



The Baptism of Our Lord

January 9, 2022

"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." *Luke 3:16bc*

News & Happenings

Welcome! We are thankful to the priests of the LaSalle Catholic Parishes for being here at Holy Family this weekend to offer Mass. God bless you!

Morning Masses: Fr. Carlson will be returning mid-week. The first public Mass will be on Wednesday, January 12th at 7:30 a.m.

Contribution Statements: Contribution statements have been mailed out to families. Be watching the mail for yours!

Calendars: There are a few remaining calendars for the new year. Please help yourself to a complimentary one. They contain beautiful Catholic art.

Mass Intention Requests: Our 2022 book of intentions is quickly filling up. We do have a handful of weekday Masses open for scheduling. Call the parish office to setup.

St. Martin Society News: The St. Martin Society Team wishes to thank the December meal teams, their leaders and other members for taking their time to provide the meals this month. Clients and staff are very appreciative and very grateful. In addition to these monthly meals, monetary donations that have been made to the St. Martin Society have allowed the team to be able to provide necessary items as needed throughout the month. This month we also used the funds to provide the meal on New Year's Eve. We all can, and should be, excited about how well this endeavor has managed to reach and help so many. We will never know how many lives your generosity has touched. Sometimes the words "thank you" just aren't enough.

December 7th - Pam & Bill Stack, Colette Spears and the St. Martin Team

December 20th - Beth Capponi – provided breakfast meal items (homemade cinnamon bread, milk and eggs)

Thursday December 30th - Sue Anthony, Cheryl Deegan, Amy Stone, Joyce Rancingay, Carol Strack and Jenny Beenenga

December 31st – funds donated throughout the year to our parish organization were used to provide pizza on New Year's Eve

Prayers for Seminarians: The office of priestly vocations has put together a monthly calendar to give our diocesan seminarians the gift of prayers throughout the year. Each day features a seminarian, their families, our bishops, vocation leaders, etc. We will post the calendars to our parish Facebook page. You can visit comeandfollowme.org to learn a little bit about each seminarian. In addition to prayers, you can also send notes or cards to the seminary.

Immaculate Heart of Mary - 750 Terrace Heights, Winona, MN 55987
Mount St. Mary's - 16300 Old Emmitsburg, MD 21727

In Memoriam: Estelle Kennedy passed away January 5th. Please keep Estelle and her family in your prayers. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Homemade Tortellini: Homemade meat tortellini is back in stock! Give the parish office a call to place your order. Each bag sells for \$6 and all proceeds directly benefit our parish.

Football Mania - Week 15 Winners

\$400 - Wendy Hassleman	\$100 - Charlie Riva
\$50 - Jordan Van De Wyngaerde	\$50 - Denise Actis
\$25 - Lori/Rich Brodzik	\$25 - Cheryl Kelish
\$25 - HFS	\$25 - Brian Pellegrini
\$25 - HFS	\$25 - Steve DeRubeis
\$25 - HFS	\$25 - Bridge Dempsey
\$25 - Jacob Green	\$25 - HFS
\$25 - HFS	\$25 - HFS
\$25 - Derek Kilmartin	\$25 - Lana Peterlin

Football Mania - Week 16 Winners

\$400 - Cheryl Hobneck	\$100 - Joe Harzheim
\$50 - Crystal Woolweaver	\$50 - James Girton
\$25 - Catherine/Zach Znaniecki	\$25 - Lisa Leininger
\$25 - Marcie VanKeulen	\$25 - Carol Leininger
\$25 - Jamie Weitzl	\$25 - Derek Kilmartin
\$25 - James Zens	\$25 - Christa Hanson
\$25 - HFS	\$25 - Sharon Arkus
\$25 - HFS	\$25 - Phil Johnson
\$25 - Caitie Finnell	\$25 - Amy Woods

Football Mania - Week 17 Winners

\$400 - Frank Senica	\$100 - Justin Rubley
\$50 - Harold Burr	\$50 - Jocelyn Haskell
\$25 - HFS	\$25 - HFS
\$25 - Nancy Anderson	\$25 - Jeff Senica
\$25 - Celia Lopez	\$25 - HFS
\$25 - HFS	\$25 - Taylor Elliott
\$25 - Kim Pittman	\$25 - Lisa Draper
\$25 - Mary Lee McLaughlin	\$25 - William Thompson
\$25 - Kayla Lindenmier	\$25 - Kristina Hairald

Grand Prize Winners: Caitie Finnell and HFS

Football Mania is our parish school's largest fundraiser of the year. We thank all that purchased tickets this year!

