

January 12, 2020 BAPTISM OF THE LORD

FROM OUR PASTOR

Merry Christmas one more (and last) time. This feast of the Baptism of the Lord ends the Christmas season. What a great gift this season is to us. Christmas is not just one day. We need this time for the mysteries of faith to sink into our hearts so that we can live them out daily. The Incarnation is pictured with baby Jesus in the manger; our infinite God as a small child in swaddling clothes. The shepherds come and so do the Magi. The angels sing His praise. Then so many years of silence. Did they all forget that incredible moment?

At each Mass we celebrate the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord. All of that happens because God is born in time. But His death does not mean anything (since we all die) unless He rose from the dead. The resurrection changes everything. All of creation is transformed. So how do we grow in appreciation of these moments of grace? How do we live them out?

The feast of the Baptism of the Lord begins His public ministry. His time of preparation is over. Sunday Mass prepares us for each week. We need the grace it offers us. We need the words of encouragement we find in the scriptures. The community that we form supports us and reminds us we are not in this alone.

Jesus then goes out to proclaim the Good News and heal a broken world. As He has ascended into heaven; by our baptism, we become the hands of our Lord to reach out to those in need. Our mouth is to proclaim the Good News. Our efforts are to bring healing to those who have been wounded in different ways.

Ordinary Time does not mean sit back and do nothing as it is not a "special" season in the Church. Our lives have many seasons whether by age or by sports or other activities. Yet what do we do with them? Do we allow them to simply go by? Do we embrace them?

Christmas gives us many events to plan for or look forward to attending. What does Ordinary time look like for us? Do we have any traditions that allow us to live the faith in this "ordinary" season?

Do we know the date of our own baptism? How do we celebrate our entrance into the Body of Christ? How do we mark such a day of grace? In many parts of the world the date of their baptism or their name day is as big or even bigger than their birthday.

With the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord, Christmas is over, but the opportunity to live out our own baptism lies before us each and everyday.

Father John

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 5:30 PM Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM First Saturdays 8:00 AM

DAILY ROSARY

Before 8 AM Mass at 7:25 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays at 4:00 PM

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays beginning at 9:00 AM All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of January 12, 2020

Sat. Jan. 11	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Francis McCoy
Sun. Jan.12	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Ardith G. Rose
	10:00 AM	For our Parishioners
Tue. Jan. 14	5:30 PM	For the repose of the souls of Rose & LaVerne Schaller
Wed. Jan. 15	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Francis Carpenter
the Ser	2:00 PM son, Peseck	FAIRVIEW NURSING HOME For the Deceased Members of A, Narowitz and Reindel Families
	6:00 PM	For Therese Gunther
Thu. Jan. 16	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Jack Koca
Fri. Jan. 17	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Eileen Domann
Sat. Jan. 18	5:00 PM	For our Parishioners
Sun. Jan.19	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Don Strack
	10:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of John Kueppers

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Patrick Lewis, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, William Roberts, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bernard Resch, Laverne, Karen Caple, Lis, Joe Dolphin, Mary Ann Witcraft, Bill Chase, Kathy, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Steve, Art Randall, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Sally Haas, Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, Lucille Ryczek, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, Jim Czajka, RM, Floyd Babcock, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, Eric Erskine, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Bill Loescher, Fran Watry, Harold Smith, Caroline Christopher, the Johnston Family, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Mary Lechleiter, Bernadine Seitz, Dave Lewis and Marie Boehm.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Jason Witkowiak, John Miller, Tera Walsh, Casey Chamberlain, Chris Dvorak, Paul Knudtson, Jon Taylor, Jessica Burch, Mandy Gardner, Aaron Hoogland, Janie Asberry, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika -Sampe, Zachary Bader and Will Post.

Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Her, O Lord. We offer our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Margaret Gabay who passed away this week. May perpetual light shine upon her.

