, Priest and Martyr

11:00 am No Mass or Adoration

Fri, 22 Jan Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

11:00 am No Mass or Adoration

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Weekends Fifteen minutes before Mass. (and by appointment)

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday 10:00 am (Frenchtown) Friday 10:00 am (Frenchtown)

#### THE HOLY ROSARY

Weekends Twenty minutes before Mass.



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St. Mary Queen of Heaven (MQH)

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#### SICK CALLS

Call the parish office if you would like a home visit for the Sacraments.

If you have a sacramental emergency outside of office hours, please call 406.202.8912.

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### LITURGICAL CALENDAR

18 Jan Weekday

St. Prisca, Virgin and Martyr; St. Volusian, Bishop

Heb 5:1-10 / Mt 2:18-22

19 Jan Weekday

Sts. Marius, Martha, Audifax, and Abachum St. Canute, King of Denmark; St. Wulstan, Bishop

Heb 6:10-20 / Mk 2:23-28

20 Jan Weekday

St. Fabian, Priest and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17 / Mk 3:1-6

21 Jan St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Heb 7:25-8:6 / Mk 3:7-12

22 Jan Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of

Unborn Chilren

St. Vincent of Sargossa, Deacon (Trad.) St. Anastasius, Religious and Martyr Heb 8:6–13 / Mk 3:13–19

23 Jan BVM

St. Marianne Cope (Marianne of Molokai) Heb 9:2-3, 11-14 / Mk 3:20-21

24 Jan Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/ Mk 1:14-20

### THIS WEEK WE CELEBRATE:

St. Sebastian, Martyr (Optional Memorial)

"According to tradition, St. Sebastian entered the Roman army during the time of Emperor Carinus' persecution of Christians in order to secretly aid confessors and martyrs. When two men facing martyrdom, Marcus and Marcellian, seemed as though they would give in to the tears of loved ones, St. Sebastian encouraged them with great fervor to persevere. A woman named Zoë, who had been unable to speak, was cured after Sebastian made the Sign of the Cross over her mouth. Zoë and several others were then converted, including the father of Marcus and Marcellian, who was cured of gout after his Baptism. When the Roman governor Chromatius was informed of these events, he, who also suffered from gout, became a Christian and was cured by St. Sebastian. Chromatius then freed all of his prisoners and resigned from his The persecutions continued under Emperor Diocletian, who admired Sebastian and made him a high -ranking captain, not knowing that he was a Christian. St. Sebastian encouraged many martyrs before being discovered and martyred himself. He was buried on the Appian Way in Rome."

Source(s): TAN Books 2021 Saints Calendar

# JANUARY: MONTH OF THE HOLY NAME

The 3rd of January is the feast of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, the day most of us celebrated the Epiphany. In traditional calendars (and a few dioceses), the 3rd is still set aside for the Most Holy Name and the Epiphany is celebrated on the 6th of January. In Philippians, we read: "For which cause God also hath exalted him, and hath given

him a name which is above all names: That in the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth, and under the earth: And that every tongue should confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father" (2:9–11). And what does Jesus's name mean? "God with us" for, though He is always with us, in a tangible way the Father came to be with us through His Son in the great mystery of the Incarnation. St. Bernardine of Siena popularized devotion to the Most Holy Name in the 15th century. He used this devotion as a way of overcoming bitter and, often bloody, class struggles and family rivalries in Italy. "In 1530, Pope Clement V approved an Office of the Holy Name for the Franciscans [and, in] 1721, Pope Innocent XIII extended this feast to the entire Church." This feast calls "us to a continual remembrance



and veneration of the Holy Name in order that God might plant in us, and in every heart, the love of [Him Who] is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ." Look and listen, and you will see many references to the Holy Name. The popular symbol, "IHS", is the first three letters of Jesus's name in Greek: IHΣΟΥΣ (Iesous), pronounced roughly "eeaysoos". Many of you are familiar with a common greeting from the Middle Ages that honors the Holy Name: "Praise be Jesus Christ" (in Latin, Laudetur Jesus Christus), with the response "For evermore" (In sæcula sæculorum) or "Amen". We also show reverence and honor to the Holy Name with a bow of the head (GIRM 275). Pay attention closely in Mass; Whom/whom else do we reverence with a bow of the head?

