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ST. FRANCIS BORGIA CATHOLIC PARISH

JANUARY 9, 2022

Parish

115 Cedar Street
636-239-6701 • (Fax) 636-239-9499
www.borgiaparish.org
Facebook: [facebook.com/borgiaparish](https://www.facebook.com/borgiaparish)
Instagram: Borgia_Parish
YouTube: [youtube.com/channel/UC0iqVMSyl5yAfjMj2PYvxNQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0iqVMSyl5yAfjMj2PYvxNQ)

School

225 Cedar Street
636-239-2590 • (Fax) 636-239-3501
www.borgiagradeschool.org
Facebook: @BorgiaGradeSchool
Instagram: Borgia_GradeSchool

Mass Schedule

Monday: 7:00 am
Tuesday: 7:00 am, 6:30 pm
Wednesday: 7:00 am
Thursday: 7:00 am
Friday: 7:00 am
Saturday: 8:00 am, 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am

Masses Livestreamed

All Masses are livestreamed and can be viewed from our parish website, Facebook page and YouTube channel.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday: After 7:00 am Mass
Tuesday: After 6:30 pm Mass
Saturday: After 8:00 am Mass & 3:30-4:15 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

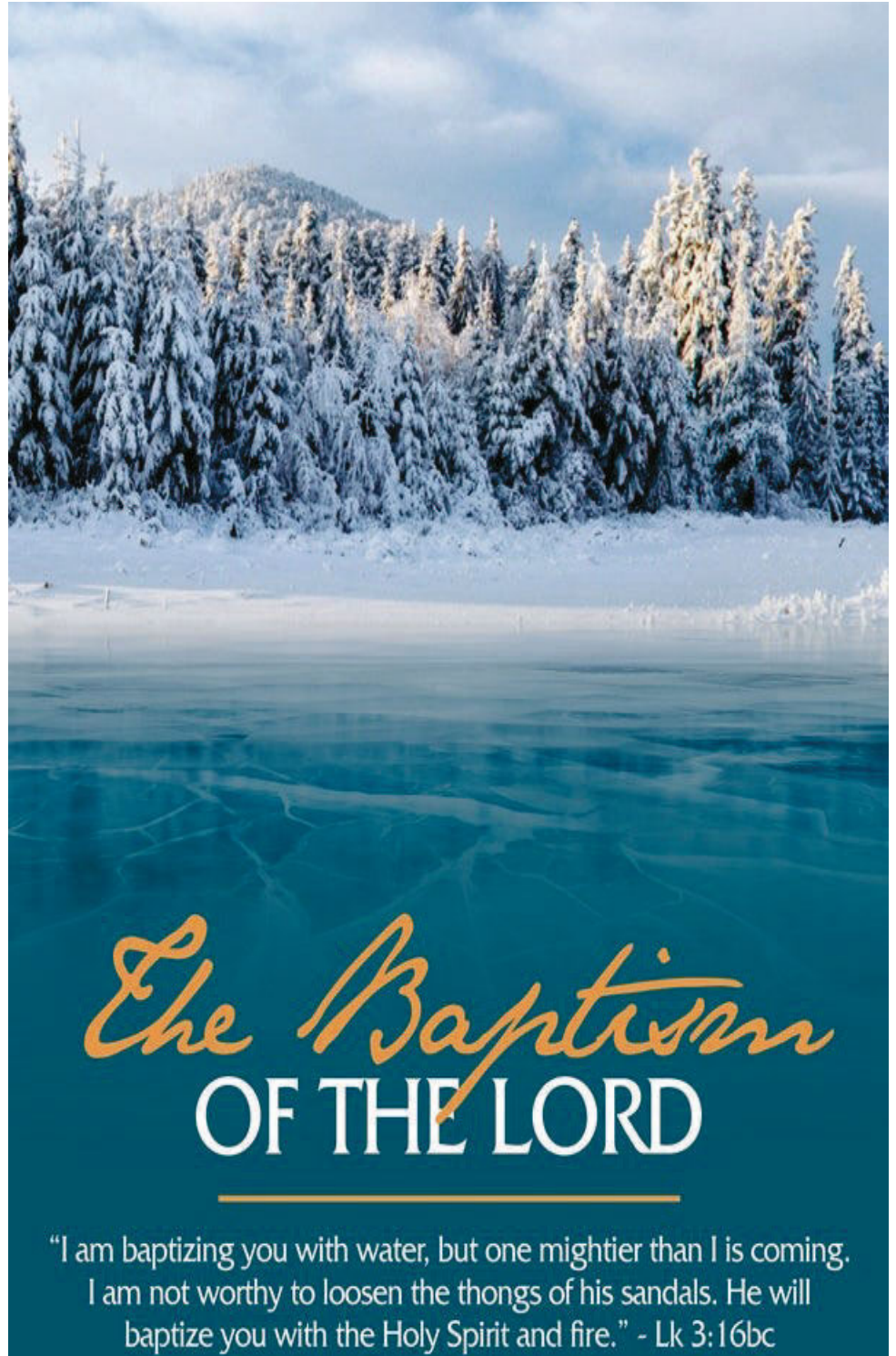
Tuesdays after 7:00 am Mass until 6:30 pm

