



# *St. Patrick Church*

612 Highland Avenue • Dixon, IL 61021

## **PASTOR**

Rev. John R. Evans

## **DEACON**

Terrence Wagner

## **\*\*New\*\* PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

7:30am - 3:30pm Monday - Thursday

7:30am - 12:00pm Friday\*

Bulletin Deadline: Monday 10 am

\* Closed during the summer months

## **PARISH STAFF**

Rhonda Jahn, Business Manager

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Terri Carlson, Bulletin Editor

## **WEBSITES**

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## **TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday.....4:30 pm

Sunday.....8:00,\*10:30 am

Mon.....8:00 am

Tue.....8:00 am

Wed.....8:00 am

Thu.....8:00 am

Fri.....8:00 am

First Saturday .....8:00 am

\*Rosary before 10:30 am Mass

## **DEVOTIONS**

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Our St. John Paul II Adoration Chapel is open for perpetual adoration.

## **SACRAMENTS**

### **Reconciliation**

Saturdays 3-4 pm or by appointment

### **Baptism**

Parents wishing to have their child receive the Sacrament of Baptism are asked to contact the parish office at 815.284.7719 to arrange a time for Baptism preparation.

### **Matrimony**

Arrangements are to be made by calling parish office six (6) months in advance.

### **Vocations**

For those men and women who are exploring the possibility of a Call from God to serve the church, you may speak to our pastor or you may contact the Vocation Office of the Rockford Diocese at 815.399.4300.

## *Mission Statement*

We are a Church of disciples who worship together, listen to the voice of God, and strengthened by the grace we receive in the sacraments, strive to become saints by saying "Yes" to God's Will in all things.

# MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Jan 10	8:00 a.m.	†Melvin Leffelman <i>Mike &amp; Sue Pratt</i>
Tue	Jan 11	8:00 a.m.	†Gloria Santos <i>The Powers Family</i>
Wed	Jan 12	8:00 a.m.	†Barbara Higgs <i>The Powers Family</i>
Thu	Jan 13	8:00 a.m.	†Joe Rudolphi <i>Clark Gloyeske &amp; Brust Family</i>
Fri	Jan 14	8:00 a.m.	†Barb Higgs <i>Bill &amp; Sandy Kelly</i>
Sat	Jan 15	4:30 p.m.	†L.H. & Ruth Chamberlain <i>Kevin Chamberlain</i> †Jim Boos <i>Bernadette &amp; Lee Colsant</i>
Sun	Jan 16	8:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
		10:30 a.m.	†Helen "Minnie" Sheridan <i>Loaves &amp; Fishes</i> †Norma Bushman <i>Bushman/Setchell Families</i>

# LITURGICAL ROLES

## January 15/16 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

	4:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
<b>Server</b>	A Ardis	NA	L Hiatt
	M Ardis	NA	J Leeser
	J Ardis	NA	B Sarno
<b>Cantor</b>	L Dyba	P Balayti	J Sagel
<b>Lector</b>	P Walters	K Didier	M Lawton
<b>EM: Go up at end of Communion Invitation before Priest receives.</b>			
<b>EM</b>	P Toepper	Deacon	Deacon
<b>EM Choir</b>	D Roop	B Slain	K Lehrke
<b>Gifts</b>	Ushers Select	NA	Ushers Select
<b>Greeter</b>		J Reglin	
<b>Greeter/Usher</b>	D Lenox	M Appelquist	J McCoy
	D Near	M Didier	J McCoy
	J Roop	G Gornik	L Lally
		J Reglin	C Dinges

Church Sanctuary Candle - Adoration Chapel Candles  
The week of January 9 - 15

## SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIALS

Norma Bushman by Bushman Setchell Families

## ADORATION CHAPEL MEMORIALS

For the Sick of Our Parish

## CHURCH CLEANING - TEAM #6

Kay Karlson, Gerald Karlson, Laurie Henkel,  
Jim Henkel, Maureen Lenox, Dave Lenox,  
Cheri Dunn, Nancy Stewart, Arlene Rogers



## Prayer Chain for Special Prayer Intentions

To have your special prayer intention added to the prayer chain please call  
**Marlene Quest 815-288-2030**

