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## JANUARY 9, 2022—BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Liturgy Schedule:  
Fall/Winter

St. Patrick Church  
At Oxford Ave. & Fulton St.

Sunday Masses (Nov.-Apr.)  
Sunday: 8:00 AM   
10:30 AM

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church  
At Division & N. Dewey Sts.

Weekday Masses (Nov.-Apr.):  
Not available at this time

Adoration:  
Monday: 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

Confessions:  
Not available at this time

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## 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 3:16c

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## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Entrance Song: On Jordan's Bank (*hymnal* #344—verses 1-4)

**Penitential Act (Confiteor):**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**Liturgy of the Word**

Please refer to *hymnal* #902 for the Readings and Responsorial Psalm.

**Profession of Faith:**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Glory to God:**

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to  
 peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless  
 you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you  
 thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav-en-ly King,  
 O God, al-might-y Fa-ther. Lord Je-sus Christ,  
 On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the  
 Fa-ther, you take a-way the sins of the world,  
 have mer-cy on us;  
 re-ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the right hand  
 of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. For  
 you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone  
 are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High,  
 Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the  
 glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

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**Readings for the week of January 9, 2022**

**Sunday:** Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22  
**Monday:** 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mk 1:14-20.  
**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20; (Ps) 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8; Mk 1:21-28.  
**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; 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 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12.  
**Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17.  
**Sunday:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

**Bulletin Info Deadline:** Kindly submit items at least 10 days, inserts 5 days, prior to bulletin date.



**RCIA: Interested in becoming Catholic?**

For info, please contact us at 715-832-0925 or email us at office@shspec.org.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:**

Parents who will be having a child baptized are required to attend one Baptism class. Attending class during pregnancy is ideal. Appointments will be made on an individual basis. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a meeting.



**PRAYER CHAIN:** If someone is seriously ill or facing surgery & prayers are needed or wanted, call Dee at 715-835-8347, or Mary at 715-514-4541.

**VOTIVE CANDLES:** If you would like to remember someone by having a candle lit, you can do so at \$5 for one 7-day candle. Candles are available at both churches.



**SH: Virgin Mary:** (A) Special Intentions SK (B)

**St. Joseph:** (A) † Rose & Linus Tupy (B) For Rev. Jazdzewski

**SP: Virgin Mary:** (A) (B)

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

Sunday, January 9

8:00 AM SP: † Debra Ann Olsen  
 10:30 AM SP: † William F. Keegan

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Sunday, January 16

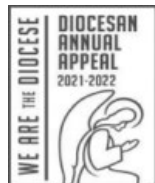
8:00 AM SP: † Dolores & George Leser  
 10:30 AM SP: † Florence & Art Knudtson

*Parish Support*

Fund	December 26, 2021	January 2, 2022
Envelopes	\$12,431.00	\$4,271.00
Plate	\$1,009.00	\$295.00
Other Funds	\$5,684.00	\$7,925.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$19,124.00</b>	<b>\$12,491.00</b>

**SCRIP Update: January 3, 2022**

Weekly Sales	\$1,975.00
Number of Orders	9
Returned to Parish	\$82.00
<b>Fiscal YTD (7/1/21-6/30/22)</b>	
Sales	\$107,925.00
Number of Orders	364
Returned to Parish	\$4,286.00



Parish GOAL: \$66,750.00  
 Received: \$37,384.00  
 Under Goal: \$29,366.00  
**We have raised 56% of our goal.**

**Thank you for your support!**

Join us on Mondays at Sacred Heart Church for:  
**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
 +8:30AM - 6:00PM+  
 or **LECTIO DIVINA** +6:00 PM+  
 Please use side door from parking lot.

**Religious Education:**

- Jan. 12 — Class 13; 6:15-7:30pm  
All classes meet.
- Jan. 15 — First Reconciliation  
Gr 2: 10:00am @ SH
- Jan. 19 — Class 14; 6:15-7:30pm  
All classes meet.

**+ MERRY CHRISTMAS! +**

**Sunday Instructions for Receiving Holy Communion:**

- \*First, all on St. Joseph's side (R) will come forward to receive, and then all on St. Mary's side (L).
- \*Form a single-file line, distancing between households. Those in outer sections move through the center section.
- \*At the front of the line will be a bottle of hand sanitizer, as well as a sign with instructions for dealing with your mask, if you are wearing one.
- \*All from the same side of church will use the same station to receive Communion. Stand at the † on your side of the church. Each household may stand together, shoulder to shoulder.
- \*You are encouraged to receive Communion on the hand. This may take time. We are not in a rush, so please don't feel that you have to be, either.

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 THE WOMB

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Join our Diocese's Pilgrimage for Life to Washington, D.C., Jan. 19-23. There has never been a more important time to join the March for Life in our nation's capitol, with the Dobbs case being heard by the Supreme Court and the possibility of Roe v. Wade being overturned. Deliberations will go on for many weeks, with a decision expected in June. Let us show the Supreme Court justices by our numbers and our passion that we stand strong for life. The diocese will be taking two coach buses, which means space is limited. Registrations will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Please see our website to read the registration letter, tentative schedule, and details, visit [diolc.org/yya](http://diolc.org/yya) & select *Pilgrimage for Life*.

