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SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2022

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



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 3:21-22a

JANUARY 9 2022

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 5 pm
Sunday: 8am, 10:30am, 6pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday: 6:00pm
Wednesday–Saturday: 8am

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday: 5:30-5:50pm
Saturday: 8:30-9am
4-4:50pm
Sunday: 5-5:50pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thur: 8:30am-4:00pm
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Mass Intentions

January 10	Monday
January 11	Tuesday
6 p.m.	Shirley & Norbert Andres
January 12	Wednesday
8 a.m.	Barbara Bullerdick
January 13	Thursday
8 a.m.	Gene Lilly
January 14	Friday
8 a.m..	Joe W.
January 15	Saturday
8 a.m.	Jonene G.
5 p.m.	Theresa Miiller
January 16	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8 a.m.	Martha Schmitt
10:30 a.m.	Parishioners of Holy Family Parish
6 p.m.	Eugene & Agnes Jacobi

Parish Information

To Schedule a Mass Intention: Please contact the parish office to request an intention. The suggested stipend for a Mass intention is \$10. We will schedule on or as close as possible to the date(s) you request.

Prayers: Please write in the Book of Intercessory Prayers located at the east entrance to the church, sitting below the statue of the Holy Family.

Bulletin Deadline is 10 days prior to the Sunday of publication.

Anointing of the Sick or Hospital Ministry: Celebrated upon request at home or in the hospital. In an emergency call Fr. Jeremy Gries at (812) 944-8283x1. If you or someone you assist is in the hospital and would like Fr. Gries to visit, please call the parish office.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: This is the process for those who wish to enter the Catholic Church. Meetings take place weekly from late August to a few weeks after Easter Sunday as you learn about the Catholic faith and discern if you are being called to join the Roman Catholic Church.
Contact: Fr. Gries

Infant Baptism: Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session prior to the Baptism of their first child or if it has been more than three years since you last attended this class. *Contact: Theresa Shaw*

First Communion, First Reconciliation & Confirmation: Preparation begins in August each year. For First Communion and Reconciliation, contact Theresa Shaw. For Confirmation, contact Abbi Hamm.

Attendance Report for December 24 - 26

Friday, 4:00 p.m.	410
Friday, 6:00 p.m.	230
Saturday, 12:00 a.m.126
Saturday, 8:00 a.m.	104
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.172
Sunday, 10:30 a.m..219
Total	1261

Attendance Report for January 1 - 2

Saturday, 5:00 p.m.121
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.121
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.161
Sunday, 6:00 p.m.98
Total	501
6 month average	583

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*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.*

*And a voice came from heaven,
“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”*

Luke 3:21-22

The Archdiocese of Indianapolis recently issued updated Guidelines for Baptismal Preparation. There are few real changes, yet it is always a good reminder of who we are as recipients of Baptism and a Church who Baptizes.

Discipleship and Christian Living

In the Gospel of Matthew (28:19), Jesus asks his disciples to “go and make disciples...” When an infant is baptized the parents promise to raise the child according to the Catholic faith. In the Rite of Baptism, the celebrant makes this statement: “If your faith makes you ready to accept this responsibility, then, mindful of your own Baptism, renounce sin and profess faith in Christ Jesus, the faith of the Church, in which children are baptized.” (cf Rite of Baptism for Several Children, no. 56) To do this well, a parent must strive to live a good Catholic life that will be an example to their child. In addition to living a good Christian life, parents must become familiar with what the Catholic Church believes and teaches. In other words, they are responsible for teaching the Faith to their children. Therefore, parents must make it a priority to continue learning about their faith throughout their life – so they may better witness to the Faith in their home and catechize their growing family, the next generation of Catholic disciples of Jesus Christ.

The Role of Godparents and the Parish Community

Parents are aided in their Christian duties by **godparents**, whose primary role is to profess the Catholic faith and serve as models of faithful Catholics. Through the personal involvement of godparents in the life of the family and the baptized child, they represent the constant presence of the Church in the life of the baptized.

The **parish** also has a role in the Sacrament of Baptism, because every child is baptized into the family of God and into the particular family of believers that is the parish, under the leadership of the local bishop (cf. Rite of Baptism for Children, no. 4). The parish also supports families by providing religious education and sacramental preparation for each child and, in many cases, offering education through the parochial school.

Here at Holy Family, when someone calls the parish office about a possible Baptism, we want to share the joy and wonder of this great Sacrament with the parent(s). We also hope and pray this future celebration will be an outflow of an existing fully engaged and energized relationship with Christ and the Church. Baptism is more than just a family custom, it is a sacred Sacrament that forever changes the one being baptized, young or old. As such, we typically expect families to be active members of our parish family with an existing prayer life, Mass participation, and upright moral life. Clearly, no one is perfect (don't I know it!), but one's outward life is a clear indication of one's interior priorities and purpose. We also recognize that the arrival of a little one can be a perfect opportunity to reevaluate one's interior priorities and purpose and start in a new direction. We want to work with families so that the time of Baptismal preparation can be a time of Faith Formation, wherever they are. The impact of Baptism continues well after the preparation and the actual Sacramental reception. So too should be the growing in faith and living out of our Baptismal Call. This happens first and most profoundly in the home with parents as the first catechist. To aid in this, godparents have a role to encourage and support the parents and their godchild.

How have you experienced the grace of your Baptism lately? What have you done recently to support the Catholic Christian Faith in your own children? Where have you reached out to your godchild(ren) to strengthen them in their Catholic Christian faith? Questions to ponder... questions to act on!

