



THE PARISH OF SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

JANUARY 9, 2022

Merry Christmas

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 4:00 p.m. at SSJ
4:30 p.m. at SEAS
SUNDAY: 7:30 a.m. at SMOS
8:00 a.m. at SEAS
9:00 a.m. at SSJ
10:00 a.m. at SMOS
10:30 a.m. at SEAS
11:30 a.m. at SSJ
MONDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SSJ
12:00 p.m. at SEAS
TUESDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SMOS
12:00 p.m. at SSJ
WEDNESDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SSJ
12:00 p.m. at SEAS
THURSDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SSJ
12:00 p.m. at SEAS
FRIDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SMOS
12:00 p.m. at SSJ

*Note: The schedule above does not list
Holy Day or Holiday Mass Schedules.*



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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. - Lk 3:21-22a

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SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM:

For arrangements call
Dcn. Jim Mackin: 412-857-5356



ANOIDTING OF THE SICK:

Call the parish office for
arrangements if in danger of death.
If hospitalized or in a skilled nursing
facility, please ask the nursing staff
to contact the Catholic priest on call
for that facility.



MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must be made with
one of the priests at least six months
before the proposed date
of the wedding.



PENANCE:

Saturdays

- ♦ 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
at St. Margaret of Scotland Church
 - ♦ Noon to 1:00 p.m.
at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church
- Adhere to all posted safety protocol.*

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

JANUARY 9

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

4:00 p.m.*	SSJ	Richard Pfender by Donna Azzaretto
4:30 p.m.*	SEAS	John L. Duran Sr. by Michael Labos
7:30 a.m.	SMOS	People of the Parish
8:00 a.m.	SEAS	Mary Jo Pancari by the Bob Kinzler Family
9:00 a.m.	SSJ	Rose and William Bahney by son, William
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	James J. Laquatra by Bobbi and Jim Henry
10:30 a.m.	SEAS	Eileen "Sis" Guiliani by Family
11:30 a.m.	SSJ	Theresa Abbato by Family

JANUARY 10

MONDAY OF THE 1ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Rich Pfender by the SSJ Cleaning Crew
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Elizabeth Dell Pekar by Family

JANUARY 11

TUESDAY OF THE 1ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m.	SMOS	Private Intention
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Ryszard Felke by Mary Ann Felke

JANUARY 12

WEDNESDAY OF THE 1ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Larry Spezialetti by Mary Laurenzi
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Mary Klutch by Carol and Jim Bauman

JANUARY 13

THURSDAY OF THE 1ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Marie and Bob Burd by Regina and Bill
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Dorothy Keddle by friends of Tess Keddle

JANUARY 14

FRIDAY OF THE 1ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m.	SMOS	Bernard Schultz by Rose Schultz and Family
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Margaret Remensky by Family

JANUARY 16

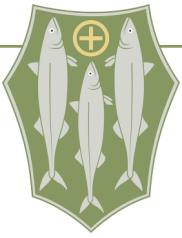
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 p.m.*	SSJ	Anthony, Dorothy, and Anna Giampolo by Nancy Rahuba
4:30 p.m.*	SEAS	Pete Kinzler by the Connolly Family
7:30 a.m.	SMOS	People of the Parish
8:00 a.m.	SEAS	Christopher Kyle by John Kozy and Family
9:00 a.m.	SSJ	Richard Pfender by Joan and Art Londino
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	Marjorie Morgan by Joey Wertz
10:30 a.m.	SEAS	John L. Duran Sr. by the Wade and Huehn Families
11:30 a.m.	SSJ	Mary Sulzer by the Sulzer and Agreen Families

Note: If Guardian Angel Academy is delayed or closed due to weather, the 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Margaret of Scotland Church will be cancelled, and the Mass Intention for that day will be rescheduled.

