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BAPTISM OF THE LORD JANUARY 10, 2021

Journey OF Faith

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

In Word & Deed

*I*n one parish, after adults were baptized during the Easter Vigil, the pastor would announce what each of the newly Baptized would do for the parish.

It might be visiting the sick, or tutoring in the school, or helping deliver meals to the elderly and shut-ins. It made very clear the Baptismal call to service and renewed the parish's commitment to practice what they believed. The life of the parish flourished because faith and spirituality were a way of life, and not just another good idea.

When Jesus is baptized, the Spirit descends on Him and the voice from heaven identifies Jesus as the Son on whom God's favor rests. His ministry is about to begin, and yet, immediately after

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*And a voice came from the heavens,
"You are my beloved Son;
with you I am well pleased."*

Mark 1:11

THE LORD WENT DOWN TODAY INTO THE WATERS OF THE JORDAN AND SAID TO JOHN:
"DO NOT BE AFRAID TO BAPTIZE ME, FOR I HAVE COME TO SAVE ADAM, THE FIRST FATHER."

BYZANTINE RITE

Mass for the Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 9

5:00pm **Bernard Bouvier**
by his family

Sunday, January 10

7:30am **Ernest & Alice Jalbert**
by the Savoie family

9:00am **Fr. George**
by St. Luke's

11:00am **Paul Damiani**
by Jim & Carol Mulcahy

Monday, January 11

9:00am **Dave Blackerby**
by Metzinger family

Tuesday, January 12

9:00am **Holy Souls in Purgatory**
by Helpers of the Holy Souls

Wednesday, January 13

9:00am **Bernard Bouvier**
by his family

Thursday, January 14

9:00am **Claude Papp (18th Anv)**
by Nancy Papp & family

Friday, January 15

9:00am **Gabe Boire**
by Baxendale family

Saturday, January 16

5:00pm **J. Gabriel Boire**
by Knights of Columbus

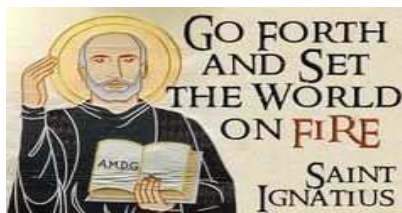
Sunday, January 17

7:30am **Andrew Habe**
by Clare & Stan Tozeski

9:00am **Paul Dempsey**
by his family

11:00am **Paul Dempsey**
by his wife Jacqueline Demspey

BAPTISM: ANNELIESE HARDING



Please pray for...

Bob Grady, Elise Ollman-Kahle, Patricia Amorelli, Carol Aloisi, Michael, Kim Evans, Ann Martin, Mickie Aylward, Tuyen Tran, Mary Mahan, James Wright, Evelyn Croteau, Beth Lambert, Shirley DePalma, Cheri McGee, Agnes Limberger, Zachary Collins, Dick Pond, Elise Renee, Ann Tisbert, Patrick, Christine, Robert Coutinho, George Parker, Jr. Haron Beaulieu, Toby Claufon, Becky Rawson, Paul Fallon, Teresa Putnam, Carmelia Potenti, Elisa Korb, George Beecher, , Leanne McCann, Ellie Carlson, Epifania Soto, Jane Burke, Hayleigh Scott, Kellan Keough, Dorothy Clinton, Sr. Pamela Philbin, Karen Mooney, Andrea Furtado, Luis Ferreria, Helen Galica, Erik Olsen, Vicki Foley, Richard Kane, Grace Roche, Jack Curtin, Jim Bennett, Neil Kenny, Debbie Giroux, Carole & Pam Laino, Gregg Merloni, Tome Valadao, Maryann Bisco, Susan Garry, Melvin Boucher, T.J. Bautz, Joan Fallon, Marie Wilson, David Perry, Lucia Engdahl, John Durnan, Linda Darby, Kirolos Gergis, Beverly Taylor, Judy Melfa, Claire Kennedy, Maria Matejko, Mary Savelloni, Peter Rose, Kevin & Donna Brennan, Luz Chavez, Pamela Meehan, James Thomas, Christina Narensky, Lynn St. Jean, Michael Berthuime, Trisha Suzi, Norman Beland, Margaret Markert, Hailie McLatchey, Barbara Auger, Barbara Barnes, Doris Biedermann, Joan Bunnell, Joan Finnerty, Jeanne Amendola, Jack Walker, Daniel Baker, Rebecca Coax, Robert Trant, Michael McAndless, Michael Del Pozzo, Susanne Ollman, Lucy Hamburger, David Carrera, Joel Rivera, Pat & John Lusek, Michael Zancewicz, John Lynch, Kristy Cautello, Joseph Malzone, Lois Kerbel, Carol Guarino, Michael Turpin, Connor Blaney, Debbie Krikler, Sally Gagliardi, Sam Mozley, Austin Tomalewski, Gary Shults, Erin Magrane

