

# Baptism of the Lord

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*Heaven was opened  
and the Holy Spirit  
descended upon him  
in bodily form  
like a dove.  
Luke 3: 21-22*



# Worship in Our Parish

## Mass Schedule

**Monday, January 10th -**  
8:00am Health & Healing William Hathaway

**Tuesday, January 11th -**  
8:00am †George & Virginia Hathaway  
†Jim & Joan Dinehart

**Wednesday, January 12th -**  
5:00pm †Marjorie Herlitz

**Thursday, January 13th -**  
8:00am †Anna Mae Wachter

**Friday, January 14th -**  
8:00am †Aurora Gonzalez

**Saturday, January 15th -**  
5:00pm †George McCully

**Sunday, January 16th -**  
8:00am †Sue Alessia  
11:00am Our Parishioners  
12:30pm Spanish Mass

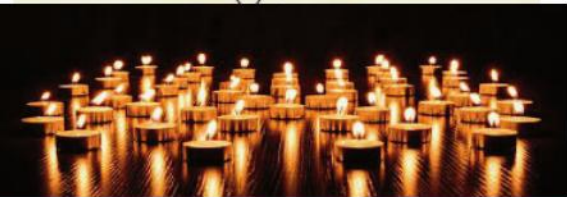
*The Rosary is prayed before the weekday Masses*

## PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

" STRENGTHEN MY FAITH "

Heavenly Father,  
With everything that has happened this year,  
If there is anything I learnt, it is that you Oh Lord,  
Are faithful to those who wait on you and  
trust in you  
So Father, in the coming year,  
I pray that you strengthen my faith in you  
I have no idea what the new year is going to bring,  
But one thing I know for sure is that,  
With you by my side,  
There's nothing that I can't face in the coming year  
Help me to lean on you  
Help me to trust in you  
Help me to hold on to my faith in you  
In Jesus' name I pray,

*Amen*



## Readings for the Week of January 9, 2022

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Baptism of the Lord</b> Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11/ Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30/ Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/ Lk 3: 15-16, 21-22
<b>Monday</b>	1 Sm 1: 1-8/ Ps 116: 12-13, 14-17, 18-19/ Mk 1: 14-20
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Sm 1: 9-20/ 1 Sm 2: 1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/ Mk 1: 21-28
<b>Wednesday</b>	1 Sm 3: 1-10, 19-20/ Ps 40: 2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/ Mk 1: 29-39
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Sm 4: 1-11/ Ps 44: 10-11, 14-15, 24-25/ Mk 1: 40-45
<b>Friday</b>	1 Sm 8: 4-7, 10-22a/ Ps 89: 16-17, 18-19/ Mk 2: 1-12
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Sm 9: 1-4, 17-19; 10: 1/ Ps 21: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mk 2: 13-17
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Is 62: 1-5/ Ps 96: 1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 (3)/ 1 Cor 12: 4-11/ Jn 2: 1-11



## Minister Schedule

<b>Saturday, January 15th- 5:00pm</b>	<b>Lectors</b> <b>Greeters</b> <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> <b>Sacristan</b>	<b>D. Cook &amp; J. Meyers</b> <b>S. Rayski &amp; J. Zolper</b> <b>A. Walk &amp; M. McCully</b> <b>J. Klotz</b>
<b>Sunday, January 16th - 8:00am</b>	<b>Lectors</b> <b>Greeters</b> <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> <b>Sacristan</b>	<b>V. Hathaway &amp; J. Hathaway</b> <b>A. Weingart &amp; L. Hathaway</b> <b>M. Jung &amp; P. Jung</b> <b>J. Erpelding</b>
<b>Sunday, January 16th - 11:00am</b>	<b>Lectors</b> <b>Greeters</b> <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> <b>Sacristan</b>	<b>K. Driscoll &amp; G. Faitak</b> <b>B. Erdelen &amp; Open</b> <b>P. Eaton &amp; M. Grasha</b> <b>P. Metros</b>

### The Baptism of the Lord, **Feast** – Sunday, 09 January 2022

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11. Psalm 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30. Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7. Luke 3:5-16, 21-22.

