

St. Frances Cabrini

The Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2021



This is what John the Baptist proclaimed:
“One mightier than I is coming after me.
I am not worthy to stoop
and loosen the thongs of his sandals.
I have baptized you with water;
He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

- Mk 1:7-8

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Infant Baptism: Please contact Deacon Chet at 303-953-7783.

Marriage Preparation: Please contact Trudy at 303-953-7769 at least 9-12 months prior to your wedding to make arrangements.

RCIA: Interested in becoming Catholic or questions about the faith? Call Deacon Chet at 303-953-7783.

Care of the Sick / Dying: Please call if someone is ill or hospitalized and would like the Sacrament for the Anointing of the Sick. *In case of death, call the Parish Office immediately.*

Home Communion: Visits may be scheduled through the Parish Office.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend ...Saturday (Anticipatory) 4:15 pm;
Sunday 7:15, 9:15, 11:15am & 5:15pm

Weekday.....Monday-Friday 9:00 am;
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 6:30am

Thurs., 1pm for those 65+ and/or immunocompromised

First Saturday 9:30am

Holy Day(Vigil) 5:30pm;
(Day) 9:00am & 7:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 8-9:30am

Tuesdays: 6:30-7:30pm

Welcome to Our Parish!

If you are a visitor and would like to join our parish family, please pick up a registration form in the gathering space, visit the parish office during the week or you may visit our website to register.

ADORATION in the Church

Monday-Friday, 1-7 pm*

Adoration will begin after the 1pm Mass on Thursdays

Come, spend some time with Jesus!



*Our Parish Mission: To **EMBRACE** our Faith, to **NOURISH** our formation as Catholics and to **SERVE** in a community filled with the Holy Spirit."*

Pastor

Rev. John Paul Leyba

Parochial Vicars

Rev. Israel Gonsalves, O.C.D.

Rev. Ron Sequeira, O.C.D.

Deacons

Rev. Mr. Chet Ubowski

Rev. Mr. Marc Nestorick

Rev. Mr. Brian Kerby

Rev. Mr. Paul Grimm (retired)

Rev. Mr. Witold Engel (retired)

PARISH OFFICE

6673 West Chatfield Avenue • Littleton, CO 80128

www.sfcp parish.org

303-979-7688 Parish Office

Open: Monday-Friday, 8:30 am-5:00 pm
(closed 12:00 noon-1:00 pm daily)

303-979-7688 Voice mail access after 5:00 pm

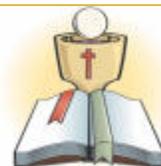
303-979-7777 Youth Office (Jr. & Sr. High, Young Adult)

303-972-8566 Fax Line

303-979-7688 SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES

24 hrs/day

303-953-7770 Weather Hotline (for schedule changes due to inclement weather/emergency situations)



Mass for 65+ and for Those Who Are Immunocompromised

Thursdays at 1:00pm in the Church

We must pray without tiring, for the salvation of mankind does not depend on material success; nor on sciences that cloud the intellect. Neither does it depend on arms and human industries, but on Jesus alone.

- St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

For daily reflections, masses and liturgical videos, visit our website:



WWW.SFCPPARISH.ORG

If you are not receiving the clergy's daily Spiritual Encouragement emails from the parish, and would like to, you may sign up at sfcp parish.org/flocknote.

Please call our **Weather/Emergency Hotline at 303-953-7770** for the latest information regarding event cancellations/postponements. You may also visit sfcp parish.org.



Office Closure:

The Parish Office will be closed on **Mon., Jan. 18th**, in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Mass will be celebrated at 6:30am and at 9am on this day.

Reflecting on the Gospel

The Baptism of the Lord

We need history. We need it in order to understand ourselves, personally and collectively. The pieces of our histories may not have always been the most positive, honest, exemplary, dignified, proud and best moments of our lives, but they are ours. We have to acknowledge, remember, accept, and often heal them. We cannot forget them or pretend that they never existed. As horrible as the atrocities of events like Auschwitz, brutal injustices committed throughout the human journey, or personal painful experiences in our own stories, we need to remember. These times when humanity in general or people in particular have lost their way are times that need to be reconciled and redeemed.

If we lose the memories, we will make the same mistakes again. The human soul needs a strong sense of affirmation, direction, and clear purpose. Without these essentials, we will easily run amuck and repeat the sins of our past. God's voice throughout history has spoken precisely about this! We are reminded through the voices and example of many prophets and witnesses not to make the same mistakes again, come back to center, discover the purpose given to us by God, maintain a sense of proper direction, seek healing for wounds and be reconciled to our Creator.