## PLEASE PRAY FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

### Our People in Active Duty:

Philip King • Kyle Lands • Eric Valdez • Jesse S. Jahn  
Derek Nelson • Michael Stocksdales • Joshua Burnell  
Hayley Westart • Evan Westart  
Dillon Weitzel • Allison Maas • Justin Brandenburg  
Kyle Kerchner • Nicholas Eykamp • Tyler Callison  
Kyle Clayton • Jerry Newman  
John McLaughlin • Michael Sharboneau III



**For the Recently Deceased**

**George Whaley, Sr.**

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION SUMMARY

2021	Budget	12/19
\$12000		E-Giving \$1892
\$11000		
\$10000	\$10096	\$10110
\$9000		
\$8000		
\$7000		
\$6000		

❖ St. Mary School - \$946  
❖ Christmas - \$11,168  
❖ Solemnity of Mary - \$25

### January 9, 2022 (Baptism of the Lord)

Jesus, whom God called "my beloved Son," is also the "servant" of whom Isaiah speaks in the first reading. We who are baptized in Christ must follow His example and use our time and resources in the service of God and neighbor.

# SCRIPTURE READINGS

## Readings for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [1 lb]/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: I Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

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

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

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

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

Saturday: I 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]/I Cor 12:4-

## A Vocation View:

Like Jesus, you are called God's beloved. Renew your baptismal commitment and pray for those discerning a call to priesthood or religious life. (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22)

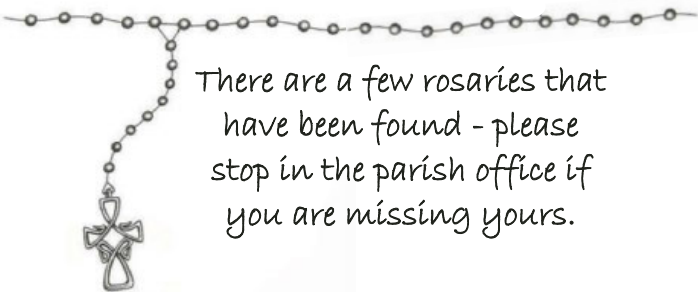
## † Respect Life!

### PRAYER FOR LIFE

For all Christians: May we live out our baptismal call to proclaim the Gospel of God's love and the dignity of every human life.

### WORD OF LIFE

"When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others' lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of Life" (respectlife.org/culture-of-life)



There are a few rosaries that have been found - please stop in the parish office if you are missing yours.

# WEEKLY OBSERVANCES

## Observances for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord  
Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



## January 9: The Baptism of the Lord

After Jesus was baptized, he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and a voice was heard "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." As we give to the poor, we also can hear these same words. As you help those who are suffering, know in your heart the truth of the words "you are my beloved with whom I am well pleased." **Thank you for your SVDP donations: \$878**

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## PRO-LIFE AD

Plans are underway to once again memorialize this devastating anniversary of Roe v Wade with a Pro-Life ad in the Telegraph on January 22nd. All fellow pro-lifers are invited to join us in making this statement for LIFE. We are asking for a \$5.00 donation and the printing of **exactly** how you would like your name to appear in the ad. Envelopes are available at the end of the pews.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS [WWW.KOFC690.COM](http://WWW.KOFC690.COM)

### Knight of Wine/Beer Tasting is Postponed!

**Sunday, January 23** - Illinois KC Free Throw contest.

The competition is open to boys and girls, 9-14 years of age. Contact Luke Dixon for information.

The Dixon Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who supported our recent Vocations Raffle. With your help we raised over \$3,000, our best raffle ever! Dixon Council 690 will use that money to send financial support to four seminarians. Thanks again, and God bless you.

