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CATHOLIC CHURCH

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January 9, 2021



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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OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday - Friday
9:00am-2:00pm

Tuesday **CLOSED**

*(When schools are closed
due to inclement weather, the
SSPP office will also be closed.)*

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Robert Schaller, *pastor*
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HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Saturday Vigil	4:30 PM
Sunday Masses	8:00 AM
	10:00 AM
Tuesday	5:15 PM
Wed-Saturday	8:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday	4:15—5:00 PM
Wed-Friday	7:00—7:45 AM
Saturday	7:00—7:45 AM
	11:00AM—Noon

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE & PARISH NEWS

Monday, January 10th

No Mass

Tuesday, January 11th

5:15pm † Tammy Reigel

Wednesday, January 12th

8:00am † Don Van Asten

6:00pm Family Faith Formation

Thursday, January 13th

St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:00am Living & deceased members of the John & Jane Siegler family

9:30am PCCW St. Patrick Unit meeting

Friday, January 14th

8:00am † Poor Souls in Purgatory

9:00am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

6:00pm Men's Holy League

Saturday, January 15th

CONFESSIONS CANCELLED TODAY!

8:00am Intentions of the Anthony Bodoh family

4:30pm † Don Van Asten

6:00pm & 7:30pm Ballroom Dance Classes

Sunday, January 16th

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am † Kenneth Datka

10:00am SSPP Parishioners

Readings for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11



Altar of Repose Votive Candles

This week's candles on the Altar of Repose for the

Joseph & Frances Hopp family

(next open week is Jan. 24)

CHURCH SUPPORT

December 24/25 & 26

Weekly Envelopes	\$11,499.00
Solemnity of Mary Envelopes	\$ 133.00
Christmas Envelopes	\$ 6,694.64
E-giving	\$ 885.00
Christmas Plate	\$ 906.49
Plate	\$ 733.00
Total	\$20,851.13
Weekly Budget	\$ 7,400.00
Church Support YTD	\$201,933.68
Annual Budget YTD	\$192,400.00
Christmas Flowers (running total)	\$ 1,408.00
Religious Retirement (running total)	\$ 1,516.00

Annual Appeal

as of January 4, 2022

Target	\$46,650.00
Total Pledges	\$28,208.00
Balance for target	\$18,442.00
Number of Donors: 65 of 371 families (avg pledge \$434)	

Mass of Christian Burial

From the parish family of SS Peter & Paul, our sympathies go out to the family of † **Beverly Stimac**, whose Mass of Christian Burial was Thursday, December 30. She is in our prayers. *Requiescat in pace.*

Requiescat in pace

From the parish family of SS Peter & Paul, our sympathies go out to the family of † **Patricia Menard**, who died on Thursday, December 30. She is in our prayers.

Prayer Chain

Let the PCCW pray for you or your loved ones in times of need. To request prayers, call Debbie at 715-347-5020. Please also give a call when prayers are no longer needed.

PARISH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scrip News

Scrip Express is this weekend after the 4:30pm & 10:00am Masses.

A volunteer will be at the parking lot entrance & in the Family Cenacle after Mass with \$20 Kwik Trip cards. Simply have your cash or check (made out to "ACS Scrip") ready as you leave Mass.

PCCW - St. Patrick Unit 6 Meeting

9:30am, Thu, Jan. 13 @ SSPP church basement

All ladies of the parish are invited.
Ngaio Schumacher will be our hostess.

Men's Holy League

The Men's Holy League will next be meeting
6:00pm, Fri, Jan. 14 @ SS Peter & Paul

If there are enough people, there will be refreshments.

Pro-Life Rosary

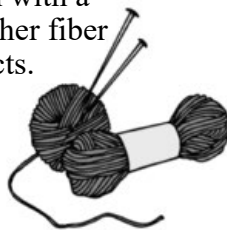
4pm, Mon, Jan. 10, along 8th Street

We gather in the Grace's parking lot at 3:45.
Please dress for the weather.

Yarn Central Gathering

**6-8pm, Jan. 20 @ SSPP School
(1st & 3rd Thursdays)**

Knitters, spinners, crocheters: drop in with a project & spend a couple hours with other fiber artists to gather, work, & share projects. All skill levels are encouraged to drop in. Adults only. For more info, contact Teri Jaeger at teri.jaeger@outlook.com or 715-323-5513. See you there!



Adorers Needed! Spend an Hour with JESUS!

Come adore our Lord at the Mother of America Adoration Chapel at the Marian Center for Peace. Go to adorationpro.org/mother & sign up for one of our open hours or to be a substitute adorer. Or call Dan (715-451-3180) or Marion (715-316-1285).

