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January 9, 2022 The Baptism of the Lord



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MASS SCHEDULE

5:00 p.m. Saturday (Anticipation) 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. Sunday

> 8:15 a.m. Weekdays: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

11:30 a.m. Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

5:30 p.m. Weekdays: Monday Through Friday

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LITURGY OF THE HOURS

8:00 a.m. Tue. - Thur., Sat. 4:45 p.m. Monday - Friday

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

ROSARY

7:45 a.m. Monday - Saturday 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

GRADE SCHOOL:

COMMUNION SERVICE

7:30 a.m. Monday - Saturday

CONFESSION

5:00 p.m.. Monday - Friday 4:30 p.m. Saturday 11:00 a.m. Sunday

CONVENT:

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Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Mike O' Conner

Mary Young

Dan Crafton,

Son of parishioner Elizabeth Crafton

Please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers.



St. Luke Magnificat Chapel

Adoration is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

"While the modern world is filling up with more and more noise, God is inviting us into the silence and into His presence. Here in the presence of God, we will find rest for our weary hearts and minds."

- Matthew Kelly

Mass Numbers

December 27 - January 2

Weekday 351

Weekend 825

New Year's Day 440

Confessions 48

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. (40:5)

Psalm:

O bless the Lord, my soul. (Ps 104)

Second Reading:

He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. (Ti 3:5)

Gospel:

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 3:22)

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Pro-Life News

Plan to join two annual events which promote a Culture of Life

The Vigil for Life

Sunday, January 23 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church from 2 – 4 p.m.

Praise and worship will be led by local singer-song writer Francesca LaRosa along with a witness of hope and healing by Pro-Life Physician, Dr. Casey Delcoco, who has worked with the abortion-pill reversal protocol.

Admission is free. Donations will be accepted to benefit the archdiocesan Office of Human Life and Dignity.

The Indiana March for Life

Monday, January 24 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 10:30 a.m. Mass offered by Archbishop Thompson

Procession from Georgia St to Monument Circle to the State Capital Building begins at noon.

12:45 p.m. rally on the south steps of the Capital Building

Join hundreds of others as together we stand up for the Sacredness of Life

A Letter from Msgr. Schaedel

PROVIDENCE NEVER FAILS

Dear Parishioners,

The Christmas Season is about over. Officially, on the Church calendar, it ends today—the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. A depressing event for the power companies. For them, the holidays are when the electric bills skyrocket. Moneymakers! Christmas tree lights, decorations on houses, flickering candles in windows. That huge Christmas tree on Monument Circle. Power companies love it!

Christmas is the season of lights. Many lights likely because of the light of the star that hovered over the Savior's birthplace in Bethlehem. The light of a star led the Wise Men there. Christmas is a season of lights.

A light announced our birth. Just as candles or lights signal the birth of the Christ Child, a light also came into play when we were born. The Christ Child had the star in the East. We had a candle—our baptismal candle. Each of us had a lighted candle as part of our baptismal ceremony.

Today, people keep the candle. People who were baptized fairly recently probably know where their baptismal candle is. Years ago, when many of us were baptized, churches recycled them. You didn't get to keep it. But we each had a candle.

The priest presented that lighted candle with some pretty serious words: "Parents and godparents, this light is entrusted to you to be kept burning brightly. This child of yours has been enlightened by Christ. Keep the flame of Faith alive in this child's heart." That lighted candle is symbolic of the light of Faith each of us received in Baptism.

If we are parents or godparents, then we have other candles to be concerned about too. We took on the serious responsibility for other souls—our godchildren. We put candles on birthday cakes. The older we are, the more the candles—at least until it becomes a fire hazard. We had a special candle on the day of our spiritual birth: the day we were "born again" in water and the Holy Spirit—the day we were baptized. We had a "light."

Today's feast is a good time to check our candles. Take a look—a symbolic look. Not the candle itself; it's probably long gone. But examine our own "flame of Faith closely." Our souls! The life in God we received on the day we were baptized. The baptizing cleric said this light was "to be kept burning brightly." Our candles must still be lit, or we would not be at Mass today. But how brightly the flame burns can vary. For some, the flame of Faith in our souls may be the brightest it's ever been. For others, it could be flickering, in danger of going out. Our Faith is so faint nobody even notices.

The light in our souls is like other lights; there is a cost involved.

The price is fighting temptations attempting to extinguish it. And evil may have succeeded in putting out the flame of Christ's life in us. Yet all it takes is a good confession to light it again.

Today, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is the ideal time to check our own "spiritual power and light." If we are parents or godparents, then we have the grave responsibility for our godchildren. We need to make sure their "flame of Faith" received in Baptism is protected. Inside each of us, that flame of Faith burns. Imagine God looking down on us. Would God say as He does in today's Gospel "that He is well pleased?" Today is the time to reflect on the importance of our Baptism.

