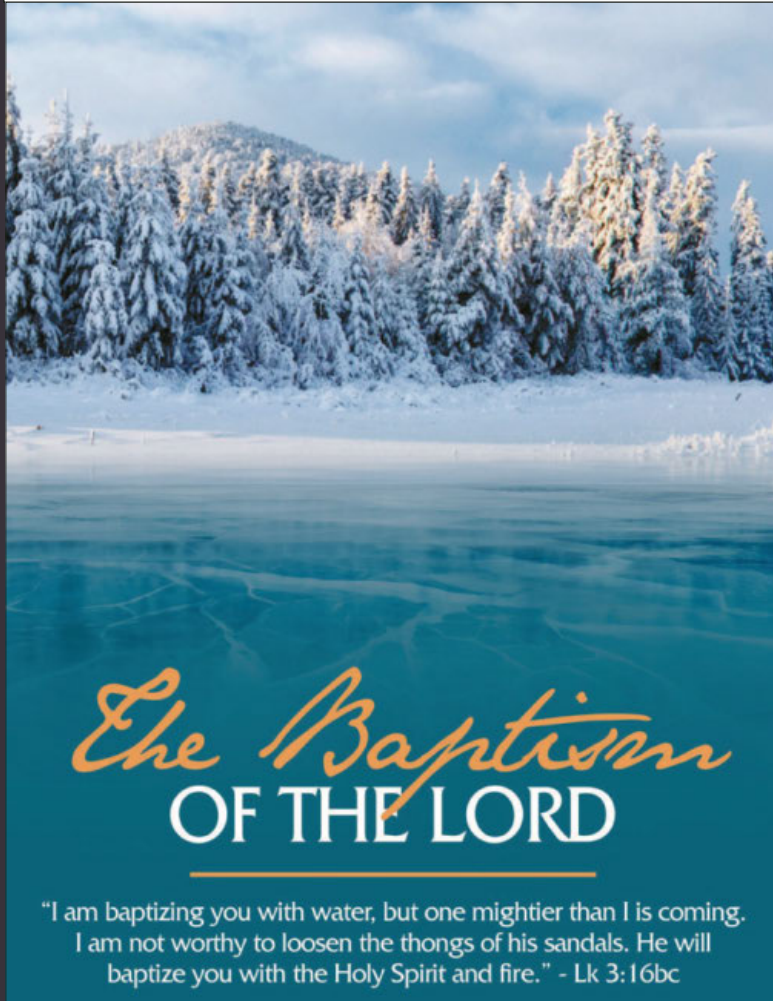




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# The Baptism OF THE LORD

"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

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### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:15-4:00 pm or by appointment

### **Schedule of Holy Eucharist**

Saturday Vigil - 4:30 pm

Sunday - 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Weekdays - Mon through Fri 8:00 am

Holy Days - 9:00 am and 7:00 pm

"Youth Music" Mass - 1st Sun. of month 10:30 am

"Children's Liturgy" Mass - every Sun. - 10:30am

(Sept. through May)

### **Perpetual Help Devotions**

Tuesdays following 8:00 am Mass

### **Exposition of Blessed Sacrament**

Wednesday 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

### **Anointing of the Sick**


1st Friday of the month after 8:00 am Mass

### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Inspired by Saint Martin de Porres and the gospel values, our parish family seeks to provide for the spiritual needs of our diverse community through vibrant liturgies and ministries, thereby creating a supportive, loving, caring, and accepting environment for all.

