

January 9, 2022



SAINT PATRICK CLUSTER

Assumption & St. Patrick Charlotte Immaculate Conception Petersville St. Patrick Delmar
Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Lost Nation/Toronto SS. Mary & Joseph Sugar Creek

St. Patrick Cluster Mission Statement—To become a synodal Church
in our Cluster through Communion, Participation and Mission

UPCOMING EVENTS

1/11 –6:00 pm-Assumption
Church Cleaning, Faith
Circle

1/11 — 7:00 pm Assumption-
St. Patrick's Altar & Rosary
Meeting

1/17—7:00 pm—
Evangelization Team meet-
ing on zoom. More details
inside.

NOTICE -Beginning
Tuesday, Jan. 11, the 8:00
am mass will be at
OLHR, Lost Nation.



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 3:16bc

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| Date | Time | Church | Intention |
|--------------------|----------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| Saturday, 1/8 | 8:00 am | Delmar | Norbert Grandick |
| | 5:00 pm | Lost Nation | Kerry Van Waes |
| Sunday, 1/9 | 8:00 am | Sugar Creek | Robert Banowetz |
| | 10:00 am | Petersville | Mary Sinnott |
| Tuesday, 1/11 | 8:00 am | Lost Nation | Otto Benischek Jr. |
| Wednesday, 1/12 | 8:00 am | Charlotte | Sarah Sinnott |
| Thursday, 1/13 | 8:00 am | Petersville | Darlene Burke |
| | 5:00 pm | Lost Nation | Esther Benischek |
| Friday, 1/14 | 8:00 am | Sugar Creek | Edward & Robert Trenkamp |
| Saturday, 1/15 | 8:00 am | Delmar | LaVonne Stevens |
| | 5:00 pm | Toronto | Scott Benischek |
| Sunday, 1/16 | 8:00 am | Charlotte | Martin LeMaster |
| | 10:00am | Delmar | The Nabb Family |

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Office hours—Tuesday/Friday from 9:00 to 1:00
Bulletin Deadline is Tuesday at Noon. Please send items to the
office email.
Mass Intentions— Send your mass intentions for all but OLHR
to the office email or by mail. Checks should be made to Mass
Stipend. OLHR intentions should be sent to Sue Zeller.
Baptism—Parents wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Bap-
tism need to attend Baptismal Class in the month prior to
scheduling the Baptism. Please call Father Francis Odoom.
Marriage—Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of
Matrimony must complete an approved course of training.
Confessions—One half hour before all scheduled Holy Masses
or call Father Francis Odoom for appointment
Ministry of Care—Parishioners unable to attend mass can re-
ceive Holy Eucharist at home by contacting the office to ar-
range a convenient time for a visit.
Homebound—Please send names to the office email or call to
help us make a list of all our homebound parishioners.

Beginning God's Plan

For most of us, the day of our Baptism is not something we remember. Most of us were babies when we were baptized, and our parents brought us to church. We were dressed up in something special, probably white, and almost always, lots of pictures were taken: pictures of us with our godparents, pictures of us with our grandparents, pictures of us with the priest who baptized us. We may not remember the actual event, but thanks to those pictures, we have proof the event actually took place.

At Jesus's Baptism, they didn't need to take any pictures to make the event memorable, or more dramatic! In today's gospel we hear how "heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove." (Luke 3:21-22) And then of course, there was that loud voice from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." (Luke 3:22) It was after his Baptism in the Jordan River that Jesus began his public ministry, going to work to build the Kingdom of God.

Although ours wasn't that dramatic, our Baptism welcomed us into the Church and began our journey of faith. It is important for us to remember that. It all started with water, oils, fire, and promises, washing us clean and promising us eternal life. From the moment all that water poured off our heads, we were given a new beginning AND a mission. Our parents were asked, "What name do you give your child?" When we were named, it meant God would know us by that name and call us by that name for the rest of our lives to complete that mission.

The priest then anointed us with sacred Chrism, uniting us forever with all of God's people, and we were presented with a white garment and a candle. The white garment clothed us in God's protective love, and the candle was meant to remind us we were to be a light for the world. Finally, the priest touched our ears and mouth and asked God to allow us to hear his Word and proclaim it for His glory.

Our Baptism began the life God had planned for us, a life we could never have dreamed of on our own. It was the first step in making us a new creation. Every day from that point on God has rained down His grace upon us, allowing our faith to grow in our hearts and setting in motion a process of continuing conversion, lasting for the rest of our lives. Through this conversion, we can become better disciples of Christ and more able to accomplish the mission we were given.