Names of individuals on the Prayer Line are not published in the bulletin
Let us remember to pray for all the men and women and their families who are serving in Iraq and Afghanistan

We remember those who have died

Mary Neubauer

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 1st Sunday of each month

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

*Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45PM ~ also by personal request
Reconciliation Room is handicapped accessible*

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact a Priest at least six months in advance

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Our extraordinary ministers are always pleased to bring the Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to join us for weekly worship. If you or a family member would like to receive Communion, please call the Rectory. If you know of someone from the parish who is in the hospital, please let us know.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses **Saturday at 5:00 PM in English and 7:00 PM in Spanish.**

Sunday Masses will be at **7:30 AM, 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM.**
There will be no 6:30 PM Mass on Sunday until further notice.



In Word & Deed

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short visit would reverberate through the ages.

Like the Magi, our life is a journey of faith. We encounter Christ in hundreds of ways. Each momentary encounter has the potential of changing lives, healing wounds, easing suffering and restoring faith. Those we meet along the way are fellow pilgrims who also search for grace and life. Follow the star of faith and offer your gifts of love. Christ will surely lead you.

-Jim Gaffney



FAMILY LIFE:

TO WALK AS ONE

One of my nieces loved to perform when she was just a pre-schooler. She would sing songs or do 'amazing' tricks! But she always wanted someone to introduce her, beginning with the traditional "Ladies and gentlemen." Without a proper introduction she could not perform and the show came to a grinding, if not teary, halt. No doubt she loved the spotlight and the attention.

Everyone likes to be treated with special attention. Some occasions, like birthdays and anniversaries, call for it. Some people require a special introduction: new friends, relatives, business associates and VIP's. Whether as a courtesy or an obligation, a little attention makes everyone feel good. It acknowledges people's importance

and what they mean to us. It highlights the abilities and qualities of those we love and respect. Most importantly, it gives us the chance to let others know how we feel, even if we don't say it often enough.

A little special attention goes a long way. It lifts the spirits, changes hearts, lightens the mood and brightens a day. Our actions speak volumes and let our family know how important they are to us. Don't wait for a special performance or occasion or for the show to come to a halt. Give your loved ones the attention they deserve—yours!

-Jim Gaffney



The star was a particularly evocative symbol. Various interpreted as a figure of an angel or as a sign of the Holy Spirit, it pointed the magi (and so also the members of the church who meditate on the gospel) to Christ.

"Is it to be wondered at," asked John Chrysostom, "that a divine star ministers to the rising Sun of Righteousness? It halts above the head of the child as if saying, 'This is he.'"

~ John Gunstone ~



The gifts of God are multiplied, and we in our time experience all that the first believers did. For though the gospel account tells us only of the days when three men, untaught by prophetic preaching or the testimonies of the Law, came from the distant East in order to know God, yet we see the same thing happening now even more clearly and on a far larger scale in the enlightenment of all who are called.

• Leo the Great, Fifth century

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SCRIPTURE READINGS 2021

SUNDAY Jan. 10	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17
MONDAY Jan. 11	Heb 1:1-6/Mk 1:14-20
TUESDAY Jan. 12	Heb 2:5-12/Mk 1:21-28
WEDNESDAY Jan. 13	Heb 2:14-18/Mk 1:29-39
THURSDAY Jan. 14	Heb 3:7-14/Mk 1:40-45
FRIDAY Jan. 15	Heb 4:1-5, 11/Mk 2:1-12
SATURDAY Jan. 16	Heb 4:12-16/Mk 2:13-17
SUNDAY Jan. 17	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

TRUE or FALSE ?

1. The Lord's servant shall bring forth justice.
2. He shall not quench a smoldering wick.
3. The coastlands will reject his teaching.
4. Whoever fears God and acts uprightly is acceptable to him.
5. Jesus went about doing good works.
6. He could not heal those in the grip of the devil.
7. Jesus Christ was Lord only of the Jews.
8. The voice of the Lord is too quiet to be heard.
9. The Lord is enthroned as king forever.
10. Peter spoke in the house of Cornelius.

ANSWERS. 1 true, 2 true, 3 false, 4 true, 5 true, 6 false, 7 false, 8 false, 9 true, 10 true.

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PICTURE PUZZLE

CAN YOU FIND AT LEAST EIGHT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THESE PICTURES?

GOSPEL READING:
MARK 1, 7-11



David Easting



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Join the National Novena for Life

9 Days for Life is a focused period of prayer, penance, and pilgrimage set aside to mark the tragic anniversary of Roe v. Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court decision which legalized abortion during all nine months of pregnancy. **The novena will take place nationwide from January 21 through 29, 2021.** During this time, all are invited to participate by joining together with thousands of Catholics across the country in prayer for a new intention each of the nine days. Visit www.9daysforlife.com to learn more and to download a free app for your smartphone or to sign up for daily

emails or text messages with each day's prayer intention. Your prayers matter! Your sacrifices make a difference!