**Ministry Schedule**

**Children's Liturgy**

1/15-16	Saturday, 4:30 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM	Date	Children's Liturgy Team
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Patricia Berry Jerome Everett	Jo Ann Frazier Kim Rosenthal	Pat Wiswall Charles Wiswall	Jan. 9th	Sue Raftery / Theresa Wright
<b>Lector</b>	Josephine Mulholland	Ray Frazier Martha Johnson	Nichole Church Mary Wooldridge	Jan. 16th	Charlie & Pat Wiswall
<b>Server</b>	Gabriel Blamey Logan Blamey	David Cecil Luke Cecil	Dennis Canepa Karah Church	Jan. 23rd	Theresa Wright / Mira Church
<b>Greeter</b>	Wanda Fennewald Anne Frese	Mary Frese Joyce Rygelski	Mary Kay Van Well Rich Van Well		

**Remember in Your Prayers**

Dan Alley	Tammy Brown	Kathy Fink	Sheila Hennessy	Toni Leta	Kim Rush
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Lauren Bane	Jeanette Carron	K. Floyd	Paige Hershkowitz	Dennis Mudd	Teagan Smith
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Rick Brown	Austin Fink	Kay Henley	Laura Lavell	Tina Roach	Mike Wheeler

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Bobby Baker	Mitchell Frye	Jeffrey Kimball	Steven Lippold	Timothy Schweigert
Charles Barry IV	Spencer Frye	Neil Klump	Salvatore Lodato	Daniel Stackle
Josh Bohr	Brandon Grau	Matthew Klump	Joe Maloney	Matthew Upchurch
Cody Bright	Katelyn Grau	Cody Knoll	James Opfer	

**Mass Intentions & Readings for the Week**

<b>Mon. January 10</b>	8:00 AM	Chris Bierne	1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20
<b>Tues. January 11</b>	8:00 AM	Wanda Fennewald	1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
<b>Wed. January 12</b>	8:00 AM	Carol Rodell	✠ 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39
<b>Thurs. January 13</b>	8:00 AM	Monica Beltz	✠ 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
<b>Fri. January 14</b>	8:00 AM	Helen & Edwin Wiswall	✠ 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
<b>Sat. January 15</b>	4:30 PM	Michael Katimi	✠
<b>Sun. January 16</b>	8:00 AM	Dee Mohrmann	✠ Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
	10:30 AM	Parishioners	



Today the Church celebrates the feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism. Jesus descended into the river to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolic of what happened at our baptism. At Christ's baptism, the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our baptism, the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our baptism, we become the adopted sons/daughters of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our baptism, we must pray to avoid actual sin.

Jesus' baptism by John was a mystical experience that Jesus felt deep within his soul at the crucial turning point of his life. The opening of the Heavens with the Holy Spirit descending as a dove upon Jesus, and the Voice declaring of Jesus, "this is My beloved Son with whom I am well pleased," are God's revelation to mankind of the Mystery that He is triune. The presence of the triune God at this baptism, reveals Jesus's true identity and mission. The Heavens' opening also indicates that this was a moment of God's powerful intervention in human history and the life of His Son.

Jesus' baptism by John was a very important event in the life of Jesus. First, it was a moment of decision. It marked the end of Jesus' private life, which had prepared him for his public ministry. Second, it was a moment of identification with his people in their God-ward movement initiated by John the Baptist (quality of a good leader). Third, it was a moment of approval. Jesus might have been waiting for a signal of approval from his Heavenly Father, and during his baptism, Jesus got this approval of himself as the father's 'Beloved Son.' Fourth, it was a moment of conviction. At this baptism, Jesus received certainties (assurances) from Heaven about his identity and the nature of his mission: a) He was the "Chosen One" and the "beloved son of God;" b) His mission of saving mankind would be fulfilled, not by conquering the Romans, but by becoming the "suffering servant" of God, i.e., by the cross. Fifth, it was a moment of equipment. When He descended on Jesus in the form of a dove (symbol of gentleness,) the Holy Spirit equipped Jesus with the power of healing, and that of preaching the Good News" – that God is a loving Father, who wants to save all human beings from their sins through His Son Jesus, in contrast to the "axe" and "fire" preaching of John the Baptist about an angry God's judgment on sinners.