**Prayer.** Jesus himself is baptized by John. Then he prays. In his praying, the Spirit comes and the Father speaks words of possessive pleasure.

- How will I pray this last day of the Christmas season?
- When I am quite enough, what do I hear God say?
- What mercy work does the Spirit empower me to do?

## From the Pastor's Desk

### Dear Saint Edward Parish Family:

This Sunday's readings are full of expectation. What are you waiting for? How do you need God to come and rescue you from injustices, or deliver you from evil, or comfort you as you wait for loved ones to turn their hearts back to God? What guidance have you been seeking while feeling confused and uncertain? Do you feel Christ's gift of peace within you as you wait expectantly? Or do you feel frustrated, worried, and impatient?

In the Gospel reading, we see John the Baptizer's congregation filled with expectancy because they hoped that he was their finally-arrived Messiah. Yearning for God to intervene against injustices, foreign oppression, and sin, they latched onto the fiery enthusiasm of John and his baptism of repentance.

God, however, had something much better in mind, more complete. The real Messiah would baptize with the purifying fire of the Holy Spirit. Whereas John could only call people to repentance, the real Messiah would empower them to grow in holiness by giving them his own Spirit of holiness.

When Jesus submitted himself to John's baptism, it was not because He needed to repent; He was sinless. He was uniting Himself to our need for repentance, thus starting His ministry of delivering us from evil and eventually take our sins to the cross.

In Christian baptism, we are immersed into the holiness of Jesus as well as into His ministry, His priesthood, His prophetic sharing of the Good News, His servant leadership, and yes, His sufferings for the benefit of the salvation of others. The Holy Spirit empowers us to do as Jesus did, and the Father says, "You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased!"

What do you expect? What do you think should happen in your daily life because of your baptism? Expectation is a good attitude -- unless it's based on impatience, which usually leads to disappointment. Expectation that's based on the goodness of God and what He wants for us is the attitude that brings us joy, greater faith, and even miracles.

**May God Bless and Keep You Always!**

*Fr. Rick*



## PLEASE JOIN US St. Edward's Chili Supper

**When:** Jan 19<sup>th</sup> (Wed) from 3pm – 7pm

**Where:** St. Ed's Gym

**What:** All you can eat Chili, Chilidogs, Drink & Dessert

**How:** \$8.00 adult and \$5.00 12yrs and under



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## Stewardship

### Offerings for Weekend Dec. 25th & 26th 2021

Number of Envelopes Used .....	130
Adult envelopes.....	\$4,026.00
Children's envelopes .....	\$114.52
Loose collection.....	\$448.25
Maint. & Grounds Fund .....	\$10.00
Building Fund.....	\$10.00
First Offering.....	\$20.00
Solemnity .....	\$30.00
Christmas.....	\$8,458.98
Online.....	\$1,536.30
Total Collection.....	\$14,654.05
In Memory of Rita Reynolds .....	\$200.00
In Memory of Marjorie Herlitz.....	\$100.00

50/50 Drawing Dec. 26th-2021.....	#277
Rollover.....	\$480.00
Payable to Church .....	\$267.50
Total Players .....	107

### C.S.A. 2021

Parish Goal .....	\$35,589
Amount Pledged .....	\$38,787
Amount Paid.....	\$38,712
Pledge Balance.....	\$ 75

Number of Pledges ..... 94

WE ARE \$75 SHORT OF PAYING OFF OUR  
PLEDGED AMOUNT. PLEASE PAY OFF YOUR  
PLEDGES NO LATER THAN JANUARY 2022.

THANK YOU & GOD BLESS YOU!

