



9 January 2022  
Baptism of the Lord

# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC PARISH

## Light and Darkness

As the flashlights came on and our K-2 students began singing “This Little Light of Mine”, it became immediately clear that there was a different level of energy. It was the first time since 2019 that we have had an in-person concert at the school, and our students had an undeniable excitement that came out in word and song. Mrs. Laust brought back a "Lessons and Carols" theme, framing the musical pieces beautifully within the Christmas narrative. And she once again put together a program that was both memorable and high-quality. This was her 41st year directing a Christmas performance with students!! The concerts were broken into multiple showings, with separate times for Grades K-2 and 3-6. With almost 115 kids enrolled in the school, and a substantially higher number of parents and family members in attendance, multiple shows helped to spread out the crowd and avoid over packing the gym. Celebrating together was joyous, and the performances of the children pointed to a hope-filled mystery, the light shining through the darkness.

Our students hope for another round of activities and events as we look ahead to Catholic Schools Week, starting the last weekend of January and going into the first week of February. With so much uncertainty still this school year, we haven't made any definitive plans for Catholic Schools Week. But our students continue to look forward with that optimism and hope that seems to come more easily in children. We are thankful every day for our teachers, staff, parents and volunteers who make St. Joseph Parish School everything that it is. Catholic Schools Week is a time to thank all of them for their dedication and service, and to celebrate our students on their journey to where God is calling them to be. – Principal Magee



Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. • We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. • Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. • For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. • I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

# Music for Mass

☒ Entrance: Songs of Thankfulness & Praise (#459)

J. S. Bach

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| <p>1) Songs of thankfulness and praise,<br/>Jesus, Lord, to you we raise,<br/>Manifested by the star<br/>To the sages from afar;<br/>Branch of royal David's stem<br/>In your birth at Bethlehem;<br/>Anthems be to you address,<br/>God in flesh made manifest.</p> | <p>2) Manifest at Jordan's stream,<br/>Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;<br/>And at Cana, wedding guest,<br/>In your Godhead manifest;<br/>Manifest in pow'r divine,<br/>Changing water into wine;<br/>Anthems be to you address,<br/>God in flesh made manifest.</p> |
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Readings can be found at #1012

☒ Responsorial Psalm: All the Ends of the Earth

Nick Poss

All the ends of the earth have seen the glory of the Lord.  
All the ends of the earth have seen the pow'r of God.

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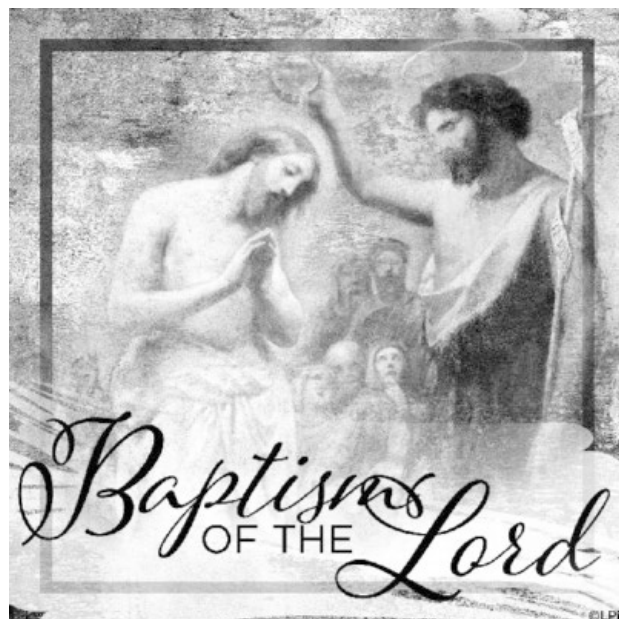
☒ Preparation: I Have Loved You(#588)

Michael Joncas

*Refrain:* I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you and you are mine;  
I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you and you are mine.

- 1) Seek the face of the Lord and long for him: He will bring you his light and his peace.
- 2) Seek the face of the Lord and long for him: He will bring you his joy and his hope.

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## MASS INTENTIONS

4:00 PM Saturday 8 January  
Chuck Mueller by Ron & Anita Sterud  
8:00 AM Sunday 9 January  
Peter Kelly by Family  
10:00 AM Sunday 9 January  
Parishioners  
8:15 AM Tuesday 11 January  
No Mass  
8:15 AM Wednesday 12 January  
No Mass  
8:15 AM Thursday 13 January  
No Mass  
4:00 PM Saturday 15 January  
John Mercord by Joan Baker  
8:00 AM Sunday 16 January  
LeRoy Tobias By Cindy Early  
10:00 AM Sunday 16 January  
Parishioners

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## BREAD AND WINE

Our Eucharist bread and wine for the month of January has been donated IMO the Beeler and Cotter Families, by Mary Beeler.