Anointing of the Sick

Other arrangements can be made by calling 636-239-6701
Fr. Mike at ext. 1422
Fr. Tony at ext. 1513

SFB Mission Statement

The Catholic Faith Community of St. Francis Borgia Parish strives to live according to the gospel through worship, education, and service, and to create a parish environment where all may feel welcome, affirmed and part of this Christian family.



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

SAINT FRANCIS BORGIA PARISH WELCOMES YOU!

Whether you are a long-time parishioner, a new friend, visitor or neighbor, we are so grateful that you chose to share this time together with us.

We are always happy to welcome new Borgia parishioners! If you are new to the parish and would like to register, you may call the office during regular business hours (M-F; 9am - 4pm) and ask for Donna. For school information, you can call and ask for Kelli.

We have assisted hearing devices available at the east door and center vestibule and a space for wheelchairs and walkers halfway up the aisle.

Children are welcome to sit with their families near the front of church where it is easier to see and hear. If they squirm around or are a bit noisy, that's okay! If it is more convenient for families with children, we also offer a Family Chapel (Cry Room) to the right of the Sanctuary and a vestibule in the back of church that is equipped with speakers and windows.

Restrooms are conveniently located in the Jesuit Hall Gathering Area. Feel free to ask an usher for directions.

You are invited to our parish website which offers much information about our history, parish life and the many ministries and service groups that keep St. Francis Borgia an active, vibrant Catholic parish! Please contact us with any questions you may have about our parish. Again, welcome!



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SCHOOL OFFICE: 636.239.2590 | BORGIAGRADESCHOOL.ORG

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Baptism Preparation

Baptism class for new parents are done on an individual basis. Please call the parish office for more information (636-239-6701). Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday after the 11:00 am Mass.

Marriage Preparation

Call the Rectory or Parish Office at least six months before the wedding.

Christian Initiation of Adults

For more information on becoming a Catholic, call Deacon Dave Tobben at 636-357-0436 or the Parish Office.

Pre K-2nd Grade - Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children are dismissed at the beginning of Mass with volunteer catechists to reflect on the Gospel at different levels: Pre K-through Grade 2. They return to their families after the homily. On Sundays at the 9:00 am & 11:00 am Masses.

Infants

Family Chapel on west (right) side of sanctuary.

SFB Parish Library

Located on the 1st Floor of Jesuit Hall next to the Blessed Mother Room. For more information email at sfblibrary@borgiaparish.org

Prayer Tree

The members of the Prayer Tree express their love for their neighbor by praying each day in the comfort of their home for intentions that are given to them over the telephone. If you have an intention that needs prayers, please call Dot Filla (239-6463) or Debbie Goheen (636-667-8172) Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Prayer Tree Ministry, please contact one of these ladies.

Home Visits

If you would like a priest or deacon to visit you at your home or bring you communion, please call Deacon Dennis Meinert (573) 619-8741.

Prayers for Expectant Mothers

If you or someone you know is expecting a child, and you'd like to have a rose placed on the altar as a reminder for prayers throughout the pregnancy, please contact the Pro-Life Committee at 636-432-6781. Ask for Jane Maune.

Prayers for the Sick and Dying

Divine Mercy Cenacle Group is available to pray with the sick, the dying and their families at their bedside or in their home. Please call Donna Brown at 636-239-4176.

