

*Holy Family Parish*



# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

*Jan 9, 2022*

*"To Know God and Make God Known Through Word, Worship, Fellowship, and Service"*

## Mass Intentions

Jan 12 to Jan 16

Wed	8:30am	SJ	Millie Manternach
Thu	8:30am	HT	Frank Falada
Fri	8:30am	SM	Bernard & Mildred Thomann
Sat	5:00pm	SJ	Cliff Duwa
Sun	8:00am	HT	Midge Brenneman
Sun	10:00am	SM	People of Holy Family Parish

## Confession

If you would like Fr Bill to hear your confession, please call him at (319) 430-6888 to schedule a time.

## Birth Announcements

If you or a loved one has given birth, we would be more than willing to announce it at Mass!



## Synod 2021 - 2023

In a nutshell, the 2021-2023 Synod is a series of listening sessions held by the bishop across the diocese. The bishop then submits this feedback to the United States Council of Catholic Bishops, who will in turn discuss this when they travel to the Vatican in 2023 to meet with the pope. More specific information (including dates and locations of the listening sessions) will be posted over the coming months. Below is a prayer for a successful and fruitful 2021-2023 Synod.

### *Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus*

(Here, Before the Holy Spirit)

*We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.*

*Amen*

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## Financial Reports

Financial reports are available upon request. Call the office at 319-648-233

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## Important Info

Please make ALL checks out to Holy Family Parish and mail to: P.O. Box C, Riverside, IA 52327.

Thank You

## Mass Offerings

As of Jan 1st

YTD Budget	\$ 100,360
YTD Collection	\$ 119,934
Under/Over	+ \$ 19,574

## Liturgy

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## Baptism of the Lord

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 knee-jerk 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 and the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, 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.

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Everyday  
STEWARDSHIP

## *Baptism of the Lord*

*Jesus, whom God called “my beloved Son,” is also the “servant” of whom Isaiah speaks in the first reading. We who are baptized in Christ must follow His example and use our time and resources in the service of God and neighbor.*

## Scams and Fraud

Scams seem to be more prevalent this year, so please be cautious. Common scams include: an email or hardcopy bill stating, “your loan has been approved”, or your “subscription has been updated”. The email usually has a phone number for you to call. If you call, they will try and get your financial info – Don’t give it out! A few things to remember: Fr Bill would never email/text to “ask for a favor” (he would call or visit in person); double-check with family and friends if you have been offered an item or service that seems too good to be true and see what they think; elderly people who live alone are the most common targets.

## KC Events – Save the Date

- Jan 15<sup>th</sup> – Soup Supper after Mass at St. Joseph’s
- Jan 30<sup>th</sup> – Pancake Breakfast after Mass at Holy Trinity

## Are Your Adult Kids Members of the Parish?

If you have an adult son or daughter, please have them register as parish members. Having them register as separate members helps with record keeping. In addition, the more registered members we have, the more viable a parish we are.

## Communion to the Homebound

If you know of anyone who would like communion brought to them at home, please contact the office at (319) 648-2331 or email [rvsec@iowatelecom.net](mailto:rvsec@iowatelecom.net).

## Garments to Go 2.0

Garments to Go 2.0 is an initiative of Mercy Hospital Spiritual Care to provide clothing for patients unable to leave the hospital with proper attire. Donations are being accepted for: sweatpants, crew neck sweatshirts, long-sleeve t-shirts (unisex sizes M, L, XL, and 2XL). Clothing may be dropped off at Mercy Hospital .

### **How to Give to Charity Tax Efficiently**

If you're at least 70 ½ years old and have a tax-deferred IRA, you can make cash donations via Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD). A QCD is when you directly donate money from your IRA to a qualifying charitable organization. The amount donated is not considered a taxable distribution and it is allowed to take the place of any Required Minimum Distributions (RMD). For example, if you have some stocks, bonds, etc. that you were to sell you can donate the gains and securities to a charity. When donated, neither you nor the charity must pay tax on the gains.

### **Prayer Requests**

Please contact Fr Bill or Den Derick if you have any Prayer Intentions. We will put them in the Prayer Intentions Basket and offer them up at Mass.

### **Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Newborns**

Please contact us if you have a birthday, anniversary, or newborn you would like us to announce at Mass.

### **Wounded by Abortion?**

Project Rachel can help. They understand the emotional pain that follows an abortion. Please call the Helpline: 563-333-4107 or 1-888-456-HOPE. Mon, Wed, and Fri from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### **Know Someone Who Needs a Bulletin?**

Please email Jane Duwa at [rvsec@iowatelecom.net](mailto:rvsec@iowatelecom.net) with the person's name and mailing address.

### **St. Patrick's Adoration Chapel**

Adoration Chapel Hours 6am – midnight. Key required to enter from 9pm - 12am. We need adorers! Please contact Joann Page at (319) 855-2709 or [joann.page@mchsi.com](mailto:joann.page@mchsi.com).

### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

February 11 - 13th in Ankeny; April 23 - 24th in Epworth. For more information or to register go to [iowa-wwme.org](http://iowa-wwme.org) or call 563-608-3305.

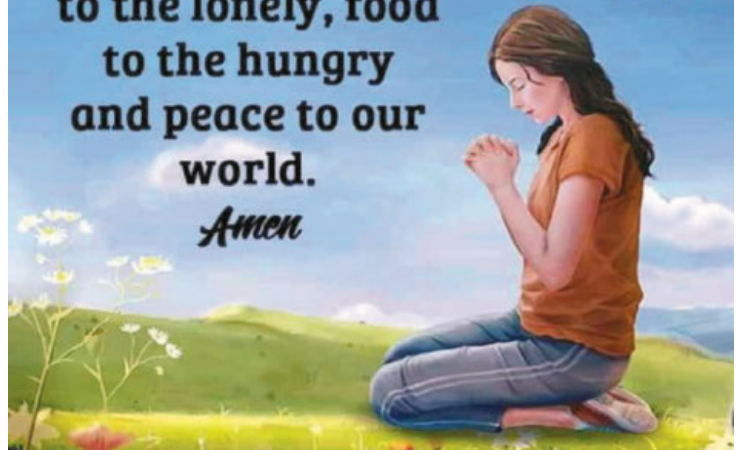
### **Text Message Scams**

Please be aware of a continuing text message scam that involves a *supposed* text from Fr Bill asking for money or an i-tunes card. Fr Bill would never send a text message asking for money or gifts.



Dear God,  
I end this year with this  
simple prayer.  
Please **heal** the broken people.  
**Make well** the sick.  
**Restore** happiness to those  
in despair.  
**Bring** love  
to the lonely, food  
to the hungry  
and peace to our  
world.  
*Amen*

The meaning  
of **life**



**Stewardship** talent  
planning  
commitment. vision  
blessing  
LOVE  
treasure  
PLEDGE  
faith  
caring  
time  
community

I pray that 2022 is  
better for each and  
every one of us.  
Amen.

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