

# *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**

**January 9, 2022**

# Our Lady of the Presentation

Our Lady of the Presentation parish, established in 1915, embraces the Eucharistic presence of Jesus and the teachings of the Catholic Church and engages our members to be one in diversity through ministries of faith, education, compassion, hospitality, social justice and community enrichment.

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### Mass Schedule

- Weekend Saturday 4:00 pm , Sunday 8:00 & 10:00am
- Weekday 8:00am
- Church will be open Mon.-Fri. until 4.
- Holy Days Vigil-7:00pm 8:00am & 12:00pm
- Rosary Weekdays 7:30am Sunday 8:45am
- Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions after 8am Mass on Tuesday
- Eucharistic Adoration-3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 8:45am-6:30pm
- Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions begin at 6:30 ending with Benediction.

## SACRAMENTS

- **Reconciliation**-Saturdays, 3:00-3:30. Tuesday-8:45am-In the room off of the Baptismal area. Only face to face.
- **Baptism and Marriage**-Participation in a Baptismal and Marriage preparation Program is required.
- **Anointing of the Sick**-First weekend of the month rotating between Masses.

• Bereavement Committee	Jane Luft	• Parish Library	Chris Cordia
• Church flowers	Vinny Ridolfi	• Pro-Life	Chris Cordia
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• PAC (Presentation Art Center)	Sister Brenda	• St. Patrick Casseroles	Barb Buehler
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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Our Father and our God, as we stand at the beginning of this new year we confess our need of Your presence and Your guidance as we face the future.

We each have our hopes and expectations for the year that is ahead of us--but You alone know what it holds for us, and only You can give us the strength and the wisdom we will need to meet its challenges. So help us to humbly put our hands into Your hand, and to trust You and to seek Your will for our lives during this coming year.

In the midst of life's uncertainties in the days ahead, assure us of the certainty of Your unchanging love; In the midst of life's inevitable disappointments and heart-aches, help us to turn to You for the stability and comfort we will need; In the midst of life's temptations and the pull of our stubborn self-will, help us not to lose our way but to have the courage to do what is right in Your sight, regardless of the cost; And in the midst of our daily pre-occupations and pursuits, open our eyes to the sorrows and injustices of our hurting world, and help us to respond with compassion and sacrifice to those who are friendless and in need. May our constant prayer be that of the ancient Psalmist: "Teach me, O Lord, to follow your decrees; then I will keep them to the end" Ps.119:33.

We pray for our nation and its leaders during these difficult times, and for all those who are seeking to bring peace and justice to our dangerous and troubled world. We pray especially for Your protection on all those who serve in our armed forces, and we thank You for their commitment to defend our freedoms, even at the cost of their own lives. Be with their families also, and assure them of Your love and concern for them.

Bring our divided nation together, and give us a greater vision of what You would have us to be. Your Word reminds us that "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord" Psalm 33:12.

As we look back over this past year we thank You for Your goodness to us--far beyond what we have deserved. May we never presume on Your past goodness or forget all Your mercies to us, but may they instead lead us to repentance, and to a new commitment to make You the foundation and center of our lives this year.

And so, our Father, we thank You for the promise and hope of this new year, and we look forward to it with expectancy and faith. This I ask in the name of our Lord and Savior, who by His death and resurrection has given us hope both for this world and the world to come.

-- *Billy Graham*

May God bless you and may God bless. . . .

**OUR LADY OF THE PRESENTATION PARISH!**

### ANNIVERSARY OF DECEASED PRIESTS AND DEACONS

#### JANUARY

- 10** Fr. Joseph McGinley-'36, Bishop Edward T. O'Meara-'22  
Fr. John Comer—2014
- 11** Fr. Albert Stamm--1970
- 12** Fr. Conrad Mueller--1916, Fr. Michael Hayes--1917,  
Fr. Ottavio Leoni--1924, Msgr. Adolph Schilly--2000,  
Deacon Walter Roderick—2005
- 13** Bishop Francis Gilfillan-1933, Msgr. John Dollard--1993,  
Msgr. Arthur Bromschwig--2007
- 14** Fr. Gerard Fick--1935, Fr. Francis Blase--1977,  
Msgr. Michael Regan-2003, Fr. Raymond Liermann-'06
- 15** Msgr. Patrick Tallon--1920, Fr. Fenton Lawler—1966  
Msgr. Norbert Dietz--2017
- 16** Fr. Peter Smyth--1909, Fr. Theodore Stein--1912,  
Fr. James Douglas--1940, Fr. Daniel Hurley--1960,  
Fr. Michael Bresnahan-1962, Deacon Frank Shake-1997

**PRAY FOR MORE PRIESTLY, RELIGIOUS AND  
CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE VOCATIONS**

### WELCOME FATHER PATRICK MCDEVITT, CM.

We are a caring and grateful parish in so many ways. As most of you know, at least 5 years ago, the members of the Parish Council were eager to share our parish blessings by tithing 5% of our Sunday contributions to different charities. Why? Because as a parish, we care!

