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The Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

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A VOICE CAME
FROM HEAVEN,
"YOU ARE MY
BELOVED SON;
WITH YOU I AM
WELL PLEASED."

LUKE 3:22

THE
BAPTISM
OF THE LORD

JANUARY 9, 2022



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504-436-1279 (M-F 9:00am-4:00pm)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00AM

Tues, Wed, Thurs & Friday: 8:30 AM

Wed. — Holy Hour & Benediction 6:00pm

Pastor: Rev. Francis Offia

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Secretary: Judy Guidroz

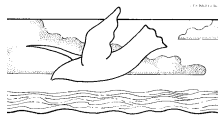
CRE: Elizabeth Carmona

Music Director: Tina Adams



The Baptism of the Lord

He saved us through the bath of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit. — *Titus 3:5*



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Church**

January 9, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



This Week Sanctuary Candle burns For:

Jim Savoie+ and Parishioners of St. Bonaventure

Saturday, January 9, Mass 5:00pm

Phero & Maria Nguyen Ty+; Charion Hemphill+ Cherie Mitchell+; Mary Rice+; Dawn Gonzales+; Marlene Heintz+; Bob Venable+; Quoc Duc Le+; and all Souls; Brenda Haley; Mark & Lydia Moll

Sunday, January 9, Mass 8:00am

Parishioners of St. Bonaventure

Sunday, January 9, Mass 10:00am

For the soul of Maria Lisa Oanh+; Dominica Lam Van Tran+; Maria Bau Thi Nguyen+; Peter-Joseph Hoan Van Tran+; Vincent Hai Phu Nguyen+; Mary Ann Rice+; Leah & "Trent" Trentacosta+; Romero Barrera+; Quc Duc Le+; and All souls in purgatory and Kathleen Jeasonne

Monday, January 10— No Mass

Tuesday, January 11— Mass 8:30am and 6:00pm

the soul of Marlene Heintz+; Quoc Duc Le+; and Poor Souls in Purgatory;

Wednesday, January 12 — Mass 8:30am

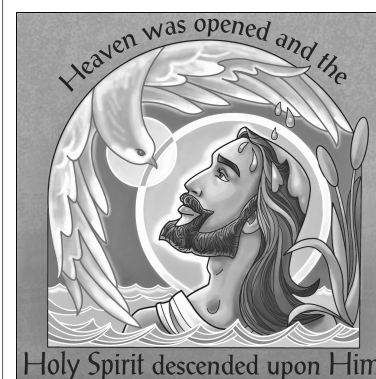
For the soul of Quoc Duc Le+

Thursday, January 13— Mass 8:30am

For the soul of Marlene Heintz+; Quoc Duc Le+

Friday, January 14— Mass 5:00pm

For the soul of Marlene Heintz+



BAPTISMAL DEATH AND RESURRECTION

As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, we also honor our own baptism as our initiation into the Christian life and community. In the Gospel, the baptism of Jesus, with his immersion and then emergence from the water, points to his later submission to God at his death, and his emergence from the grave at his resurrection. This pattern of death and resurrection is our path too, as followers of Jesus. Throughout life, often in small ways, we learn to surrender our limited and self-centered agendas. This surrender often feels like death. The sacrament of Baptism ritually enacts this pattern to remind us of Jesus' death and resurrection, so that we too might embrace the deaths and resurrections of our own lives. As Jesus emerged from the water, he encountered his Father and the Holy Spirit. Like Jesus, we can know we are God's beloved, empowered by the Spirit.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations

(Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) or *Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11.*

Psalm — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) or *Psalm 104.*

Second Reading — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) or *Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7.*

Gospel — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

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TURNING THE TIDE

When everything goes against you, till it seems as though you could not hold on a minute longer, never give up then, for that is just the place and time that the tide will turn.

—Harriet Beecher Stowe

TEMPER AND PRIDE

Temper is what gets most of us into trouble. Pride is what keeps us there.