Parish Office Hours

The parish office hours are 9:00 am—4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, unless stated in the bulletin. There is normally someone available during the lunch hours, however, on occasion we may have to close at lunch due to special circumstances. Any donations can be dropped off at the parish office, 115 Cedar Street, and put through the mail slot.

Parish Bulletin Deadline: Please submit bulletin information via e-mail to dholdmeyer@borgiaparish.org by 9:00 am on Monday.

Cemetery Clean-up

March 1-15 and September 1-15.

Food Pantry Hours

Thursdays 4:00-5:30 pm (314 West 2nd Street).

Divine Mercy

To order Divine Mercy signs please contact Bill Gegg at 636-667-7867 or Ken Obermark at 636-358-3053 or 636-239-7456.

SFB Roundtable

Parishioners that would need help with minor projects around the house, transportation, home visits, or other needs. Contact Bill Gegg at 636-667-7867.

Pastoral Council

Matthew Becker	Sue Holdmeier	Emily Mueller
Christy Bleckman	Mary Kleeekamp	Scott Obermark
Katie Bohle	Gwen Mauntel	Betsey Schulze
Ellen Clark (Chair)	Les Logan	Dan Sullentrup (Vice Chair)
Tim Eagan	Mary Ann Moosmann	

School Board

Jodi Baumker	Kathy Haddox	Kristy Stoyer (Chair)
Marie Gillen (Secretary)	Nicole Larrison	Danielle Unnerstall (V Chair)
Connie Groff	Linda Pahl	Justin Voss



Dear Parishioners,

School is back in session and so far the semester is off to a great start. We are so blessed with a fine faculty, staff, and student body. Of course we couldn't operate the school without your generous support, so we are very grateful for you and your prayers for our school community.

Our Parish Breakfast will start again next week! Come one, come all next Sunday morning. I hope to see you there! If you would like to volunteer or take a shift, please contact Dominic Gildehaus at 314-402-2490 or dbildehaus@att.net

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord which begins the public ministry of Jesus. This Feast marks the end of the liturgical season of Christmas. Let's pray that we can embrace the mission Jesus entrusts to us as He calls us to share in His mission of love and mercy.

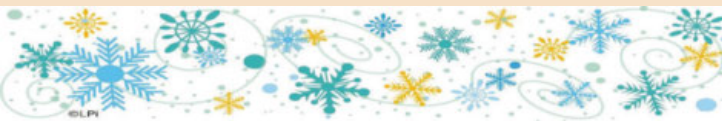
As we are ending the Christmas season, we will be taking down our Christmas decorations in church tomorrow (Monday), January 10th beginning at 3:00 p.m. If you have a bit of time you could share to help, we'd be grateful.

It seems as if we are experiencing a time where viruses of different types are spreading. As a reminder, if you are sick or experiencing any symptoms of Covid, please consider participating in Mass via our livestream from home. There is never an obligation to attend Church if you are sick. Thanks for doing what we can to keep others safe and healthy.

Have you seen our beautiful new Offertory Table in Church? It was hand made by our very own parishioner, Gerald Tallman. Gerald and his wife, Connie, donated the inlaid wood of different types and handcrafted the table! Wow! If you haven't seen it, take a look. Another example of Stewardship in action here at St. Francis Borgia! We are blessed!

Have a great week! Thanks for all you do to support our Parish Family.

Fr. Mike Boehm



Roses for Life Campaign

The Knights of Columbus Fr. Seisl Council 1121 will be having it's annual Roses for Life Campaign on the weekend of January 8-9. Postcards which will later be mailed to our local and national leaders, will be available after each weekend Mass in Jesuit Hall to be signed. In addition the Knights will be accepting donations which will go to our local Pregnancy Assistance Center. We thank you in advance for your support of Pro Life and protection of the unborn.