Traveling Virgin of Fatima

Our Lady of Fatima came to the shepherd children to show them the treasures of grace hidden in the Rosary. Pray that she may inspire your heart with a sincere love of this devotion. With the events in the world today, we need Our Lady's help as much as ever. **The Marian Center's Traveling Virgin of Fatima is now available.** Please call Debbie at 715-347-5020.



OLQH Christmas Pageant

6:30pm, Tue, Jan. 11 @ OLQH church



Kindergarten Registration Night

4-6pm, Thu, Feb. 2 @ OLQH school



You will need to bring:
Your child's birth certificate
Your child's immunization records

ACS Guest Teachers Needed!

Guest teachers needed for grades K-12

Duties: Follows lesson plans submitted by the regular classroom teacher; ensures classroom management; serves appropriate duty assignments; leave appropriate documentation for teacher.

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If interested, please contact ACS at 715-422-0904 for an application packet.

ACS Job Opening: Custodial Help

We are looking for custodial help at each of our buildings. Please contact any of the school offices to apply.

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jwendels@assumptioncatholicschools.org

OLQH - Shelley Bruley 715-422-0980
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SVdP - Pam Fochs 715-422-0960
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AMS/AHS - Jimmy Lynch 715-422-0950
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From Live and Learn and Pass It On, by H. Jackson Brown, Jr. (A compilation of wisdom from people of all ages and walks of life.)

"I've learned that middle age is the best time of my life – so far." (Age 50)

"I've learned that it's impossible to take a ten-day vacation without gaining ten pounds." (Age 55)

"I've learned that the two happiest days in my life were the day I bought my boat and the day I sold my boat." (Age 42)

**From the
Pastor's Desk**



In quick succession the Church celebrates the birth of the Lord, His Epiphany, and in today's feast, His Baptism (which closes the Church's observance of the

Christmas season). It would appear to be a rather big jump from His Epiphany to His Baptism – some thirty years separates the two events. The Church places these feasts together to show that the Lord's public ministry is manifested by His Baptism, as His divinity was made manifest to the gentiles by the Epiphany. As the Baptism of the Lord inaugurated His public witness as the Messiah, so Baptism for a Christian begins a life seeking holiness – of emulating the Lord. This Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is also the First of the Luminous Mysteries (or Mysteries of Light) which Saint Pope John Paul II introduced in October of 2002. Whereas the other Mysteries of the Rosary (Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious) focus on events early in the Lord's life, or at the very end, the Luminous Mysteries present for our meditation the very events of our Lord's ministry.

Well, for nearly two years, by the Grace of God, I was kept free of the Covid. That ended right after Christmas and the Feast of the Holy Family. Fortunately, I was already quasi-isolating when I began to feel ill. I'm grateful for Frs. Bill Menzel and Joe Bathke filling in for me while I was recuperating. As I write this (Monday), I am already fully over any Covid symptoms and am regaining my strength and vigor. I appreciate the prayers so many offered for my quick restoration to good health and assure you that I took this occasion to offer my prayers especially for the good people of SS Peter & Paul!

This Friday I will be flying down to Peoria, IL, to baptize my grand-nephew Dimitri George Schaller. (Thanks, Fr. Levi, for filling in while I'm gone!) His father, Rob, was my first baptism after I was ordained a deacon in August, 1986. I witnessed Rob & Terra's wedding 5 years ago and baptized their first two girls. And now I get to baptize their first boy. It is hard to describe the joy a priest experiences when he makes a new Christian! I am hoping that 2022 is a bumper year of baptisms here at SSPP, too!

On behalf of Deacon Jerry Ruesch and all the parish staff, I want to express my deep gratitude for the many cards, gifts, and Christmas greetings which we received from you, the generous parishioners of SS Peter & Paul. May God reward you, and may He bless you with a safe, prosperous, and holy New Year!

May God bless you!
Fr. Schaller

Baptism Classes

Baptism classes will be offered...

6:30pm, Jan. 20 & 21, 2021

6:30pm, May 19 & 20, 2021

Attending a baptism class before the birth of your child is recommended. Please call the parish office at 715-423-1351 if you plan to attend. Thank you!

Ballroom Dance Classes

The winter session of Ballroom Dance began Jan. 8 on Sat. evenings at 6pm here at SSPP.

Beginning, intermediate, & advanced classes offered. For more info, please see the registration forms available in the back of church, the parish office, & on the Facebook page "Wisconsin Rapids Ballroom Dance Classes." For more info, please call the parish office at 715-423-1351 or visit the above Facebook page.



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