—Anonymous

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♦ 1/8-9 Church in Latin America ♦ 1/15-16 Maintenance

♦ 1/29-30 Catholic Schools ♦ 1/29-30 Ministry to Needy



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

In Memoriam



Marlene Piazza Heintz — December 19, 2021

Please pray for

Mrs. Marlene Heintz

and remember in sympathy her family and all who mourn her death. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.



STEWARDSHIP MOMENT



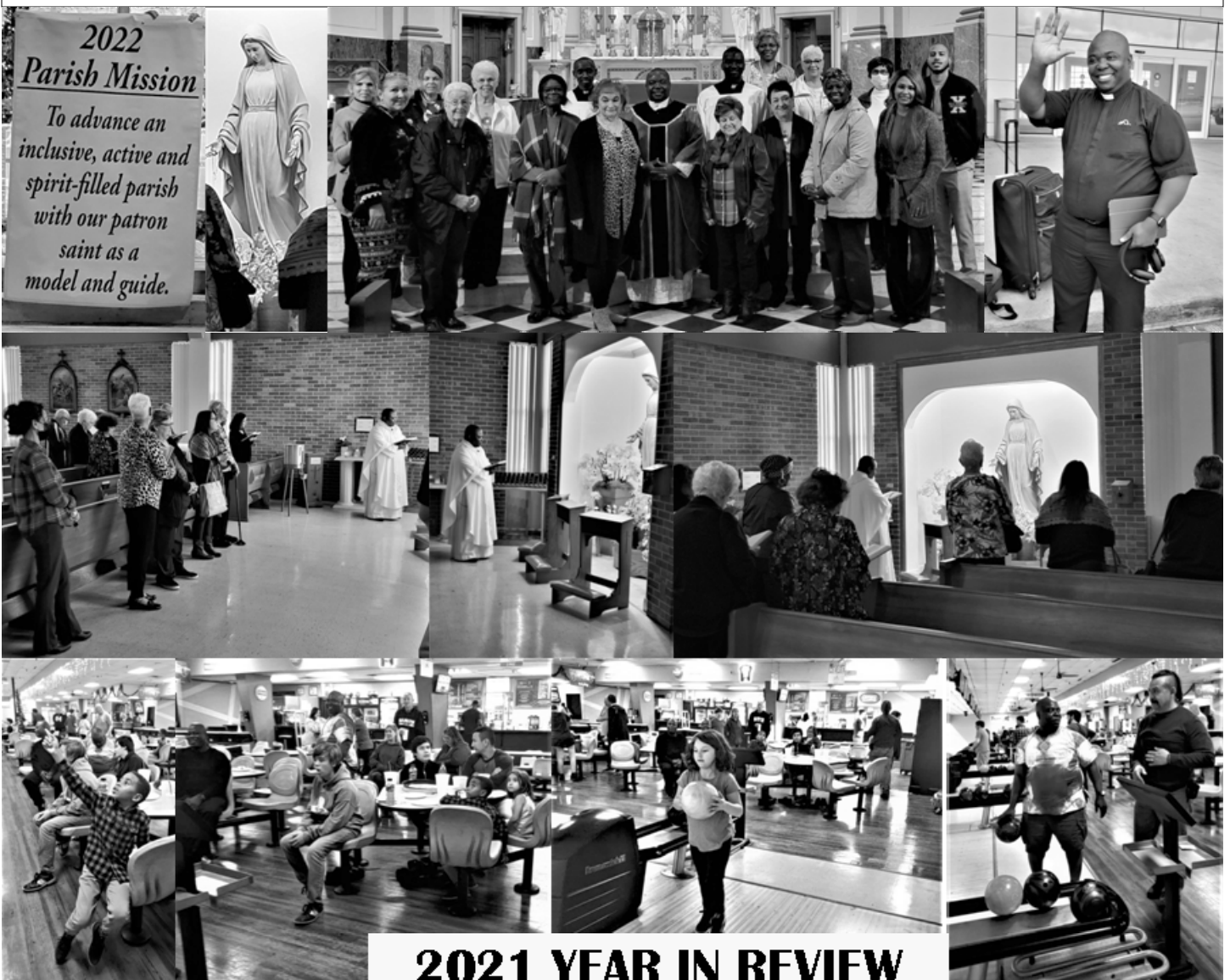
In today's reading from the Gospel of Luke we hear the proclamation of the baptism of Jesus with "all the people." Indeed, "heaven was opened," and the Father announced his special favor. Whenever we partake of the body and blood of Christ, heed his call in our daily lives, share his Good News, become instruments of his transforming justice and peace, heaven is opened to us, and through the Holy Spirit, the Lord announces his special favor on us as well.