You will remember in past years seeing bulletin pictures of Haitian families in front of their new homes that were built for them through our parish donations. Other projects were digging wells for clean drinking water.

Along with these projects we have donated to many other worthy causes. Why? Because we are blessed!

In July of 2018 we began donating to the Congregation of the Missions (Vincentians) to assist them in their evangelization ministry in Africa. The Vincentians have a long history in our Archdiocese, dating back to the first Bishop of St. Louis, Vincentian Joseph Rosati. The Vincentians staffed our seminaries for many generations. Most of us older priests were taught by the Vincentians. Our own Sr. Brenda is a Daughter of Charity (Sister Order of the Vincentians). And there is our own parish St. Vincent DePaul Society ministering to the less fortunate.

In the past 3½ years, in gratitude for all God's blessings, we have assisted the Vincentian's in their evangelization ministry in Africa (see enclosed flier). That is why Fr. McDevitt is here today, to thank us for assisting them in their evangelization ministry. **WELCOME, FR. PAT!**

### SANCTUARY LAMP

Shirley Raney, (d. Dec. 4, 2020). Her candle is burning in our sanctuary lamp this week. As we pray for her, we trust in her prayers for us. May she rest in peace. Amen.

**Saturday**      **January 8**  
 4:00pm      Jimmy Sanchez birthday

**Sunday**      **January 9**  
 8:00am      George and Joseph Kuehl  
 10:00am      The People of the Parish

**Monday**      **January 10**  
 8:00am      Jim Barry 3rd year anniversary of death

**Tuesday**      **January 11**  
 8:00am      Linda Nash

**Wednesday**      **January 12**  
 8:00am      Al Maassen memorial birthday

**Thursday**      **January 13**  
 8:00am      Wilma Osterloh

**Friday**      **January 14**  
 8:00am      Albert and Loretta Meives

**Saturday**      **January 15**  
 4:00pm      Bob Schneider

**Sunday**      **January 16**  
 8:00am      Cynthia Farley  
 10:00am      The People of the Parish

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Thelma Clark, mother of Janet Mehrhoff and Nick Clark.

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE –January 10-16**  
 Mon-Joe, Tues.-Jean, Wed.-JoAnn, Thurs.-Doris , Friday -Nick  
**Saturday-4pm**-Connie, Kathy, Usher-Cheryl  
**Sunday-8am**, Lector– Joe, JoAnn- Usher-Paul  
**10am** Lector–Charles, Kathy D. Usher-Perry

**COUNTERS**--Jan. 16th-Ricarda, Mary and Liz

**CANTORS**-Jan. 15th-Jordan , 16th-Rylee & Donald

**MEN’S BIBLE STUDY**  
 January 12, Thursday, 7pm in the Ponder room. The turning Point.

**PAC ART**  
 CLASS START DATE CHANGES \*\*\*\*\*  
 Here at PAC, we have had a possible CoVid Exposure. We are awaiting test results now, but as a precautionary measure, we will NOT be starting ANY ART CLASSES until the week of January 17th.  
 The Classes will be changed as follows: Please see the NEW START DATES -Inter Drawing with Jane - Resumes Sat, Jan. 22 from 10-12  
 Watercolor with Sharon - Monday, Jan. 17th  
 Pottery with Connie - Tuesday, Jan. 18th  
 Acrylic I with Connie - Wed, Jan. 19th  
 Drawing I with Connie - Thurs. Jan 20th  
 Due to increased infections in the area, Masks will be required. Thanks so much for your understanding and patience as we maneuver these evolving waters.

**STEWARDSHIP** December 25 & 26 , 2021  
 \$6,869 online \$1,319  
 Total \$8,188  
 Need each week \$5,319  
 Difference \$2,869

**January 2, 2022**  
 \$3,701 online \$1,641  
 Total \$5,342  
 Need each week \$5,319  
 Difference \$ 23  
 The Church hall stove-\$5,748  
 Your weekly donations are appreciated.

**FOOD DRIVE**  
 Thank you to those who brought donations for the Ritenour food pantry. The pantry appreciated 490#’s in food and \$200.

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**  
 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



# KENYA PROJECTS FOR OUR LADY OF THE PRESENTATION



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