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

We are able to have 70 people at Mass. Please practice social distancing (6' apart) and try to sit every other pew, staggering between the far right and left aisles and the center aisles. Extra seating is available in the choir loft. Thank you for your patience and God bless! Fr. David Severson

#### ST. ALBERT THE GREAT

Tuesday, Jan. 26 Mass at 5:30pm

#### ST. MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN

16 Jan <u>Lector</u> Ken Vandehey 23 Jan <u>Lector</u> Ken Kuhl

No Mass Jan. 9, Feb. 6, Mar. 6, Apr. 10, May 1, June 5 (drill weekends).

#### **NEW PARISHIONERS**

Registration forms are available online ("About," then "Register") and in the entrance of each church.

#### WEDNESDAY MASS TIME CHANGE (one week only)

Mass at St. John's will be at 10:00am instead of 11:00am on Jan. 27. (So next week.) There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament prior to Mass.

Pray always in readiness to surrender, and you will receive from it great peace and great rewards, even when I confer on you the grace of immolation, of repentance and of love. Then what does suffering matter? It seems impossible to you? Close your eyes and say with all your soul, "Jesus, you take care of it." Do not be afraid, I will take care of things and you will bless My name by humbling yourself. A thousand prayers cannot equal one single act of surrender, remember this well. [...]

O Jesus, I surrender myself to You, take care of everything!



From Day 9 of the Surrender Novena.

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# OFFERTORY COLLECTION: 10 January 2020

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Gratefully received: \$2,082.00 Fiscal year weekly need: \$2,524.00 Thank you to our parishioners and guests!

#### A NOTE ON TAX LETTERS

For those of you who generously donated to the furnace fund at St. John the Baptist, please note that those donations are not included in the year-end letter. Call the office if you have questions or concerns. Tax letters go out to registered parishioners only, but separate letters are sent throughout the year to all donors for any single donation \$250 and above.



\$11,110 pledged so far (51% of goal) 31.09% participation

Thank you for supporting our diocesan ministries!

You are welcome to write prayers of petition and thanksgiving in the Parish Book of Prayer at the entrance of the church.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Mike Dunn, BJ Zimmerman, Ed Franceschina, Blake Johnson, Bev Schumacher, Brennley, the Henderson Family, Dorothy Durdon, Andre DuBois, John Calvert, Bill & Anne Wodrich, Debbie Wine, Kenzen & family, MaryAnn Clare Anderson, Bob Bedwell & Ashley, Malcom O'Rouke, Bud Svalsted, Theresa Schumacher, Family of Javier, Gina Moriarity, Hope & Garrie, Chris Ochs, Art Porter, Maureen Glanz, Jeannette Slater, Keith Writz, and Edna Kraft.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Barb Koepke, Doris Ruthford, Gerhard & Ursula von der Ruhr, Mickey Patch, Rosemary Howard, Dcn. Mark Zenner

To request prayers or to remove names from the above list, please contact the parish office.

# SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Infant Baptism: Parents must be registered & active members of our parish. If they are members of another parish, a letter of permission from their Pastor is required. We also require preparation for this Sacrament. Contact one of the priests before infant's due date To arrange date and time for the Baptism. Baptisms are normally celebrated at Mass.

Holy Matrimony: Couples discerning this sacrament should contact one of our priests immediately after becoming engaged. NOTE: a minimum of 6 months of preparation is required before the celebration of this sacrament. Couples wishing to marry in the parish must be registered and active members of their parish. Couples from other parishes must obtain a letter of permission to marry outside of their own parish.

Anointing of the Sick: Anyone who has been diagnosed as terminally or gravely ill, is preparing for surgery, or has had their mental or physical health condition significantly change are encouraged to request this sacrament of healing. Call the parish office or one of the parish priests to schedule the celebration of this sacrament.

Adult Confirmation, Adult Baptism (RCIA), and Adult Reception into Full Communion with the Church: If you, a family member, or a friend has not received the sacrament of Confirmation, or are interested in being baptized, or received into full communion with the Church, please contact the Pastor. An appropriate preparation process will be discerned on an individual basis.

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PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Grant Your priests, O Jesus, lively faith in their works, unshakable hope in their trials and fervent charity in their intentions. May Your word, radiant with eternal wisdom, become through continual meditation the never failing nourishment of their interior life, may the examples of Your life and Passion be renewed in their conduct and suffering, for our instruction and as a light and consolation in our sorrows.

Grant, O Lord, that our priests, free from all earthly attachments and solicitous for Your glory alone, may persevere to their last breath in the fulfillment of duty and in purity of conscience. And when in death they deliver into Your hands a task well done, may they have in You, Lord Jesus, their Master on earth, the eternal reward of the crown of justice in the glory of the



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