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH



SUNDAY (1/09) THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

- 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am | Masses
- After Masses | BBQ Sale (JH Gathering Area)
- After Masses | Roses for Life
- 6:00 pm | Regional Youth Mass (Church)
- 7:00 pm | High School Youth Group Meeting (NDH)

MONDAY - FRIDAY

- 6:30 am | Rosary
- 7:00 am | Mass

MONDAY (1/10)

- 7:00 pm | Grateful Hearts (JH Library, 1st Floor)
- 3:00 pm | Taking down Christmas decorations (Church)

TUESDAY (1/11)

- After 7:00 am Mass | Confessions
- 7:30 am - 6:30 pm | Eucharistic Adoration
- 8:00 am - 2:00 pm | Quilters (Middle School Bldg)
- 6:30 pm | Mass (Church)
- After 6:30 pm Mass | Confessions (Church)
- 7:00 pm | RCIA (JH Franciscan Room)

WEDNESDAY (1/12)

- 7:45 am | Cenacle Meeting (JH Choir Room)
- 3:15 pm | Children's Choir Practice (JH Choir Room)
- 6:00 pm | PSR (Grade School)
- 6:30 pm | Cenacle Meeting (JH Library)
- 7:00 pm | Choir Practice (JH Choir Room)

THURSDAY (1/13)

- 7:45 am | Bible Study (JH Choir Room)
- 1:00 pm | Fatima Rosary (Church)
- 4:00 - 5:30 pm | Food Pantry (314 W 2nd Street)
- 5:30-8:00 pm | Burger Night (KC Hall)
- 6:00-8:00 pm | Middle School Youth Group Meeting (OLL)
- 7:00 pm | School Board Meeting (NDH)

FRIDAY (1/14)

SATURDAY (1/15)

- 7:30 am | Rosary before Mass (Church)
- 8:00 am | Morning Mass
- After 8:00 am Mass | Confessions (Church)
- 3:30-4:15 pm | Confessions (Church)

SUNDAY (1/16) SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am | Masses
- 7:30-11:00 am | Parish Breakfast (Cafeteria)
- 6:00 pm | Regional Youth Mass (Church)
- 7:00 pm | High School Youth Group Meeting (NDH)



BBQ Pork Steak & Pork Burger Sales

ProLife Group will be selling BBQ Pork Steaks & Pork Burgers after all the Masses on Jan. 8 & 9 weekend. Benefits go to East Central Area Missouri Right to Life to support Pro-Life programs and activities for the upcoming year. Our main focus is to help overturn Roe v. Wade as well as closing down Forest Park Planned Parenthood. Please come and help support our Pro-Life efforts.

Parish Support

December 26, 2021

We are grateful for your continued support and sacrifice to our parish.

Sunday Offertory Envelopes	\$ 16,722.00
*IRA Contributions	\$ 10,555.00
Loose Offering	\$ 28,682.25
Electronic Offering	\$ 8,141.42
Sunday Offertory Total	\$ 64,100.67
Weekly average for the month of December	\$ 33,266.14

ADDITIONAL THANKS

Tuition Assistance	\$ 465.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 230.00
Food Pantry	\$ 5,875.00
Parish Endowment	\$ 20.00
Grade School Support	\$ 20.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$ 105.00
Seminary Collection	\$ 2,042.00
Easter Offering	\$ 11.00
St. Louis Review	\$ 35.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 60.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 10.00
Christmas Offering	\$ 8,784.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 116.00
First Offering	\$ 40.00

<u>DIVINE MERCY (SIGNS)</u>	\$ 1,798.00
<u>FOOD PANTRY</u>	\$ 715.00

Parish Support

January 2, 2022

We are grateful for your continued support and sacrifice to our parish.

Sunday Offertory Envelopes	\$ 7,608.00
*IRA Contributions	\$.00
Loose Offering	\$ 956.15
Electronic Offering	\$ 12,245.00
Sunday Offertory Total	\$ 20,809.15
Weekly average for the month of January	\$ 20,809.15

ADDITIONAL THANKS

Tuition Assistance	\$ 571.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 145.00
Food Pantry	\$ 1,235.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 25.00
Grade School Support	\$ 55.00
All Saints Day	\$ 50.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$ 50.00
Seminary Collection	\$ 175.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 50.00
Divine Mercy	\$ 100.00
Christmas Offering	\$ 75.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 614.00
First Offering	\$ 641.00
St. Louis Review Subscription	\$ 205.00
Missionary Coop	\$ 100.00

<u>DIVINE MERCY (SIGNS)</u>	\$ 6,200.00
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**INDIVIDUAL DONOR CONTRIBUTIONS FROM IRA ACCOUNT, OR DONOR ADVISED FUNDS. THANK YOU!*



SHOP & EARN NEWS

WEEK OF

DECEMBER 14, 2021—JANUARY 3, 2022

Total Sales \$34,525.00

Tuition Credit \$779.77

Total School Operating Budget \$779.76

5% Return • 85 Parish Family Orders • 54 Online Orders

Shop and Earn will be selling from Notre Dame Hall (115 Cedar Street) from 9:00 am-4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Also open in Jesuit Hall Gathering Area after the 4:30 pm Saturday Mass and on Sundays after the 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses.

