

# *The Baptism* OF THE LORD

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### MASS TIMES

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.  
Saturday 5:15 p.m.  
Sunday 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.

### CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:00 p.m.-4:45 p.m.  
and by appointment

### OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Fri. 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH

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### MASS TIMES

Monday-Wednesday 12:00 p.m.  
Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

### CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:00 p.m.-3:45 p.m.  
and by appointment

### OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Fri: 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11  
Responsorial Psalm: 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25,  
27-28, 29-30  
Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7  
Gospel Reading: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

*Reflection: Today the church celebrates the feast of the Baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is the Sunday which marks the end of the Christmas Season. In a very short time, we have moved seeing a baby*

*Jesus in the manger surrounded by Mary and Joseph and sheep and shepherds with angels singing and hovering all over into seeing a grown up Jesus in his thirties. We see Jesus walking himself together with the multitude into the Jordan to be baptized by John. In today's Gospel Reading, John is speaking of his baptism saying, "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." The multitudes are coming in the Jordan to receive the baptism of the forgiveness of their sins as they prepare themselves to receive the savior of the world. The profound question we may ask ourselves is, "Why does Jesus show himself in Jordan and seeks to be baptized by John? Is Jesus a sinner to seek the baptism of John for the forgiveness of sins?" Jesus comes to the Jordan for the different purpose altogether. He is the holy one from God. He identifies himself with sinners to bring them the gift of holiness from God. We are told in today's Gospel Reading after Jesus had been baptized and was praying, "heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." The baptism of Jesus cleans the waters not only of the Jordan but waters of all the fountains of the world so that those who will be baptized, will know the truth. During his baptism at the Jordan, Jesus is officially manifested to the people of the world that He is the beloved Son who is coming into the world to do the will of his father. Baptism of Jesus officially marks the beginning of his public ministry. Jesus is the savior of the world. The world needs to listen to Him. Yes! Amen! Fr. Severine.*

Holy Hour: Every Thursday 6PM – 7PM.  
Blessed Sacrament Church.

## MASS INTENTIONS—BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

Saturday, January 8, 5:15PM: Gregory Hopkins—Sister and Family  
 Sunday, January 9, 7:30AM: Sister Monte Marie Monastery—G. Smith  
 Sunday, January 9, 9:15AM: Peter Coleman—John and Bea  
 Monday, January 10, 8AM: Harold Thompson—Mary Rougeau  
 Tuesday, January 11, 8AM: Anthony J. Notarthomas—Joan and Jack Snyder  
 Wednesday, January 12, 8AM: Edna (Jane) Peer—Chris and Karen Wigler  
 Thursday, January 13, 8AM: Marie Tassone—Blessed Sacrament Rectory and School Staffs  
 Friday, January 14, 8AM: William Gilberti—Bea and John Keefe  
 Saturday, January 15, 5:15PM: Peter Moro—Wife and Children  
 Sunday, January 16, 7:30AM: Wanda Kuss—Blessed Sacrament Altar and Rosary Society  
 Sunday, January 16, 9:15AM: Brian Mott—Robert Atamosio



May Elizabeth Robichaud, Chloe Cartini, Talia Barbano, Avery Germain, Harlow Close, and Giavonna Thomason-Abreu, recently baptized, receive much love and guidance from family and friends in the years to come.



For our faithful departed, especially Barbara Knaul, Barbara Hayes, Patricia Cummings, Rose Rotella, George Snyder, Patricia Laun, Harold Tobiasian, Jr. and all our loved ones, may they enjoy the promised reward of eternal life in heaven.

“Share the Wealth” is a raffle for Blessed Sacrament School & Church Capital Improvement & Parish Operations. Tickets are \$75 each and only 750 tickets will be sold! Tickets can be purchased online by going to the following website: <https://www.bscstvsyr.org/> click on Share the Wealth or [https://blessedsacramentsyracuse.weshareonline.org/BlessedSacramentAnnualSharetheWealthRaffleandSpringFlingDinner\\_1](https://blessedsacramentsyracuse.weshareonline.org/BlessedSacramentAnnualSharetheWealthRaffleandSpringFlingDinner_1).

Tickets are also available in the pews of Blessed Sacrament Church (or call the rectory at 315.437.3394). Any tickets purchased prior to January 10, 2022 will be entered into a separate drawing to win 1 of 5 free tickets!

Top prize is \$10,000. Total Payout is \$20,750.

1st Prize (1) \$10,000 / 2nd Prize (2) \$2,500 / 3rd Prize (5) \$1,000 / 4th Prize (10) \$75 (Dinner Attendees Only)

The drawing will take place on Saturday, June 4, 2022 at the Parish Center. For those attending the Spring Fling dinner your ticket not only covers the dinner but will be included in a separate drawing for the 10 winners of the 4th prize at \$75.00. RSVP for the dinner is required by May 30, 2022.

