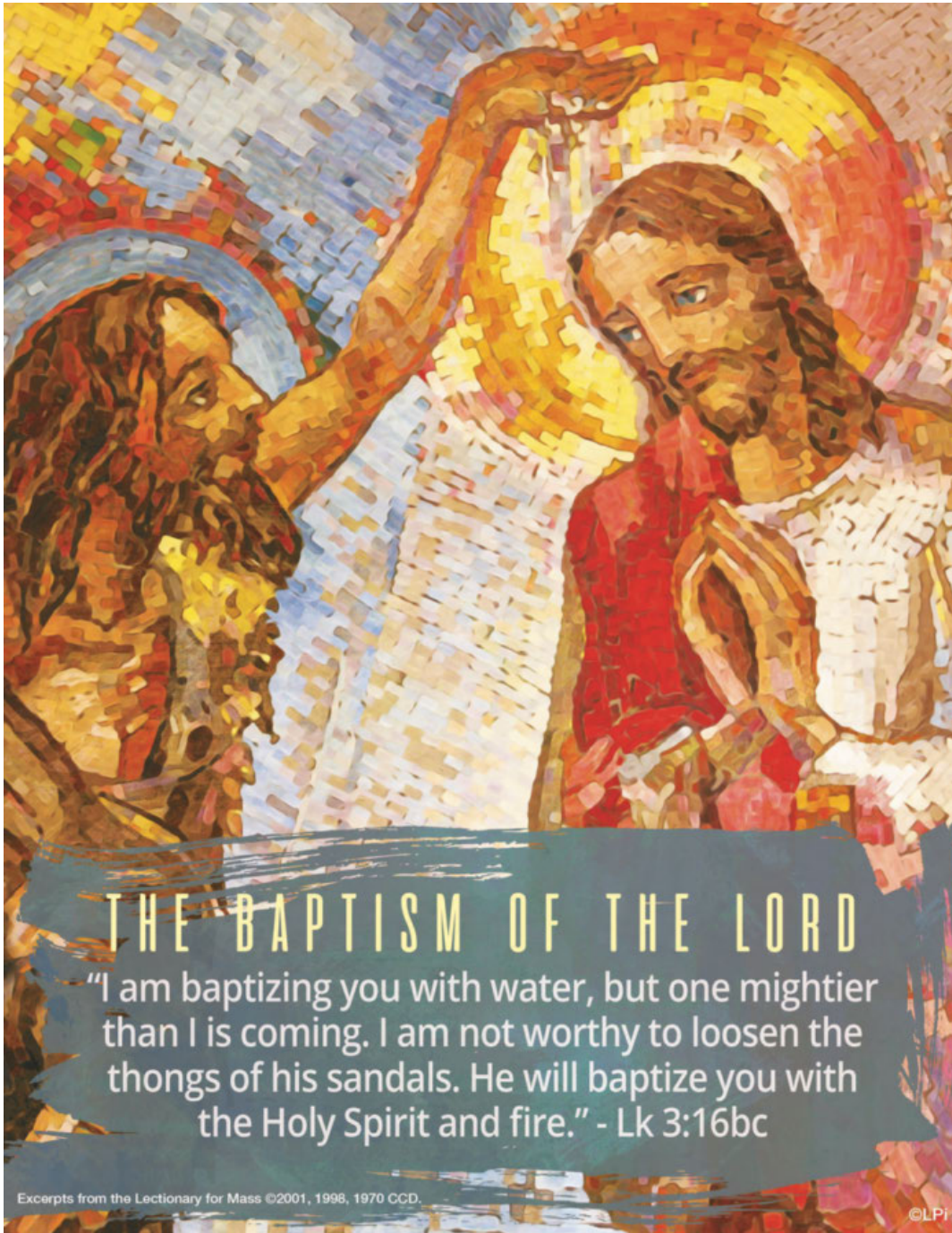


January 9, 2022 † The Baptism of the Lord



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

"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." - Lk 3:16bc

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 7:00 am,
9:00 am, 11:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday: 8:00 am
Tuesday: 8:00 am
Wednesday: 8:00 am
Thursday: 8:00 am
Friday: 8:00 am

HOLY DAY OBLIGATION

Eve of Holy Day: 7:00 pm
Holy Day Masses:
9:00 am and 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:00—3:45 pm
and by appointment
Communal Penance
celebrated during
Advent and Lent