Shop and Earn Looking for Volunteers

Shop and Earn is looking for some volunteers to sell scrips 1/2 hour after Saturday 4:30 pm Mass and 2 hour shifts on Sundays from 8:00 am - 12:15 pm.

Please email at shopandearn@borgiaparish.org for more information and open slots. Thank you in advance.

Parish Breakfast Looking for Help

Looking for committee members and volunteers to help with the Parish Breakfast. Please contact Dominic Gildehaus at 314-402-2490 or Ann Kopp at 636-390-3861 for more information.

ST. FRANCIS BORGIA
Parish Breakfast

JANUARY 16

7:30 - 11:00 AM

ALL YOU CAN EAT!

ADULTS: \$10

CHILDREN 6-11: \$5

UNDER 6: FREE

- Cinnamon Rolls, Pancakes
- Scrambled Eggs, Bacon
- Bone-In Ham, Hash Browns
- Fresh Fruit, Biscuits & Gravy
- Coffee, Milk & Juice



Thank you to our Sponsors:
Mantle Heating & Cooling

SFB GRADE SCHOOL CAFETERIA | 225 CEDAR ST | WASHINGTON, MO



Andrew George Bolzenius

Son of Brian & Carolyn (nee Kuenzel) Bolzenius



FOOD PANTRY

Thursdays, 4:00 - 5:30 PM (Use the back parking lot, 314 West 2nd Street). For the month of December the

Food Pantry served 110 families and 306 persons, for a YTD of 1201 families and 3267 persons. Thanks for your continuous generosity. Ron Kuebler, Coordinator

Stewardship Reflection

“John answered them all, ‘I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...’ ” (LUKE 3:16)

The Catholic Catechism states that *“Jesus’ immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God’s will.”* In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.



Please Pray For All Those Serving In Our Military and Especially For...

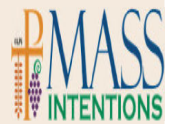
Owen Buchheit	Jessica K. Lamecker	Coty Ruether
Travis Branson	Derek Marquart	Bailey Scherer
Patrick Feldmann	Jacob Maune	Jamie Skornia
Eli Garcilaso	Ben Meyer	Ken Stallmann
John Heisler	Keaton Nabors	Jacob Willett
Lindsay Heisler	Amber Ortmeyer	Shayne Yenzen
Zak Hill	Peyton Struttmann	
Kelly Kosewicz	John Rudlof	



Randy Alfermann
John Avooske
Mary Bay
Marilyn Beanblossom
Steve Brunsman
Lisa Buhr
Julie Konys Colson
Msgr. Jack Costello
Jeff Todd Dieckhaus
Regina Dutkiewicz
Charles Eckelkamp
Anita Emerson
Sr. Michaelanne Estoup
Francis Filla
Cindy Finder
Sharon Fischer
Cole Fletcher
Ella Furjes
Keith Gansmann
Gus Garbs
Leslie George
Allen Gephardt
Rosalie Gerschfske
Ralph Gildehaus
Connie Hagedorn

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Mike Hamann
Charlotte Heimann
Ray Hilke
Barb Hill
Sheila Jenkins
Mary Ann Kamler
Marian Kampschroeder
Marylee Kimminau
Ken Kimminau
Randy Kleinheider
Steve Kluesner
Diane Koirtyohann
Larry Konys
Wanda Konys
Paul Kopp
Annette Kossman
Juanita Lauchstaedt
Donna Lindsey
Dr. Jake Lippert
Doug Magac
Sr. Reine Marie Martin
Bill Mattson
Anna McLean
Kristian McDonald
Bev McKee
Myles McLaughlin
Richard K. Meyer
Don Murphy

Dennis Noelker
Nicole Parrott
Carolyn Peck
Neal Peters
Nathaniel Pfitsinger
Barbara Philipp
Cloyce Phillips
Joan Piontek
Karen Scheer
Marian Schelich
Christine Skornia
Connie Steinhaus
Robyn Stockhorst
Leonard Struckhoff
Florence Tenholder
Herb Tobben
Marlene Tobben
Richard Toben
Shae Veach
Collin Warrender
Judy Wyatt
Ann Wessel
Mark Wessel
Ken Westhoelter
Patty Westhoelter
Katie Wright
Jackie Zeitzmann
For all shut-ins and all those in nursing homes.