**anticipated Mass on Saturday evening*

PRAYER & WORSHIP

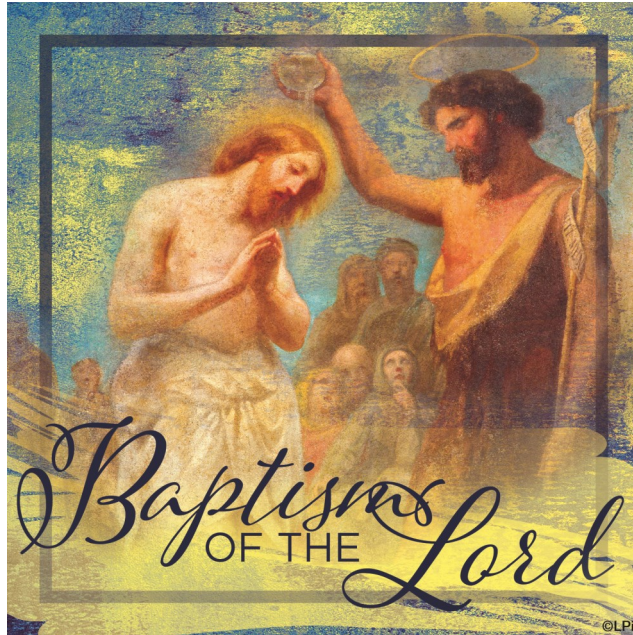


FROM THE PASTOR

"Today let us do honor to Christ's baptism and celebrate this feast in holiness. Be cleansed entirely and continue to be cleansed. Nothing gives

such pleasure to God as the conversion and salvation of men, for whom his every word and every revelation

exist. He wants you to become *a living force for all mankind, lights shining in the world.* You are *to be radiant lights* as you stand beside Christ, the great light, bathed in the glory of him who is the light of heaven." —St Gregory Nazianzus



The feast of the "Baptism of the Lord", which completes the Church's Christmas celebration this weekend, gives us pause to consider our incorporation into the Body of Christ when the sacred waters were poured over us. How has your baptismal commitment to Christ been exercised? If you are a parent, have you been faithful to the spiritual care of your children...a care you committed to on the day you carried your infant to the baptismal font?

A special "shout out" to the men and women who devote Sunday mornings to count and post the offertory. They were there in full force on the day after Christmas counting the Christmas collections as well as the regular Sunday offerings. This is not easy work, as efficiency and accuracy are required. I am grateful not only for their extra time on Christmas weekend, but also their regular dedication to this important work every weekend.

Special thanks to Ron Bruno, his staff, Fr. Alek, and all who made possible the annual "Christmas Spectacular". (See page 11.)

Please pray for the souls of the faithful departed.

Anne Marie Birchok
Donald H. Kumpf
Michael Zombek Jr.



Anthony Anderson	Mark Laird
Kathy Aspinall	Larry LaSota
Christine Banycky	John Linn
Clara Bielecki	Eugene Loniero
Brian Bishop	Mary Ann Macino
Kelly Bittner	Arch MacLennan
Jim Boerio	Laura Martin
Donald Campbell	Sam Martin
Dorothy Campbell	Carl Masciola
Elisa Carsia	Gina Massengill
Helen Cassidy	Kathy McGann
Kenneth Chase	Paul McIsaac
John Chraska	Mary Jane Mericli
Jean Conway	Virginia Miller
Rosemarie Cyprowski	Joan Mondine
Gina Dangelico	John Mostowy
Katie Denke	Joyce Mostowy
Antoinette DePofi	Rocco Muffi
Patty Drury	Robin Munko
Kathi Dvorak	Pat Murdzak
Jo-Ann Eller	Judi Novak
Patti Eurich	Theodore Novak
Helen Fallon	Mario Oliverio
Vicky Feeney	Tom O'Shea
Lois Ferrie	Linda Perris
Ron Ferrie	Charles Perry
Rosemary Ferruzza	Diane Perry
Suzanne T. Finnegan	Elizabeth Pfender
Gabriel Fontana	Nancy Pistella
Deborah Ford	Carol Poecking
May Frye	Lou Pofi
William Gabella	Robert Prevost
Dan Gardner	Diane Pritchard
Brandon Gross	Bucky Recalchini
Mark Hagelauer	Dave Redman
Margaret Harkins	Paxton Renk
Wayne Hayes	Erica Rich
Eileen Henefeld	Florinda Rosemeyer
Mary V. Hester	Andrew Patrick Schade
Patti Howcroft	John Schenk
Brent Jones	Ann Scheuble
Noreen Joslyn	Mary Socci
Bob Karausky	Teresa Stacy
Joanne Keating	Jaime St. Ledger
Miriam Kist	Judye Suhay
Eleanor Kitt	Bob Super
Gregory M. Klemmer	Rob Super
Don Krally	Rose Talmonti
Gloria Krally	Jerry Tokar
Lori Krally	Allen Turske
Ann Kramer	Stephanie Vail
Darlene Kura	Mary Kay Walsh
Helen Kurek	James Walther
Jackie Kushner	John Zajicek
Al LaBella	Kathy Zajicek

and all who are sick and in need of our prayers.

