

St. Basil The Great Catholic Church

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Mission Statement

We, the St. Basil the Great Catholic faith community, guided by the Holy Spirit and nurtured by the Eucharist, are called to share the gospel values of love, justice, forgiveness and service through the celebration of the sacraments, prayer, stewardship and fellowship with respect and dignity to all.

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Parish Office Hours

Monday to Friday
9:00am to Noon & 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Religious Education/Youth Ministry

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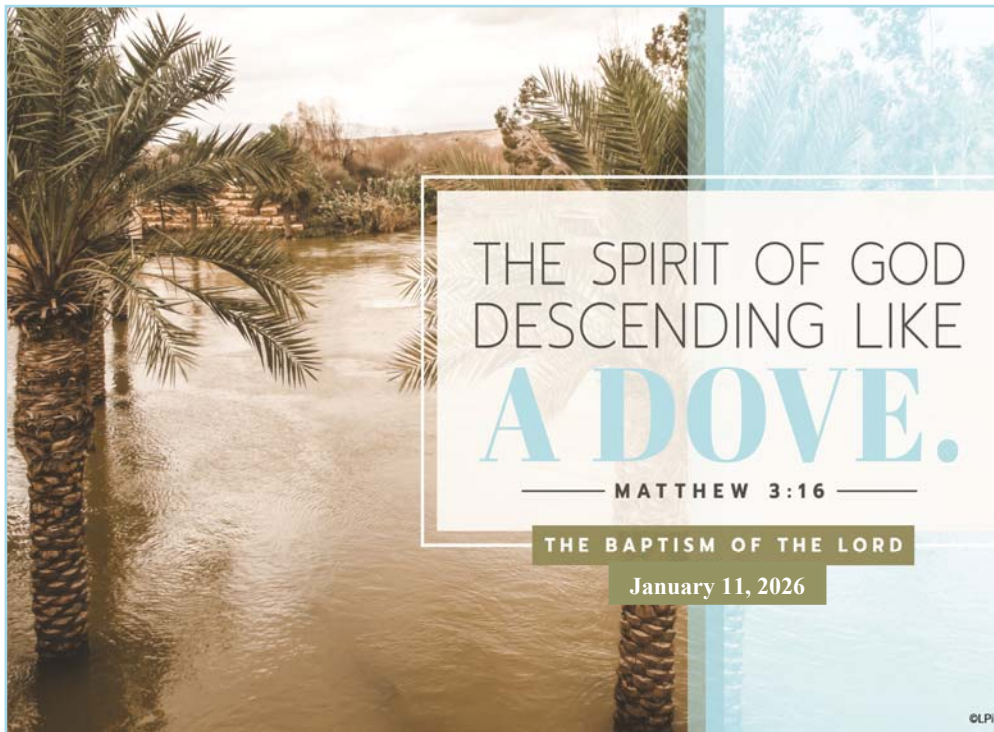
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:

8:30 AM
5:30 PM - Vigil

Sunday:

7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

Daily:

7:15 AM

Holy Days:

7:15 AM, 9:30 AM, 7:00 PM

Baptism: 3rd Saturday of the month
Prep Class - 1st Sat. of the month
(Please call the Parish Office)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Saturdays - 7:00 am - 8:00 am
Fridays - 8:00 am - 8:00 pm

For more information, updates and useful links,
please visit our website.

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays, 4:00 to 5:00pm

Sacrament of Baptism:

Pre-Baptism preparation class required.

Please call the Parish Office for more information.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Minimum 6 months advance notice required. Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment with the Marriage/Wedding Coordinator.

Pastoral Care for the Sick/

Homebound: Please call the Parish Office to arrange for home and hospital visits.



Stewardship at St. Basil Parish

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Weekly Collections

Average Expense (weekly).....	\$15,700.00
Collection/Mail-in (12/28/25)	\$ 9,122.03
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Christmas	\$17,050.89
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 3,369.00
Building Fund	\$ 5,841.45

Weekly envelopes to the church can be mailed or dropped off in the mail slot at the Parish Center.
Thank You!

Your ongoing support is essential in helping us meet the many needs of our parish and community.



