

Pax Christi Catholic Church



January 9, 2022 - Baptism of the Lord

Encountering, becoming and sharing the Presence, Love and Peace of Christ

A Note from Our Pastor

We come to the end of our Christmas celebration this weekend, unless you are really hard core and celebrate until the Feast of the Presentation, February 2. The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is a nice way of rounding out our celebrations. We have been focused on the coming of Christ, Emmanuel, God-with-us, to repair our relationship to God that we damaged by our sinfulness. The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord observes the beginning of Jesus' public ministry.

Baptism is also the beginning of the life of faith for most of us. When I am in St. Cloud I will often stop at the Cathedral and visit the font in which I was baptized. It is a beautiful reminder to me of the gift that my parents gave me when they brought me to that font. Each time we enter the church we sign ourselves with holy water which is also a reminder to us of our baptism. What a gift.

This week our young people received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. It is always special to spend some time with them and share God's forgiving love with them. One of the things that I share with them is that all of us sin. It is important for them to place their own sinfulness in the context of the human condition. We don't want them to think of Reconciliation as something that is a punishment for them but a special sacrament that God gives all of us to help us in our spiritual life. Have you taken advantage of the opportunity to celebrate the sacrament recently? Many of us go before Christmas and Easter. But what about other times of the year? How is our own awareness of our sinfulness an invitation to experience this love of God? Among the graces of the sacrament is strength to resist temptation. I find that true in my life. After Confession I do find that God gives me special graces to resist those temptations to fall back into old patterns. Not necessarily that it brings about a permanent change but that I do recognize that if I turn to God, God will respond.

Several years ago, I came across a wonderful poem by Howard Thurman. It captures beautifully the idea that what we have been celebrating should have an effect throughout the year. It is called, "The Work of Christmas." When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
The work of Christmas begins:
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among brothers,
To make music in the heart.
May this work of Christmas be at the heart of your life in the coming year.

Fr. John Sauer

MASS

Saturday 5:15 pm

Sunday

7:30 † 9:00, 10:45 am

LIVESTREAM †

Watch live or view later.

[www.youtube.com/c/](http://www.youtube.com/c/PaxChristiChurch)

PaxChristiChurch

DAILY

T - 9 am

W - 9 am & 5:30 pm

TH - 9 am

F - 9 am

RECONCILIATION

Sat. 4-5pm or by
appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

4 am-11 pm

T, W & Th

Chapel

All are welcome any time!
For the door code or to sign
up for an hour:

**adoration.coordinator
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paxchristchurch.org

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Pastor
Fr. John
Sauer



Fr. Shawn
Haremza

Parish Life

Young Adult Ministry

THE CALL

CO-ED SILENT RETREAT
FEB. 25TH – FEB. 27TH

Save the date for our next co-ed
silent retreat coming in
February.

Please stay tuned to
[www.rochestercatholicmn.org/
silent-retreat](http://www.rochestercatholicmn.org/silent-retreat) for more information



I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to the many volunteers who made preparing for Advent so much fun. Not only did we have fun, but the children were engaged and captivated by everything that went on during the month of Advent. There were so many volunteers but I'd like to especially thank our leaders: Julie Viet, Val Broz, Judy Savage, Anne Bajzer, Stephanie Rauh, Rob Holland and Kathy Linder-Nigon.

I thank you all from the bottom of my heart and for Pax Christi's Family Ministry programs, we appreciate you and thank you.

In Christ,
Michelle L. Todd

EXPLORING THE MYSTERIES OF LIFE

The Search explores life's biggest questions, assists in finding or reigniting meaning and purpose, and strengthens one's faith. While *The Search* is video based, it is not meant just to be watched . . . and it is certainly not meant to be watched alone.



For seven weeks in January and February, Pax Christi will be hosting *The Search* Parties, video presentations and small group discussion.

Join our Search Party team. Discussion leaders, hospitality, and prayer intercessors are needed. Contact the parish office. (507) 282-8542.

Watch all episodes and learn more!
www.paxchristichurch.org/the-search

Knights of Columbus

Take Home Monthly Dinner

Enjoy a delicious dinner prepared by the Knights of Columbus. Pick up your pre-ordered meal by driving to the double glass doors between 3:30-6:45pm, cash or check only (change will not be given).

On January 22nd we will be serving Chicken Alfredo and Spaghetti with Meatballs.