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## PRAYER CORNER

Please keep the following in your prayer.

Norm Killian; Anita Casey (Darla Ironside's Sister-Inlaw); Jessica Sabelko, Laura Kemmerer; Denise Cornell (Sylvia Falteisek's daughter); Jana Morrow (Walt & Carol Matzek's Daughter); Eileen Chase (Rich Niebur's mom); Kelly Niebur (wife of Ryan); Jackie Unser; Bill Casperson (Nancy Peterson's brother); Robert Hei (Shirley Hei's Son); Dwight Hollen; Kristi Meier; Evan Horn; Richard Cornell; Dick Baker; Casie Johnson; Richard Hulne; Mike Meier; Jerry Killian; Michael "Chip" O'Brien; Leslie Cobian; Marv Lindseth; Julie Murchinson; Gracie Magnan (daughter of Peter & Jessie); George Johnson; Shirley Hei; Betty Armstrong; Jerry Hoss (brother of Janet Cleary); Bernie Wisniewski; Roberta Bradford (Shirley Dehning Granddaughter); Butch Carroll (Roxie's Husband); Boyd Huppert; Theresa Hei; Sharon Heikkila; Alice Mercord; Mike Ptacek and all the parishioners who are homebound or in the nursing home.

*To add a name to the prayer corner, call 715-262-5310. Names will remain on the list for one month, unless the parish office is notified otherwise.*

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Sundays during the 10am Mass** we have classes for 4-, & 5-year-old children downstairs. Register anytime. (Stories of God's Love")

**January 5<sup>th</sup>** Canceled

**January 12<sup>th</sup>** Classes for Grades 1-9 with grades 7-9 in the gym for prolife speaker, Please wear MASKS  
Any questions: Call or email Carol at 715-262-3514 or 651-208-4449 or [carolmercord@stjosephprescott.com](mailto:carolmercord@stjosephprescott.com)

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### "THE REAL JESUS:

### Who is He....and How Can We Know?"

Mark your calendars: Wednesday, January 26, 2022, Supper 5PM, presentation to follow. Presented by Fr. Mark Pierce.  
More information to follow.



Prayers are kindly requested for parishioner John Mercord who passed away 3 January 2022. John's funeral will be held this May due to rising Covid cases. We extend our sympathy to his family and friends.

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## FINANCIAL NEWS

Adult Envelope Contributions	\$13,711
Monthly ACH Contributions	\$12,662
Offertory	\$ 164
Works of Charity	\$ 150
Immaculate Conception	\$ 179
Special Parish Donation	\$ 240
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 30
Christmas Offering	\$ 9,033
Christmas Flower Offering	\$ 20
<b>Total for week ending 12-26-2021</b>	<b>\$36,189</b>
Adult Envelope Contributions	\$ 7,539
Offertory	\$ 348
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 1,090
Christmas Offering	\$ 4,545
Special Donation IMO Dar Pedersen	\$ 800
<b>Total for week ending 1-2-2022</b>	<b>\$14,322</b>

Thank you for your continued generosity to the Church. If you need a contribution statement for 2021 please call the Parish office at. (715) 262-5310 or email us at [ParishOffice@StJosephPrescott.com](mailto:ParishOffice@StJosephPrescott.com)

# 2022 ST. JOSEPH GALA



**Tickets are now for sale ONLINE for Disco Knights**  
 January 29th 6pm-11pm @ Ptacek's Event Center  
<https://event.gives/discoknights>

Donations are still being accepted for the Silent Auction, Live Auction and Class Baskets. Please drop your donations off at the school office. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



**Saturday, 15 Jan. • 4:00 pm    Sunday, 16 Jan • 8:00 am**

Rob Daugherty	Lector 1	Dar Hovel	Lector 1 & 2
Pat Eich	Lector 2	Ashley Keller	Server
Thomas Rynda	Server	Gary Hovel	Usher
Scott Henrich	Usher	Nick Hovel	Usher
OPEN	Usher		
Andrew Henrich	Video		

**Sunday, 16 Jan • 10:00 am**

Jenny Brazzale	Lector 1
Patrick Leahy	Lector 2
Anne Markert	Server
Don Sabelko	Usher
Chad Lubich	Usher

Lector 1 • 1st reading  
 Lector 2 • 2nd reading  
 & petitions

**Money Counters**

First National Bank  
 Monday, 17 January • 9:00 am  
 Roger Boros  
 Rich & Sue Matzek

We are so excited to kick off another year of our "Have a Ball" Raffle!