Baptism is so incredibly important for the salvation of humankind, not only eternally but here and now. Our existence depends upon it. It gives us the affirmation we need from God by gifting us with the same intimate relationship Jesus had with the Father. We are blessed with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Baptism calls us to remember, accept, and deal with the sins and inequities of our past regardless of how hurtful and serious. We consciously choose to turn away from them and put on the new life of Christ. To do this well, we must look hard and long at our sins and failings, listen to what they are saying and learn from them. If we ignore the past, collectively or personally, or pretend that it never happened, we will never grow. We will surely die.

People need to hear the message, lived and spoken, delivered by the baptized members of the Body of Christ. It is an essential message of hope that is layered with visions of justice, peace, reconciliation, redemption, blessing, and healing. It is a message that helps us remember what has gone before, the graces and the sins, and bring ourselves by God's help where we need to be. We are called to do much more than sit home behind our closed doors. We have a message to deliver. Are we ready to do so?

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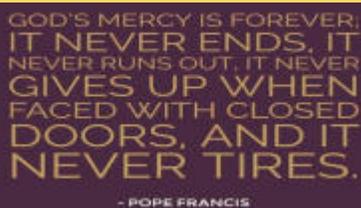


SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Confessions? YES!

The Confession schedule will remain unchanged during the Christmas/New Year break.

Our priests continue to hear Confessions on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-7:30pm and on Saturday mornings from 8-9:30am. Come and experience the never-ending mercy of God!



It's a New Year!

If you donate by check, please make sure to date your contributions "2021." If the date is incorrect, the check must be returned to you to be corrected and initialed. Thank you!

The 2021 Calendars Are in the Gathering Space!

The new 2021 calendars are on a table in the Gathering Space. Please help yourself to one per family. If you know of someone who is homebound, please take a calendar to them.

The Parish Directories Have Arrived!!!

If you had your picture taken for the parish directory, you may pick up your copy of the directory in the Prayer Room. They are marked with the family name on the envelope.

Please contact JoAnn in the Parish Office at 303-979-7688 if you have any questions or would like to purchase a directory.

St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church

CABRINI PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY



AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP IN PRAYER ROOM

*Additional copies available for purchase in Front Office

2020 Directory

Ongoing Mass Guidelines

The reason for our hope, Jesus Christ, is especially celebrated during this Christmas time. It is a time when many people, those estranged from the Church by choice or by pandemic, often come back and revisit their roots. And, for many of us, it is a time when we have the opportunity to renew our own relationship with the Church. So, whether you have been regularly attending Mass or if you have been sidelined by the pandemic or by choice, we are glad you are here.

St. Frances Cabrini will continue to maintain suitable physical distancing requirements. We have provided an overflow space where the Mass is simulcast so that we can accommodate more persons safely. Holy Communion is brought to the simulcast space so all may participate fully.

It is important that you properly sign up at sfparish.org for all weekend Masses. **Please do not come to church without having signed up.** And it is important, that you arrive to Mass early to ensure you can safely access a place to sit in the church or in the hall.

In a spirit of compliance with local governance and out of an abundance of caution and charity, **masks should be worn at all times**, while entering, exiting and sitting in the church, as well as going forward and returning from Holy Communion.

Please continue to pray for a timely end to the virus threat and for a full resumption of the life of the Church, especially here at St. Frances Cabrini. May God bless you all! - Deacon Chet