MEN'S RETREAT AT CAMP GRAY ~ On Saturday, February 1st, all men are invited to a retreat focusing on the theology and spirituality of the Sacred Heart devotion. Bishop Donald J. Hying will be the featured speaker. Activities during the day include morning Mass with the Bishop, small group discussion, Rosary, Confession, and adoration. The retreat begins at 8:00am, and concludes by 3:30pm, and will be held at Camp Gray in Reedsburg, WI. There is a Friday evening program, which includes a study on the life of King David and fellowship. Overnight accommodations are available. To learn more about the retreat or register, visit https://www.baraboocatholic.org/ and click on "Program Registrations", or contact Becky at the St. Joseph Parish office 356-5353. The retreat cost is \$35 or \$40 (after 1/27/20) and includes continental breakfast and a grilled-steak lunch. Assistance is available.

Stewardship Corner ~ January 4th & 5th, 2020 (530 Registered Families)

WKLY	BUDGETED	AC	CTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$10,776.27	\$ 5	,688.00
On-Line Giving		2	2,397.00
Christmas			100.00
Solemnity of Mary			150.00
Children's Envelopes	19.23		4.00
Loose Offering	596.15		621.50
Total Weekly Offering:	\$11,391.65	\$ 8	3,960.50
Budget Contingency Fundament	\$	65.00	
Year-to-date* budget requirement Year-to-date amount contributed			8,966.20 7,556.16

^{*}Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 to current date

We ask you to join us in praying sincerely for guidance and success in helping to meet the temporal needs of our Church so that we can carry on our spiritual mission.

Weekly Calendar

Wednesday Jan.15			Religious Ed Classes
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	Jan. 16	10:30—1	Rosary Makers—RH
		6:00 PM	Parish Council Mtg.

2020 Prayer Network Schedules and Nursing Home Rosary Schedules are in the rack in the gathering area.

Knights of Columbus Meeting—Tuesday, January 21st at 7 PM in Reardon Hall. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

Formed ~ Pick of the Week

This week, the Church celebrates the Baptism of the Lord. The Augustine Institute original series, *Reborn*, sheds light on the graces in every part of the Rite of Baptism. Join us in learning more about the gift of this sacrament through watching the episode "*Reborn – The Rite Explained*" on formed.org.

Knights of Columbus WILD GAME FEED!

this Saturday after Mass

Gun Raffle! Door prizes for the kids! Please join us!

\$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

Bishop's Annual Appeal

"Working Together, Sharing Joy, Standing Firm in the Faith"
Our 2019—2020 target is \$37,940.00.

77 families have pledged \$22,480 to date. Thank you!

Pledge forms are available in the gathering area and at the rectory office.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 11 & 12

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lectors: Jerilynn Kolba

Extraordinary Minister: David Hoffmann

Servers: Nolan Powers, Aedyn Lubinski, Owen Lubinski

Greeters: Marge Tremain, Joan Potter Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Terri Walling Gift Bearers: Donna McCoy & Family

Scrip Seller: Kerry Randall

Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Gerald Gardner,

Fran Lunenschloss

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lectors: Bridget Gunther, Gail Boehm

Servers: Emma Eilers

Greeters: Larry & Tina Moore, Amelia Gunther

Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary Gift Bearers: Gary Rose Scrip Seller: Therese Gunther

Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Treml,

Arnie Penzkover

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lectors: Howard Boppart

Extraordinary Minister: Gina Boppart

Servers: Christian Brow, Carter Field, Eli Boppart Greeters: Kris Mazur, Bill Thill, Devan Minard Musicians: Anna Boppart, Rebecca Carvalho

Gift Bearers: Christian & Candi Brow

Scrip Seller: Gina Boppart

Ushers: Jon Field, Corky Tralmer, Kurt Salverson,

Bill Thill. Steve Powers

10:00 AM Nursing Home Rosary: Jan Mullenberg

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 18 & 19

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lectors: David Hoffmann

Extraordinary Minister: Rita Hamm

Servers: Landynn Miller, Channing Sonnenberg,

Brayden Housworth

Greeters: Monica Niles, Donna Bollig Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir Gift Bearers: Tom & Ashley Miller