### Offerings for Weekend Jan 1st & 2nd-2022

Number of Envelopes Used .....	114
Adult envelopes.....	\$3,983.00
Children's envelopes .....	\$16.50
Loose collection.....	\$427.25
Maint. & Grounds Fund .....	\$155.00
Building Fund.....	\$359.00
First Offering.....	\$700.00
Solemnity .....	\$721.00
Christmas.....	\$300.00
Online.....	\$2,089.05
Total Collection.....	\$8,750.80

50/50 Drawing Jan. 2nd-2022.....	#238
Rollover.....	\$692.50
Payable to Church .....	\$212.50
Total Players .....	85
Donation in Memory of Marjorie Herlitz ...	\$300.00
Donation in Memory of Tom Braun.....	\$100.00

### January 2022

Scrip orders will be accepted on  
January 15 & 16, 2022 for delivery on  
January 22 & 23, 2022 -

Order forms need to be  
in Scrip box no later  
than 12:30 PM on  
January 16





# La Iglesia Católica Romana

## El Santo Rey San Eduardo

9 de enero 2022

## Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor



“Tú eres mi hijo,  
el predilecto;  
en ti me complasco.”



Inmediatamente después de que Jesús recibió el bautismo, se abrieron los cielos y el Espíritu Santo se posó sobre él en forma de paloma, y resonó la voz del Padre que decía: “Éste es mi Hijo amado, en quien he puesto todo mi amor”.

### Introducción a la Liturgia de la Palabra

**READINGS:** Isaías 42:1-4, 6-7      Salmo 29  
Hechos 10:34-38      Lucas 3:15-16, 21-22

En la primera lectura escuchamos a Isaías proclamar que el elegido, infundido con el espíritu de Dios, traerá la justicia, establecerá una alianza y dará la libertad a los que habitan en tinieblas. Al escuchar sus palabras nos maravillamos de ver cómo Jesús cumplió las profecías de Isaías, pero también estamos conscientes de lo mucho que todavía nosotros tenemos que andar. Escuchemos la palabra de Dios y consideremos cómo Jesús y el Espíritu Santo pueden obrar a través de nosotros para traer luz, bendiciones y justicia para todos.



*Jesús, te pido que me renueves con la fuerza del Espíritu Santo. Derrama los dones que necesito para cumplir mi propia misión en este mundo”.*

La mayoría de nosotros aprendimos en la clase de catecismo que una de las razones por las que necesitamos ser bautizados es para borrar el pecado original de nuestros primeros padres, Adán y Eva. Esto suscita una importante pregunta sobre la lectura de hoy. ¿Por qué querría Jesús ser bautizado? ¿Acaso no nació sin pecado original? La única manera de responder a esta pregunta es hacernos conscientes de que en el Bautismo hay mucho más que el borrar el pecado original.

Los primeros padres de la Iglesia nos dieron muchas razones por las que Jesús quería ser bautizado. Ciertamente una de ellas era para revelarnos la voluntad y la gloria de Dios. Al ser bautizado, Jesús nos enseñó que nosotros también debemos ser bautizados porque esto agradó a Dios. Y porque nuestro Bautismo es el signo de que, en Jesús, también nosotros somos hijos de Dios.

3. Jesús nos hizo sus hermanos y hermanas, hijos e hijas de Dios.

Ciertamente se escuchó una voz en el Bautismo de Jesús: “*Este es mi hijo amado en quien me complazco.*” Al mismo tiempo, la gloria de Dios se revela al abrirse los cielos y cuando el Espíritu desciende sobre Jesús en forma de paloma. Por supuesto, normalmente no experimentamos un bautizo de esta forma. Normalmente sólo vemos al sacerdote derramar agua sobre el bautizado y repetir las palabras del rito bautismal.



Y sin embargo, está ocurriendo algo glorioso y especial si tenemos los oídos espirituales abiertos a oír. En el Bautismo, pasamos a ser hermanos de Cristo, hijos amados de Dios. Porque si escucháramos de manera espiritualmente sensible, podríamos también poder escuchar la complacencia de Dios en todo bautismo...