Sunday, January 9 *The Baptism Of The Lord*

7:00 am Anna McLean
9:00 am People of the Parish
11:00 am Stacy Schlueter

Monday, January 10

7:00 am Eleanor Eckelkamp

Tuesday, January 11

7:00 am Paul & Shirley Kuenzel
6:30 pm Robert Burbott

Wednesday, January 12

7:00 am Lyle Howell

Thursday, January 13 *St. Hilary*

7:00 am Anna McLean

Friday, January 14

7:00 am Mary Griffard

Saturday, January 15 *Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00 am Marvin Maune
4:30 pm Barb Noelker

Sunday, January 16 *Second Sunday In Ordinary Time*

7:00 am People of the Parish
9:00 am Grenville Sutcliff II
11:00 am Jim & Ina Filla

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/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: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/ Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 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]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11



Please remember in your prayers the souls of


Margaret Rothschild
Kenneth Schmitt
Mary Ann Saucier

May God welcome them and bless those who will miss them.



II Emily Grahl & Andrew Beckermann, Jr.

"My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God."



Rosary Rally
Thursday
January 13th

1:00 pm
 St. Francis Borgia Church

You are invited to join us as we ask the Blessed Mother's intercessions for our personal needs and those of our society.

All are welcome to pray with us!

**Naming & Commendation:
 Find Comfort, Healing & Hope...**

Sunday, January 23
St. Francis Borgia Church
1:00 p.m.



"I am the Resurrection and the life." - John 11:25

All are welcome to attend **Naming & Commendation**, a prayer service developed by the Archdiocese of St. Louis to meet the needs of families whose child died before birth for any reason (including miscarriage, accident, abortion or still birth). Parents and families of any religious background are invited to attend, whether the loss was recent or long ago. Naming & Commendation will start at **1 p.m. at St. Francis Borgia Parish in Washington on Sunday, January 23**. The rite, celebrated by **Fr. Michael Boehm**, will offer parents and families an opportunity to name the child, bring peaceful closure to great loss, and unite with our merciful God.

- To RSVP or for more information, please contact Jane Maune at janemaune@hotmail.com or 636-432-6781.
- To help spread the word about the January 23 event on social media, <https://www.facebook.com/events/256748876234329>
- To learn more or bring this rite to your parish, email pro-life@archstl.org or visit (click, then scroll): <https://www.archstl.org/respect-life-apostolate/programs/pastoral-care>

Dynamic Catholic, *Alive!* – Prayer

We hear in this week's Gospel about how Jesus visited John the Baptist and was baptized with water. We also hear that after His baptism, Jesus took time to pray. Jesus was commissioned by God for a large and vital mission, and He knew that He only had three short years to accomplish it! His example shows us that no matter how busy we are or how much we have to do it is vital that we take time to pray. In fact, the examples shown by Jesus and many of the saints teach us that the need to take time to pray grows with the busyness of our lives. Please, Jesus, instill in all of us the desire to build a deeper relationship with you through prayer. Amen.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

January 9, 2022

WATCH

**REBORN - EPISODE 1:
 A NEW CREATION**

This week, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will come to understand the deeper meaning behind your Baptism!



**LECTIO: MARK, EPISODE 2:
 PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD**

Jesus couldn't have been baptized without a baptizer. Join Dr. Tim Gray as he explains the opening verses of Mark's Gospel that depict the ministry of John the Baptist – the man who would baptize Jesus.