ROSARY

Weekdays before Mass
Sundays at 6:35 am

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GOSPEL MEDITATION**The Baptism of the Lord**

“We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ.” — Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Alexandria Arber	Flo Gofron	Robert Phillips
Jakey Baldassano	Agnes Grams	Kathy Posey
Kinsley Bentz	Amy Hershenbach	Jason Pratt
Diane Berlin	Joanne Hoy	Ross Randazzo
Don Berlin	Richard Jastre	Lester Reick
Larry Blaney	Jim Johnston	John Robbins
Susan Boeck	Judy Jonas	Nancy Roberts
Dick Bowe	Michael Jonas	Roz Ruiz
Joe & Betty Burke	Jameson Justen	Sheila Salemmie
Stanley Butski	Jerome Kehl	Jerry Schillaci
Carmelita Caifano	Alfred Kohler	Gretchen Short
Leonard Caifano	Kristen Kory	Judy Spears
Serenity Carf	Connie Kucharski	Robert Spears
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Mary Decman	Joanne Laskowski	Kayla Stefka
Lawrence DiPrima	Eloise Leight	Benny Taylor
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Paulette Elsey	Carol Madigan	Karen Walker
Peter Feyen	Robert Madsen	Walter & Florence
Shirley Fix	Ron Marulewski, Jr.	Weidner
John Ferraro	Jill McLean	Gina Wierz
Mark Fischer	Sr. Carol Mecko	Alice Zabawski
Tina Fosnacht	Aaliyah Meyer	Joanne Zaremba
Glenda Fussell	Bill Nowak	Brian Zinkel
Carol Gall	Dan Oleksa	Diane Zyskowski
Debbie Glen	Bob Osborn	

*We will keep names on the list for eight weeks, and then remove.
If you would like the name of your loved one to be on the list for
longer than eight weeks, please call to renew.
Thank you for your understanding.*

WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, 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

MASS INTENTIONS

*One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the
Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit ones soul.*

Saturday, Jan. 8

4:00 PM † Jim Blaney
(Ray & Felicia Kuna)

Sunday, Jan. 9: The Baptism of the Lord

7:00 AM † Clarence & Estelle Regner
(Family)

9:00 AM Parishioners, Friends, &
Benefactors of St. John the
Baptist (Fr. Jacek, CR)

11:00 AM † Joseph Drezek
(Czeslawa (Jessi) Drezek)

Monday, Jan. 10

8:00 AM † Timothy Malenock
(Nusser Govekar Family)

Tuesday, Jan. 11

8:00 AM S.I. Special Intention
(John Smith)

Wednesday, Jan. 12

8:00 AM † Jean Donn
(Christine Marulewski)

Thursday, Jan. 13: St. Hilary

8:00 AM † Antonia Suhorepec
(Maria Muich)

Friday, Jan. 14

8:00 AM † Sabrina Cavanaugh
(Jan & Dick Doyle)

Saturday, Jan. 15

4:00 PM † Deceased Members of the
Majercik & Weber Family
(Chuck & Nancy Majercik)

Sunday, Jan. 16: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM Parishioners, Friends, &
Benefactors of St. John the
Baptist (Fr. Jacek, CR)

9:00 AM † Benedict Balser, Jr.
(Parrot & Mulvaney Families)

11:00 AM † Francis & Jeremy Halley, *Birthday*
(Kathy Halley)

THE GIFT OF BAPTISM AND OUR SEARCH FOR MEANING

By Fr. Billy Swan

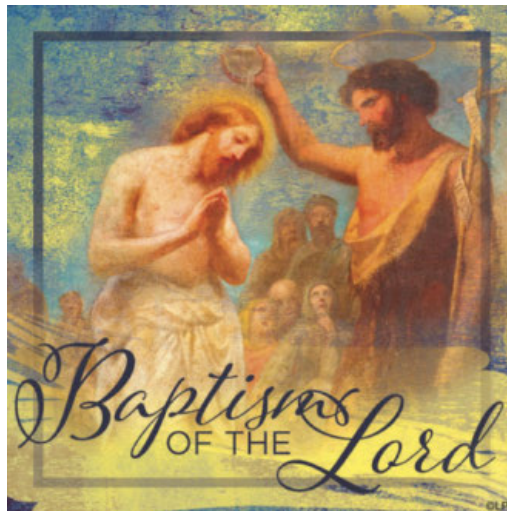
Word on Fire Institute

As the Church celebrates the feast of the Lord's Baptism this weekend, my mind returns to a pilgrimage to the Holy Land I made a few years ago. One of the highlights of the trip was a visit to the banks of the River Jordan, where Jesus was baptized by John all those years ago. During our visit to the Jordan, we renewed our baptismal promises. It was a very memorable and spiritual experience that brought home to me a number of important truths about who I am as a baptized Christian. Here I would like to single out just one of those truths that is truly good news for everyone who has been immersed in the waters of Baptism: because of our Baptism, our lives have meaning.

