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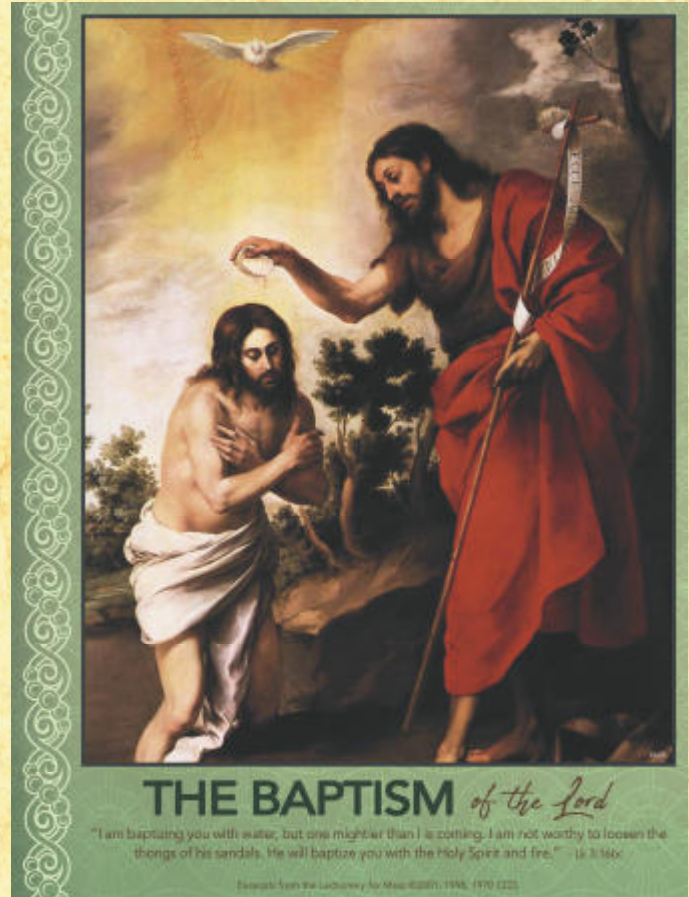
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MASS TIMES

Saturday

7:30am, 4:00pm (Vigil for Sunday)

Sunday

8:00am, 10:00am (Family Mass) & 12 Noon

Weekdays

7:30am

Holy Days

Vigil 7:00pm

7:30am & 7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 8, 2022 (Vigil Mass)

4pm Frances Cerullo requested by Rosemarie Vasti

Sunday January 9, 2022 Baptism of the Lord

8am Salvatore & Rose Picone requested by Debra Picone

10am Thomas, John & Eileen Divilly requested by Richard & Dorothy Jennings

12Noon Dile Mark Tinaj requested by Maria Vashtaj

Monday January 10, 2022

7:30am Elizabeth Ann Teehan requested by The Catalan Family

Tuesday January 11, 2022

7:30am Rosetta Giacinto requested by Carmelo Greco

Wednesday January 12, 2022

7:30am Arcadio & Josefina San Pascual requested by Reulita Lanzaga

Thursday January 13, 2022

7:30am Giordano Fronk requested by Dorothy Fronk

Friday, January 14, 2022

7:30am Richard P. Feroni requested by The Feroni Family

Saturday January 15, 2022

7:30am ++

Saturday January 15, 2022 (Vigil Mass)

4pm Lorraine Smith requested by Cheryl & Doug Mooney

Sunday January 16, 2022 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Anlu Payla requested by Luna Family

10am Vincent Boccia requested by Clelia Boccia

12Noon Filomena Greco requested by Carmelo Greco

Our gifts back to the Lord

December 25, 2021 11,024.00

December 26, 2021 \$2,640.00

Thank You and May God Bless You!



*From the desk of our Parochial Vicar
Fr. Roger Kwan*

Dear Brothers and Sisters

For many of us, a New Year usually brings with it new resolutions. Recently, I read an interesting article in the Wall Street Journal entitled "10 Fitness Hacks for New Year's Resolution



Success" by Jen Murphy. For the majority of Americans, losing weight tops one of the more popular resolutions for the New Year, however 80% of us tend to give up or have forgotten our resolutions by Super Bowl Sunday. This WSJ article provides readers with 10 tips which I thought were particularly insightful to help stay on the course towards healthier eating and keeping one's fitness goals. Interestingly, in his first letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul often compares the spiritual life with how athletes train for a race. As I was reading this article, I thought to myself that a lot of these tips in many ways can also be applied not just to fitness goals, but also to our spiritual goals. As we begin a New Year, let us ask ourselves, what spiritual resolutions will we make for this year? Whatever they may be, here are five tips to help us stay on track.

1. Success starts with setting the right resolutions: "I want to be closer to Jesus" or "I want to start going to Mass more often" are aspirations. Goals are something measurable and specific, such as "I am going to go Mass every Sunday" or "I'm going to read and meditate on the Sunday readings while I wait for Mass to begin." The more specific we can be with our resolutions, making concrete goals instead of general aspirations will help us to measure our progress and keep us focused.

2. Anticipate Obstacles: know yourself and be practical. If you know that you are going to be tired after work and won't feel like praying, then try to schedule your prayer at a time that works best for your schedule and your mood.

3. Make it Social: prayer doesn't always have to be just you and God. Try praying as a family, with friends, or together in groups.

4. Find Your Passion: Some people tell me that they find praying the Rosary very boring, or they have trouble being still. Try to find what works for you. Everyone is different and prays in different ways. If the thought of praying a whole rosary is daunting, then start with just one decade or find another devotion that appeals to you, like the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Find something that works for you.

5. Surround Yourself with a Supportive Community: I suspect my mom hates exercising by herself because she finds it boring, but she always tells me how much she looks forward to her jazzercise classes. Find a prayer buddy or a close friend you can talk to openly about the faith and your struggles. This way we will have someone to keep us accountable and to stay motivated. Whatever your New Year's resolutions may be, don't forget to make some realistic spiritual goals, and more importantly write them down. This way you can revisit them later and see how you've progressed throughout the year. Wishing you and your family a happy, healthy, holy year of 2022...

*Yours in Christ,
Father Roger*

Christmas Flowers A heartfelt thank you to all who donated for the Christmas Flowers in memory of your loved ones.

Thank You from the Williamsbridge Nursing Home On behalf of the Williamsbridge Nursing Home they would like to thank you for your generous Christmas Gifts. The patients were very grateful and happy receiving gifts.



Mass of Christian Burial
Pray for the soul of Mary E. Walsh who was buried from our church on January 5, 2022



*Eternal Rest Grant unto her, O Lord.
And let the perpetual light shine upon
Her. May she rest in peace. Amen*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will resume at St. Francis Xavier on Saturday January 8, 2022 & January 15, 2022 11:00am—2:00 pm



St. Clare of Assisi January 22, 2022 and January 29, 2022 11:00am—2:00 p.m. Come and spend time with the Lord

Just a reminder the 2022 Mass Intention Book is opened. Please write down your requested mass intentions and bring it to the Rectory. Each announced Mass is \$20.00.

Year-End Contribution Statements

We wish to thank all of our parishioners for their generous support throughout this past year. If you would like a statement for your envelope contributions for tax year end 2021 please call the Rectory, starting on January 12, 2022. PLEASE NOTE: That a statement will be sent to you only if you request one. If you use WESHARE, your statement will be emailed to you.



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