SAINT ANN - SAINT JOSEPH
Harpers Ferry
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
Wexford
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New Albin

Stewardship - share Jesus’ love
“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”
— Mark 1:11b

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From the Desk of Father Smith

Well, I have to change my opening lines of this bulletin, because my grandson was born Tuesday morning at 3:53 am! He is beautiful, 7 pounds 4 ounces, and baby, mom and dad are doing great! As I write this, I still haven’t been told his name. I would appreciate it if you would offer a prayer for them. Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, prayer for us. St. Joseph, pray for us!

What a great lead-in to our celebration today of the Baptism of the Lord! We often celebrate baptism with infants, but Jesus went to John the Baptist when he was about 30 years old. Obviously Jesus did not need to be forgiven of Original Sin, since he was the second person of the Trinity, the Son of God, and did not have any sin to be forgiven. But if we think about our own baptism, why is there the forgiveness of Original Sin? Is that the only thing that baptism is about? NO! We are forgiven of Original Sin SO THAT we might be sons and daughters of God. And that is what Jesus hears after his baptism by John, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased” (Mk 1:11b). Let us give thanks to God the Father for having called us to be his beloved sons and daughters!

With the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord, our Christmas season comes to an end. All of the wonderful Advent and Christmas symbols that have adorned our churches will be put away and we’ll be returning to the green of Ordinary Time. Even while our fields and bluffs are white with snow, our liturgy brings forward the color green to draw our attention to the new life and growth that we are invited to share. Ordinary Time is 34 weeks of our year, so we are meant to experience that new life and growth as a journey. I pray that each of us sets out on that journey with great hope and expectation this year!

Finally, I know I’m pretty slow at this, but I’m still working through the dozens of cards and gifts that so many of you shared with me during this Christmas season. I don’t want to be like a little child on Christmas morning and just rip through them. I want to take the time to open them all, read them and give thanks. I’ll do my best to get through them all in the next few weeks.

Faith Formation News

We (re)started our Faith Formation sessions this week. Fr. Smith gave each of the young people a bookmark that helps to trace the story of salvation history through 12 different periods in 14 books of the Bible. This is part of the Great Adventure Bible Timeline series which I have written about before. There will be huge banners of this timeline in the Faith Formation area in Lansing, and you are invited to check them out. Maybe the young people can help be our guides through this timeline?! There is also some other exciting news coming soon about opportunities for our high school students, so keep your eyes open!

Pilgrimage to Poland

If you’ve ever wanted to make a trip rich in spiritual graces and history, this is your chance! Join Fathers Sean Smith and Ivan Nienhaus on a 9-day pilgrimage to Poland, October 18-26, 2021! Explore the lives of many of our modern saints, St. Faustina, Pope St. John Paul II, & St. Maximilian Kolbe. We will visit Auschwitz, the Wieliczka salt mines, in Czestochowa we will see the painting of the Black Madonna, plus so much more. Breakfast & dinner daily, wine with dinner. Price out of Cedar Rapids or Des Moines $3,699.00 per person. Get a flyer at the HFB Office in Lansing or the HFB website or check out the trip at www.pilgrimages.com/johnston/poland3/.

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Meetings & Happenings in “HFB”

Lucky us, no meetings!

Daily Mass readings (January 10 - January 17)

To subscribe to receiving daily readings by email every morning visit: https://bible.usccb.org/

This Sunday, January 10: The Baptism of the Lord

Monday, January 11: Ordinary Weekday
Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday, January 12: Ordinary Weekday
Heb 2:5-12/Ps 82ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 13: St. St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday, January 14: Ordinary Weekday
Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45

Friday, January 15: Ordinary Weekday
Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday, January 16: Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:1-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Gabriel Alan Benzing (son of Eric and Allison) was baptized on December 27, 2020 at Immaculate Conception Church in Lansing. May God bless Gabriel and his family as they live their lives as sons and daughters of God!

“Stewardship” Report

Solemnity of Mary Dec 31 & Jan 1 & weekend January 2 & 3

New Albin Solemnity of Mary:
- Adults: $20.00
- Offertory: $20.00
- Holy Day: $30.00
- Christmas: $25.00
- Weekend: Adults 5 env: $486.00
  - Adults: $1,100.00
  - Offertory: $70.00
  - Holy Day: $175.00

Harpers Ferry Solemnity of Mary:
- Adults: $1,100.00
- Offertory: $70.00
- Holy Day: $175.00
- Weekend: Adults: $480.00
  - Offertory: $27.00
  - Holy Day: $5.00
  - Vigil Lights: $20.95

Lansing Solemnity of Mary:
- Adults: $1,095.00
- Christmas: $725.00
- Holy Day: $45.00
- Weekend: Adults 17 env: $480.00
  - Offertory: $29.00
  - Religious Retirement: $100.00

Wexford Solemnity of Mary:
- Adults: $100.00
- Offertory: $24.00
- Christmas: $100.00
- Holy Day: $95.00
- Weekend: Adults: $474.00
  - Offertory: $9.00
  - Children: $4.00
  - Christmas: $525.00
  - Holy Day: $30.00

“Stewardship” Report for Christmas Dec 24 & 25 & weekend December 26 & 27

New Albin Christmas:
- Adults: $570.00
- Children: $2.00
- Offertory: $91.00
- Christmas: $1,645.00
- Weekend:
  - Adults: 20 of 115 $572.00
  - Offertory: $5.00
  - Christmas: $75.00
  - Candles: 15.00

Harpers Ferry Christmas:
- Adults: $270.00
- Offertory: $95.00
- Christmas: $585.00
- Holy Day: $100.00
- Memorial: Doris Berns: $25.00
- Religious Retirement: $20.00
- Weekend:
  - Adults: $975.00
  - Offertory: $45.00
  - Christmas: $310.00

Lansing Christmas:
- Adults: 34 env.: $2,587.00
- Christmas: $150.00
- Holy Day: 25.00
- Weekend:
  - Adults: $2,367.00
  - Offertory: $160.05

Wexford Christmas:
- Adults: $610.00
- Offertory: $5.00
- Christmas: $4,870.00
- Vigil Lights: $121.35
- Unrestricted donation: $120.00
- Weekend:
  - Adults: $887.00
  - Children: $2.00
  - Christmas: $50.00
  - Faith Formation: $50.00

January “Act of Kindness”

This collection will be for LIFT (Lansing Iowa Food Trust) located at 220 South Third St. in Lansing. Next weekend, January 16 & 17, all loose money dropped into the box or basket at church entrances will go to feed those in need among us. Thank you for your support.

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