Scrip Seller: Mary Walsh

Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Gerald Gardner,

Fran Lunenschloss

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lectors: Paul Schaller, Larry Moore Servers: Eli Schanke, Matthew Gunther

Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary

Gift Bearers: Mary Ann Strack & Family

Scrip Seller: Molly Demaske

Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, Mike Lubinski, George Treml,

Arnie Penzkover

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lectors: Paul Curran, Gail Boehm Extraordinary Minister: Mary Beth Crowley

Servers: Jackson Whitney, Johann & Martin Wolf

Greeters: Corwin & Marlene Tralmer

Musicians: Bill Ryan Gift Bearers: Rita Kueppers Scrip Seller: Julie Whitney

Ushers: Jon Field, Corky Tralmer, Kurt Salverson,

Bill Thill, Steve Powers

10:00 AM Nursing Home Service: Deacon Juan Delgado

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, January 19th from 9 AM—12 noon in Reardon Hall.

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus and the St. Patrick School 6th Grade Class.

Free will offering (proceeds support the 6th grade class field trips and classroom materials).

Come eat the delicious pancakes made by the Knights

and chat with the 6th graders!

GIVEN: Unveiling the Mystery of Marriage: Marriage Enrichment Retreat ~ Saturday, January 18th from 8:30 am—2:30 pm at Mary, Mother of the Church Parish in La Crosse. GIVEN retreats help couples foster a deeper relationship that is rooted in Jesus Christ and His Church. For more information, visit: diolc.org/marriage/marriage-enrichment

March for Life! Washington, D.C., Jan. 22-26, 2020 ~ Diocesan pilgrimage for youth and adults. For information or to register on line, visit www.diolc.org/yya/march-4-life-2020/

All are invited to come and watch the extraordinary film, "Unplanned," on Thursday, January 30th from 6-8:30 pm at St. Mary Parish in Lyndon Station. Admission is free and all are welcome. This movie is being presented in coordination with Pro-Life of Wisconsin. Dan Miller, the State director of Pro-Life Wisconsin will be available for questions before and after the showing, as well as provide an introduction to the movie. More information is available on the posters in the gathering area.

Planning for the future is hard when you're still paying for the past! Listen—there's a better way! Join the Financial Peace University class and learn how to beat debt and make a plan for the future . . . Interested? Join Maggie Horabik at St. Francis of Assisi Parish starting Monday, January 27, 2020. Feel free to message Maggie at maggie.horabik@gmail.com with your questions or sign up at fpu.com/1103758!

Juneau County March For Life ~ Sunday, January 26th, 1:00 p.m. It starts at the Juneau County Courthouse. The 47 minute Prayer-March is a wonderful opportunity to pray and witness to the sanctity of human life. Bring a friend and introduce them to the greatest social issue of our day. Abortion has and will continue to negatively impact the future of our country and our children. St. Patrick's church is hosting the reception following the march.

2020 Gala ~ Saturday, February 8th at The Lodge in Mauston! Entertainment provided by "Piano Fondue" Dueling Pianos!

Please join us for a Couple's Fiesta! Enjoy Mexican food and a game night in Reardon Hall (the church basement) on Saturday February 29th from 6pm-8:30pm. This is a potluck so we ask that if you have been married: 1-10 years please bring taco shells and toppings, 11-19 years: a side dish, 20-29 years: meat or beans, and 30+ years: a desert. We encourage you to also bring a game that you would want to play, but playing cards will be available. If you have any questions please contact Katie Radl 608-343-3020, Jaime Pouillie 608-847-2233, or Cassandra Thayer 608-847-6054. We hope to see you there!

DON'T FORGET TO PURCHASE YOUR SCRIP TODAY AFTER MASS!