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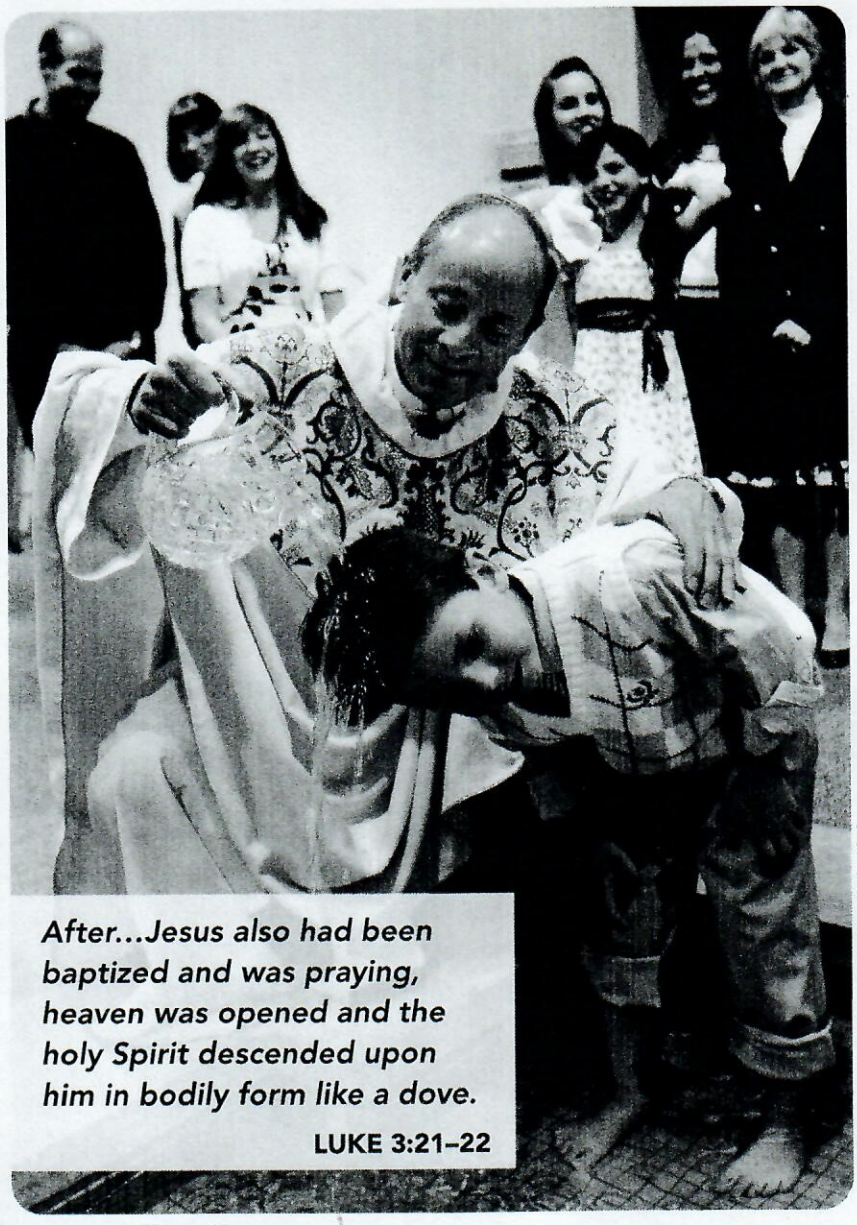
The Baptism of the Lord ✠ January 09, 2022

Our Parish COMMUNITY

January 9, 2022

The Baptism of the Lord (C)
Is 42:1–4, 6–7 or Is 40:1–5, 9–11
Acts 10:34–38 or Ti 2:11–14; 3:4–7
Lk 3:15–16, 21–22

Taking Up Christ's Ministry



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After...Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.
LUKE 3:21–22

Before the Second Vatican Council, *ministry* was considered by many to be a Protestant word, and the religious leader who did it was called a *minister.* Catholics had priests and bishops who received and administered sacraments. Religious women did the Church's work in schools and hospitals. The council turned our understanding of Church membership inside out. We've come to realize that with baptism—not ordination or religious profession—comes the responsibility of ministry. Catholics and Protestants alike understand their commitment to justice and peace is a genuine ministry that seeks to establish God's reign in our world.

Many interpreters believe that the account of Jesus' baptism points to the inauguration of his own ministry. The theology expressed is certainly Trinitarian (the voice, Jesus identified as Son, and the dove). However, the revelation of his true identity occurs as he begins preaching and healing. Some say his baptism was meant to strengthen him as he began his public life. Others believe it was meant to strengthen his disciples.

Today we maintain that by baptism we are all children of God. Vatican II has enlightened us as to what this really means. Pope Francis has reminded us that by virtue of our baptism we are missionary disciples (see *Evangelii Gaudium*, 120). In other words, as disciples we follow Jesus, learning from him. As missionaries we go out to spread his Good News to others. It is now for us to take up the ministry where he left off, to be faithful servants with whom God is well pleased.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ***How does your life's work make the world better? If it does, then you are a missionary disciple of Jesus.***
- ***Go out of your way to make someone's life a little better this week.***

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Announcements

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Men of the parish: The 2022 Archdiocese of New Orleans Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, March 12, 2022, at St. Catherine Siena, Metairie. The day will include empowering speakers, prayer, Mass, and reconciliation to help men reflect on what it means to be "Sons of the Father." Don't miss this great opportunity to bring a new energy to your faith, your family, and our parish community.
To register and learn more about the 2022 Archdiocese of New Orleans Men's Conference, please visit nolacatholicmen.com.

The Office of Marriage & Family Life is pleased to announce that the annual Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be held on Sunday, March 27, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church, New Orleans. This prayer service will honor couples who are celebrating or have recently celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. The celebration is open to couples married between 1992-1997. To register, please contact the parish office at (504) 302-7931 before Tuesday, 1/18/2022.

January 16th, 2022's, topic is:
Chapter – 17: The Eucharist – Source and Summit of the Christian Life

Join us at 10 am on Sunday mornings for Adult Catechesis class to learn what the Church teaches today on a variety of issues! Meet in the gathering place in the back of church, or come to the office door on Prentiss Avenue and ring the bell.

Each week's chapter can be read ahead of time online at www.usccb.org: United States Catholic Catechism for Adults.

Mass Intentions for January 15th/16th, 2022

January 8th
4:00 PM
+Robert Collins
+Leonard & +Joan Fine
+Melinda Lion
+Mark Lion, Jr.
+Ameldia Rochon Lion
+Robert Munch, Sr.
+Shirley & +Joseph L. Relf, Sr.
Special Intention

January 9th
9:00 AM
+Lorraine Desbordes
+Winston Falgout
+Kirby Jackson
+Claudette Sonnier

11:00 AM Parish

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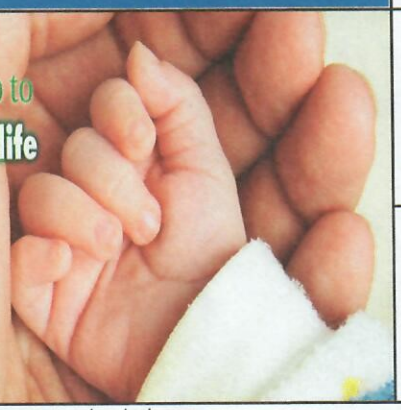
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