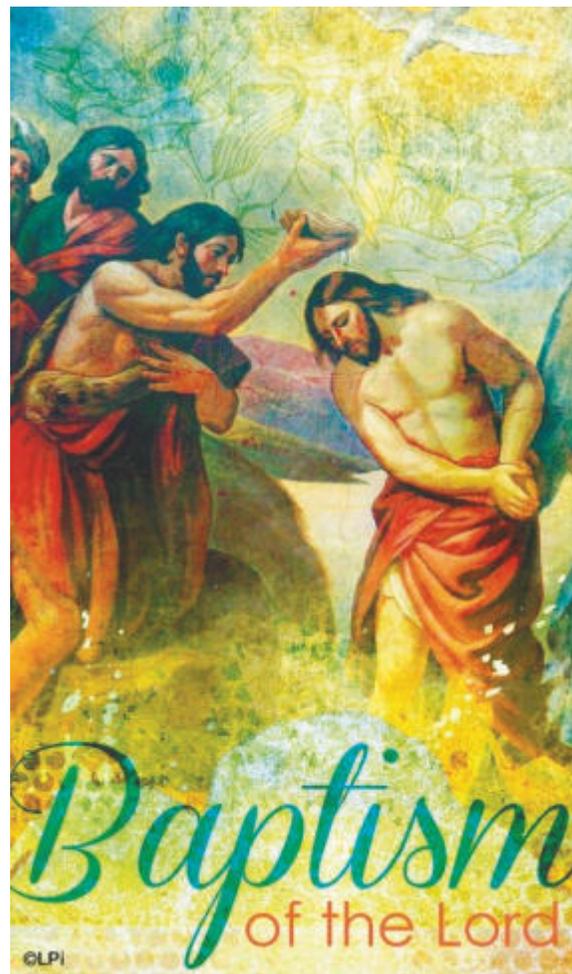
Day of Adoration and Mass for LIFE

Every year for the past ten years, we have held a Day of Adoration and a Mass for Life to remember the anniversary of Roe vs Wade, the atrocious Supreme Court decision on Jan. 22, 1973 to legalize abortion. This year will look a bit different, like so many of our other celebrations that have had to be modified.

We will continue to have Adoration for the intention of the Protection of the Unborn starting at 9:45am (following the 9am Mass) and ending with Benediction at 7pm on **Fri., Jan. 22nd**. The following Ministries have scheduled an hour of prayer that day: Ladies of Charity (11a), Rosary Makers(1p), The Staff at St. Frances Cabrini(3p), St. Mary's 8th Grade Respect Life Group(4p), Knights of Columbus and That Man is You. If your ministry would like to take an hour in support of LIFE, please call or text Karen at 303-523-9760. Several individuals have also scheduled to take an hour to pray with Jesus. When Our Lord speaks, we need to be in a position to hear what He has to say. Maybe in an hour in Adoration, the Lord will give you peace of mind and heart or stir you up to do something great. Come and see!

Then, on **Sat., Jan. 23rd**, the fun begins with a Honk 'n' Wave skirting and driving through our St. Frances Cabrini Parish boundaries! Line up in the parking lot beginning at **1:30 pm** and, if you have not decorated your car before coming, we will gladly tape a sign to your window for you. Please remember to make your signs/car windows kid-friendly, using slogans such as "CHOOSE LIFE" or "ADOPTION, THE LOVING OPTION" or any encouraging type of pro-life sign. You are welcome to call me for slogan suggestions. Also, feel free to bring some signs to share! We will need lots of poster/banners, car window-sized please, in bright colors and big bold letters! Rumor has it that a great blessing will be bestowed on our parish and all who partake in this Monumental Honk 'n' Wave! Email Karen at kmandolfo1@gmail.com for more information.

We will arrive back at Cabrini in time for the **4:15 Mass**. The Mass intention will be for the Protection of the Unborn. There are some special surprises planned. If you would like to be a part of this very special Mass, please contact Karen at 303-523-9760 or kmandolfo1@gmail.com. **Special Note:** Please remember to **sign up online** at sfparish.org to be able to attend this Mass.



FAITH DIRECT

The Christmas season is coming to an end with attendance at in-person services still restricted. St. Frances Cabrini Parish continues to depend on online donations to continue our ministry.

We prayerfully invite you to sign up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Sign up today by visiting sfparish.org/give or text "enroll" to 720-713-3309.

Thank you for your continued generous support of our parish family!

Knights of Columbus Parish Breakfast

The Knights are holding our parish breakfast a little different this year. We will be serving John's famous breakfast burrito and chili as a carryout after the 7:15am and 9:15am Masses. Pick up your burrito at the tent set up by the garage outside the church for a recommended \$6 donation (cash preferred). Donate at one end of the table and pick



your burrito up at the other end! Next breakfast date: **Sun., Jan. 24th**. The Ladies of Charity will also be having a bake sale.

OUTREACH & ASSISTANCE

January Project to Focus on the Corporal Work of Mercy, *Shelter the Homeless* Please Drop off at the Table in the Gathering Space Before all Masses on Jan. 23rd/24th



Please join us in collecting recently CLEANED or new sleeping bags and blankets for the children and adults who live in motels, sharing apartments with several families or lowering their heat to meet winter's utility costs. We have seen an increasing number of older adults living in their cars because of skyrocketing rents and unsafe temporary housing. Many of these situations are complicated so the warmth and comfort of a blanket in their time of crisis expresses a message that they are loved and people care about them.

During the month of January, we will also be collecting **travel size hygiene supplies: deodorant, foot powder, Chap Stick, sunscreen, toothpaste and toothbrush, hand warmers, comb, hand sanitizer, nail clippers and shaving cream.** These supplies may be dropped off with the blankets on the weekend of Jan. 23rd/24th or dropped off in the food barrels any time. If you have any questions, please contact Karen L at klotspeich@sfcparish.org or 303-953-7765.