If you or a loved one are admitted to a hospital or nursing home, please let us know so we can get you the proper spiritual care. Because of the HIPAA law, treatment facilities are not permitted to release your information to us unless you or your family give them permission to do so.



At St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Timothy Castello Jr.
by the Dedola Family

STEWARDSHIP

The stewardship information will be posted in next week's bulletin.

Thank you for your patience and generosity.

If you would like to contribute to the parish, consider using our online giving tool. You can set up recurrent payments, or make a one-time gift!



Scan the code to learn more and/or get started now.
OR visit our website:
straphaelcgs.org

Note:
Churches are listed alphabetically in this bulletin and online.

Unless otherwise noted, the bulletin deadline is
Monday at Noon.
Email: mksmith@straphaelcgs.org



THE GLOBAL SYNOD:

Listening to the Holy Spirit together

Christians are called to community, not isolation. We are called to serve God as one body with many parts. One way we serve God is by listening to one another about how we can carry out the continuing mission of the Church. Pope Francis has asked us to dream of better ways for Christians across the globe to listen together to hear the prompting of the Holy Spirit as He is calling us here and now. These synodal sessions will be held across our diocese in early 2022. For more information text "Synod2021" to 84576 and go to www.diopitt.org/journeying-together to download your Participant Guide.

In order to keep the churches neat, and to prevent the distribution of inappropriate materials, nothing should be left on the tables in any of the churches without the permission of the pastor.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Attention Christian Mothers & Women's Guild Members:

Due to a high volume of Covid cases in and around our area, the Christmas Party that was scheduled for this afternoon, has been canceled!

Please spread the word!

Save your \$5 gift for the end of the year party.

Plans will be finalized in upcoming meetings, and will be posted in the bulletin.

We are sorry for such short notice, but we want everyone to remain safe and healthy. If you require an immediate refund, please call Lori Dedola: 412-302-9143.

See you at our next meeting which is scheduled for March 10 in St. Luke Hall at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church.

THE ORDER OF MASS

ENTRANCE HYMN | TO JORDAN JESUS HUMBLY CAME



To Jor - dan Je - sus hum - bly came, His gos - pel mis - sion to pro - claim:
John plunged Him in that wa - t'ry grave; Christ rose to teach and heal and save,
God's thun - d'ring voice the heav - ens rends, the Spir - it's might on Him de - scends;
God names us sons and daugh - ters, too, in font and Spir - it born a - new;



on earth, in heav'n, God's will was done by God's be - lov - ed on - ly Son.
to show us how to die to sin and share e - ter - nal life with Him.
the Word-made-Flesh, with grace in - fused, A - noint - ed, goes to bring Good News!
in Christ we die, with Christ we rise, through Christ we en - ter par - a - dise!

RITE OF SPRINKLING



Springs of wa - ter, bless the Lord! Give him glo - ry and praise for ev - er!

Oceans of earth, sing glory to God! Praise to O blessed be God for ever!
Rivers and lakes, sing glory to God! Praise, all. O blessed be God for ever!
Brooks of the hills, sing glory to God! Praise to O blessed be God for ever!
Showers and springs, sing glory to God! Praise, all O blessed be God for ever!



Bless - ed be God for ev - er!

GLORIA

Please sing the Gloria refrain then straight through verses 1, 2, and 3. Repeat the refrain at the end.



Glo - ri - a! Glo - ri - a! Glo - ry to God in the high² - est,



and on earth peace to peo - ple, to peo - ple of good will!