A good stewardship reflection this week might be this:

How, or in what ways, have we personally experienced God's special favor in our lives?

HE NAME FOR GOD Mother is the name for God on the lips and in the hearts of little children. —William Makepeace Thackeray

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION— We are pleased to announce that the Archdiocese of New Orleans will host an annual wedding anniversary celebration for those couples who have been married for 25 years. The 2021 Silver Anniversary celebration will take place on **Sunday, March 27, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.** at St Joseph Church in New Orleans. This event is only for couples married in the year 1997 in celebration of their 25th Wedding Anniversary. **Please Note:** This celebration **will not be a Mass**, but a **prayer service**. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will have to be met within one's respective parish. **(To register, please contact the parish rectory before January 18, 2022)**



2021 YEAR IN REVIEW



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

The Baptism of the Lord

Almighty ever-living God,
who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan
and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him,
solemnly declared him your beloved Son,
grant that your children by adoption,
reborn of water and the Holy Spirit,
may always be well pleasing to you.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

What can I do this week to be well pleasing to God?

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Pope's JANUARY Intention



For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination/persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN MILITARY SERVICE AND FOR THEIR FAMILIES.

Prayer for Soldiers Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

VOCATION: MEDITATION FOR PRIESTHOOD, DIACONATE & RELIGIOUS LIFE

"God has called us with a holy calling...according to His own purpose and grace." If you think God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, Contact Fr. Francis at 504-729-8469.

Prayer Request: LynLeigh Adams; Jeff Adams; Janell Angelle; Tina Barry; Pearl & Rebecca Berthelot; Todd Bordelon; Joyce Caire; Jason Chiasson; Kai ye Chin; Brenda Goss; Ben, Brandon, & Tim Guidroz; Barbara Hammer; Ester Hammil; Kathleen, Donald, & Glenn Jeansonne; Joy & Norbert Labit; Gay Litloff; Kirk Litloff; Brenda Jones; Gary & Holly Marshall; Theda Melerine; Carolyn & Arthur Moore; David & Kim Muller; Anita Perkins; Janice Reiser; Tammy Reites; Jules & Michael Sancho; Lloyd Seneck; Al Stapler; James Theriot III; Stephanie Walker; "Mooney" Woods. Please call the office or send in your request to add or delete a loved one to the prayer list .

COMING UP

MONDAY, January 10, 2022 —

♦ Mass—No Mass

TUESDAY, January 11, 2022—

♦ Rosary 8:00 — Mass 8:30am

WEDNESDAY, January 12, 2022—

♦ Rosary 8:00am—Mass 8:30am

THURSDAY, January 13, 2022 —

♦ Rosary 8:00am—Mass 8:30am

FRIDAY, January 14, 2022—

♦ Mass 8:30am

SATURDAY, January 15, 2022—

♦ Mass 5:00pm

SUNDAY, January 16, 2022 —

♦ Mass 8:00am & 10:00am

♦

SACRAMENTS

Confession: Saturday 4:00—4:45pm;

Wednesday 5:30—7:00pm

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the office to schedule an appointment with Father. Parents and Godparents must attend a seminar.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to expected wedding date. Call the office for details.

Funerals: Please notify the priest before contacting the Funeral Home.

HURTFUL SIN

Sin is not hurtful because it is forbidden, but it is forbidden because it is hurtful.

—Benjamin Franklin

A Nation's Prayer — God our Father, giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for your glory and dwell among your people. Send your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing your will. Lead us into a new millennium of life. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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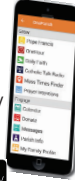


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