Lunch Bunch is Coming January 30th/31st Open for Entire Parish Participation

The collection of sack lunches to feed the homeless is the weekend of Jan. 30th/31st. Each lunch should contain **2 plain sandwiches, a piece of fruit (no bananas), chips and a sweet of some kind.** No mayo or mustard except in little separate packages!!! Please bring lunches to the Gathering Space **before 4:15pm Mass on Saturday or between 7am-11:15am on Sunday only.** Parish volunteers take the lunches collected to the Volunteers of America Shelter on Lawrence Street where they are then distributed to the homeless throughout the week. If you have any questions, please contact Karen L at 303-953-7765 or klotspeich@sfcparish.org.



Cabrini Piecemakers Quilt Group Sat., Jan. 23rd, 9:30am-3pm, Frassati Room Fri., Feb. 5th, 9:30am-2pm, Parish Hall B

Piecemakers became a St. Frances Cabrini ministry in 2004. Since then, we have made just over 5,000 quilts as of the end of 2020, including many quilts for homeless veterans.

Our mission statement is, "**Piecemakers quilt with love to warm the body and comfort the soul of those in need.**" Many thanks to the parish for your support!

We invite new members to join us! When attending a meeting, please wear a mask at all times and be prepared to socially distance at the tables that will be set up in that manner. Bring a lunch if you plan to stay all day. For more information, please contact Karen at 303-953-7765 or klotspeich@sfcparish.org.



Cabrini Rosary Makers

The rosary mystically transports us to Mary's side as she is busy watching over the human growth of Christ in the home of Nazareth. This enables her to train us and to mold us with the same care, until Christ is "fully formed" in us.

- *Rosarium Virginis Mariae* by St. Pope JPII

Please stop by Parish Halls B & C on **Tues. Feb. 2nd, any time between 9:30-11:30am** to replenish your supplies and drop off rosaries for distribution and stay if you would like.

We will be praying the Rosary. The set-up has been changed to round tables with 3 to a table spread out between 2 rooms. You are welcome to stay if you are comfortable with the physical distancing. Remember to wear your mask. For more information, please call Teresa at 303-988-6517, Loretta at 720-981-5114 or Sandy at 303-932-1501.

Cabrini Loving Hands

The next gathering will be **Sat., Jan. 16th.** The Loving Hands Knitting and Crocheting group meets once a month (Jan.-Nov.) on Saturday between 10am-3pm in Parish Halls B & C. Join us if you would like to learn to knit or crochet or to share your talents and socialize as we make a variety of items for those in need. This next gathering in January will be a potluck as well as a gift exchange for those who wish to participate. Contact Karen S at 303-588-0461 for more information on this ministry.



Cabrini's Cupboard

Give us this day our daily bread...

A very special thank you for bringing in all the Christmas treats and healthy food for Cabrini's Cupboard's families. Your generous giving has eased the burden for so many in need.

Over the last 3 years, Rick (not his real name) has been receiving food and assistance for his family. His path has been difficult, ups and downs and all arounds. His wound is a daily struggle with addiction. Every day he wants to stand up and fight for his sobriety. "Some days are better than others. My relationships with my kids and those I love the most have suffered. I want to be healthy and take care of my kids. I don't want them to remember me that way anymore. Building trust with them and telling my kids that I love them gets me through the day." Rick has a new confidence in himself. He has come to realize his past does not define the dad, son, brother and husband he is today. "St Frances Cabrini helped me heal. The church is so peaceful and everyone has welcomed me." Praise be to God our Almighty Father! May your new year be filled with hope, love, and joy!



Current needs: Cereal, tuna/chicken, pasta and spaghetti sauce, granola bars, hearty soups, mac & cheese, breakfast bars, fruit, veggies, shampoo and toilet papers.

Please be sure to double check expiration dates, as we are not able to shelve or distribute expired food. Thank you!!

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

WORSHIP MINISTRY



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and
I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally, come
at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were
already there and unite myself
wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated
from You. Amen.

Healing Masses at St. Frances Cabrini

The next Healing Mass will be on Mon., Jan. 11th, 7pm.
God is always with us to heal us and comfort us in our sufferings. These Masses are special opportunities to invite the Holy Spirit to touch you deeply and heal those emotional, physical or spiritual places that are in need of God's healing graces. Please join us to praise God and be open to how He wishes to work in our lives as we humbly come before Him, who is rich in mercy. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Israel at frisrael@sfcparish.org.