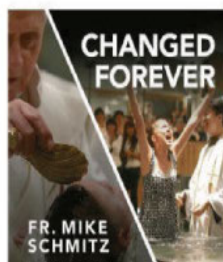
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LISTEN

**CHANGED FOREVER: THE
 SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM BY FR.
 MIKE SCHMITZ**

Renowned Catholic speaker and priest, Fr. Mike Schmitz, explores the beautiful gift of the Sacrament of Baptism. In this talk, Fr. Mike provides a wonderful presentation on the waters that give new life!



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Kids Corner

READ THE
GOSPEL &
COLOR



When you were baptized, a priest sprinkled holy water over your head. He said, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." God said, "This is my child in whom I am well pleased." Tell God you are glad you are his child. Tell him you will obey his laws. Tell him that you love him with your whole heart, soul, body, and mind.

PRAYER

Holy Spirit, I want to be a good child of God.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

I will talk to God when I first wake up each morning.

REGIONAL YOUTH MASS

PRAISE
and
WORSHIP

ALL AREA YOUTH
THIS MASS IS FOR YOU!
BRING YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILIES

SUNDAYS | 6PM
ST. FRANCIS BORGIA CHURCH
WASHINGTON MO

Join Us for

washMO
YOUTH GROUP

*All Area High School
Students Welcome!*

Faith, Fun & Friends

**SUNDAY
EVENINGS**

Following the
6pm Regional Youth Mass
until 8:30 pm
SFB Notre Dame Hall

For more info,
email Fr. Tony Ritter:
fritter@borgiaparish.org





Fun & Faith with Friends!

**WASHINGTON AREA
MIDDLE SCHOOL
YOUTH GROUP**

For All 6-7-8th Graders!

THURSDAY - JAN 13
6:30-8:00 pm @ OLL

For more info email Fr. Tony Ritter: fritter@borgiaparish.org

SFB Library

There are two locations for checking out books - the main library downstairs and the “**Satellite Library**” rack and shelves on the main level of Jesuit Hall. **PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE BOOKS OR DVDS FROM EITHER LOCATION WITHOUT FILLING OUT THE CHECKOUT CARD FROM YOUR BOOK/DVD.** The completed cards can be put in the boxes located to the left of the rack upstairs, or on the checkout table in the library downstairs. If you have any questions, send an email to sfblibrary@borgiaparish.org

Thank you!

SFBGS

8th Grade Burger Night

at the Knights of Columbus
Washington

**Thursday
JAN. 13, 2022
5:30 - 8:00 pm**

Dine In | Drive Thru | Carry Out

Our 8th Graders
will happily serve you
dinner tonight!

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CATHOLIC MEN FOR CHRIST

My name is Bill Gegg, a member of this parish for 35 years and I want to tell you briefly about the upcoming Catholic Men for Christ Conference which will be held at St. Louis University High School on Saturday, Feb. 12. This is a wonderful event sponsored by our Archdiocese and is usually attended by more than 1000 men. The speakers are always inspiring and challenge us men to live our faith. They tell you what you need to hear and don't sugarcoat anything! They help you to become better husbands, fathers, and overall better Catholic men. It is a day where our faith journeys are greatly enhanced. I have attended several of them, as well as many of my friends from our parish. You can't come away from this day without having your faith recharged! There are still some tickets available for \$30 before Jan. 10; ticket prices go to \$40 after that date. Tickets are available at the parish office or call Bill Gegg at the phone number below. We will carpool or take a bus from the parking lot next to Farmers' Market at 7 a.m. that morning and return at approximately 5 p.m. Hope you can join us. My e-mail is: bill.egg@att.net or phone #: 636-667-7867 if you have questions.

I Hope I Am Like Him

"Who is this Christ? Is he like you?"

Perhaps you've heard this story, often attributed to the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta. A sick man asked her this question, as he marveled at her tireless service to himself and others in the name of someone named Jesus Christ.

"He is nothing like me," the saint is said to have answered. "But I hope I am like him."


Though the authenticity of this exchange cannot be verified, its message rings perfectly true: all the value of our stewardship lies in its relativity to the one in whose name we perform it.

Consider the figure of John the Baptist — a magnificent, towering character even purely from a literary or historical perspective. A martyr who fed on wild locusts and boldly spoke truth to power — a man so great some mistook him for the Messiah.