INTERESTED IN EXPLORING THE PRIESTHOOD? Please contact Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, at 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at 608.791.2667.

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. ©LPi

## BINGO

Bingo is offered twice a month.  
 Next dates are Jan. 22 & Feb. 5.

Progressive Jackpot for Jan. 8 was \$500.00 with 49 numbers. For current jackpot details, visit [facebook.com/shspec](https://facebook.com/shspec).

Early Birds: 6:00/Bingo: 6:30pm.



### Volunteers are needed!

- **Caller:** (5:45 to 8:30 pm) Announce the bingo numbers to the players and verify a patron's bingo.
- **Floor Worker:** (5:50 to 8:30 pm) When a patron calls out 'Bingo!' you look at their card and, with the help of the Caller, verify that it is a Bingo.
- **Counter Help:** (4:45 pm to 8:30 pm) Sell cards, write prize checks, and count money.
- **Kitchen Help:** (4:00 to 7 pm) Sell concessions.

If you are interested in helping or would like more info, please contact the Parish office at [office@shspec.org](mailto:office@shspec.org). Your time and help are greatly appreciated!

### Bingo Workers Schedule

Callers: Jan. 22: Bill M/Feb. 5: Bruce H.

Table/Floor: Jan. 22: Jon B/Bev G

Feb. 5: John D/Sue D.

Kitchen: Jan. 22: Holly B/Shelley K/Trevor K/Therese K.

Feb 5: Shelley B/Claudette/Luann Mc.

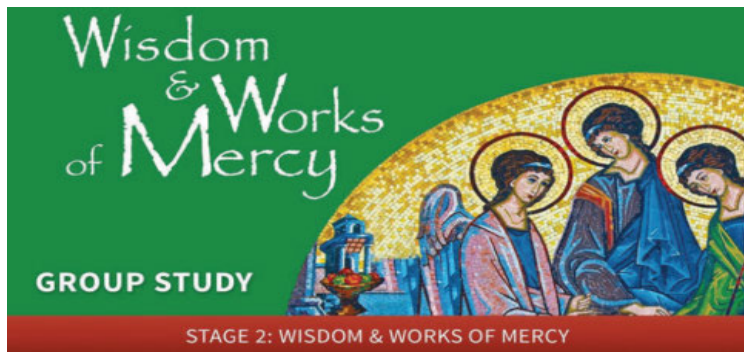


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**New Hope for Babies in the Womb? +PRAY FOR DOBBS+  
 +PRAY FOR OUR SUPREME COURT JUSTICES+**

*Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health* is the Supreme Court case that could overturn Roe v. Wade—the decision that made abortion legal in all 50 states. The hearing began Dec. 1, with a ruling expected in June. Please fast and pray for God's grace to touch our Supreme Court justices. Pray for them by name: John Roberts, Samuel Alito, Amy Coney Barrett, Brett Kavanaugh, Clarence Thomas, Neil Gorsuch, Sonia Sotomayor, Elena Kagan, and Stephen Breyer. Visit [PrayforDobbs.com](http://PrayforDobbs.com).

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*Preschool Open House*

<b>St. James Elementary School</b> Tuesday, February 8   4 to 6 p.m.	<b>St. Mary's Elementary School</b> Thursday, February 10   4 to 6 p.m.
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*Kindergarten Preview*

<b>St. James Elementary School</b> Tuesday, February 8   6 p.m. Friday, February 11   1 p.m.	<b>St. Mary's Elementary School</b> Thursday, February 10   6 p.m. Friday, February 11   10:30 a.m.
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**Immaculate Conception Elementary School**  
 Tuesday, February 15 | 6 p.m.

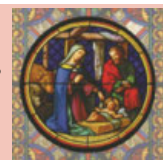
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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: SOJOURNER HOUSE:** If you would like to help serve a meal to guests on **Tues., Jan. 11**, please contact Phyllis Czech at 715-552-8199 to schedule.

**COMMUNITY TABLE:** Our turn sponsoring the evening meal at Community Table is **Tues., Jan. 18**. Sign up if you can help prep, serve, or clean up. Shifts are: Food Prep from 3:00-5:00pm & Serving/Clean-Up from 4:45-6:45pm. Contact Becky at 715-832-1303, or [rmattson711@gmail.com](mailto:rmattson711@gmail.com).

"THANK YOU" to all volunteers who helped during the Christmas Season. Those decorators, musicians, & ministers at Mass made our Christmas season very special.



**SAVE THE DATES: DETAILS TO COME:**  
 Catholic Schools Weeks ..... Jan.. 30-Feb. 6  
 Ash Wednesday ..... Mar. 2



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