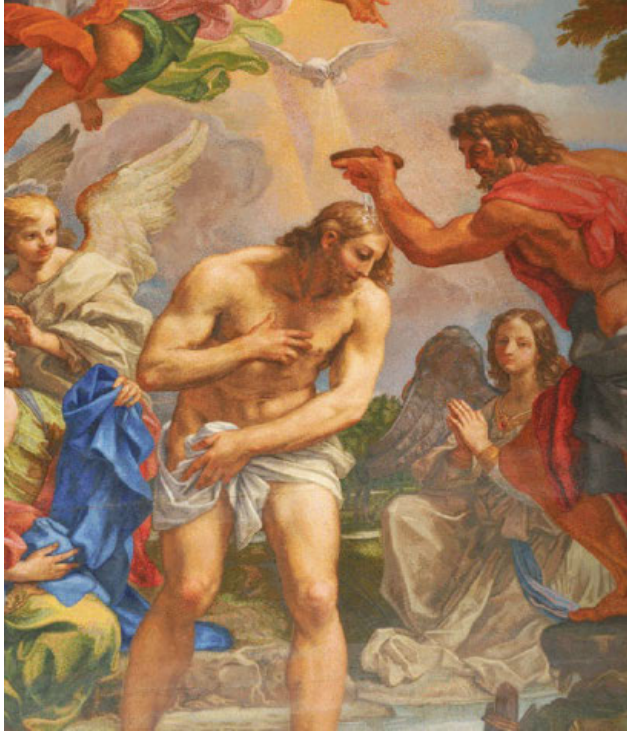




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January 9, 2021



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

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BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS:
 Monday-Friday 8:30-10:30 am

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PARISH REGISTRATION:
 Please call the Parish Office at 651 774-8675

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:
 Saturday 4 pm (Alternating with St. Casimir) — Sunday at 10:45 am

WEEKDAY MASS: Wednesday and Friday 8:30 am

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:30-3:50 pm

BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE:
 For Sacrament preparation, please call the Parish Office at 651 774-8675

ST. CASIMIR CHURCH: Phone: 651 774-0365

Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday 4 pm (Alternating with St. Patrick) — Sunday 9 am

SAINT PATRICK

MASS INTENTIONS **January 8 – January 16**

Sat. 4:00 pm For the People of St. Patrick
Sun. 10:45 am †James Dourney
Wed. 8:30 am †Ray Scheller
Fri. 8:30 am Oblate Intention
Sat. 4:00 pm Mass at St. Casimir
Sun. 10:45 am †Michael Payton

DECORATION TAKE DOWN

Please stay after Mass **today**, January 9, and help us take down the Christmas decorations in Church. Help is always appreciated! See Tom Gahler and he will assist you.

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office is closed Monday, January 17.

PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council on Thursday, January 20 at 6:30 pm.

HMONG MASS

Hmong Mass is on Sunday, January 30 at 12 pm.

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CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Please continue to support St. Patrick's Church financially by mailing in your contribution envelopes or dropping them in the mail slot by door 5, if you're unable to attend Mass.

NOVEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>
Income:	\$61,981.00	\$78,280.00
Expenses:	\$77,995.80	\$76,024.00
	(\$16,014.80)	\$2,256.00

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT

1-2-21 \$4,155.00
Thanks for your support!

Lectors

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, January 8 - 4:00 pm

David Pellowski *Jasmine Minor

Sunday, January 9 - 10:45 am

Houa Her *Kou Vang

Lectors

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, January 15 - 10:45 am

Mass at St. Casimir

Sunday, January 16 - 10:45 am

Wayne Craig *Joan Dourney

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND

Are you homebound? Would you like Communion brought to you? Please call the Parish Office at 651-774-8675 to make arrangements.



A Walk Through the Mass: A Step-by-Step Explanation

Preface and Acclamation. The priest enters into the Preface, a prayer which prepares us to come before the face of God. We are brought into God's presence and speak of how wonderful God has been to us. As the wonders of God are told, the assembly cannot hold back their joy and sing aloud: "Wow! Wow! Wow! What a God we have!" In the ritual language of the Mass, this acclamation takes the form: "Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts. / Heaven and earth are full of your glory."

Institution Narrative: Consecration. The priest continues the prayer, giving praise and thanks, and calling upon the Holy Spirit to change our gifts of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ. He then recalls the events of the Last Supper—the institution of the Eucharist. At this important moment in the prayer, we proclaim the mystery of faith. Several texts are possible, for example: "We proclaim your Death, O Lord, / and profess your Resurrection / until you come again." The priest continues recalling the wonderful deeds of salvation: the passion, death and resurrection of Christ.

SATURDAY 4 PM MASS SCHEDULE

January 8 - St. Patrick

January 15 - St. Casimir

January 22 - St. Patrick

January 29 - St. Casimir

Recruiting Altar Boy Servers

Our parish is grateful for the commitment of our Altar Servers; their service and dedication are an important part of our parish life. The place of the Altar Server in liturgical celebrations remains one of prominence and distinction, and therefore, our Altar Servers learn all matters concerning liturgical worship and strive to grasp their inner spiritual meaning. Their role, through assisting the priest, is to bring the assembly to a fuller understanding of the liturgy and a greater love for God.

The various tasks of an altar server usually include assisting with the book of prayers when the Presider reads from it, carrying various objects in procession, such as the processional cross and candles, and perhaps assist in cleaning up after Mass. The main task of the server is to model liturgical prayer with grace and reverence and enter whole-heartedly into the public worship of the community. Altar servers are expected to be familiar with the ebb and flow of liturgy, to anticipate each movement, cue and need. Altar server training sessions are offered throughout the year with the expectation of regular attendance.

We would like to invite and encourage parents with boys ages 9 on up to get involved with this beautiful opportunity to serve at the liturgies. For more info about how you can serve in this important ministry, please contact Kou Ly at 651-231-6559 or by email tkouly@gmail.com or the parish office. Thank you!

PATRICK'S PANTRY

We give donations of food and personal hygiene products to Merrick Center. **We cannot accept clothing.** If you are in need of help, please contact Micheal Danielson at 651-341-5532, Jeanne Driscoll at 651-771-2500 or the Parish Office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Deryl Cunningham, John Driscoll, Kitty Francy-Payton, Monica Lorang, Mike McCann, Jim Nagel, Howard Olson, Dan Printon, Randy R., Bernice Stroeing, Shirley Weiss, Jim & Gwen West.

FOR THE CHILDREN...

Sharing the Gospel

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.



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

Joe Duellman



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