Weekly Vocation Prayer Intentions

Sunday: Seminarians in their 2nd Theology and 1st Theology years
Monday: 2nd Philosophy and 1st Philosophy
Tuesday: Spirituality Year and Itinerancy
Wednesday: College Sophomores and Freshmen
Thursday: Vocations Ministry
Friday: Applicants and Prospective Seminarians
Saturday: 4th Theology and 3rd Theology

Holy Father's January Prayer Intention:

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

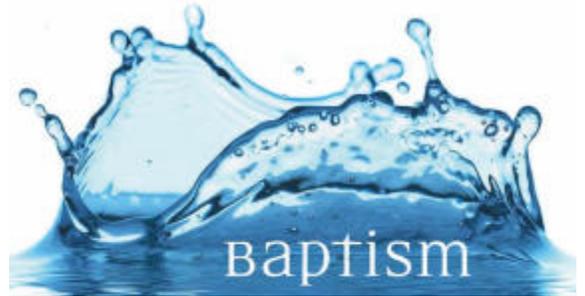


Deacon Brian, with the Intercessors of the Trinity, has been live streaming every Tuesday from 7-8:30 pm. They are able to take your prayer requests and pray live with you. You can connect at their website: IntercessorsoftheTrinity.org.

Readings for the Week of January 10, 2021

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 & 2b, 6 & 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab & 5, 6-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 & 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8-10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light for my path. - Psalm 119:105



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday	January 11
6:30A	John Dietz†
9:00A	Eva Gross†
Tuesday	January 12
6:30A	Ed Mochetti†
9:00A	Bela Torok†
	John Solga†
Wednesday	January 13
9:00A	Barb Edgar†
Thursday	January 14
6:30A	Leslie Cannon - SI
9:00A	Paul Basquez - SI
	Shane Raczkowski - SI
Friday	January 15
6:30A	Souls in Purgatory†
9:00A	Barbara Chirico†
Saturday	January 16
4:15P	Bill Lahey†
Sunday	January 17
7:15A	Julius Toth†
9:15A	Mike McCann†
11:15A	Parishioners
5:15P	Nancy Sampson†



Please pray for the souls
of our recently deceased
loved ones, that they may rejoice
in the gift of eternal life:
*Elmer Vetter, Armando Salzano
and Bill Robinson.*

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Prayer Line

If you have a prayer request for yourself or for someone else, call the prayer line at 303-953-7794 and leave your name, phone number and prayer intention (spelling all names for clarity) on the voice mail. Also, if you would like to join our ministry, please leave your name and phone number on the voice mail and Karen Smoody will contact you.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Come Join Us on Tuesday Evenings!!



The RCIA process is for anyone (adults, children, teens) who was baptized Catholic and never received their First Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Confirmation. It is also for our

brothers and sisters who were baptized in a different Christian faith and would like to be received into the Catholic Church and for those who were never baptized and would like to be baptized into the Catholic faith. **We meet on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm in the Frassati Room!** For more information, please contact Deacon Chet at 303-953-7783.

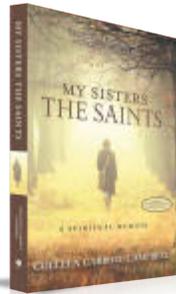
What's In The Lighthouse Kiosk?



There are many new CDs and books in the kiosk.

In "My Sisters the Saints", author Colleen Carroll

Campbell blends her personal narrative of spiritual seeking, trials, stumbles, and breakthroughs with the stories of six women saints who profoundly changed her life: Teresa of Avila, Therese of Lisieux, Faustina of Poland, Edith Stein of Germany, Mother Teresa of Calcutta, and Mary of Nazareth. Drawing upon the rich writings and examples of these extraordinary women, the author reveals Christianity's liberating power for women and the relevance of the saints to the lives of contemporary Christians. A poignant and powerful spiritual memoir about how the lives of the saints changed the life of a modern woman.

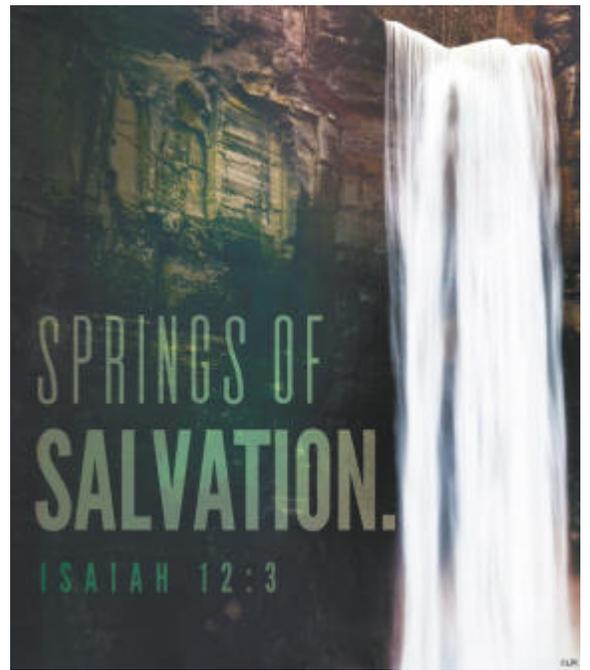


For more information about Lighthouse offerings, contact DeAnn at 303-953-7792.