The Baptism of the Lord

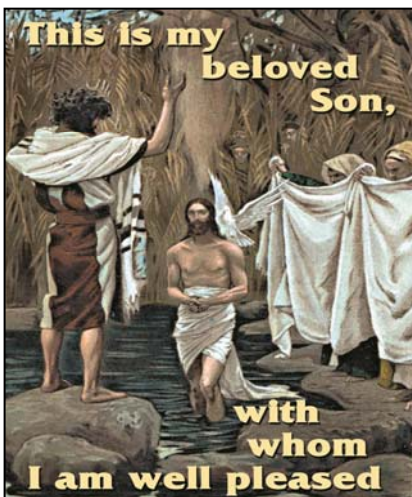
January 11, 2026

A voice came from the heavens, saying,
“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

- *Matthew 3:17*



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the LORD upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (*Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7*).

Psalm — The Lord will bless his people with peace (*Psalm 29*).

Second Reading — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (*Acts 10:34-38*).

Gospel — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (*Matthew 3:13-17*).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation.

THIS IS MY BELOVED SON

This Sunday's celebration of the Baptism of the Lord closes the Christmas season. In the scriptures we see one more epiphany, or manifestation, of the Spirit of God in Jesus—but this time it is as an adult, rather than as a child. Jesus' baptism also serves as the inauguration of his prophetic mission and the messianic age.

Today's reading from Isaiah describes God's chosen Messiah, upon whom God's spirit rests. In the Acts of the Apostles Peter says that “God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power” (*Acts 10:38*). Finally, in the proclamation from Matthew's Gospel Jesus' baptism in water goes almost unnoticed. The crucial moment comes when the Spirit of God comes upon Jesus and a voice from heaven echoes the words of Isaiah: “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased” (*Matthew 3:17*).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord
Tuesday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Saturday: St. Anthony, Abbot
Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

SAINT HILARY (c. 315-367)

January 13

Born in Poitiers, France, whose populace would later elect him bishop, Hilary, married and a father, was converted from paganism to Christianity through his reading of scripture. The focus of his prayerful study was the Prologue to the Gospel according to John, which portrays Jesus as the divine Logos, eternally begotten of the Father. As a result, Hilary became in the words of the biblical scholar Jerome, “the Latin Trumpet against the Arians,” heretics who believed Jesus to be merely human, not divine. In defense of Christ's divinity, Hilary was not only eloquent in debate but utterly fearless in the face of relentless persecution and even exile. Thus by the witness of his own discipleship, Hilary taught that faith in Jesus as the divine Son of God has consequences. Reflecting on Jesus' challenge to his disciples, “You are the salt of the earth” (*Matthew 5:13*), Hilary notes that, as salt both preserves from corruption and adds savor to food, so must the faithful disciple bear a witness that, by word and example, leads others to immortality and virtuous living.

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(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

When Jesus Wades In

Usually, when God comes to us, we aren't ready.

We think we are. Like John the Baptist, we stand in our waters of baptism, certain of our mission. We know how it's going to go. We know what's going to be asked of us. We're sure of it.

Christ wades into the waters. And he screws up all our plans.

To be clear, I don't think John the Baptist lacks faith when he balks at the idea of baptizing Jesus. I think it is, in fact, a testament to his humility. But whatever motivated John's actions, he is — if even for a brief moment — hesitating to do the will of God. Just a few chapters after this in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus will acknowledge that John is the greatest person “born of women” — with the caveat that even he is not perfect enough for the Kingdom of Heaven.

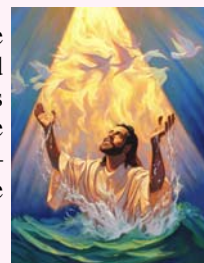
Not yet.

Jesus didn't give John an explanation as the two stood in the River Jordan. He merely said, “Allow it for now.” John could have resisted further, demanding to understand why. He could have grown suspicious at the simplicity of Jesus' answer, at the strangeness of this request. He could have clung desperately to his version of How Things Are Supposed To Be, and in doing so, fostered doubt in his heart. He could have even stormed off, confused and angry.

He did none of these things, because John is, as Jesus says, the greatest born of women.

When the Holy Spirit descends and the voice of God declares, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” he is referring, of course, to Jesus. But I think He would say the same of John the Baptist — and of all those who welcome Jesus into the waters, ready to do as he bids.