At Mass this weekend, we will renew our Baptismal promises, and we will be sprinkled with holy water, reminding us of the great sacrament we received long ago. This is the perfect time to remember we ARE baptized people. As baptized people, just like Jesus following his Baptism, it is our responsibility to go to work building the Kingdom of God and bringing the Gospel to every person with whom we come in contact. Obviously, we need to get to work. The world desperately needed Jesus two thousand years ago, and it desperately needs us now!

Colleen Burke
Evangelization Team

Charlotte/Sugar Creek Religious Ed

Classes will be held on January 19 & 26.
Class times are 5:45 to 7:00. Contact
Erin Meyermann with any questions
eberhart19@yahoo.com

OLHR Religious Ed

Friends of Faith classes are the 1st and
3rd Wednesdays of each month.
Class times are from 5:45 to 7:15. Supper
is provided.
Contact Trish Hadden with any questions
walrus_garden@yahoo.com

Delmar/Petersville Religious Ed

Confirmation & 4th/5th grade classes will
be held on Jan. 12 & 19.
Contact Melinda Hackman for more
details about Confirmation classes—
melinda.hackman@gmail.com
Contact Karla Watters about 4th-5th
grade classes—skw1200@hotmail.com

We will be holding our Evangelization Team meeting on Monday, January 17 at 7:00 pm on zoom. Everyone is invited to join! Please send your email to the cluster email if you want to join us and we will send you the link to our zoom meeting in an email. There are no obligations, dues or commitments—please join us!



Here are a few resources for viewing mass if you are snowed in or not attending because of illness.

Clinton-Prince of Peace Saturday 5 p.m. Mass is uploaded for viewing Sunday at www.jcpop.org and Facebook

Davenport—St. Paul the Apostle Daily Mass and Saturday at 4:30 p.m., Sunday at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. livestream to Facebook and uploaded to <https://www.stpaulcatholicparish.org/>, normally on Monday mornings.

DeWitt -St. Joseph Saturday at 4:30 p.m. and Sunday at 9:30 a.m. livestream Facebook Saturday's Mass also is uploaded to the parish website at <https://stjoseph-dewitt.weconnect.com> St. Joseph Catholic School Mass livestreamed Wednesdays at 9 a.m. on the parish Facebook page

At Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat -

Thurs. Jan 13 | 9:00am-3:00pm The Complexities of Caregiving and Self Care: How Can We Manage Both? by Chris Pries Fee: \$35 includes lunch.

Sat. Jan 15 | 3:30-5:30pm Photography for Beginners by Merlyn Law Fee: \$20

St. Patrick Church, Delmar



OUR SHEPHERDS -

Pope Francis, Bishop Thomas Zinkula, and Father Francis Odoom

THE AGED & INFIRM -

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| Month | Saturday 5:00 | Sunday 8:00 | Sunday 10:00 |
|----------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| January | Toronto/ Lost Nation | Charlotte/ Sugar Creek | Delmar/ Petersville |
| February | Lost Nation/ Toronto | Petersville/ Delmar | Sugar Creek/ Charlotte |

The first church in each box has mass on the first weekend of that month and the second church has mass on the second weekend and so on.

"Synod" is WHO we are...

We are the Body of Christ, sharers—whether lay or ordained—in a common baptism. All have been given the gift of the Holy Spirit. Our oneness as Christ's Body is celebrated, manifested, and deepened when we gather for Eucharist. We are in this together, not as isolated individuals or as ideological "camps."

To learn more about becoming a Synodal Cluster Church go to the link below. It is also found by going to the Diocesan website and clicking on the Synod Church icon.

<https://davenportdiocese.org/synod-2023>

The Pope's Intention for January

For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

Readings for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: 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
 Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20
 Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 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 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
 Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17
 Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Observances for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord
 Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

As we enter into our winter months, please note that all cancellations of mass or any church related activities will be on KWQC channel 6 and on KMAQ. We will also send a message to our bulletin email lists. If you do not have access to one of these and would like for us to text or call you, please let us know. Also, if you would like to be added to the bulletin email list, send your email to the Cluster email.

The subscriptions for Word Among Us are available! The cost for one year is \$15.84. Let us know at the office and we will make sure you receive a subscription. Payment can be placed in the collection basket or sent to the Cluster office. Checks should be made to St. Patrick Church.

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