Guests are \$10. “Share the Wealth” tickets make a great gift for the holidays, for birthdays, or for any special occasion. Tickets may be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the rectory. Checks should be made out to Blessed Sacrament. Additional tickets or any questions about the raffle, please contact the rectory at 315-437-3394.



We pray for:  
 Greg Regulbuto,  
 Kara Horvath,  
 Alex Helwig,  
 Elizabeth Bucher, Carl

Price, Anika Johnson, Anna Ciccarelli, Kathleen Naughton, Abby, Sarah, Gerard Zutant, Mike, Mary, Larry, Kimberly Penny, Karen Ballog, Shari Rustay, Ann Folger, Sonny McCarthy, Missy DiPaulo Angotti, Margie McKeon, Carolyn Armstrong, Susan Moro Campbell, Terri Close, Ann Cook, Mary Extale, John Fortino, Mary Anne Garrett, Mary Gersbacher, John Gersbacher, Elizabeth Gilbert, Mary Griffin, Mary Ingalls, Yang Juan, Cole Malone, Grace McNamara, Giavanna Regulbuto, Jean Suits, and Elizabeth Walrath.



The Blessed Sacrament pastoral council will meet on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Andrea Polcaro room. Please remember to wear a mask.

### Weekly Collections

Week of December 19	\$9,008
Week of December 26	\$2,066
Christmas Collection	\$9,272



### “Knights Corner”

The Knights of Columbus Council meets the First Monday of each month in the Blessed Sacrament school cafeteria at 7PM For more information, call 315.395.6918.

The Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus Council will hold an Italian Dinner Takeout Fundraiser Dinner to benefit the Eagles Fund on February 12. More details to follow.



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## MASS INTENTIONS—ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH

Saturday, January 8, 4 pm— Anne L. Martin (Birthday Remembrance),  
req. by The Family

Sunday, January 9, 10:30am—Anne Martin, req. by The Vieau Family

Monday, January 10, 12:00 pm—Bill Aragoni, req. by Lee & Delores

Tuesday January 11, 12:00 pm—Nancy Egerbrecht, req by Jane Caltabiano

Wed'day, January 12, 12:00 pm—Rick Kline, req. by Caitlyn, Colby & Janay

Saturday, January 15, 4:00 pm—Joseph & Cathy Vieau, req. by the Vieau  
Family

Sunday, January 16, 10:30 am—Sr. Giovanna Marie Marcoccia, req. by Mar-  
garet Goudy Jewell

ALTAR SERVERS: 1/15 & 1/16—4pm- Adult Servers; 10:30 am- Youth Servers

LECTORS: 1/14 Saturday 4 pm: Bob James; 1/16 Sunday 10:30 am: Lena Murphy

GREETERS -1/16—10:30am - Chris Knapp

ALUMNI/PARISH NEWSLETTER: We are putting together the next issue of our Newsletter and hope to get it out February 1st. If you wish to receive the newsletter electronically, please let us know by emailing your address to rbjames22@verizon.net. This will help us keep up with today's technology and cut down on the copies we will need. Thank you for your continued assistance.

Liturgy Committee will meet Tuesday, Jan. 11 at 6:30 pm, church hall.  
Legion of Mary will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 12 at 12:30pm, church hall.

## EVANGELIZATION PRAYER

St. Vincent de Paul, Holy patron saint of our parish, which was founded as a visible beacon to those seeking respite, solace and care, intercede in the name of those in need. Implore His divine assistance in the continuation of the mission of this church to spread His loving message, provide relief to the needy and console the troubled. Our dedicated saint, Apostle of charity, instill in us your same commitment to carry out your mission in whatever capacity the Lord instructs. Help us to be an inviting and welcoming parish open to all seeking a spiritual home and zealous in our outreach. May your caring spirit always remain in our hearts,, on our lips, and in our actions. Amen.

Let's feel and embody Hope, Joy, and Love for ourselves and for others throughout 2022. The Lord blesses us all the days of our lives (from Psalm 128).

The great thing about walking with God in life is that there is always the opportunity to start anew. God always offers us a new day and a new dawn, no matter what has gone before. At the start of the New Year, why not take a moment to thank Him for last year, ask His forgiveness for where we have failed and dedicate this new year to Him - to serve Him and love Him afresh.