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your
great glory, Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord
God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you
take away the sins of the world, have mercy
on us; you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer; you are seated at the
right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone
are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the
glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE ORDER OF MASS

FIRST READING | ISAIAH 42:1-4, 6-7

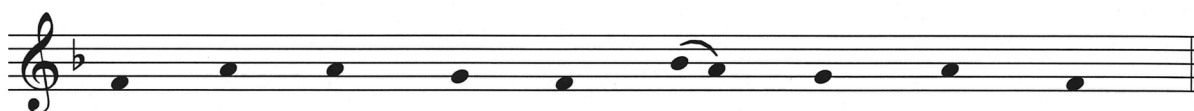
Thus says the LORD:

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 establishes 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.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 29:1-4, 9-10



The LORD will bless his people with peace.

1. Give to the LORD, you sons of God, give to the LORD glory and praise, Give to the LORD the glory due his name; adore the LORD in holy attire.
2. The voice of the LORD is over the waters, the LORD, over vast waters. The voice of the LORD is mighty; the voice of the LORD is majestic.
3. The God of glory thunders, and in his temple all say, "Glory!" The LORD is enthroned above the flood; the LORD is enthroned as king forever.

SECOND READING | TITUS 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Beloved:

The grace of God has appeared, saving all
and training us to reject godless ways
and worldly desires
and to live temperately, justly,
and devoutly in this age,
as we await the blessed hope,
the appearance of the glory of our great God
and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us
from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as
his own, eager to do what is good.

When the kindness and generous love of God our savior
appeared, not because of any righteous deeds we had
done but because of his mercy, He saved us through the
bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he
richly poured out on us through Jesus Christ our savior, so
that we might be justified by his grace and become heirs in
hope of eternal life.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | MARK 9:7



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father thundered:
This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

THE ORDER OF MASS

GOSPEL | LUKE 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 Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(bow at the following bold words)
**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.**
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and
was buried, and rose again on the third
day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father
and the Son, who with the Father and
the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through
the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic, and
apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the
forgiveness of sins and I look forward
to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN | WHEN JESUS CAME TO JORDAN



When Je - sus came to Jor-dan to be bap-tized by John, He did not come for par-don,
He came to share temp-ta-tion, our ut - most woe and loss; for us and our sa-lva-tion
Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, aid us to keep the vows we make; this ver - y day in-vade us,



but as his Fa - ther's Son. He came to share re-pent - ance with all who mourn their
to die up - on the cross. So when the Dove de-scend - ed on him, the Son of
and ev'-ry bond - age break. Come, give our lives di-rec - tion, the gift we cov - et