There is broad agreement that a lack of meaning in human lives creates a crisis of identity and purpose. This point was powerfully argued by Victor Frankl in his book *Man's Search for Meaning*, where he observed that those who had the greatest chance to survive the horrors of Auschwitz were those who could find meaning in their suffering. As Frankl pithily puts it: "The person who has a why to live for can bear with almost any how." Having survived the concentration camp, Frankl went on to successfully develop a therapy known as "Logotherapy" based on helping people find meaning in their lives and thus reasons to live.

Not everyone would agree that such meaning exists. For many contemporary atheists, there is no God and therefore no meaning to anything. All that exists are material substances. Period. The French philosopher Jean-Paul Sartre (1905-1980) once

wrote: "Here we sit, all of us, eating and drinking to preserve our precious existence and really there is nothing, nothing, absolutely no reason for existing" (*Nausea*). Similarly for the English scientist Richard Dawkins, "The universe has no design, no purpose, no evil and no good, nothing but blind, pitiless indifference" (*River out of Eden: A Darwinian View of Life*). As many people drift away from religious faith and a biblical worldview, this inevitably leads to a loss of a sense of meaning and a drift towards the scary conclusions of Sartre and Dawkins. And when this happens, our sense of purpose in life, our reason to live, and even our



mental health can be effected negatively. According to psychiatrist Andrew Simms: "Profound suffering in the lives of many with mental illness is caused by a feeling of meaninglessness . . . Lack or loss of meaning in life is probably the most frequent spiritual symptom voiced by our patients. It may be symptomatic of depression, but depression may also be symptomatic of a vacuum in the soul" (*Is Faith Delusion?: Why Religion is Good for your Health*).

This vacuum in the soul is evident in the lives of many today, even among

those who are baptized. For most of us, our Baptism was a once-off that happened when we were infants but that we have mostly forgotten about. To illustrate the point, we say things like "I was baptized" instead of "I am baptized." In our minds, our Baptism is something that happened once rather than something that defines us now. This is why Pope Francis asked us on the Feast of the Lord's Baptism to "ask about the date of your Baptism. That way you can bear in mind that most beautiful day of Baptism. To know the date of our Baptism is to know a blessed day. The danger of not knowing it is losing awareness of what the Lord has done in us, the memory of the gift we have received" (Jan 8, 2014).

For all of us who have forgotten the gift we have received at Baptism and find that our lives lack meaning, it is time to rediscover the clarity and meaning of who we became on the day we were baptized.

On the day we were baptized, we were anointed by the Holy Spirit as priests, prophets, and kings. As priests we were given access to the same intimate relationship of Jesus with the Father and given the awesome privilege to call him Father as his beloved sons and daughters. Because of our Baptism, we are united with Christ in right worship and praise of our loving Father. The prayer of all the baptized is needed to add to the beautiful choir of praise being continually lifted up to God by the Church on earth and in heaven. As a priest, I often ask people who are elderly or housebound to pray for the parish, for the sick, and for the Church. This reminds them that they have not the least task in the Church but one of the most im-

portant: to pray for the Church. From the moment of our Baptism until the day we die, we remain priests.

As prophets we are given access to God's wisdom and become signs of his presence in the world. Prophets think and feel with God and his word and are not afraid to go against the culture or popular opinion when necessary. By the example of their lives, prophets invite others to conform to Christ and to Christ's nature as self-sacrificing love. Whether old or young, sick or healthy, rich or poor, the hearts of prophets point to God and his kingdom. From the moment of our baptism until the day we die, we remain prophets.