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Please pray for the recovery of the sick listed in our Book of Intentions and the following:

Ely Abiva, Simon Dauz, Erlinda Dayrit, Trisha Dumlaog, Yolanda Mararac, Ofelia & Proceso Marquez Jr., Lethy Martin, Peter S., GaR, Winnie Meadows, Marybelle Ocampo, Mario Orlina, Ed Sablan, Maria G. Togonon, Daisy Vida, Eliza Perez, Mary Florendo, Alice Lopez, Cheryl Fajardo, Sister Lita Perez, Ricardo, Sr., Perpetua & Joseph Quilatan, Myrna Magat, Teresa Magno, Lourdes Martinez, Wenceslao Puzon, Norilyn Santos, Rodrigo & Dionicia Olarte, Nor David Laturga, Cesar Lacorte, Jr. Vilma Macalalad, Melissa Lacorte, *(names will be listed approximately 3 months as space allows)*

Did You Know? From The Sister Thea Bowman Group



Mary Thea Bowman, (born **Bertha Elizabeth Bowman**; December 29, 1937 – March 30, 1990) was a Black Catholic

religious sister, teacher, musician, liturgist and scholar who made major contributions to the ministry of the Catholic Church toward African Americans.

She became an evangelist among her people, assisted in the production of an African-American Catholic hymnal, and was a popular speaker on faith and spirituality in her final years, in addition to recording music. She also helped found the National Black Sisters' Conference to provide support for African-American women in Catholic religious life. She died of cancer in 1990.

In 2018, the Diocese of Jackson opened her cause for sainthood and she was designated a Servant of God.

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

January 10 5:30pm

Tracy Shou & Family (SI)
Federico Dumpit (+)
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Zaldi Ramos (+)
Jaime & Benita Belen (+)

January 11, 2026 7:30am

Mass for All St. Basil Parishioners
Nazareth Paguio (TG)
Maria Limcolioc (TG)
Carmen Villanueva (SI)
Ron Linski (SI)
Leticia Espiritu (+DA)

9:30am

Cheryl Fajardo (SI)
Gina & Joanne Tai (SI)
Elaine Levitt (SI)
McCarthy & Quimpo Family (TG)
Jose & Rosario Marasigan (+)
Belen & Manuel Aguilar (+)

11:30am

Victor Wong (SI)
Constance Yu (SI)
Benjamin Palermo (+)
Crescencio & Maria Gaviola (+)

Monday, January 12 - 7:15am

Tom & Gloria Chan ((SI)
Edward & Gemma Yu (SI)
Apolonia S. Radovan (+)

Tuesday, January 13 - 7:15am

Maria Astor & Family (SI)
Fulgencio C. Buna Sr. (+DA)
Leoncio Malana Sr. (+BD)

Wednesday, January 14 - 7:15am

Macrina Pimentel (BD)
Gina & Joanne Tai (SI)
Annette Huang (SI)

Thursday, January 15 - 7:15am

Norma B. Eserdencia (BD)
Michael & Astor Wong (SI)
Linda Fung (SI)

Friday, January 16 - 7:15am

Alisa Aquino (BD)
Gina & Joanne Tai (SI)
Grace Lee (+40th Day)

Saturday, January 17 - 8:30am

Joseph, Nancy & Karen Kuong (SI)
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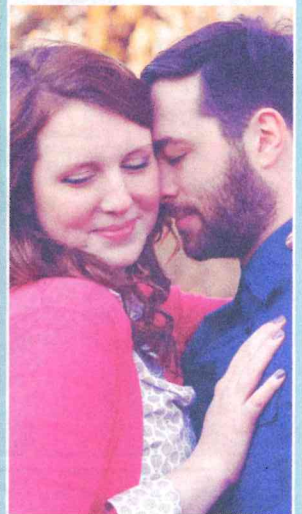
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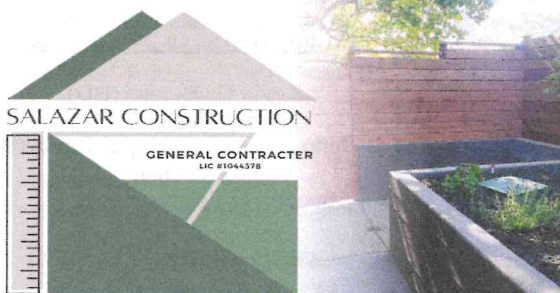
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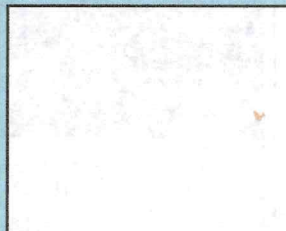
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