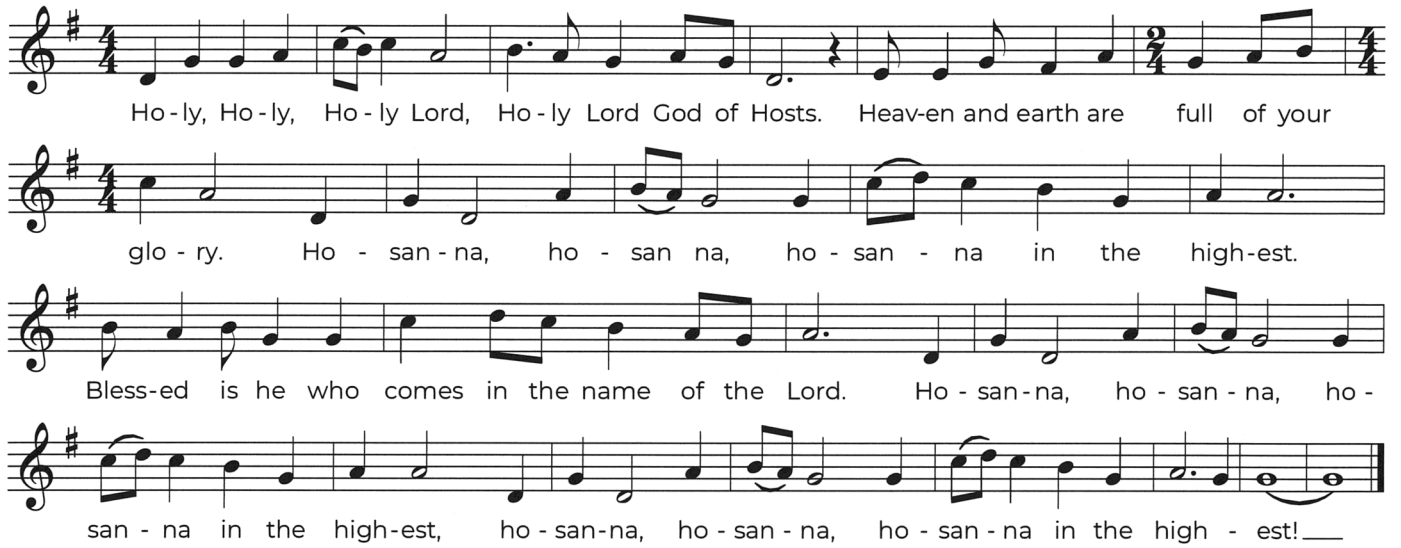


sins, to speak the vi - tal sen - tence with which good news be - gins.
Man, the hid - den years had end - ed, the age of grace be - gan.
most: to share the res - ur - rec - tion that leads to Pen - te - cost.

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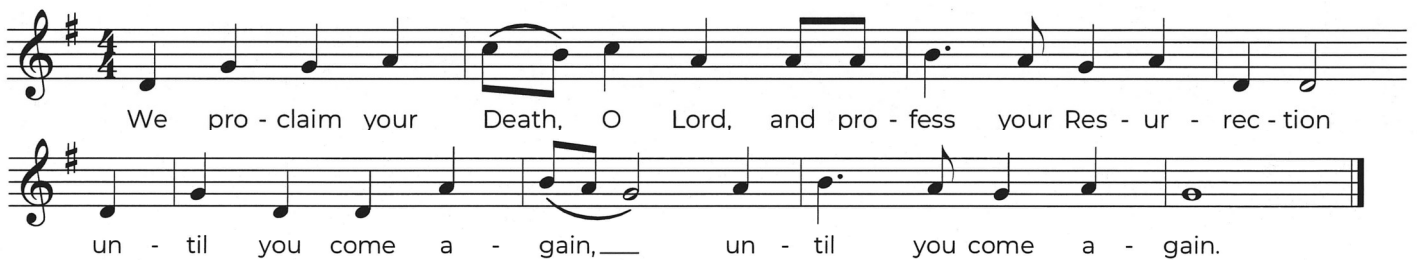
ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

SANCTUS / HOLY



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord, Ho-ly Lord God of Hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your
glo-ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san na, ho - san - na in the high-est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na, ho - san - na, ho -
san - na in the high-est, ho - san-na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est!__

MYSTERY OF FAITH



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res - ur - rec - tion
un - til you come a - gain,__ un - til you come a - gain.

GREAT AMEN



A - men,__ a men,__ a - - - men!
A - men, a - men,__ a - men, a - men!_____

AGNUS DEI / LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God,__ you take a - way the sins of the
world, have mer - cy on us. **Final time** world, grant us__ peace.

ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

COMMUNION HYMN | BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD

1. Those who were in the dark are thankful for the sunlight; we who live, we who die are grateful for his gift, thankful for his love.
2. Peaceful now, those whose hearts are blessed with understanding of the wheat, of the wine united with his word and the love we share.
3. Gentle one, Child of God, join with us at this table. Bless our lives; nourish all who hunger for this feast; shelter them with peace.
4. Lord of all, give us light. Deliver us from evil. Make us one; be our shield. Make still the winds that blow; cradle us with love.

Refrain



Be-hold, be-hold the Lamb of God. All who eat, all who drink shall live; _____
and all, all who dwell in God, _____ shall come to know _____ His glo-ry! _____

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Text: Based on John 1:29; Martin Willett, b.1960, alt.

RECESSIONAL HYMN | JOY TO THE WORLD



Joy to the world! the Lord is come! Let earth re-ceive her King;
He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the na-tions prove
Let ev'-ry heart pre-pare him room, And heav'n and na-ture sing,
The glor-ies of his right-eous-ness, And won-ders of his love,
And heav'n and na-ture sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na-ture sing.
And won-ders of his love, And won-ders, won-ders of his love.