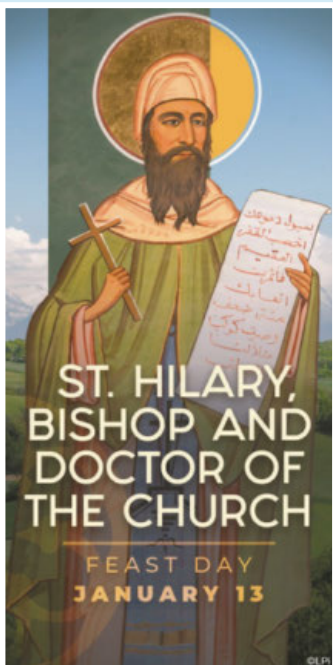
At our baptism we were anointed kings. On that day, we were initiated into a wonderful enterprise greater than ourselves, the plan of God that the kingdom of heaven be realized on earth. On that day, we were consecrated to God and his service, set apart for his work and dedicated to him in love. In the words of the Rite of Baptism, with the sign of the cross, we were "claimed for Christ our Sav-

ior." This means that God has first claim on our lives, or as Bishop (Robert) Barron never tires of reminding us, that our lives are not about us but about God's purposes for us. On the day we were baptized, we received a vocation from God, a unique calling to undertake in life, a special mission to accomplish. In the words of Cardinal Newman: "God has created me to do him some definitive service; he has committed some work to me which he has not committed to another. I have my mission." Every baptized person can make these words their own. In order that we might accomplish that mission, God has given us a variety of gifts to enrich the life of the Church and the world. He has given those gifts to us now. These are the gifts that God never takes back. They are given forever but also given for the time when they are needed. Because this is true, the life of every Christian is marked by meaning and purpose. If I am a father, a mother, a husband, a wife, a priest, a religious, a single person, a student, or a child—my gifts and my life are at the service of his kingdom. This holds true even if even if we are sick, feel we can't do

much, or have not much to contribute. Based on the Gospel miracle of the loaves and fish, we must never underestimate what God can do with limited resources. What matters is that we give to God *all* we have with love, in the confidence that he will grant the increase and make his kingdom grow. From the moment of our Baptism until the day we die, we remain kings.

When I emerged from the river Jordan that day, from the place where Jesus was baptized by John, I felt invigorated and renewed in my identity as a baptized Christian. I realized that my life is continually being defined by who I became on the day I was baptized. None of us can live without meaning. Although the full meaning of our lives will only be revealed in the future, as they remain "hidden with Christ in God" (Col. 3:3), our Baptism has given our lives on earth "a new horizon and a decisive direction" (Pope Benedict XVI, *Deus Caritas Est*).

Swan, B., 2020. *The Gift of Baptism and Our Search for Meaning*. [online] Word on Fire. Available at: <<https://www.wordonfire.org/resources/blog/the-gift-of-baptism-and-our-search-for-meaning/26282/>> [Accessed 1 January 2022].



St. Hilary of Poitiers, Bishop and Doctor of the Church | January 13

Born a pagan, St. Hilary (c. 315 – c. 367) studied philosophy and the meaning of life, eventually making his way through the bible. He became a convert and was appointed bishop of Poitiers in 353. Sometimes referred to as the Hammer of the Arians, St. Hilary defended the Nicene Creed against a popular heresy, Arianism. He was exiled to Phrygia for opposing Roman emperor Constantius II, who preferred the heresy which denies Christ's divinity. From Phrygia St. Hilary fought with his pen, zealously writing against the heresy.

Eventually he was allowed to return to Poitiers, but did so by a circuitous route, preaching against Arianism all the way. St. Hilary was likely the first writer of hymns in the West, his writings on the Trinity, Psalms and Gospel of Matthew survive today. St. Hilary was created Doctor of the Church, a title given to those who provided important contributions to theology and doctrine, in 1851 by Pope Pius IX.

SJS STUDENTS WIN ESSAY CONTEST ON WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A GOOD AMERICAN



Correction:

Congratulations to Ms. Nusser's 7th & 8th grade students for winning the **JOHNSBURG VFW Post 11496** essay contest "What It Means To Be A Good American."

We are so proud of our students and their patriotism!

Thank you to the **JOHNSBURG VFW Post 11496** for their generosity!

Would you like the Sanctuary Candle to burn in honor of a loved one?

Several weeks are still available throughout the year.

Visit the parish office for details and availability.



I HOPE I AM LIKE HIM

"Who is this Christ? Is he like you?"

Perhaps you've heard this story, often attributed to the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta. A sick man asked her this question, as he marveled at her tireless service to himself and others in the name of someone named Jesus Christ.

"He is nothing like me," the saint is said to have answered. "But I hope I am like him."