*St. Martin de Porres, Pray for us! Fr. Lijo Kallarackal*

## Weekly Schedule

### MONDAY, JANUARY 10

- \* 8:00 am - Mass
- \* 11:30 am - Crafters (KH)
- \* 6:00 pm - Liturgy Committee Mtg. (R)

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 11

- \* 8:00 am - Mass

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

- \* 8:00 am - Mass
- \* 7:00 pm - Men's Club (G)

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 13

- \* 8:00 am - Mass
- \* 6:30 pm - Rosary

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

- \* 8:00 am - Mass

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

- \* 4:30 pm - Mass

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

- \* 8:00 am - Mass
- \* 10:30 am - Mass

The Rosary is Prayed

every Thursday at 6:30 PM

Come Join Us.

# JANUARY

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## 2021 Contribution Statements

Year-End Contribution Statements are now available for mailing or pick-up upon request. You may email your request or call the Parish Office. Please allow 24 - 48 hours to process requests.

## Youth Group Annual Trivia Night is Back!!!



\*\*COLLECTION BINS ARE LOCATED IN THE BACK OF CHURCH.\*\*

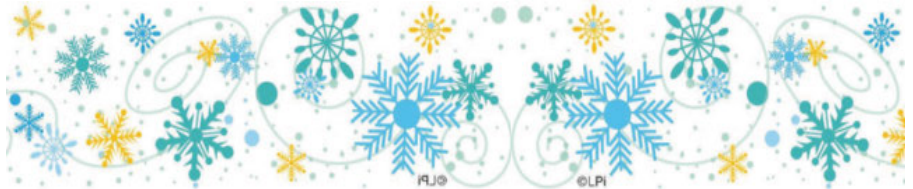
We are excited to announce that this year's trivia theme will be DISNEY. Come one come all and dress up as your favorite Disney character.

**When: Saturday, February 12th**

**Time: Doors open at 6:30 PM  
Start Time: 7:00 PM**

**Cost: \$120 for a table of 8**

For information on reserving a table, please contact Emily Will at (314) 972-3172.



### Your Gifts to God & Parish, December 26th

Offertory, including loose	\$2,644.00
Christmas Flowers	\$12.00
Christmas Offering	\$1,450.00
Capital Improvements	\$70.00
Retired Religious	\$25.00
Seminarian Fund	\$98.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$280.00
St. Louis Review Sub.	\$70.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,764.00</b>
Fiscal Year 7/1/21-6/30/22	
YTD Offertory Budget	\$1,63,536.88
YTD Offertory Actual	\$156,331.01
<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>-\$7,205.87</b>

### Your Gifts to God & Parish, January 2nd

Offertory, including loose	\$6,178.00
Online Contributions	\$11,357.00
Christmas Flowers	\$25.00
Christmas Offering	\$150.00
Capital Improvements	\$587.00
Education Fund	\$20.00
Seminarian Fund	\$50.00
St. Louis Review Sub.	\$505.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$848.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$19,720.00</b>
Fiscal Year 7/1/21-6/30/22	
YTD Offertory Budget	\$169,826.76
YTD Offertory Actual	\$176,051.01
<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>\$6,224.02</b>

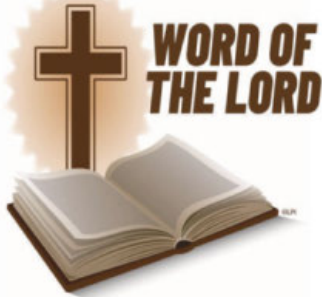
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### First Reading

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)

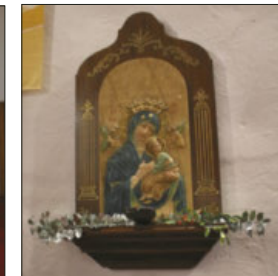
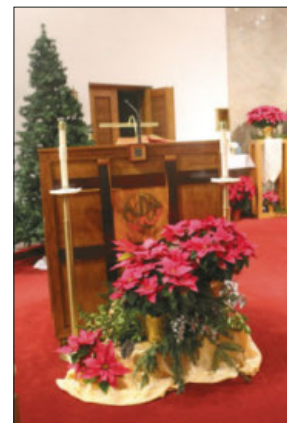