Baptism Classes

Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. -ccc 1213

It is a requirement that parents attend a baptism class prior to the baptism of their child so they may be adequately prepared and understand the spiritual obligations. Godparents are welcome and encouraged to attend. Parents are also invited to register in the parish. We celebrate many baptisms in our community, so we recommend contacting us prior to the birth of your child. To register for the class or to schedule your child's baptism, call Deacon Chet at 303-953-7783.



A Free Gift for You from St. Frances Cabrini!

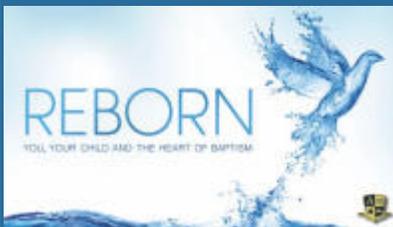


Already have a FORMED Account? Follow these steps:

1) Visit FORMED.org, 2) Click SIGN IN, 3) Enter your email, 4) Click the link in your email, 5) You're in! No more passwords! (Remember, when you return to FORMED, just click the *sign in* button.)

Want to create a new FORMED account with your parish? Follow these steps: 1) Visit formed.org/signup 2) Select "St. Frances Cabrini" by entering name, city or zip, 3) Register with your name and email address, 4) Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED.

Suggestions on What to Watch on FORMED.org



Reborn: You, Your Child and The Heart of Baptism

Reborn explores the deeply personal power of Baptism, bringing to light the spiritual reality for parents and godparents and, most importantly, the child being baptized. Rendered with a cinematic beauty that's become the hallmark of the Augustine Institute's film productions, Reborn presents the foundation of the Church's teaching on Baptism, with a step-by-step explanation of the rite itself, including its profound place in Scripture and Tradition.



Born into the Kingdom: The Miracle of Baptism

In this happy presentation, Brother Francis invites us to share in the realities of the Sacrament of Baptism and the union it provides us with God's big family! Filled with instruction and inspiration, "Born into the Kingdom" is a great reminder of God's wonderful grace!

Discover the many offerings (movies, documentaries, studies, talks, fiction and nonfiction books and more) on Formed for yourself! Go to www.sfeparish.formed.org today and register for free!

Adult Sacred Scripture and Formation Classes!

When I found your words, I devoured them; your words were my joy, the happiness of my heart... Jer 15:16

Numerous Sacred Scripture and formation studies are starting in January and both in-person and virtual options are being offered. Each of the studies can also be done on your own as a home-study.

- * **Receiving and Extending God's Mercy;** Mondays at 6:30pm (in-person or personal study)
- * **Letter to the Hebrews;** Tuesdays at 7pm (in-person or personal study)
- * **St. Paul's Letter to the Romans;** Wednesdays at 9:45am (zoom or personal study)
- * **The Mass with Bishop Barron;** Thursdays at 9:45am (in-person, via zoom or personal study)
- * **The Prophets;** Wednesdays at 4pm (in-person, via zoom or personal study)

The registration deadline has passed and registration has closed. You may still contact DeAnn at dlarson@sfcparish.org for study availability. **Please Note:** *Workbook orders have been placed to ensure the materials arrive by the first class. Any late registrants may need to order their own workbook. Thank you!*

RESPECT LIFE

Do Not Conform Yourself to this Age

St Paul tells us, "Do not conform yourself to this age but ...discern...what is good and pleasing..." Since Roe v. Wade, around 63 million innocent children have lost their God-given right to live. An entire class of persons, children in the womb, have been relegated to the status of "chattel", personal property, who can be disposed of by those more powerful than they. They have no power to resist. They are subject to abuse and destruction by those with more power, namely the power of the State. They have no voice that can be heard except our own. **Without doubt, the killing of innocent children in the womb is the pre-eminent moral evil of our age.**

It is for this reason that we must "not conform" to this grave injustice. As St Paul tells us, we must instead stand on the side of truth and justice and "what is good and pleasing to God". We must recognize what both medical science and natural justice tell us: children in the womb are human persons with an inalienable right to life.

Undoubtedly, the most important human rights issue of our age is to protect our "first neighbors" ---- children in the womb. The womb is the "first home" of the whole human race and standing up for them is a matter of solidarity with our neighbor and love for the poor. We should not stand by while thousands of children every day are evicted and killed!