Though the authenticity of this exchange cannot be verified, its message rings perfectly true: all the value of our stewardship lies in its relativity to the one in whose name we perform it.

Consider the figure of John the Baptist — a magnificent, towering character even purely from a literary or historical perspective. A martyr who fed on wild locusts and boldly spoke truth to power — a man so great some mistook him for the Messiah.

But why is he great? Because he prepared the way. All his accomplishments and escapades mean nothing if they are taken out of the context of salvation history. He only makes sense relative to Christ — and this is exactly as he wanted it. "One worthier than I is coming," he insists. And because of that humility and that total embrace of God's will, he is given one of the greatest honors in the New Testament — he baptizes the Son of God.

Let's examine our lives in the light of their relativity to Christ. How do we prepare the way? When Christ comes to us, what do we do? How do we leave ourselves open to be actors in God's plan?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL BOOSTER CLUB



St. John the Baptist Catholic School

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Dear Families,

The St. John the Baptist Catholic School Booster Club's goal is to encourage and guide students in competitive circumstances instilling **Teamwork, Sportsmanship**, and most importantly **Christian Values**. These principles will have a lasting impression on the students here at St. John's as they become adults.

We count on your **Booster Club Memberships of \$80** per year to fulfill this goal. Your membership dues finance the purchase and maintenance of our playground and physical education equipment. In the last two years your memberships contributed to the purchase of the following equipment: dodge balls, tether ball, yoga mats, large parachute, trapeze ladder for the playground and a teeter totter for our preschool playground.

With your Booster Club Membership you will be eligible to **WIN \$200, \$100, and/or \$50** from our **monthly drawings**. Please return the below form to the parish office to become a part of this wonderful program!

**God Bless You!
Thank You for Your Support!**

Kasia Placek
St. John's Booster Club
815.385.1477 ext 204

(Please enclose form with your membership)

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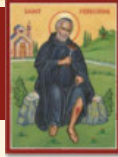
MINISTRY NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BVM
Sodality

The Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality will meet Tuesday, January 11th at 1:00 pm in the Parish Office.

All women of St. John's are welcome to join us for fellowship and activities.

St. Peregrine Cancer Support Ministry Meeting



The next meeting of the St. Peregrine Cancer Support Group will be Tuesday, February 8th at 10:00 am at St. Patrick's Church in McHenry. There will be no meeting in January.

Masses Intentions are available for 2022!



The offering of Holy Mass is a beautiful way to honor someone at the Altar of Our Lord.

Please visit the Parish Office if you would like to obtain a special Mass Intention.



Next weekend we are collecting pantry items for F.I.S.H. Food Pantry.

Your donations are greatly appreciated!

Please Consider Donating to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

This winter season has been difficult for many local families. Illness, including Covid, has necessitated unpaid time off for many hourly workers, which has led to financial stresses. Some of these families made the difficult choice of paying rent or paying for utilities. After receiving a water shut-off notice, one mixed generational family reached out to St. Vincent de Paul for assistance. SVdP paid the amount due directly to the utility and also delivered bags of food to help this struggling family. Your donations to the Poor Box and SVdP make this assistance possible.

This month, donations of toilet tissue is also appreciated.

"Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others." *Phillipians 2:4*



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RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

1ST WAY LIFE CENTER – located at 3714 N. Fairfield Ave. in Johnsburg – is a life-affirming pregnancy resource center that assists young women and families facing unplanned pregnancies. As the end of the year approaches, **1st Way** is low on many of its baby supplies. During this Season of giving, please consider donating new baby items from the **Wish List** below.

- Square laundry baskets for layettes
- Crib sheets (pink, blue, white or yellow)
- Baby blankets
- Disposable diapers (varying sizes from newborn thru 5)
- Wipes, baby shampoo, etc.
- Hooded bath towels
- Bibs
- Onesies (newborn to 2T)
- Sweaters (newborn to 2T)
- Sleepers, undershirts/onesies (newborn to 2T)
- Infant clothing of all kinds (newborn to 2T),
- Newborn socks & both boy and girl newborn gowns)

Please drop your items off at **1st Way**; hours are: Monday through Thursday 9 - 4 and Friday 9 - noon.

If you would like information regarding volunteer opportunities and other ways you can help **1st Way**, please contact Director, Judy Cocks, at 815-385-2999, or email her at: life@1stWayJohnsburg.com. Training is provided. Thank you!

