JANUARY 9, 2022 The Baptism of the Lord

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Eucharist

Weekday (see schedule)

Adoration

Wednesday......9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sacraments

Reconciliation

By appointment only.

Anointing of the Sick

Call before hospital stay, if possible.

Infant Baptism

Call during pregnancy for dates of preparation class and Baptism.

Marriage

Allow 10 months for marriage preparation. Please call the Office for an appointment to set the date.

Annulment & Marriage Validation

Please call the Office for more information.

Joining the Catholic Church

RCIA process begins each September and leads to Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at Easter Vigil.

Scripture Readings-Cycle C

Week of January 09, 2022

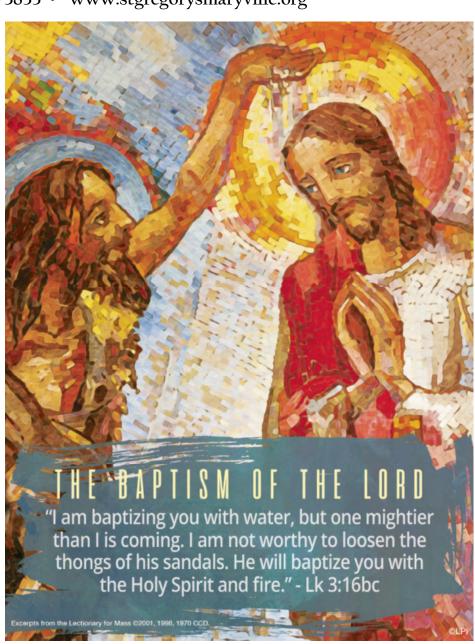
Sun: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/ Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Mon: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20 Tues: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/ Mk 1:21-28

Wed: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thurs: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/ Mk 1:40-45

Fri: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12 Sat: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17



MISSION STATEMENT

"We, the community of St. Gregory Barbarigo, are called forth in Baptism to follow the mission of Jesus to teach, to love, and to serve."

Today is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. It is the Sunday when we transition from Christmas Time to Ordinary Time. So next week is the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.

It has been suggested that I address some myths about the Catholic Church. These are things that non-Catholics (and some Catholics) believe about the Catholic Church, which usually indicates a misunderstanding about what we believe. I have a list of eight right now, and if you want me to address something like this, then submit your question to me and I will put it on the list.

Question #1 is: Catholics think they one can earn his/her way into heaven. Response: No, that is not true. Catholics believe that (except for Baptism by Desire) before baptism, we are in a state of separation from God due to the sin of Adam and Eve, called Original Sin. We cannot extricate ourselves from that predicament, so cannot achieve heaven or salvation or union with God, no matter how many "good deeds" we perform. Only God can cross that chasm. Fortunately, God does this by, sending the 2nd person of the Blessed Trinity to save us. To be saved, to attain heaven, we must believe that Jesus Christ became incarnate as God and man (totally both, born of Mary and conceived by the Holy Spirit), that he suffered, died, and rose from the dead in order to bridge the chasm which separated us and made possible our salvation. To make any progress towards union with God (heaven, salvation), we humans must believe the basics of salvation – that is the only way 'back' to God. But faith demands that we behave according to our belief, that our faith manifest itself not just as an intellectual conviction, but is also reflected in our actions. Jesus himself said that his disciple is "the one who hears the word of God and keeps it." The phrase "keeps it" is called love or works of charity which flow from our faith. James 1:22 says, "Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves." In James 2:17 it says that faith without works is dead. I like to say that faith is an assumption on which one bases his/her action(s). This is true on both the natural and supernatural level. On the natural level, if you believe that there is extraterrestrial intelligent life, you will favor spending money to look for communication from this life. If you don't, you won't. On the supernatural level, if you believe that we are called as humans to live in union with God for all eternity, it is something you will strive to accomplish while here on earth. I do need to add that after having made an act of faith in the saving actions of Jesus, actions of love which we do as a result of our belief in Christ do have merit, as these acts are done in union with the redeeming acts of Christ. Faith makes that possible.

