



## 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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#### Mass Schedule

St. Albert the Great, 1140 Washington Street, Weymouth ~ Sunday 11:00 am

St. Francis Xavier, 234 Pleasant Street, Weymouth ~ Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday 7:30 am & 9:30 am

#### Daily Masses

Monday 9:00 am St. Albert, Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am St. Francis, Saturday 8:15 am St. Albert

#### Reconciliation

8:45 am - 9:15 am Saturday - St. Albert the Great, 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm, Saturday - St. Francis Xavier

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# THE COLLABORATIVE OF ST. ALBERT THE GREAT & ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, January 8, 2022

8:15 am Deirdre Barber  
4:00 pm Mary G King—9th Anniversary

### Sunday, January 9, 2022

7:30 am (SFX) People of St. Albert the Great  
& St. Francis Xavier  
9:30 am (SFX) James, Timothy & Catherine Donovan  
Charles, Marguerite & Edward Drea  
11:00 am (SAG) Pete Stacy—10th Anniversary

### Monday, January 10, 2022 (SAG)

9:00 am Margaret Wilder - 2nd Anniversary

### Tuesday, January 11, 2022 (SFX)

9:00 am Mass of Intention

### Wednesday, January 12, 2022 (SFX)

9:00 am Daniel Logue-Healing

### Thursday, January 13, 2022 (SFX)

9:00 am Sheila Diver

### Friday, January 14, 2022 (SFX)

9:00am William J. Creed

### Saturday, January 15, 2022

8:15 am Timothy M. MacLean  
4:00 pm Susan Doyle-Webb—7th Anniversary  
& Elizabeth King

### Sunday, January 16, 2022

7:30 am (SFX) People of St. Albert the Great  
& St. Francis Xavier  
9:30 am (SFX) Cooper Matthew Richards  
5th Anniversary  
11:00 am (SAG) Joseph Bognanno—25th Anniversary

**Please pray for:** Nicholas Watts, Glenn M., George Moussa, John Tangherlini, Robbie G., KJL, Mary G., Jean Elizabeth Conley, John Patrick Conley, Margaret Torio, Ian T. Crowley, Morton Berlan, Tommy Letsche, Paulina, Nancy L., Gerry W., Kevin K., Ruth Thiessen, Kristen, Mary Duseau, Paul Duseau, Audie, Marilyn D., John Barchey, Diane Sinclair, Baby Ava, Annie Murphy, Richard Dubois, Beth & Zoe Bodine, Deborah Konding, Teresa Donnelly, Paul Meehan, Linda & Jim Gavin, Kevin M. Kelley, Beverly Giuffre, Elinor Healy, Robert Russo, Stephen Cheremka, David B., Sarah Johnson, David S., Margaret, Marie Ortiz, Maureen, Michael Nash, Jonathan W., Gill Dolan, Karen S., Dong Vu, Ruth S., Chuck D., Michael D., George W., Frank Younie, Erin LM, Nancy Pitts, Nancy, Jeanne R., Barbara S., Allison B., Steve, Liz, Ellie, Jill, Mandi Hilton, Christine Lomuscio, Deb M., David Townson, Michael Salvaggio, Marion, Conor, Carmella Parnero, Tom Spooner, Carl Moriarty, Paul, Helen Dignin, Jody O'Brien, Sandy C. Billy D. and Dan Halpenny, Teresa Beaudoin, Bob Brinkman

### A Message Regarding Masks

A reminder that Cardinal Seán is mandating that throughout the archdiocese all people attending public Masses, including weddings and funerals, wear masks. Your health and safety is of the utmost importance.



Thank you for the Christmas Flowers donated in memory or honor of the following:

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The Sanctuary Candle was lovingly donated in memory of Brian Connolly.

Our January Family Faith Session has been canceled. We look forward to seeing you in February. Please visit our website for updates.



## January 9, 2022 ~ The Baptism of the Lord ~ Gospel Meditation

*"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ."*

— Pope Francis

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 kneejerk 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, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, 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.



*Many thanks to the parishioners who donated their time and talent to decorate the altars for the Christmas season! They were beautiful, and added so much to the celebration during this joyful time!*



Thank you also to the St. Francis Xavier School Class of 2021! They generously donated the beautiful Three Wise Men figures that were featured in the front of the altar.

*It's that time of year again.*



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