*“Este es mi hijo en quien me complazco.”*

## Other Items of Interest

**Monday, January 10th -**

**Tuesday, January 11th -**

8:30am-5:00pm

Queen of Angels - s

**Wednesday, January 12th -**

7:00-8:00pm

Spanish CFF - mm

**Thursday, January 13th -**

10:00-11:30am

Food Pantry-plc

1:00pm

Cedar Creek Nursing Home Comm.

Service

3:00pm

Lowell Nursing Home Comm. Service

4:30-7:00pm

D of I - g

7:00pm

K of C - s

**Friday, January 14th -**

7:00-9:00pm

Spanish Prayer - c

**Saturday, January 15th -**

**Sunday, January 16th -**

9:15am

CFF

9:30-10:30am

Bible Study - mm

5:00-8:00pm

Living Station Practice - c

## Vicky's Voice

Hello Dear Friends!

Do you remember your baptism? Or do you know any stories from your baptism? Last month, in the Confirmation class, we talked about Baptism and it kind of shocked me that most of the kids couldn't recall the date of their Baptism or know any stories from it. They knew their Godparents, but that's about it.

My Baptism was on March 15, 1987, just 11 days after I was born. Apparently Mom and Dad had waited a bit before Gina was baptized and Fr. Doody wasn't too pleased. So when I came along, they signed me up to get baptized right away. From pictures and stories, I know that there were two other babies who were baptized at the same time. The three of us then kind of grew up together, receiving the sacraments of reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation together. *If you are reading this, hi Michelle!* I know my Godparents are my Aunt Bea and Uncle Marty. My aunt, later becoming my confirmation sponsor and who still to this day, encourages me in all of my faith endeavors, checking in on how I'm doing. I know my mom still has my baptismal gown and baptismal candle in her hope chest in her room (I know because I've snooped there enough). And I know that there was a party afterwards.

While I can't remember my brother's baptism (sorry Jim, but I was 2 at the time), I do remember some of my younger cousins' baptisms (my Godparents' two daughters, Zoe and Carolyn). I remember gathering around the baptismal font, watching as water was poured over their head. I remember a candle being lit. I remember holding them at their parties afterwards. I remember the cake because of course kids remember what the cake looked like. I remember having to tell my non-Catholic cousins what was going on.

Since then, I've been to a lot of baptisms. For the nieces and nephews, standing next to them as their Godmother. For my friends' kids, two of which are my own Goddaughters. And for you: for the kids at the parish and people welcomed into the faith at the Easter Vigil. Those have been some of my favorite baptisms to go to. There's so much joy in that moment. Babies and kids are so cute because you never know how they might respond to the temperature of the water. A sense of wonder and awe and thanksgiving seeing adults make the choice to be baptized into the Catholic faith.

But also a reminder of my role in the newly baptized person's life. I may not know them. I may not be part of their biological family. But we are now members of the same family of faith. I make a commitment at every baptism to support and pray for that individual in any way I can. It's one of the reasons I love being a catechist. It's a way to fulfill that promise I made at their baptism to support them and their parents and Godparents as they raise their child in the Catholic faith.

On today, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, I highly encourage you to talk with your family about your own baptism or reflect upon your own baptism story. Look at pictures if you have any, talk to your kids about when they were baptized, check in with your Godparents or Godchildren, review the promises you or your parents made when you were baptized. Give thanks for the sacrament!

Peace and all goodness, *Vicky Hathaway*



OLivia Margaret Foley



Thomas Braun  
Carol Gronkiewicz



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### Saturday Evening Mass

5:00 p.m. Saturday

Morning Mass 9:00 a.m., 1st of the month only.

Reconciliation before & after that Mass.

### Sunday Masses

8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. *(Spanish Mass)*

*(For Daily Mass Schedule see Page 2 of this bulletin.)*

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00 to 4:45 p.m. Saturday, or by appointment.

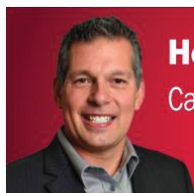
### Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday at 8:30 a.m., Benediction at 7:00 p.m.

### Bulletin Deadline

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