But why is he great? Because he prepared the way. All his accomplishments and escapades mean nothing if they are taken out of the context of salvation history. He only makes sense relative to Christ — and this is exactly as he wanted it. "One worthier than I is coming," he insists. And because of that humility and that total embrace of God's will, he is given one of the greatest honors in the New Testament — he baptizes the Son of God.

Let's examine our lives in the light of their relativity to Christ. How do we prepare the way? When Christ comes to us, what do we do? How do we leave ourselves open to be actors in God's plan?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS






*"So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come."
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YOTS Meeting

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2022 Roe v. Wade Annual Memorial Mass

Join the Respect Life Apostolate for the **Archdiocese of St. Louis Roe v. Wade Memorial Mass** celebrated by *Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski* on Saturday, January 15 at 10 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica. Mass will include the *Pro-Life Generation Memorial* and the *LifeLine Coalition collection*, which benefits thousands of local pregnant/parenting moms, children and families annually. The Rosary Procession to and from our state's last abortion facility follows Mass, which marks the 49th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision which legalized abortion on Jan. 22, 1973. The prayer vigil concludes with a reception and fellowship in Boland Hall.

- <https://www.facebook.com/events/681320415913059>
- Live-stream the Mass the day of: cathedralstl.org/live
- Learn more from the Respect Life Apostolate by contacting 314-792-7555, prolife@archstl.org or STLRespectLife.org



Seating is limited. Sign up today!

Grab your mask and a friend and join us as we peacefully protest the legalization of abortion in our country. Buses depart from several locations throughout the St. Louis area. Open for ages 7-107. Departure Date: Thursday, January 20. Return Date: Saturday, January 22. Cost: \$235.

For more information and to register online: www.MissouriLifeCaravan.org. Download the registration: mrl.eastern@yahoo.com or 314-434-4900

Interested in being a sponsor so someone else can attend the March for Life? You may donate online at www.MissouriLifeCaravan.org/sponsor or you can mail a check payable to 'Missouri Life Caravan' to 1000 Executive Parkway, Suite 229, St. Louis, MO 63141

Looking for Track & Field Coach

St. Francis Borgia Regional High School is looking for a track & field coach for the spring season. If you want more information or wish to apply, please contact Chris Arand, Activities Director, at 636-239-7871 ext. 118, or email chris.arand@borgia.com.



St. Francis Borgia Parish is looking for another Wedding Coordinator. This is a paid position. For more information please contact Connie Bullock at 636-346-2788 or the parish office.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

is excited to announce the following schedule for **IN-PERSON** weekend Experiences for the winter and spring of 2022. We will have in place all the needed precautions to provide a safe environment for participants. For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

- February 4-6, 2022—Courtyard Marriott Hotel in St. Peters, MO
- March 18-20, 2022—Villa Maria Catholic Life Center in Springfield, IL
- April 1-3, 2022—Courtyard Marriott Hotel in St. Peters, MO

On February 13th at 2:30 pm, join Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski at the Cathedral Basilica to celebrate the sacrament of Matrimony on World Marriage Day.

LITURGICAL BOOKS & LITURGICAL YEAR

Liturgical Workshop

The Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life..." What Catholics believe and ritualize invigorates their sense that Christ is present in the Eucharist and in their lives.

Thursday, January 27, 2022

4:00 - 6:00 pm

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*Limited to 40 attendees in person.

Light refreshments will be provided.

As catechists, ministers, educators or being part of the congregation, do we truly know the ways of our church? Do we understand the meaning and ways of the church documents? Do you know how to pray the Eucharist and Liturgical year in your lives?



Pilgrimage to Poland—August 2022

Hey, this is Father Tim Foy from St. John the Baptist-Gildehaus Parish, and I want to invite you on a very unique pilgrimage to Poland from Aug. 1-15, 2022! We will retrace many of the steps of Pope St. John Paul II and see the Wawel Castle and Cathedral, the Divine Mercy Shrine, St. Faustina's Convent, the Wieliczka Salt mine, and the heart of the trip is a walking pilgrimage from Krakow to the Black Madonna Shrine of Czestochowa (Note: our tour bus will accompany the pilgrims to provide a break if needed). The next two information meetings are at Holy Infant of Ballwin on January 30th at 1 pm and at Immaculate Conception of Dar-denne Prairie on the same day at 3 pm. Please call me with any questions at 636-583-2488.

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