**McHenry County
Right to Life**

Saturday, January 22nd at 7:30 to 7:45 PM the Right to Life McHenry County is hosting *Light for Life* at the pavilion in the Woodstock Square in concert with National Sanctity of Human Life Day, a vigil and a call to action recognizing the sanctity of the 62,000,000 human lives lost to abortion since the ruling of Roe vs. Wade on January 22, 1973.

The vigil will include brief speeches, prayer, and tolling of bells. Hot chocolate and candles will be provided.



JANUARY 19-27, 2022

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Join today at www.9daysforlife.com!



3 WAYS TO JOIN 9DaysforLife.com

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Image: A mosaic of Our Lady of Guadalupe decorates a side altar in the Church of Santa Maria della Famiglia at the Vatican. Dec. 15. (CNS photo/Paul Haring.)



WEEK AT A GLANCE

January 10th—January 16th

MON. 1/10	RE Classes	
	7:35 am	Rosary
	8:00 am	Mass
TUES. 1/11	7:35 am	Rosary
	8:00 am	Mass
	1:00 pm	BVM Meeting, PO
WED. 1/12	RE Classes	
	7:35 am	Rosary
	8:00 am	Mass
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice, Church
THR. 1/13	Half Day SJS	
	7:35 am	Rosary
	8:00 am	Mass
FRI. 1/14	No School SJS	
	7:35 am	Rosary
	8:00 am	Mass
SAT. 1/15	Pack-A-Sack Sunday	
	3:00 pm	Confession
	4:00 pm	Mass
SUN. 1/16	Pack-A-Sack Sunday	
	7:00 am	Mass
	9:00 am	Mass
	10:00 am	RCIA, PO
	11:00 am	Mass

PH- Parish Hall (School Gym) **PO-** Parish Office

FS- Father Schroeder Building

CHURCH FINANCES

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Online Contributions.....	\$ 1,720.00
Regular Collection(12/19).....	\$ 10,595.00
Loose Collection(12/19).....	\$ 796.00

DIOCESAN STEWARDSHIP 2021

2021 Diocesan Stewardship Goal	\$ 66,550.00
Pledged to Date	\$ 58,053.00
Paid to Date	<u>\$ 54,587.37</u>
Difference between goal and payments	\$11,962.63

For pledging & payment:
www.rockforddiocese.org/donate

See if your employer participates in a
 “Matching Gift Program” to double your gift.

**Please remember St. John’s in your will.
 Thank you for your generous giving!**

SAVE THE DATE

- Jan. 17: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day—No School SJS
- Jan. 19: Choir Practice, Church—7 pm
- Jan. 20: K of C Meeting, Fr. Schroder Building—7 pm
- Jan. 23: RCIA Class, PO—10 am
- Jan. 24: RE Classes
- Jan. 25: First Communion Parent Mtg, PH—6:30 pm
- Jan. 26: RE Classes
- Jan. 26: Choir Practice, Church—7 pm
- Jan. 30: Catholic Schools Week Begins
- Jan. 30: RCIA Class, PO—10 am
- Jan. 31: RE Classes
- Feb. 2: RE Classes
- Feb. 2: Choir Practice, Church—7 pm
- Feb. 3: Holy League for Men, Church—7 pm
- Feb. 4: First Friday Mass & Devotions
- Feb. 5: Pro-Life Prayer for the Unborn, Church—6 am
- Feb. 6: Patriotic Rosary, Church—10 am



The Sanctuary lamp is burning

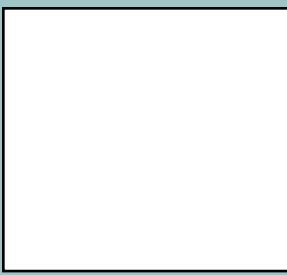
January 9th—22nd

In Loving Memory of

Frank Muich

May this light which reminds us of
 Jesus’ True Presence in the Sanctuary
 bring him eternal peace.

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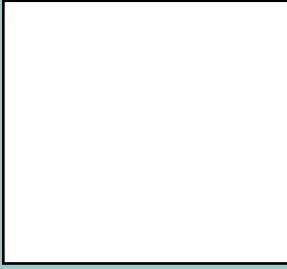
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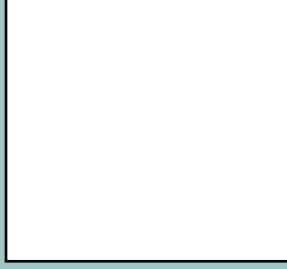
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