Men's Retreat: Join Fr. Gregory Jarzombek, OSB from St. Bede Abbey for a retreat at Sacre Coeur, our new retreat house. The theme of the retreat is "The Day Jesus Died" and will be from Friday, January 28th until Sunday, January 30th. Register online at scrmagnolia.org or call (815) 869-4106 for more information.

Marriage Mass & Date Night: Saturday, February 12, 2022— Join Bishop Louis Tylka for the Marriage Mass at 4pm at St. Mary's Cathedral. After the Mass there will be a date night and special dinner at the Spalding Center. Wear your dancing shoes! There will also be live music by the Water Street Stompers from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. For questions contact Julie Enzenberger at Jenzenberger@cdop.org or to sign-up online at: cdop.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/DateNight2022.



Oglesby Council 7801— Fish Fry

When: Friday, January 14th

Time: 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Carryouts only. Orders may be placed on the day of the fry beginning at 1:00 p.m. by calling (815) 883-3181.

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.

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Office Hours

Mondays & Fridays: 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays: 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Confession - In the church

Saturday Afternoon 3:15-3:45 p.m.

Sunday Morning 7:30-7:45 a.m.

Mass Schedule

1/8, 4:00 p.m.	Saturday + Joseph D. Krasinski by June Krasinski
1/9, 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday - Baptism of the Lord + John and Dorothy Balzarini For the Parish
1/11, <i>Private</i>	Tuesday + Anne Ebener by her children
1/12, 7:30 a.m.	Wednesday + Donald Daley by his brothers and sisters
1/13, 7:30 a.m.	Thursday + Karen Zolper by the Eutis Family
1/14, 9:15 a.m.	Friday + Jerome Pangrcic by his wife and daughters
1/15, 4:00 p.m.	Saturday + James Omahen by his family
1/16, 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday For the Parish + James Colmone by Joan Colmone and Diane Ulis

Minister Schedule

January 8th @ 4:00 p.m. Reader: Sue Van De Wyngaerde EMHC: Sue Van De Wyngaerde Ushers: Terry Piletic Tim Watkins	January 15th @ 4:00 p.m. Reader: Sue Anthony EMHC: Kelly Duttlinger Ushers: Ken Capponi Mark VanDeWyngaerde
January 9th @ 8:00 a.m. Reader: Nathan Boudreau EMHC: Brendan Boudreau Altar Server: Boudreau Fam. Ushers: Jim Clinard Mike Liebhart	January 16th @ 8:00 a.m. Reader: Colette Spears EMHC: Frances Crew Ushers: Drew Jessen Mike Pikula
January 9th @ 11:00 a.m. Reader: Paul Perona EMHC: Lynn Quick Altar Server: Lenee McCoy Ushers: Brian Towne Gary Peterlin	January 16th @ 11:00 a.m. Reader: Stan Wolf EMHC: Lana Peterlin Ushers: Lowell Beenenga Jake Newman

Finance Corner

Contributions received between December 14 - January 4

Adult Envelope Contributions: \$12,687.00
Loose Money Collected: \$1,299.25
Online Giving: \$673.49
Mail-in Contributions: \$10,323.00
Maintenance: \$539.00
Christmas Collection: \$6,477.00
Solemnity of Mary: \$1,253.00
Thanksgiving, Im. Conception & Ash Wednesday: \$308.00
Assistance—For the Poor: \$20.00
Initial Offering Envelope: \$513.00
School Endowment: \$23.00

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