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CARING + GIVING + SERVING

The Lord will bless his people with peace. –Psalm 29

When we celebrate the start of a new year, we often approach it as an opportunity for fresh starts, better habits, and exciting opportunities. January 4 marked the one year anniversary of the establishment of our Parish of St. Raphael the Archangel. Today, we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, when Jesus began his public ministry. As we enter into 2022 with many reasons to celebrate, what hopes, dreams, and goals are in our hearts?

No matter what any person's specific plans or resolutions might be, they are guaranteed to bring peace when aligned with God's plans. Perhaps we are praying to stay well and to learn to live with the pandemic. We might be praying for peace in our families, our country, and our world. Maybe we feel called to spiritual growth through more frequent confession, reading scripture more regularly, praying daily, or doing acts of charity. The same Holy Spirit who descended on Jesus in today's Gospel is present with each of us, our parish, and the Church to guide us and help us to discern God's Will for us. No matter what personal challenges or social turmoil we face, if we are centered on our relationship with God, we will have peace and optimism for the future.

Our parish patron saint, Raphael the Archangel, was sent as an answer to a prayer and helped an old man to find healing, a young man to find his way, and a young couple to find love among other wondrous deeds in the Book of Tobit. Today, as we celebrate new beginnings and pray for growth in ourselves and our wonderful parish, let's recall the prayer of Tobit (Tobit 13: 1-2; 18):

Blessed be God who lives forever
Because his kingdom lasts for all ages.
For he scourges and then has mercy;
He casts down to the depths of the nether world,
And he brings up from the great abyss.
No one can escape his hand.
Blessed be God who has raised you up!
May he be blessed for all ages!



A1C Noel Blackhall, USAF
SSgt David Blackhall, USAF
SPC Casey Busch, Army
SSgt Kristiana Coote, USAF
LTC Ronald Gaudelli, Army
Sgt Kyle Lamb, USMC
1LT Matthew Montanaro, Army
SGT Alexander L. Novelli, Army
1stLt Anthony Palumbo, USMC
1stLt Anthony Redondo, USMC
Cpl Jordan M. Rush, USMC
A1C Elana Russell, USAF
SrA Jay Russell, USAF
TSgt Justin F. Smith, USAF
Cpl Nicholas Steinert, USMC
SGT Gregory Timmerman, Army
1LT Garrett Walnoha, Army

*May we pray for your loved one who is actively serving in the military?
Please send his or her name, rank, and branch to Mary Kay Smith:
mksmith@straphaelcgs.org*



The Parish of
St. Raphael the Archangel.
Follow us on Facebook!

Raphael's Ramblers

This month, we celebrate our first anniversary as the Parish of St. Raphael the Archangel! St. Raphael is the patron of travelers, happy meetings, and healing, and he journeyed on foot with young Tobiah in the Book of Tobit. Following opening prayer for St. Raphael's intercession, the Ramblers take a walk, meet and chat with other parishioners, and enjoy the healthy benefits of fresh air and moving.

Bundle up and join us at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 23 for our monthly fun walk. Parishioners and friends of all ages are welcome to meet at the Blessed Mother shrine in the SSJ Parking Lot for opening prayer, then take a walk at a comfortable pace around the SSJ grounds. We usually walk for 45 minutes, but everyone chooses their own pace and time. In case of heavy rain or snow, we will cancel.

Raphael's Ramblers



**Christmas
Light
Spectacular
LAST
NIGHT!**

The 2021 Christmas Light Spectacular is here! The Saints Simon and Jude church parking lot has been transformed into an amazing musical Christmas Light Display with dancing lights, music, Santa Claus, Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, Mrs. Claus, some Elves, and even Fr. Alek! You can see the display every night at 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. until January 9, 2022.

This VERY FAMILY FRIENDLY show is about 60 minutes in length and is looped continuously so you can drive in anytime and you will not miss anything! Stay as long as you like and come back as many times as you want – it's FREE! The show is broadcast on FM Radio channel 96.7, so all you have to do is park your car and turn on your radio to see and hear this amazing light show!

Make sure to tell all your friends, family, and every little one you know about the fabulous Christmas Light Spectacular Show! Hope to see you there!