Our call (as St Paul reminds us) is to replace the current culture of death with a new culture of life and a civilization of love.

Pro-Life Articles

#CelebrateLife2021

Catholics in northern Colorado are holding a #CelebrateLife2021 social media campaign from now through January, culminating in the celebration of the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C., on Jan. 29, 2021. Due to COVID mandates, we will NOT be having a local Denver **Celebrate Life Rally** downtown this year.

Instead, Father John Paul is inviting you to come and be a part of our **Celebrate Life** events here at St. Frances Cabrini. **Fri., Jan. 22nd**, is the anniversary of the horrendous decision by the Supreme Court which has led to abortions being committed at every stage of a pregnancy, up to and including birth here in Colorado. In memory of the 63 MILLION babies (and many mothers as well) who have lost their lives due to legalized abortion, we will hold our **Annual Day of Adoration for Life**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place immediately following the 9am Mass and will end with Benediction at 7 pm.

Then, come join in the fun, starting at the SFC parking lot at 1:30pm on **Sat., Jan. 23rd**, for the first ever **Honk 'n' Wave Celebrate Life Rally!** For more details, see page 4 of this bulletin. To be a part of the day (there is much more extending into the 4:15 Mass later that day), email, text or call Karen M. at 303-523-9760 or kmandolfo1@gmail.com.

Important Note: If you have experienced some vital life issue in your time on earth, please also call me. We would like your story for this day! Adopted? Survived abortion? Unexpected pregnancy in your past? Please call. YOU WILL NOT HAVE TO SPEAK IN PUBLIC, I promise. Call Karen at 303-523-9760, please call now.

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CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION



Welcome Back!! C.F.F. Classes (in-person & online) & Foundations Resume This Week!

Children's Faith Formation classes (both in-person & online) for grades 1st - 5th and 6th grade Foundations will resume this **Mon., Jan. 11th – Wed., Jan. 13th.**

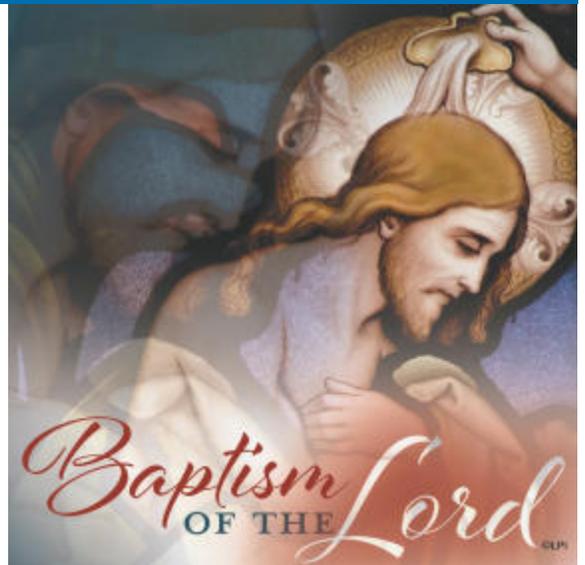
Welcome back! We pray all of you had a joy-filled and restful break!

3rd Year Sacrament Prep Parent & Sponsor Meeting #2 - Change in Format, Date & Time!

Third Year parents and sponsors are invited to our 2nd Sacrament Prep Parent & Sponsor meeting this **Thurs., Jan. 14th, at 6pm.** This meeting will be **held online**, over Zoom, and a link will be emailed to families the week of January 11th. We look forward to seeing all our 3rd Year parents and sponsors at this meeting! If you have any questions please call Kristen in the C.F.F. Office at 303-953-7775.

2nd Year Sacrament Prep Parents - Change in Format, Date & Time!

Our **final** parent meeting for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be **held online**, over Zoom, on **Thurs., Jan. 28th, at 6pm.** A link will be emailed to families the week of January 25th. We look forward to seeing all our 2nd Year parents as we share details regarding your child's First Reconciliation and the First Reconciliation Retreat coming up on Sat., Feb. 27th. If you have any questions please call Kristen in the C.F.F. Office at 303-953-7775.



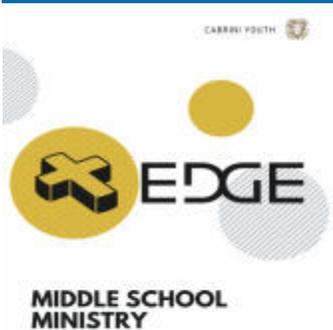
Martin Luther King Jr. Day- Office Closed

Due to the observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, there will be **no** Children's Faith Formation classes (both in-person and online) or 6th grade Foundations on **Mon., Jan. 18th.** All in-person and online C.F.F. classes for grades 1st – 5th will meet, as scheduled, on Tues., Jan. 19th, and Wed., Jan. 20th. Please contact the C.F.F. office at 303-953-7786 with any questions.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (3-6 year-olds) is Back!!

