

The Baptism of the Lord
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WORSHIPING SCHEDULE

SATURDAY:

- 4:15-4:45 PM Confessions
- 5:00 PM Vigil Mass.

SUNDAY: •10:00 AM Mass.

MONDAY-THURSDAY:

- 8:00 AM Rosary
- 8:30 AM Mass
- 9:00 AM Heart2Heart Adoration, 30 minutes.

Tuesdays: Novena of Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

FRIDAY: •8:00 AM Rosary •8:30 AM Mass •9:00 AM Divine Mercy Adoration, 30 minutes. *****Healing Mass on First Fridays with the Anointing of the Sick.**



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SACRAMENTS *and* RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

- **Tuesday:** 5:00 - 6:00 PM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

- **Saturday:** 4:15 - 4:45 PM
- **Mon-Fri:** 8:00 AM
- **Or** by appointment.

MARRIAGE ARRANGEMENTS:

- **Contact** the office six months in advance.

BAPTISM:

- **Baptismal seminar** is required for Parents and Godparents. Parents meet with the Pastor/Deacon.
- **Godparents** must provide proof of Confirmation in the Catholic Church.




Next Weekend Liturgical Assignments



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Please find your substitute if you are unable to serve as assigned)

●1st Reading - Isaiah 62:1-5 (66C) ●Psalm - 96:1-2,2-3,7-8,9-10

●2nd Reading - 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 ●Gospel Reading - John 2: 1-11

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| January 12th January 13th |  |  |  |
| Saturday 5:00 PM Vigil | George Hero Max Winkeler | Estelle Gordon Michael Nedd Valerie Sims | Althea Nedd Estelle Gordon |
| Sunday 10:00 AM | Constance McEnaney Dion Dukes | Felix Garcia Rosa Garcia Donna Crowden | Donna Crowden Gilbert Crowden |

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Is 42:1-4, 6-7 Thus says the LORD: **Here is my servant whom I uphold,**

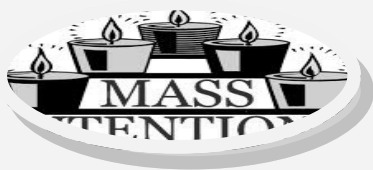


my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations, not crying out, not shouting, not making his voice heard in the street. a bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench, until he es-

tablishes justice on the earth; the coastlands will wait for his teaching.

I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.





MASS INTENTIONS

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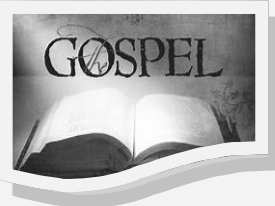
THIS WEEK

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| SATURDAY 5:00pm Vigil | 1/12 | Ancient Parents, Dominic Quang, John Kim, John Phung, Mary Sy, Mary Kiem, All Souls, Clare Engler |
| SUNDAY 10:00am | 1/13 | All Holy Spirit Parishioners, Mary Tam, Theresa, Joseph Phinh, Joseph Hy, Peter Vinh, Peter Vang, Paul, All Souls, To Dieu Ni, Tran. N. San, Clare Engler, Joseph Loi Tran, Poor Souls |
| Mon 8:30am | 1/14 | Grandpa Peter |
| Tue 8:30am | 1/15 | Mary Mung |
| Wed 8:30am | 1/16 | Mary Soi |
| Thu 8:30am | 1/17 | Mary Luyen |
| Fri 8:30am | 1/18 | Ann Mi |

NEXT WEEKEND

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| SATURDAY 5:00pm Vigil | 1/19 | Pearl Nedd, Paul Dong, Mary Lang, Mary On, Grandma Mary, Grandpa Joseph, All Souls, The Conversion of Sinners |
| SUNDAY 10:00am | 1/20 | All Holy Spirit Parishioners, Grandma Mary, Dominic Phong, Joseph Khai, Ann Nhuong, Joseph Khanh, Paul, All Souls of Relatives, To Dieu, Ni, Tran N. San, Joseph Loi Tran, Poor Souls |

Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 - The people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, **“I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.”**



After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, **heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”**



The Baptism of the Lord

My sisters and brothers in Christ, With this feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we complete the Christmas celebrations in the Church. For us Christians, it is not enough simply to give gifts or to think about the birth of Jesus. Instead, we have celebrated His birth, His naming, His circumcision, His being shown to the Gentiles, the arrival of the Magi, and now we skip all the way to His baptism.



Really this feast of the Baptism of the Lord is part of the Solemnity of the Epiphany. **The Baptism and the Birth of the Lord were originally part of the mystery of the Epiphany.** Sometimes it helps us to know that these celebrations did not all begin on the day that Jesus was born, nor did they all begin as soon as He ascended into heaven, nor even when the Holy Spirit came down on the believers in the early Church. Instead, the feasts and celebrations in our Catholic Church evolved to express the full mystery of Christ. There are many recent feasts and celebrations but also these very ancient ones.

The Baptism of the Lord is not only about Jesus' baptism, it is also about our baptism and the need for baptism in general and about Jesus being truly human even though He is truly God. In the first centuries of Church, there was an enormous focus on the impossible becoming possible. How is it that God can become fully a human being? Many of the early hymns speak over and over about this contrast: **God who is all powerful becomes a tiny baby and cannot survive without the human help of others.**

Today, perhaps, we have lived so long in the western world with the presence of Christ in our Churches and almost taken for granted that we almost forget how incredible this gift of salvation is for us.