There are no donations asked for or accepted for this awesome event – it's FREE and open to the public!

OUR BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS FLOWERS WERE LOVINGLY DONATED

IN MEMORY OF:

Anna-Martin Furman,
Elmer Furman
by Mildred Bradley

Dita Alonzo, Luis Navarro,
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and Joe

Wladyslawa & Jozef Jaroszynski,
John P. Nardei
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by Annamarie Kramer

Our parents and Brothers
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and James Reale
by Joan Reale

Rosemarie and John Kraves,
Virginia and Don Schenck
by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schenck

*See previous dedication listings in
the Christmas Season bulletins:
always online at straphael.cgs.org.
We wish to extend our gratitude to
parishioners who anonymously
donated to our Christmas flowers
without dedications. Thank you for
your generosity.*

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action He let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters God announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor, and God is very pleased.



SS. SIMON AND JUDE PRE-SCHOOL

The PreK-3 and PreK-4 classes all had Christmas parties in their classrooms. There was a Santa breakfast in the gym for the Mommy and me and Toddler classes. Santa arrived with gifts for all of our SSJ students. Everyone had a great time. The staff at SSJ Preschool wishes a very Merry Christmas and healthy, happy New year to all!!!!



SSJ PRE-SCHOOL



ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

These are pictures of Fr. Grecco reading to the SSJ Pre-school students and blessing the baby Jesus from their nativities at home.



AROUND THE DIOCESE



WIDOWED, DIVORCED, SEPARATED?

The loss of a spouse through death, divorce, or separation is a traumatic experience. The Beginning Experience© Pittsburgh Lay Apostolate will host a 1-day Saturday seminar, *Coping with Life Alone-In the Beginning Program*, intended to help widowed, divorced, or separated men and women work through their grief and begin to move forward with hope on their life journey.

Please plan to join us Saturday, January 29, from 8:45 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Community Center (St. Athanasius) located at 7 Chalfonte Ave., West View, PA 15229. Fee is \$25.00 (lunch included). Register by January 25 at BeginningExperiencePittsburgh.com or make a confidential call to Rob at 412-584-5575 or Kim at 412-352-2653 to learn more about this healing ministry.

AWAKE!

An evening of Prayer, Repentance, and Reparation for the offenses of our Church, our nation, and our world.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

7:30 TO 8:45 P.M.

ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

across from the South Hills Village Mall



Music by One aChord

"Why are you sleeping? Wake up and pray that you may not be subjected to the trial." -Luke 22:46

PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

JOHN
MESSIAH
BAPTIZING

WATER
POWERFUL
SANDALS

HOLY SPIRIT
FIRE
JESUS

A J T U A R B Y W E N
H O L Y S P I R I T O
E H A I T O S U F A M
J N E G Y W A T E R E
I Y B E H E U P L M S
H S I N U R M O A Y S
J U P A W F I R E C I
E M O Z T U Y M S U A
S A N D A L S E O T H
U D Y T O E A N G E D
S O B A P T I Z I N G

MISSION

Find out what makes God happy. As a family, read John 15:9-12.

GROWING WITH THE Gospel

CYCLE C

COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



Baptism of the Lord • Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

GOSPEL

Your Dad says, "Wash your hands, please. It is almost time to eat." After you wash your hands really well, your Dad smiles. He says, "That's my boy. You did a good job!" In today's Gospel, it was time for Jesus to be baptized. After his baptism, Jesus talked to God his Father in prayer. Jesus did everything his Father asked. God was happy with his Son and said, "I'm pleased with you."

PRAYER

God, I want to make you and my parents happy.



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Please join us at straphaelcgs.org and click the "Livestream" button. The Mass schedule is on the front cover.

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Baptisms

For arrangements please call Dcn. Jim Mackin.

Anointing

Call the parish office for arrangements if in danger of death.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with one of the priests *at least six months before* the proposed date of the wedding.

If hospitalized or in a skilled nursing facility, please ask the nursing staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

Note:

You must be a registered and active parishioner for at least **six months** before requesting sacramental sponsor forms. Please allow **three weeks** for completion.

Penance

Saturdays: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Margaret of Scotland Church, and Noon to 1:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Church

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