*Dinner for 4 is also available for pick for \$15
Please place your pick up order by 4pm on Jan. 17 at*

<https://paxchristi.flocknote.com/signup/78629>



Prayer & Liturgy



Baptism of Our Lord

"Because of their baptism, all members of the People of God have become missionary"
~ Pope Francis

Readings for the Week

Monday January 10	1 Samuel 1:1-8 Psalm 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19 Mark 1:14-20
Tuesday January 11	1 Samuel 1:9-20 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd Mark 1:21-28
Wednesday January 12	1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20/ Psalm 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Mark 1:29-39
Thursday January 13	1 Samuel 4:1-11 Psalm 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25 Mark 1:40-45
Friday January 14	1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a Psalm 89:16-17, 18-19 Mark 2:1-12
Saturday January 15	1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a Psalm 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mark 2:13-17
Sunday January 16 <i>The Wedding In Cana</i>	Isaiah 62:1-5 Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3] 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 John 2:1-11

Mass Intentions

† Deceased

Monday, January 10: No Mass

Tuesday, January 11:

9:00 am Janine Ratto †

Wednesday, January 12

9:00 am Dave Robinson †

5:30 pm Vincent Zeien †

Thursday, January 13

9:00 am For Living & Deceased
Caytran's Family

Friday, January 14

9:00 am Glenn Siercks

Saturday, January 15

5:15 pm Jim O'Keefe † & Marion O'Keefe †
& Kathy Nolan †

Sunday, January 16

7:30 am Pax Christi parishioners

9:00 am Diane Pronschinske †

10:45 am Clifford Tibor †



Time, Talent & Treasure

KCs and Men of Pax Christi



Thank you to the volunteers from the **Men of Pax** and **Knights of Columbus** who donated their skills and time to paint 4 offices and a restroom in the Pax Christi offices.

Our offices are brighter and - even feel a bit larger with the new paint. Pax Christi is blessed with many generous parishioners, thank you for sharing your time and talents with us.



SYNOD 2021 -2023

Pope Francis has called for a Synod in 2023. He has asked his Bishops and the people of their Diocese to come together to discern where the Holy Spirit wishes to lead the Church in the third millennium. In order to do this, the Bishops have asked each parish to set up synod listening sessions to discern and answer some fundamental questions. Pax Christi will hold their synodal listening session on Sunday February 6. **Everyone** is welcome. The feedback from this listening session will be compiled and sent to our bishop at the end of February 2022 .

The Diocesan website <https://www.dowr.org/synod/index.html> has an introductory video by Father Will Thompson and great information. Watch the bulletin and parish website for more information to follow. Please prayerfully consider attending in February. The questions Pope Francis has asked us to consider are attached.

Mary Jane Jones
Session Coordinator



In the Gospel next week, at the wedding feast in Cana, Jesus reveals himself to his disciples and they began to believe in him. Everyday, God also gives us signs of his love and so we also can respond in faith and trust.

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul becomes a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them reason to believe and trust. Envelopes are located in the gathering space on the back tables OR you can use a regular envelope and send it to Pax Christi and put St. Vincent de Paul on the outside.

THANK YOU for your continued support
in these trying times we are
experiencing



*Thank you to all who donated
time and treasure to decorate
our church for Christmas.*

Catholic Community

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May 21 - 30, 2022

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Spiritual Director: Fr. Will Thompson



www.pilgrimages.com/frwillthompson



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Sept. 17-23, 2022

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faith-based-tours](http://www.ed-ventures.com/faith-based-tours)



TEC RETREAT

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

FEB. 19-21, SS. PETER AND PAUL

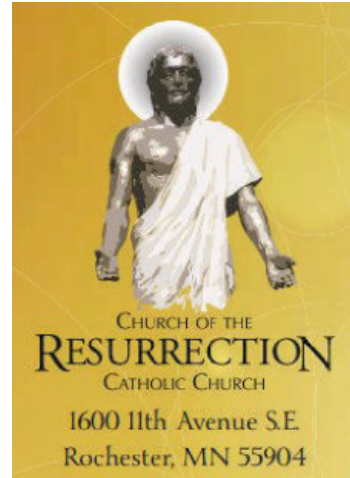
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Mercy Mission

February 19-21

Singer/songwriter/missionary disciple Steve Angrisano will offer workshops, discipleship talks, worship opportunities, and inspirational music. There will also be events specifically for children and youth.



More info & purchase tickets:
www.rescathroch.org/WP/mission

7th Annual Married Couples Retreat -

“Merciful Love”

February 18-19

Couples will reflect on the importance of Divine Mercy in marriage, enjoy a wine and cheese social Friday night, lunch and dinner on Saturday, and the beautiful scenery of the Lanesboro countryside.

Register now:

www.dowr.org/offices/life-marriage-family/

ROCHESTER ROSARY RALLIES

Join us Sundays for a Rosary Rally for our country, conversion, and peace. These rallies continue to be held near the Rochester Government Center at the corner of 4th St. SE and 3rd Ave. SE at 3 pm, lasting about 35 minutes.

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