On today's feast, the Baptism of the Lord, reflect on our baptismal commitment. The promises made, the water that was poured, the lit candle symbolizing the light of Christ Who came to live within us. What did it all mean? What does it mean to us today? Let's renew it. Resolve to protect that flickering flame of Faith in our souls, or even to re-light it if we need to.

We will have a chance to renew our own baptismal promises at each Mass this weekend. We will be sprinkled with the holy water that reminds us of the waters of our own Baptism.

I invite all parents to reflect carefully and seriously on the promises they made when they had their children baptized. I fear too many either do not understand the solemn promise they are making. When they stand before God on Judgment Day, this will be a primary question God will ask.

If parents are not making certain their children attend Mass each weekend and are being instructed in their Catholic Faith, I fear for their fate on that day!

A couple of practical issues: One is

that we have been changing over our "systems" for both the parish phones and our email. If you have had trouble on either one—that's why. I think we are okay now.

Second, every once and a while, someone sends out phony emails pretending to be me. It's not me. If I need something, I'll call you, and you will hear my melodious voice!

A Tip of My Biretta (Hat) to: Our parish manager of 27 years, Patrick Jendraszak! Patrick officially retired from this position on December 31. He will continue very part-time through the completion of our Providence 2021 Building Project scheduled for Spring. We wish Patrick and his wife, Loretta, happiness as they enjoy his retirement! Stewardship in Action!

Ask Monsignor a Question: How was attendance at Christmas Masses this year? I thought the Mass we attended was nearly full capacity. (Via email)

Our total attendance for all five (5) Masses was about 2,215. Last year, in 2021, in the middle of the worst of COVID, it was 1,205. Two years ago, before the pandemic affected things, it was 3,115. So we were about 70% of what it was two years ago.

The most attended Mass is the 4:00 p.m. This year the attendance was 850. The seating capacity in the church is 740. The overflow was in the Narthex. Oddly enough, the smallest crowd the past few years has been at the Midnight or the Late Night Mass. This year we had 230 at the 10:00 p.m. Mass.

Of one thing, I am convinced; of one thing I am certain: Providence never fails!

Faithfully yours in the Providence that so far had never failed us,

Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel

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Youth Ministry

High School Life Teen Sun, Jan 16 7:00-9:00pm Fr Courtney Room

Life Teen kicks off this semester on Sun, Jan 16! Join us for treats, activities and faith-sharing. Mark your calendars for upcoming Life Teen Nights on Jan 30, Feb 13 & 27, Mar 13 & 27, Apr 10 & 24.

Young Adult

Young Adult Epiphany Gathering Jan 15 6:30 PM St. Luke Rectory

Please RSVP to Grace Padget at padgetgrace@gmail.com
All parish Young Adults (approximate ages 21-35) are invited to the
St. Luke Rectory to celebrate Epiphany and the New Year on Sat,
Jan 15 following the 5:00pm Mass. Bring a friend, spouse or family
member to meet other Young Adults and learn about the Young
Adult Group activities!

Young Adult Retreat April 1-3, 2022 Mount St Francis Center for Spirituality Registration: indycatholic.org/retreat Cost: \$100

Not only is Spring Retreat a fantastic time to get away and be with other young adults looking for more from life, it is an opportunity to encounter Jesus and experience authentic community.

The retreat consists of talks, personal reflection, prayer, praise and worship, small group discussion, sacraments, community, and holy leisure.

Invite a friend or sign up with your small group. Special housing will be available for married couples.

Legacy Gala Feb 25, 2022 JW Marriott Hotel, Indianapolis

Did you attend Catholic Schools? Are you friends with a seminiarian? Have you worked with refugees? If you answered yes to any of these questions and want to get more involved please join us at the Legacy Gala: Keeping in Step with the Spirit.

In efforts to be good stewards of its people, resources, and donors time the Legacy Gala was established to support these 3 vital ministries: Catholic Charities, Catholic Schools, and Bishop Simon Brute College Seminary.

Register at https://one.bidpal.net/legacygala2022/welcome. 3

Catholic Education Updates



This week at St. Luke Catholic Grade School

Tuesday, January 11th, 2022

Mass @8:15am - Grades 1st - 8th Hosted by 803 School Commission Meeting @7:00pm in the Library

Thursday, January 13th, 2022

Mass @8:15am - Grades K - 8th Hosted by 701

Friday, January 14th, 2022

PTO Fab Friday - Winter Wonderland - Students may wear winter themed shirts and winter hat with uniform bottoms. Kindergarten Screening #1 - By appointment only with completed application



Students & Parents: Experience BCHS

Shadowing is a unique way for 8th grade students who are interested in attending BCHS to participate in a regular school day and get a glimpse of what their own high school experience could be. All 8th grade students are invited to sign up for a shadow morning at www. bishopchatard.org/enrollment/shadowing/.