Please note that the Saint Vincent de Paul Daycare has a website. It is:  
<https://www.stvincentdepauldaycarecenter.com/>

Our parishioners who use the WeShare envelope program find it a convenient way of giving to the church. The website is [stvincentdepaulsyracuse.weshareonline.org/](http://stvincentdepaulsyracuse.weshareonline.org/). Click on Give Online. If you decide to participate in the program, you will no longer have to write checks or pay for postage to mail your envelopes to the church. The amount you elect to give will be deducted from your bank account or credit card and will be automatically sent to the church each week. All WeShare donations will be included in your annual giving statement. For your convenience, we have added second collection, building fund and other envelopes for which you may contribute. If you have any questions, please call the office at 315-469-6689.



We ask  
your  
prayers  
for the

## spiritual comfort and restoration of health for:

Lee Aragoni, Sandra Betts, Desiree Landers, Madeline Duda, Anne Marie Drury, Roseanne Vrolyk, Catherine O'Donnell, Nora Libertone, Charles Pontius, Hannah Sloan, John Ferguson (brother of Sue Overton and Linda James), Theresa Santillo, Kristen Berg (granddaughter of John and Carm Fitzgerald), Kara Horvath, Frank Tesorio and Marian Brooks. Please pray for the Scullen family and for the repose of the soul of John Baird, husband of 1963 alum Pauline (Dardino).

Remember, for just \$5.00 you could be the next winner. The January drawing will be held on Sunday January 30th . Congratulations to Marge Leonardo winner of the December 50/50 in the amount of \$450.00. Thank you for your continued support!

## March for Life - January 20-21, 2022

Join this one-day pilgrimage to Washington, DC for adults and families! This trip includes Mass with Bishop Lucia at the National Basilica, participation in the March for Life with the diocesan group, transportation, meals and a diocesan scarf. The bus will pick up passengers in four locations, Utica, Syracuse, Cortland, and Binghamton. Cost: Adults \$50. Young Adults (18-25) \$25. Maximum Family Rate: \$125. For more information, contact Jen Brown at 315.472.6754 Option 7 or email [familyrespectlife@syrdio.org](mailto:familyrespectlife@syrdio.org). Pre-registration is required. Register online at [march4lifesyracuse2022.eventbrite.com](http://march4lifesyracuse2022.eventbrite.com).

## FR. SEVERINE AWAY

Dear Parishioners: If everything goes well, I will be traveling to Tanzania to visit my family for one month from January 13 to February 10. Keep me in your prayers as I travel during this time. I would like to THANK all the staff of our parishes and all brother priests who will be serving your pastoral needs during my time away. May God bless them and strengthen them as they minister to your pastoral needs. Thank you for the support you have always given to me in my ministry to you. I do appreciate it, and you will always be in my prayers.

From Christ the King Retreat House: Winter Blues and Barbecue. Thursday Jan. 27. 6 pm- 8 pm Beat the winter Blues and enjoy a barbecue in the middle of winter to lift your spirits. To further recharge your spiritual life, enjoy inspirational speaker Adam Eichelberger. We will renew our promise to God this winter by learning from St. Paul how to change our minds to match our hearts. Offering: \$30 includes barbecue dinner.

## The Third Option - A program to build better marriages - January 2022 Schedule

"RE-DEFINING THE POWER STRUGGLE: Getting on the Same Team." Online, Sunday, January 16, 2022, from 7:15 to 9:00pm. All are welcome. Contact Stephanie Stewart for more information or to join the meeting at [sstewart@syrdio.org](mailto:sstewart@syrdio.org) or (315)472-6728. A Hope Appeal funded program.

"COPING WITH CONTROL ISSUES: It Doesn't Have to Be This Way." Online, Sunday, January 30, 2022 from 7:15 to 9:00pm. All are welcome. Contact Stephanie Stewart for more information or to join the meeting at [sstewart@syrdio.org](mailto:sstewart@syrdio.org) or (315)472-6728. A Hope Appeal funded program.

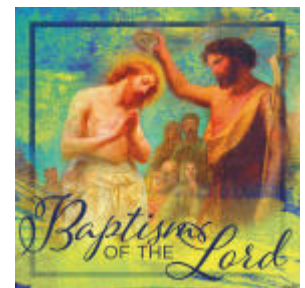


We encourage all the faithful to continue

their participation in the Eucharistic Liturgy through physical attendance at the Saturday Vigil or Sunday Mass, while maintaining social distancing and mask guidelines.

## Giving Options

If you are 70-1/2 or older, another alternative to a gift of cash is a qualified charitable distribution from your IRA. There is favorable tax treatment and should be an important consideration for those 72 or older who want to make a gift and are also required to take an IRA distribution. Please call the Blessed Sacrament rectory at 315.437.3394 if you have questions or to notify us of your gift.



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