Pick Your Favorite Number for a Chance to Win **BIG!**  
 Here's how it works: Pick a number from 1-100

- Each number has a corresponding ping-pong ball.
- During the Gala event, we will have a live broadcast of the balls being chosen and the winners announced!

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1st Place: \$2,500, 2nd Place: \$1,500, 3rd Place: \$1,000  
 Price: \$100 per number

*How to purchase your raffle ball?*

Contact: Holly Randolph [hllvrsn645@gmail.com](mailto:hllvrsn645@gmail.com)

Veronica Wittek [veronicawittek@gmail.com](mailto:veronicawittek@gmail.com)

Or email the Gala committee @ [sjpsgala@gmail.com](mailto:sjpsgala@gmail.com)

## Contact Information

**PARISH STAFF**

Rev. Mr. Gerald T. Rynda	.....Deacon
Chris Magee	.....School Principal
Carol Mercord	.....Director of Religious Education
Rita Johnson	.....Parish Administrative Assistant
Ann Schwebach	.....Finance and Benefits
Crystal McCarthy	..... School Administrative Assistant
Howie Kittleson	.....Building & Grounds Manager
Don Sabelko	..... Cemetery Sexton

**PHONE**

Parish Office	.....715-262-5310
St. Joseph's School	.....715-262-5912, Fax 715-262-5901
Religious Education	.....715-262-3514
Don Sabelko, Cemetery Sexton	.....715-262-3123

**OFFICE HOURS**

Closed Monday & Friday; 9:00 am-3:00 pm Tuesday to Thursday

**DEVOTIONS**

Perpetual Help Novena

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

A class for new and expecting parents is held quarterly. Parents must be registered as parish members prior to attending the class. Call the parish office for more information. Baptisms are not celebrated during the Lenten season.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Couples planning marriage should contact the parish office at least six months in advance. Marriages are not celebrated during the Lenten season.

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

Contact the Parish Office to make an appointment with the pastor.

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK**

Holy Communion is brought to the sick and homebound every Wednesday. Those who are seriously ill or anticipating surgery should contact the parish office to arrange for the Anointing of the Sick.

**PARISH BULLETIN**

Items for the weekly bulletin must be in the parish office by Friday at 12:30pm. (i.e. 9 days before the bulletin date)

PARISH WEBSITE..... [WWW.STJOSEPHPRESCOTT.COM](http://WWW.STJOSEPHPRESCOTT.COM)

PARISH EMAIL.....[parishoffice@stjosephprescott.com](mailto:parishoffice@stjosephprescott.com)

Finance .....[finance@stjosephprescott.com](mailto:finance@stjosephprescott.com)

✠ Communion: Behold The Lamb (#939)

Martin Willett

- 1) Those who were in the dark are thankful for the sunlight;  
We who live, we who die are grateful for this gift, thankful for God's love.

*Refrain:* Behold, behold the Lamb of God.  
All who eat, all who drink shall live;  
and all, all who dwell in God,  
shall come to know God's glory!

- 2) Peaceful now, those whose hearts are blessed with understanding  
Of the wheat, of the wine united with God's word and the love we share.

- 3) Gentle one, Child of God, join with us at this table.  
Bless our lives; nourish all who hunger for this feast; shelter them with peace.

- 4) Lord of all, give us light. Deliver us from evil.  
Make us one; be our shield. Make still the winds that blow; cradle us with love.

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✠ Communion: I Received the Living God (#916)

Proulx

✠ Closing: Joy to the World (#437)

Isaac Watts

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| 1) Joy to the world! the Lord is come:<br>Let earth receive her King;<br>Let ev'ry heart prepare him room,<br>And heav'n and nature sing,<br>And heav'n and nature sing,<br>And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing. | 2) Joy to the world! the Savior reigns:<br>Let us, our songs employ;<br>While fields and floods, rocks,<br>hills, and plains<br>Repeat the sounding joy,<br>Repeat the sounding joy,<br>Repeat, repeat the sounding joy. |
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We joyfully welcome, **Cameron Charles Jenkins**, son of **Josh & Becca Jenkins** who was baptized into our parish on 2 January 2022.

We joyfully welcome, **Liam Ronald Geiger**, son of **Cole & Megan Geiger** who was baptized into our parish on 2 January 2022.

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