### Gospel

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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## **The People were Filled with Expectations**

Expectations matter. We all know that from experience. When two people enter into marriage with the same expectations, it gives them a firm footing upon which to begin their lives together. When those expectations don't coincide or don't match up, it can be disastrous. When an employer and employee have the same expectations, it can be truly beneficial for both parties and create a stable work relationship that can go on for years. If they don't have the same expectations, the employee will almost certainly be looking for a new job sooner rather than later. When a teacher and students are on the same page, real learning can happen. But when those expectations are different, very little progress is likely to take place. When people living in an apartment building expect the same things from one another, harmony is almost sure to follow. If no one can agree on what is acceptable behavior, it can be a tough environment to live in. Yes, expectations matter.

That is why the Gospel passage this weekend begins, "The people were filled with expectation. . ." Of course, that is why they went out to the desert in the first place. It was to hear what John had to say and to see what John was all about. So what exactly were they expecting? It is really hard to say with absolute certainty. Of course, not every single person had identical expectations. The most obvious answer is that they were wondering whether John was the Messiah. John made it perfectly clear – that was not the case. I think it goes way beyond that. John preached repentance and used baptism to signify that. People were flocking to John because they apparently were longing and searching for something, not simply regarding a Messiah, but regarding themselves. John was telling them that they needed to be different and that they could be different. John made sure they knew they needed to be holier and needed to be more faithful. It seems to me that people went into the desert because they wanted to be more, believed they could be more, and believed that God wanted them to be more. The way things were was not good enough. Something better was out there – better for themselves as individuals, better for the Jewish community, and better for the world. John made sure they knew where to look.

Sometimes I think we feel that we don't have to do anything after our baptism. We think we can remain on a kind of spiritual "cruise control" where everything stays exactly the same and where nothing needs to change. I guess we feel that our baptism was just something that happened long ago, not something we need to live out each and every day. It can be really difficult and painful to think about some of these big questions. After all, we all fall short of perfection in countless ways.

Since we can't be absolutely perfect, maybe we have just stopped trying. Yet, what we expect from ourselves is only half the question. What also matter is what God expects from us and for us. That is why expectations truly matter in the spiritual life. If our expectations and God's expectations don't match up, we can never be the person God created us to be. We will always continually fall far short and will experience life in a diminished way. When falling short, peace, joy and meaning are only dim shadows of what they could be.

*Deacon Dave*

### **THE LIGHTER SIDE**

*Q: What do you call an alligator in a vest?*

*A: An investigator.*

*Q: What side of a turkey has the most feathers?*

*A: The outside.*

*Q: Where do sheep go on vacation?*

*A: To the Baa-hamas.*



**Visits to the Sick:** If you cannot come to church because of illness, please be sure that we are notified so that we might minister to you either at home, hospital, or nursing care facility.

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# THIS & THAT

## Thought of the Week

You don't have to be positive all of the time. It's perfectly okay to feel sad, angry, annoyed, frustrated, scared, and anxious. Having feelings don't make you a "negative person". It makes you human.

- Lori Deschene



### DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION

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### St. Ferdinand Campus January Schedule

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- 14 - Half-day, Federation PLT
- 17 - No School, Dr. MLK Jr. Day
- 24 - Board of Directors, 6:30 PM
- 26 - First Reconciliation, 6:30 PM

### YOUTH MINISTRY

- Jan. 19th - 7:00 PM
- Jan. 26th - 7:00 PM
- Feb. 2nd - 7:00 PM



### Prayer Chain Contacts

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(314) 731-0933

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### MASS INTENTIONS

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Join the Crafting Group for friendship and creativity on Monday mornings at 11:30 in the Knobbe House

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