Holy Family, who first assisted Jesus to advance in wisdom, age & favor, Pray for us.

~ Fr Jeremy M. Gries

NEWS & UPDATES

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This Week at a Glance

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

Coffee & Donuts ————— 9 – 10:30 a.m.

Lauds and Lunch: HS Small Group ——— 11:30 a.m.

Confirmation Prep ————— 7 - 8:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 10

4th Boys Basketball ————— 6 - 7:30 p.m.

CFF 1st Communion Prep ————— 6:05 - 7:35 p.m.

MS Small Group ————— 7 - 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11

Quilters ————— 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Legion of Mary ————— 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

YM: Taco Tuesday ————— 3 - 5 p.m.

Preached Holy Hour ————— 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

PTO Meeting ————— 7 - 8 p.m.

Young Adult Open Gym (18+) ——— 8:30 - 10:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

School Choir Grades 3 - 8 ————— 3 - 4 p.m.

7/8 Boys Basketball Practice ——— 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

CFF Commission ————— 6:15 - 8 p.m.

RCIA ————— 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13

Lego Club Gr. K - 5 ————— 3 - 3:50 p.m.

3/4 Girls Basketball ————— 3:30 - 5 p.m.

4th Basketball ————— 6 - 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

Fridays for Fathers ————— 6 - 7:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

Coffee & Donuts ————— 9 – 10:30 a.m.

MS YM Core Team Meeting ——— 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Lauds and Lunch: HS Small Group ——— 11:30 a.m.



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would love to thank you again for your generosity! As we steadily recover from emptying out our food pantry before Christmas, we are in need of breakfast items like pancake mix, syrup, oatmeal, and both children and adult cold cereal. Thanks in advance for your

fantastic generosity and may you be richly Blessed during 2022!

HOLY FAMILY BOOK CLUB – Meets 3rd Wed of the Month at Noon in the DAC. Our next book is Scott Hahn's 'Signs of Life'. Dr Hahn unveils the biblical roots of 20 Catholic customs, including: Holy Water, The Sign of the Cross, The Mass, Guardian Angels, Novenas, Priesthood, Relics, and more! If you are interested in joining us, please contact Karen Schoenfelder in the Parish Office. Our first meeting is February 16, 2022.



Next Louisville Weekend
February 18-20, 2022

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE? – There is less than a week left to sign up for Retrouvaille. Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped 10's of 1000's couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the January 7,8,9 2022 call 513 486- 6222 or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com



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Lector

Proclaim the living Word of God to the congregation at the Mass you regularly attend.

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Contact Kelli Reutman:
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OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 30



- Speak with current parents.
- Tour the school.
- Meet our principal & teachers.

Registration required: holyfamilyeagles.org/openhouse

Magdalenes

HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Mondays, 6-7pm
January 31
February 14 & 28
March 14 & 28

Tuesdays, 7-8pm
February 8 & 22
March 8, 22 & 29

OR

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Contact Kelli Reutman with questions: kreutman@holyfamilynewalbany.org

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LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action he let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters God announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor and God is very pleased.

Welcome!

to our new parishioners from the fourth quarter!

Darlene Wilson
Michael Clive
Heather Clive
Kathleen Kochert
James Kaelin
Amber Kaelin

John Vernia
Phyllis Vernia
Emily Stapp
Matt Juliot
Sandra Juliot

United in the Eucharist

**BEING UNITED TODAY HELPS US
GIVE OTHERS HOPE FOR TOMORROW**

We often think of sacrifice as a difficult and unnecessary thing. However, the true meaning of the word "sacrifice" is "to make holy."

Sacrifice makes our lives holy because we are giving back to God something that actually belongs to Him.

We make a gift to Him of a gift He has already given to us. It is a good and beautiful thing.

*"Therefore, our God, we give You thanks.
For everything is from You,
and what we give is what we have from You."
- 1 Chronicles 29:13-14*

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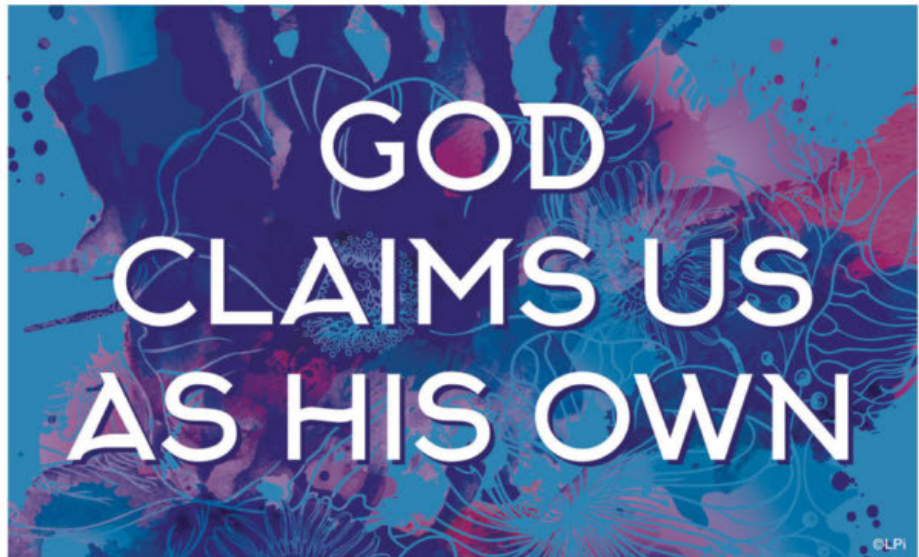
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

"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.

*"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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