Question #2: We worship Mary, not Jesus. This is a myth. We do not believe that Mary existed before she was conceived (as we do Christ), we do not see her as part of the Blessed Trinity (as we do Christ), we do not see her as conceived by the Holy Spirit (as we do Christ). We honor Mary in a special way as we would the mother of anyone who is special to us, more so because she is the mother of our savior. In this case, Jesus is God and man, God by the Holy Spirit and man by the nature which Mary agreed to give Him. She is special because she was favored by God ("Rejoice, O highly favored one!" said Gabriel), she is a model of what it means to be a disciple (to hear the word of God and keep it, to obey, cooperate in God's plan), she is thus a model of what the Church is meant to be, and she had privileges which are befitting of one who bore and reared the Son of God. It may appear to outsiders that we have more statues of Mary than Jesus, and emphasize devotion to Mary more than to Jesus, but it is our experience as Catholics that one who has a true devotion to Mary will always be lead by her to her son, Jesus Christ. To be continued. Please submit other questions you may have.

Let us have a blessed year in 2022!

Father Albert, O.S.B.

Parish Notes

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Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal. "To equip the holy ones for the work of ministry, for building up the Body of Christ." Ephesians 4:12

With your generous gifts, as of January 3rd, we have met 103% of our parish goal of \$36,000. Thank You!



Fiscal Year-To-Date Information (28 weeks) Envelope Goal for Fiscal Year-to-Date 2021-2022\$ Envelope Amount Collected 2021-2022\$	
Under Budget\$	9,463
Weekly Information	
Envelope Weekly Goal\$	18,476
Envelope for Dec 19,26, Jan 2\$	23,197
Plate for Dec 19,26, Jan 2\$	1,369
Online Giving\$	7,104
Immaculate Conception\$	30
Children's\$	15
Gifts to Church\$	180
Christmas\$	8295
Religious Retirement\$	125
Scholarship Asst\$	25
Religious Ed Trust\$	10
All Saints\$	25
All Souls\$	25
Gifts to School\$	635
Guild Due\$	115
Maintenance Fund\$	370
Solemnity of Mary\$	497
Thanksgiving\$	25
World Mission Sunday\$	75
Dropped off/mailed in\$	26,876
Children's Stewardship:	
I helped people.	
Weekend Mass Attendance: 339	

Upcoming Training Opportunities

Father Paul Turner will be here from the Diocese to conduct the following:

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Workshop Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 6:30 pm

Sick and Homebound Workshop Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 6:30 pm Please call the office for registration information



Eucharist Minister Training

Thursday, February 17th, 2022, 11:30 – lpm, Hotel Kansas City 1 228 Baltimore Avenue Kansas City, Missouri, 64105 Tudor Ball Room. Tables: \$1,000 Sponsorships.

Join Bishop Johnston for the 1st Annual St. John Vianney Luncheon to support the Seminarians of the Diocese of Kansas City – St. Joseph. We are pleased to launch this inaugural event as we look to support the young men in our diocese studying for vocations. This event will feature a celebration of the priestly vocation and all the work that is needed to ensure that we have priests for generations to come. Your support will help the Diocese to provide resources needed to support these young men on this special and important journey. This event will end promptly at 1 pm so that you may plan for your day. Those who wish to support by purchasing a table or donating may return this envelope or register online at www.kcsjcatholic.org.



Little Saints and CGS classes resume this next week at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, January 12th. Looking forward to seeing everyone!



Want to Help?

St. Gregory's offers time in Adoration each Wednesday following 8 AM Mass until the evening hours.

Certain people commit to spending time with the Blessed Sacrament in quiet prayer during that day.

We are never to leave Jesus alone on the altar, so there is a group of faithful people who help Adoration to happen in our parish. All are welcome to stop in to pray at any time.



One of our regular adorers will be gone January through March and we are needing one or two people willing to commit to 30 minutes with Jesus at 2:30 each Wednesday.

If you are interested and would like to help, please call Michele at 660-541-5157.

THE PEACE ROSARY



Following Mass each Wednesday morning, a group of people pray The Peace Rosary in our parish.

