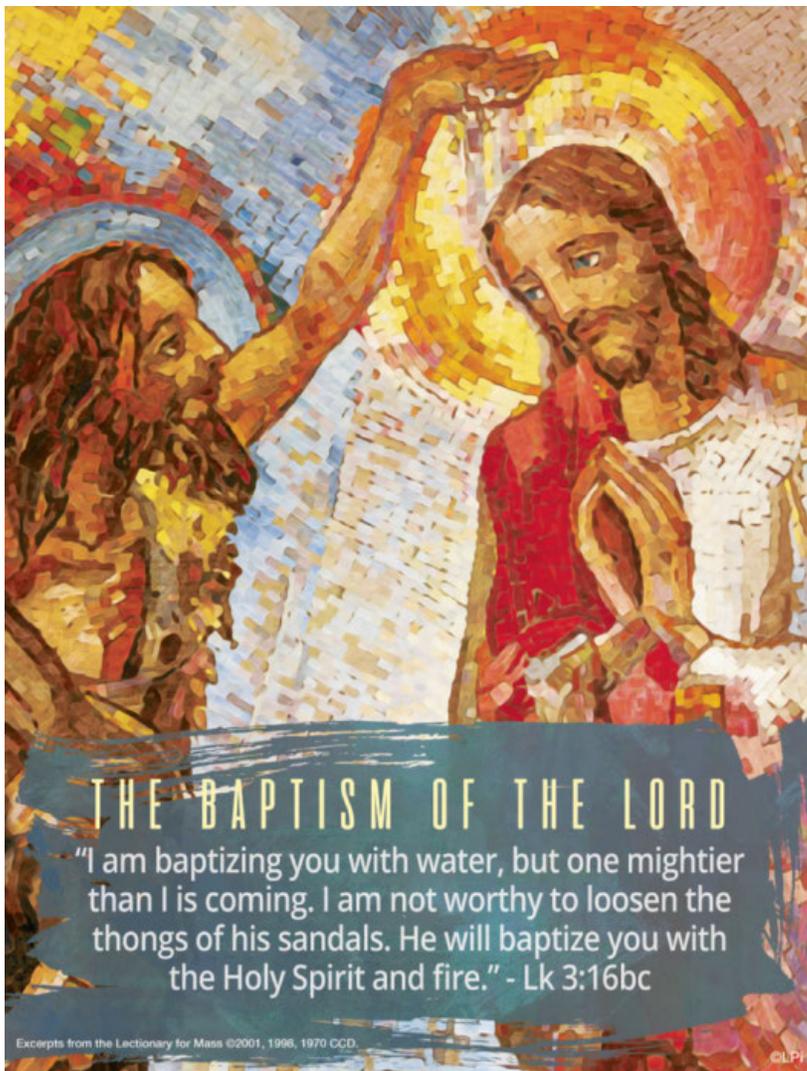


# ST. JAMES THE GREATER CATHOLIC CHURCH

## JANUARY 9, 2022



### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:30pm  
Sunday 9:30am

### DAILY MASSES

Monday & Wednesday 7:30am  
Friday 9:00am

### SACRAMENTS

#### RECONCILIATION

By appt. only during the pandemic.

#### BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Office.  
Families are encouraged to be registered in the parish.

#### MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior the proposed date.

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you know of someone homebound, sick, or in the hospital, contact the Parish Office.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For those in need within our boundaries, call 314-289-6101 ext. 1152.

## OUR PARISH COMMITMENT

As parishioners of St. James the Greater Catholic Church, we strive to follow Jesus Christ in our Eucharistic Community by witnessing God's love for ourselves, our families, and our growing diverse community; particularly in Dogtown, and its surrounding neighborhoods and institutions...sharing our blessings with our new neighbors, and those living on the margins of faith.

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# A Pastor's Reflection by Fr. Quirk, Ph.D.



Dear Parishioners,

When the Lord was baptized, a voice came from heaven saying "This is my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Today marks the Baptism of the Lord - the formal end of the Christmas season. It's a turning point in the church year.

Now we see Jesus as an adult beginning his public ministry, baptized by his cousin John, anointed by the Holy Spirit. Jesus begins his public life in proclaiming God's reign, announcing to all that God is doing something new.

In reflecting on the pandemic, Pope Francis wrote:

This is a moment to dream big, to rethink our priorities—what we value, what we want, what we seek—and to commit to act in our daily life on what we have dreamed of. God asks us to dare to create something new. We cannot return to the false securities of the political and economic systems we had before the crisis. We need economies that give to all access to the fruits of creation, to the basic needs of life: to land, lodging and labor. We need a politics that can integrate and dialogue with the poor, the excluded and the vulnerable, that gives people a say in the decisions that affect their lives. We need to slow down, take stock and design better ways of living together on this earth.

At this turning point in the season, let us dream big and create something new within ourselves. Today, let us renew the promises of our baptism.

Blessings,  
Fr. Quirk



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Thank You.

# Parish Highlights

## REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the soul of parishioner, Tom Riordan, who passed away on Jan. 1, 2022. May the perpetual light shine upon him.

### Christmas Decorations - Volunteers Needed!

Today marks the Baptism of the Lord - the formal end of the Christmas season. Thank you to everyone who helped make the church look so beautiful for the Christmas season.

After the 9:30am Mass on Sunday, we will be taking down the Christmas decorations. We could use your help. Please stay around after the 9:30am Mass.

### Poinsettias

Thank you to all of you who helped purchase a poinsettia for Christmas. Please take a poinsettia after the 9:30am Mass on Sunday.



### BAPTISM OF THE LORD



## January

- 10th ~ Jay Keeley (7:30am)
- 12th ~ Tom Fournie (7:30am)
- 14th ~ Ray Wegmann (9:00am)
- 15th ~ Lucio Tuvin (4:30pm)
- 16th ~ Gilbert Naeger (9:30am)

Please consider having Mass offered for our deceased families and friends as well as special intentions. Mass Intentions are \$10.00 each.

Please contact the Parish Office for a Mass Intention Card or visit our website at <https://www.stjamesthegreater.org/mass-intention-request> to submit your request.



All are invited to:

# REMEMBER

*in your prayers*

Pray for all those with Covid.

- |                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Judy Allen          | Donna Frank    |
| Penny Brennell      | Mary Giammanco |
| Barbara Ann Burke   | John Kelley    |
| Bill Ellingham, Jr. | Pam Kellogg    |
| Pat Ellingham       | Joseph Pousosa |
|                     | Steve Unland   |

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please email

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