## MEN'S HOLY HOUR

SATURDAY JANUARY 15TH - 6:30 AM-7:30 AM



### MEN'S GROUP

## INTO THE BREACH

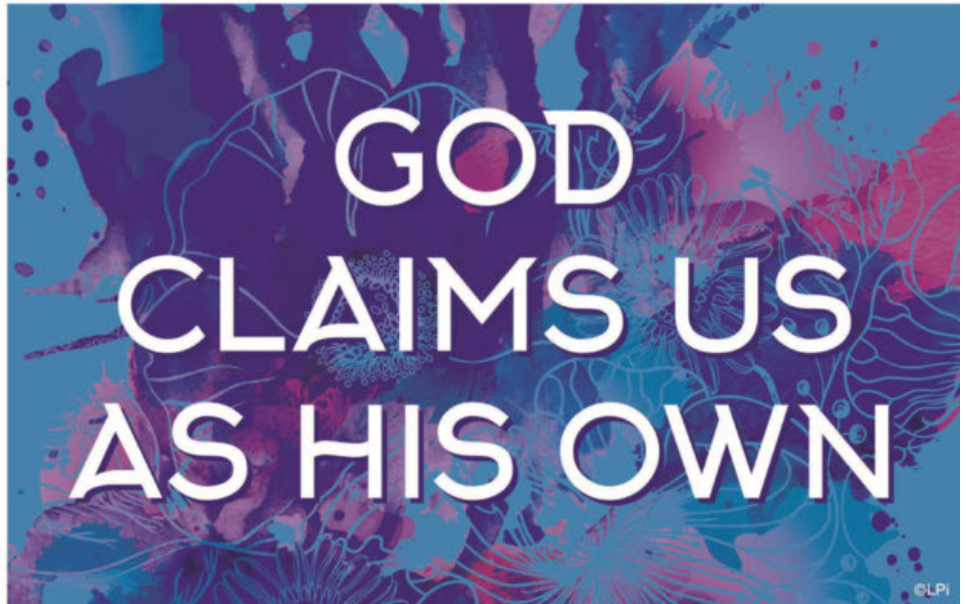
Saturday, January 22  
6:30 am

## GOSPEL MEDITATION-ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

*"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.

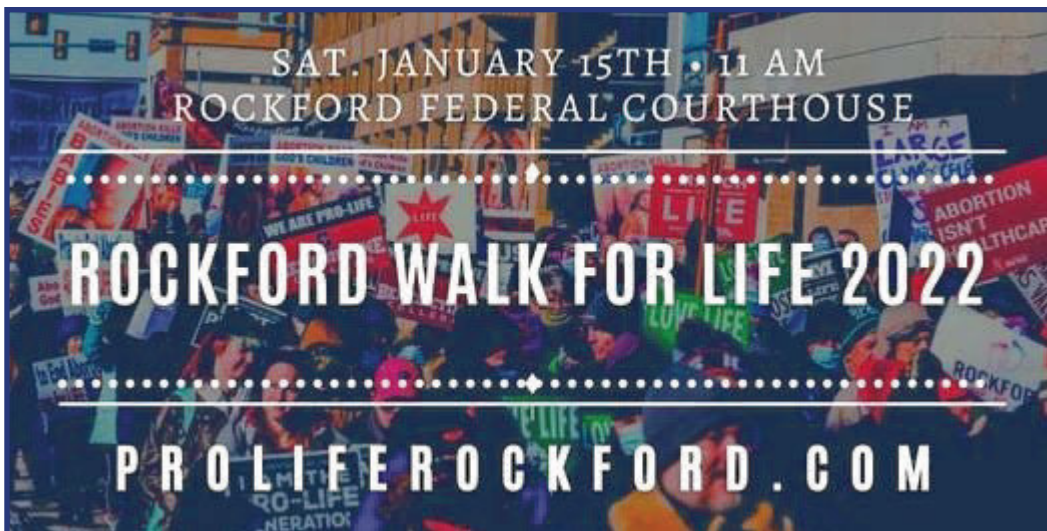
It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly 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.



**Defend the Unborn**

**ROCKFORD  
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Saturday, January 15, 2022 - 11am  
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Winter is not exactly my favorite. I do try and force myself to find things to enjoy about it to get me through. One of those things is looking forward to the winter solstice, which happened just a couple of weeks ago. It might seem odd to look forward to the shortest day of the year, when there is literally the least amount of light all year long. But I look forward to it because that means the very next day, there will be a little more daylight, and the day after that, a little more, and a little more and a little more.