Parents of 7th and 8th grade students are invited to participate in a Wednesday Walk-Thru to talk with school leaders and tour BCHS while classes are in session. To read more, RSVP, and look at available dates visit www.bishopchatard.org/enrollment/parents/.

Join us for Chatard-A-Bration 2022: On the Red Carpet!

Polish your dancing shoes, pull your suit out of storage, put on a little glitz, and join us for a night of entertainment and fun. Raffle and event tickets are now available for Chatard-A-Bration 2022, happening on February 12! Head to https://www.bishopchatard.org/giving/chatard-a-bration/ to purchase tickets and learn more about the event.



High School Placement Test

Haven't had the chance to take the High School Placement Test (HSPT) yet? Cathedral High School will administer the High School Placement Test January 22, 2022. Testing begins promptly at 8:30 am. All parents are encouraged to join us for an information session/tour while your student is taking the test. Preregister by visiting www. gocathedral.com/placementtest.

Shadowing at Cathedral

Attention 8th graders! Come spend the day shadowing a student at Cathedral High School. You will attend classes, have lunch on us and get to experience what a day in the life of a CHS student is like. Register today at gocathedral.com/shadow.

Parish Announcements

Providence 2021 Building Project Update for January 9, 2022



Lower Level Classrooms, Storage

The lower level of the East Addition will house four classrooms – STEM, Art, and two Music Rooms – in addition to providing much needed storage for the parish and the school.

Temporary lighting illuminates the block walls, which will later be transformed into a hallway.

Thank you for your support of the Providence 2021 Building Project.

Sisters of Strength Starts Back up in 2022

2022 will be a great year! Sisters of Strength or SOS, will return after a pandemic break. This group is open to women of the parish 18 and older. We will meet on Thursday Evenings this year from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. We will read the scriptures for the upcoming weekend and share how they impact our daily lives. We start up January 20th in the Church Staff Lounge.

Saints Lacrosse

Saint Lacrosse registration is now open to any North Deanery students, grades K-8, for the spring season. New players are strongly encouraged to join! We offer a fun, safe environment for your athlete! Please go to www.catholiclax.com to register. Teams fill up quickly! We offer girls and boys teams, with practice starting in early March. We also are proud to offer financial aid and scholarships for those that need it!

Please direct any questions to info.catholiclax@gmail.com

And, we are **OFF TO THE RACES!**



Grab your Derby hat and join us for St. Luke Trivia Night! Feb 4th, 2022

Adoration Sign Up

Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex. For more information please contact Stephanie Engelman: 317-402-5727, **Stephanie.l.engelman@gmail.com** or Mark Grider: 317-432-3639, **jalica48@yahoo.com**

Please Help Us Stay In Touch With You!

If you have a change of home address, email address or phone number, please contact the Parish Office so we can update our records. If you are no longer using your landline, please let the office know what phone number is preferred for the Parish Office to use and what number is to be published in the parish directory for your family. Thank you in advance for your help.



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THE PARISH OFFICE IS NOW OPEN MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M. (CLOSED FOR LUNCH AT 12 P.M. - 1 P.M.)

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January 10, Monday

11:30 AM + Jean Carollo 5:30 PM + Pat Vesper

January 11, Tuesday

8:15 AM +Jim Hanley 5:30 PM + Constance Zeller

January 12, Wednesday

11:30 AM Special Intentions of Daria Hood 5:30 PM + Chuck and Terrie Willig

January 13, Thursday, St. Hilary

8:15 AM + Amy Hasbrook 5:30 PM + Vlastimil Padoba

Janaury14, Friday

11:30 AM + Franz Brzica 5:30 PM + Mike Corcoran

January 15, Saturday

8:15 AM +Marianne Noone 5:00 PM + Tom Tuttle

January 16, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM + Marcia Brant 9:30 AM + Paige Schemanske 11:30 AM Our Parishioners

Moved...? New Email...? Change in Family...?

Please remember to contact the Parish Office with any new information on your family. This may include a change of address or email address, the birth of a child, a change in marital status or a change in your parishioner status. By keeping our records up-to-date, we are better able to serve you.

Bulletin Deadline...

The Sunday Steward is a weekly publication of St. Luke Catholic Church. Please submit articles to bulletin@stluke.org as a Word document attachment. The deadline is Friday at 12:00 Noon, one week prior to publication.

If You Are Hospitalized

If you are in the hospital, please remember to notify the Parish Office. Due to the HIPAA laws, hospitals can no longer notify us of your hospitalization. Tell your family also, in case you cannot call, so they can call on your behalf.







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