*The first reading, from the Prophet Isaiah, describes a savior. Today we recognize that we can see Jesus in this figure from Isaiah. We are so blessed with a Savior who leaves us our human freedom, who does not condemn us even when we reject Him and who is constantly there seeking us. **There is a sense of justice in the reading that might leave us quite uneasy. So often we begin to think in our present world that there is no judgment of God, that God either does not exist or does not care about what we do.*** The scriptures tell us over and over that God does care and that there will be a judgment. Some of this way of thinking is surely just to make us more aware of

what we are doing. But the reality is still there: God loves us enough to care about whether our actions are good or bad. We are given time in this world so **that we can learn how to choose the good. Baptism is about being willing to die in order to choose the good.**

The second reading and the Gospel are about the Baptism of Jesus. It is clear that it was a major event in the life of Jesus. Once again the early hymns of our Christian faith point out the contract: **Jesus, innocent and without sin, undergoes Baptism to bring about our salvation. Jesus does not need to repent nor to be baptized, but chooses baptism in order to draw us to salvation.**

For many of us, our baptism was simply something that happened when we were young. We do not feel the strength of this enormous experience in our lives. We look on baptism simply as an experience of joining the Church.

Today as we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, we can make a commitment to understand our own baptism better, we can commit ourselves to learning more about our faith. Most of all, we can commit ourselves to living the divine life that was given to us in baptism and which is still alive with us. Let us give glory to God and rejoice in His presence within us.



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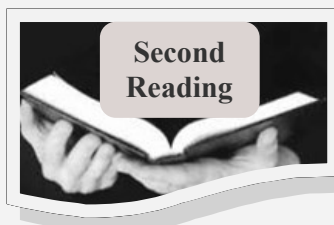
Celestain, Sr., Joseph Klaus, Joy Nelson, Juanita Hardy, Judy Morgan, Kelli Cutrera, Lance E. Benezech, Sr., Lea Causey, Liz Burcham, Locke Walters, Lolita Feria, Lori Holmes, Louis Leroy Carter, Sr., and Gary(his Mother) Lucy Jones, Lynell Dixon, Lynn Evans, Makeda Dukes, Marcie Chiasson, Maria Nunez, Marie Leatheman, Margaret Covell, Marsha Register, Mary and All Souls, Mary Landreneau, Mary Van, Martinez & Carolyn Hart, Micky and Wendy Williams, Nandi Dukes, Nanette Davis, Nguyen & Family, Pearl & Michael Nedd, Rachel Celentano, Rachael Hymel, Ranet Jones, Richard Stone, Roland Jones and Family, Sandra Carter, Sheila Phillips, Sylvia Martinez, Teo Eloy Chesney, Terence R. Donnelly, Thomas B., Jr., Tommie O'Donoghue, Tony Nguyen, Troy T. Townsend, Tyrone & Tenneths, Vanessa Muse, Will Petty, William Charlot, Yael Dukes. Lyons Family: Loretta, Maria, Mervin, Kowana, Gwendolyn, Carmelita, Sedra, Nakia, NaJae, Infinity, Italy, Roy

January 1-15



Father Bach 1/15, Matt Busby 1/6, Shirley Schwartz 1/9, Carroll Prejean 1/10, Suzanne Matthews 1/8, Robert Eiswirth 1/4, Rose Demers 1/1, Judy Nelson 1/15, Audry Steward 1/5, Ruth Anne Bianchini 1/13, Gayle Galle 1/2, Nancy White 1/4, Damien Maness 1/5, Pat Bowes 1/7, John Woolf 1/8, Jo Anne Pontiff 1/10, Mary Jane Lalla 1/3, Shelly Koch 1/11, Richard Vernotzy, Jr. 1/11, Nanette Wilson 1/3, Paula Dixon 1/15, Brittany Johnson 1/11, Chance Meyers 1/1, Cassandra Singleton 1/3, Nick Mithun 1/15, Patrick Hoffman 1/15, Phillip Stephens 1/5, Jonathan Ramsey 1/7, Johnathan Llovet 1/13, Amanda Taheri 1/2, Sarah Pester 1/15, Nicholas Doerner 1/9, Ebube Agwaramgbo 1/5, Christian Ruth 1/11

Acts 10:34-38 Peter proceeded to speak to those



gathered in the house of Cornelius, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him.



You know the word that **he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.**"

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JANUARY — FEBRUARY

**HOLY SPIRIT
CALENDAR**

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- ♦ **January 12:** Garage Sale in the Parish Life Center from 8am-4pm.
ONE DAY ONLY! Welcome Social and Clearance Sale
will be after the 5:00pm Mass
- ♦ **January 13:** Welcome Coffee after the 10:00am Mass
and last chance clearance garage sale items
- ♦ **January 22:** People Program resumes
- ♦ **January 23:** Knights of Columbus 4th degree meeting
for members
- ♦ **February 16:** Supper and Substance Marriage Ministry Date Night!
Starts at 6:30pm Make sure to sign up soon!!

... Thank you ... all Holy Spirit Parishioners ... And all you do ...

**Happy
Birthday!**

**Happy Birthday
Father Bach
January 15th**





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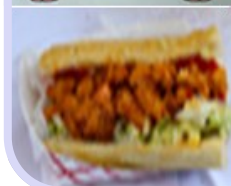
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