

A vibrant stained glass illustration depicting the Baptism of the Lord. The Virgin Mary is shown on the left, holding the infant Jesus. The Holy Spirit is represented by a dove with outstretched wings above the infant. The scene is set against a background of colorful geometric patterns and floral motifs. The text "Baptism of the Lord in 2022" is overlaid in large, bold, black letters with a white outline.

Baptism of the Lord in 2022

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

A voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." - Mt 3:17

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January 10, 2022
March 14, 2022
May 9, 2022

All Meetings
Pastor Conference Room
6:30PM



Baptism of the Lord



BAPTISM OF THE LORD: The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on Sunday January 9, 2022 This is the last day of Christmas Time, formerly called the Christmas Season. The Monday following the feast of the Baptism of the Lord is Monday of the first week of Ordinary Time. The feast is usually celebrated on the Sunday following January 6th. If the feast of the Epiphany falls on January 7th or 8th, the feast of the Baptism of the Lord is moved to Monday and treated as a regular weekday Mass although the Gloria is sung. When this happens, Tuesday, the next day, begins Ordinary Time.

The Baptism of the Lord: Day — Feast

By Michael Prendergast, MTS, MLS

Today's feast, which concludes the Christmas season, is a fitting climax to the Advent season of hope and the manifestation of Christ as light to all the nations on Epiphany. The feast serves as a hinge between the birth and the public ministry of Christ which is played out in the Sundays of Ordinary Time. Elaine Rendler-McQueeney has suggested that as we complete the Christmas season "the goodness of God cries out and the waters come to life with saving grace."

The baptism of Jesus and the reference to the river Jordan is found in several texts from today's liturgy. Deacon Owen Cummings has reminded us that "we are also invited by the Church to reflect on our own baptism, [and] are invited to enter more deeply into the performance of our own baptism." When we recall our baptism, we are stirring up water that was our own womb of entrance into the life of Christ. The word of God will quench our thirst and satisfy our hunger. As the late Jesuit Father Walter Burghardt said of today's feast "My own baptism reveals my identity, tells the world who I am. I am, like Jesus, a servant sent to suffer for justice."

The antiphon for the Gospel canticle from the Liturgy of the Hours for the feast of the Epiphany proclaims "today the Bridegroom claims his bride, the Church, since Christ has washed her sins away in Jordan's waters; the Magi hasten with their gifts to the royal wedding; and the wedding guests rejoice, for Christ has changed water into wine, alleluia." Let the Church sing Alleluia for we have been washed clean in the blood of the Lamb.



PLP MASS INTENTIONS

January Mass Schedule 2022

Date	Time	Name	Intention/Request
1	4:30	No Mass	
2	8:00	No Mass	
	10:30	Barbara Zanni	1st Ann. By Family
8	4:00	Anna B. Cardillo	B'day Rem. By Patricia Cardillo
		Louise Spremulli Chiarmonti	By Joe & Eleanor
		Anthony & John Spremulli	
9	8:30	Stephen Kedelski, Jr	1st Ann. By Family
		Rose Marsocci	Month's Mind
	10:30	Angelina & Michael Capobianco & sons Michael & Louis	By Peter, Susan & Family
10	8:00	Bernardino Marraffino	By Family
		Nonna Assunda Marraffino	
11	8:00	Alice Kane, Walter Doyle, & Alice Couto	By Dorothy Sacchetti
15	4:00	John Ginolfi	B'day Rem. By Linda & Vincent Castaldi
		Ann Gower	Ann. Rem.
16	8:30	Anita Lombardi	By Family
	10:30	Matthew Dilorio	Mem. By Tony Sciarra
17	8:00	Jesse Gomez	By Wife Marcia & Children
18	8:00	Mary Ann Cecere	2nd Ann By Don & Don, Jr.
22	4:00	Preston Walker	By Robert & Paul
23	8:30	Anna Carbone	B'day Rem. By Family
	10:30	Carmine Pezza	By Family
24	8:00	Anna Carbone	B'day Rem. By Family
29	4:00	Marie Rose Costabile	19th Ann. By Family
30	8:30	Frances Grasso	10th Ann. By Husband & Family
	10:30	Anthony & Betty Antoscia	Mem. By Pat & John Raposa
		John & Marie Raposa, Loretta Iudicianni	
		Shirley DiPippo, Ben Marcoccio	
		Jason Pisani	

All-powerful God, increase our strength of will for doing good that Christ may find an eager welcome at His coming and call us to His side in the kingdom of heaven. Amen.

January 2022 - Overview for the Month

The first nine days of January fall during the liturgical season known as **Christmas** which is represented by the liturgical color white — the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity and innocence (absolute or restored). The remaining days of January are the beginning of liturgical season known as *Tempus per Annum* or **Ordinary Time** (formerly *Time After Epiphany*), which is represented by the liturgical color green. Green is a symbol of hope, as it is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. The liturgical color green is worn during prayer of Offices and Masses of Ordinary Time.

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of January 2022

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. (See also <https://www.popesprayer.net/>)

2022 Liturgical Seasons:

- **November 28, 2021 – January 9, 2022:** Advent, Christmas
- **January 10, 2022 – March 1, 2022:** Ordinary Time
- **March 2, 2022 – June 5, 2022:** Lent, Triduum, Easter
- **June 6, 2022 – November 26, 2022:** Ordinary Time
- **November 27, 2022 – January 8, 2023:** Advent, Christmas

The General Instruction of the **Roman Missal**, no. 373, designates **January 22** as a particular **day of prayer** and penance, called the “**Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**”: “In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, **January 22** (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular **day of prayer** for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.”



The Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence
Office of Life and Family Ministry
January 2022 Events



The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be visiting various parishes throughout the Diocese of Providence from **Friday, January 7 through Sunday, February 6, 2022**. The full schedule will be available beginning January 3 by contacting 401-278-2518 or LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org, and by visiting the diocesan website at www.dioceseofprovidence.org.

The Annual Respect for Life Mass

will be celebrated at **9:00 a.m.** on **Saturday, January 15, 2022** in the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, Providence. Most Rev. Thomas J. Tobin, Bishop of Providence, will be the main celebrant. The Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be on the altar for veneration during Mass.



Bus Trip to the March for Life in Washington, DC

Advance registration required, *space is limited - first come first served*. Basic Itinerary just below:

- Thurs. evening, Jan. 20 - bus leaves RI to DC
- Fri., Jan. 21 - Mass, Rally and March in DC
- Overnight Fri., Jan. 21/early morning, Sat., Jan. 22 – arrive back in RI

Please contact LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org or 401-278-2518 to register and for all details. Groups encouraged to register ASAP.



For more information, please contact Lisa Cooley, Coordinator, Life and Family
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WE are called to assist the elderly, the sick and the unborn: LIFE must always be protected and loved, from conception to its natural conclusion.

~Pope Francis



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