January 22 National Day of Prayer

Did you know that in Dioceses throughout the United States, January 22 is designated as a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Human Life? As Catholics we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or giving alms, in a way similar to our Lenten practices. Learn more about how you can participate at <https://www.worcesterdiocese.org/jan-22-day-of-prayer>.

Pro-Life Morning of Reflection

Please join us for a Pro-Life Morning of Reflection with Monsignor James Moroney on **Saturday, Jan. 23 from 9 – 11 a.m.** at the Cathedral of St. Paul, 38 High St., Worcester. Additional information and registration information will be available at www.worcesterdiocese.org/respect-life.

Mass and Holy Hour for Life

All are invited to join Bishop McManus for the annual Mass for Life on **Thursday, Jan. 28 at 6:30 p.m.** at the Cathedral of St. Paul, 19 Chatham St., Worcester. A special Holy Hour for Life will follow at 7:30 p.m. Please join us as we remember the 48th tragic anniversary of Roe v. Wade and pray for an end to abortion and the conversion of our nation. All are welcome!

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"And a voice came from the heavens, 'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.'" (Mark 1:11) Through our baptism, we too, are daughters and sons of God. We are disciples of Jesus. As true disciples we are called to actively participate in our Catholic faith, not just be mere bystanders. This means working in collaboration with the Holy Spirit and discerning how we are being asked to use our gifts. Using our gifts for the benefit of others and not just for our own interests and comfort.

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Saturday: 5 PM, in Spanish 7 PM
Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM,

Weekday Masses

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7:00 AM, 12:10PM and 7:30PM

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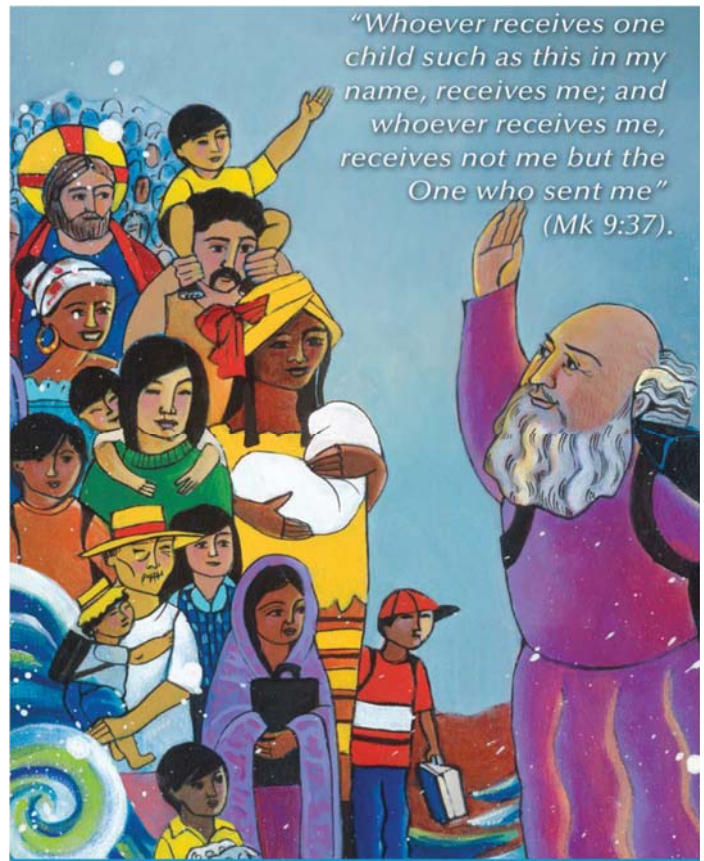
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*"Whoever receives one
child such as this in my
name, receives me; and
whoever receives me,
receives not me but the
One who sent me"
(Mk 9:37).*

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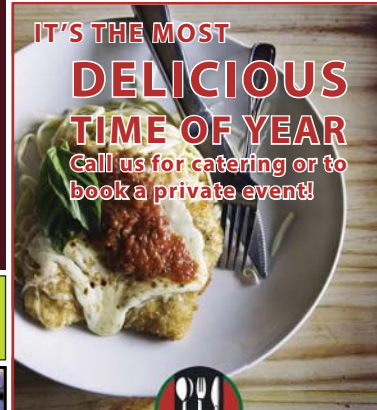
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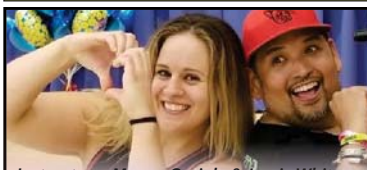
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