I think this can be a beautiful analogy for our spiritual lives. St. John tells us in his Gospel:

What came to be through him [Christ] was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

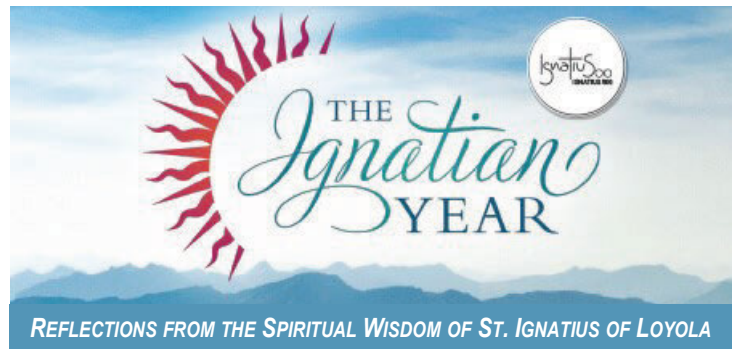
Sometimes in our noble ambitions we try to flood the darkness with every source of light, but maybe we can learn from the natural order of how God created things and just do a little more, a little more, a little more, one day at a time, much like the increase of daylight after the winter solstice. As we move out of the Christmas season and back into Ordinary Time, consider some new ways that you can make room for the Light of Christ to shine in your life. We have many opportunities here at the parish that you may not be aware of, but that may be a really good fit for growing a little at a time in your spiritual journey.

- John Paul II Adoration Chapel is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for quiet and peaceful prayer.
- Evening of Prayer & Praise monthly on Monday evenings with Fr. Evans giving short reflections with praise music and Eucharistic blessings
- Men's Group every Saturday beginning January 15th
- The Well Youth Group for students in 9-12th grade every Sunday beginning January 9th
- Formation Night every Tuesday beginning in February

Getting engaged with your parish community is a great way to thrive and to see how the light of Christ pours forth from others, as well as to share with others how the Lord is working in you. Together we all help to dispel the darkness and brighten each other's lives, just a little at a time.

God bless you on your journey,  
Jen Sagel

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REFLECTIONS FROM THE SPIRITUAL WISDOM OF ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

### Hard Work Pays Off

Experience proves that in this life peace and satisfaction are had not by the listless but by those who are fervent in God's service. And rightly so. For in the effort they make to overcome themselves and to rid themselves of self-love, they rid themselves of the roots of all passion and unrest. And with the acquirement of habits of virtue they naturally succeed in acting easily and cheerfully in accordance with these virtues.

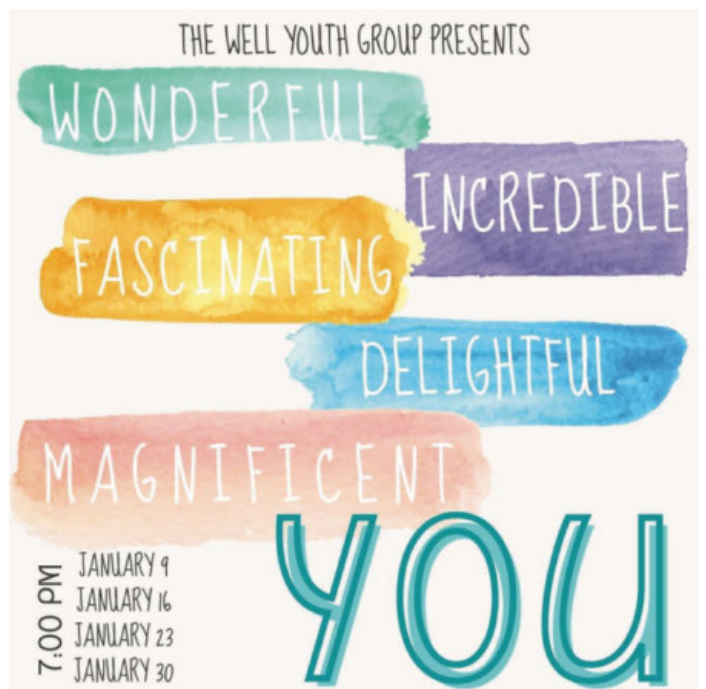
—St. Ignatius Loyola. The Letters of St. Ignatius of Loyola, William J. Joung, SJ

Here's a promise worth hanging on to: the work we do for God will form us in habits of virtue. Experience proves this, Ignatius says.

*Use this promise to encourage someone to persevere in the hard work he or she is doing to overcome weaknesses.*

### Contact Information - Fr. Evans

Schedules his own appointments  
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