So what is the Peace Rosary? The Peace Rosary is a long tradition prayed by families in Croatia. The Rosary consists of 21 beads, arranged in seven groups of three beads, and a pendant or single bead. Begin by praying the Creed, on the first bead (or medal), then pray one Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory Be on each of the 3 beads respectively. All are welcome to join in this time of prayer!

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. (40:5)

PSALM:

O bless the Lord, my soul. (Ps 104)

SECOND READING:

He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. (Ti 3:5)

GOSPEL:

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 3:22)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9, 2022

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Other Information

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, Jan 15 – 5:00 pm Greeters: Annette Hill, Volunteer Lectors: Beth Schwartze Sacristan/EM: Mike Grudzinski

Communion Ministers: Catherine Barmann,

Ron Mathias

Head Usher: Don Crane

Ushers: Joe Barmann, Darren Farnan, Gary

Howell, Richard Pope, Larry Stiens
Live Stream/Projector Tech: Karen

Ceckowski

Sunday, Jan 16 – 8:00 am

Greeters: Glenda Conover, Tim Conover

Lectors: Ed Seipel

Sacristan/EM: Theresa Stiens

Communion Ministers: Brian Henggeler,

Daryl Stoll

Head Usher: Rick Smail

Ushers: Mike Driskell, Art Filips, Randy Frueh, Joe Meyer, Carol Owens, Kirby Stiens

Projector Tech: Michele Starke

Sunday, Jan 16 - 10:30 am

Greeters: Connolly Mayfield, Charles Mayfield, Rachel Mayfield, Hadlee Mayfield

Lectors: Mike Casteel Sacristan/EM: Kari Simpson

Communion Ministers: Lacy Auffert, Chris

Stiens

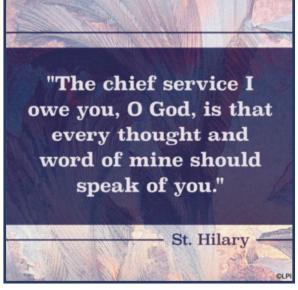
Head Usher: Russ Schuster

Ushers: David Carroll, Reggie Johansen, Charles Mayfield, Ray Schieber, Phil Smail,

Kieran Wilmes, Sue Wood

Projector Tech: Kathy Defenbaugh





Sunday,	Jan 9	
12:30 pm	Ecumenical Sunday E	Book Study (PH
1:00 pm	A&E	(CH)
Monday,	Jan 10	
5:00 pm	Manna Curbside/Deliv	very
Tuesday,	Jan 11	
5:30 pm	Baptism Prep	(PH)
Wednesda	ay, Jan 12	
9:00 am	Adoration until 6pm	(CH)
11:00 am	Staff Meeting	(PARLOR)
6:00 pm	Little Saints/EPIC	(ALL)
6:00 pm	School Advisory	(SCH)
7:00 pm	KofC	(RECTORY)

Thursday, Jan 13

6:00 pm RCIA/Salvation History Bible Study

Friday, Jan 14

No Scheduled Events

Saturday, Jan 15

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Collection

6:15 am Men's Group (PH)

Sunday, Jan 16

Catholic Home Missions Appeal Collection

10:30 am Baptism @ Mass

12:30 pm Ecumenical Sunday Book Study (PH)





The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse: 1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Jan 8

5:00 pm † Donald & Mary Ann Willis

Sunday, Jan 9

8:00 am † Sharon Farnan 10:30 am † Shirley Zech

Monday, Jan 10

12:00 pm Communion Service

Tuesday, Jan 11 12:05 pm † Bill Spire

Wednesday, Jan 12

8:00 am † Ron Wilmes [K-4]

3:30 pm † John Schulte

Thursday, Jan 13

8:00 am † Viola Ginther [5-8]

Friday, Jan 14

8:00 am † Roy & Pat Seipel

Saturday, Jan 15

5:00 pm † Ron Jackson

Sunday, Jan 16

8:00 am † Ron Wilmes

10:30 am † Pete & Beatrice Schieber

(† Indicates Mass for deceased person)

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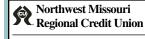
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