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is a program in which the Sunday Scripture readings are proclaimed and explained on a level appropriate to younger children. CLOW resumes this **Sun., Jan. 10th**, and continues next **Sun., Jan. 17th, at the 9:15am Mass**, for children ages 3 to 6. There is no registration for CLOW and we ask families to **please check-in with our CLOW volunteers, in the Gathering Space, before Mass begins** to receive a nametag for their child. Thank you to Roxanne Elsner, Makayla Lusnia, Janet & Alyssa Schott, Joany Tisdale, Ginny Lyons, Becki Norick, Sara & Grace Schott, Anna & Andrew Austad and Christian & Liliana Tarud for leading and assisting in our CLOW ministry! We are looking forward to nourishing the souls of your young children in 2021 through this exciting ministry! Please contact Kristen at 303-953-7775 or kconrad@sfcparish.org with any questions.

TEEN/YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY



EDGE Kick-Off
Thurs., Jan. 21st, 7-8:30pm
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Ladies Night
Jan. 24th, 7-8:30pm
Parish Halls



MEN'S NIGHT
Sun., Jan. 24th, 7-8:30pm
Parish Halls

Women's Book Study



Two paths, same destination of experiencing Holy Week in a deep and profound way. This book, *Walking in Her Sandals: Experiencing Christ's Passion through the Eyes of Women* by Kelly Wahlquist, is very different from the past books. You will imagine the experiences of the women who met Jesus and you will discover how each of them expressed one of six, distinctive, feminine gifts identified in the writings of St. John Paul II.

This group will be offered in two different ways: in-person and as a virtual online zoom group meeting. The in-person group will meet on **Wednesdays, from 9:45-11:30am in the Music Room, beginning on Feb. 24th through April 7th.** This session will have no homework - all the reading and discussion will happen during our sessions.

The zoom class will meet on **Tuesday evenings, from 6:30-8pm, beginning on Feb. 23rd through April 6th.** This session will be discussion only. Trust me, we will have plenty to discuss. Most of the reading will be done on your own time.

The cost of the book is \$16 (*scholarships are available*). For more information or to register, please contact Karen L at 303-953-7765 or klotspeich@sfcparish.org. **The registration deadline is Mon., Feb. 8th.**

You know how you have some books that you can read over and over. One of those books for me is *Jesus of Nazareth: From the Baptism in the Jordan to the Transfiguration*. This is volume one of a two volume collection. The reason I bring this up is because today's Gospel reading is the Baptism of Jesus. In his book, Pope Benedict draws a connection between Jesus' Baptism and His Crucifixion. At His baptism is where Jesus took the full weight of our sins upon Himself, started His public ministry to be brought to full meaning on the Cross and Resurrection. This is the precise moment when Jesus said yes and stepped into the place of sinners. This also explains why, in His own discourses, Jesus uses the word "baptism" to refer to His death. [pg 18: "Are you able to drink the chalice that will I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" Mark 10:38.] Jesus' Baptism is to be understood in light of His death on a Cross. **References: Brant Pitre The Baptism of Jesus Sunday reflection and Jesus of Nazareth by Pope Benedict XVI pg17-19**

S.F.C. Corner



Forever Families

Sat., Jan 30th

6:30pm Virtual Meeting

Forever Families Faith Community is a group of families with adopted children of all ages. The vision of this faith community is for adoptive families to build lasting relationships with other families who share their same journey of adoption and faith. Typically, during our meetings we eat, chat, engage in fun and educational experiences and, most importantly, pray together. This time, it will be a little different since it will be virtual. If you or someone you know would be interested in joining our group, contact Teresa Gomez at 720-988-7847 or at gogotree@q.com.

The meeting ID for the Jan. 30th meeting is: 759 2932 6872 and the password is ADOPTION

Magnificat Moms: A St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Moms Group



Happy New Year! We hope you have enjoyed a blessed season! Now that the holiday rush has subsided a bit, set aside some time for yourself to visit with other moms who understand what an amazing, and sometimes challenging, vocation motherhood

is!

SFC's Magnificat Moms is a group of women who desire to grow in holiness and friendship as we explore our Catholic Faith together. Our group is made up of moms of all kinds - moms who work outside the home, stay-at-home moms, moms with babies and moms with school-age kiddos. There is definitely a place for you, too!

The group meets twice a month and will be meeting remotely through mid-January. Please join us at any of our meetings to listen to amazing guest speakers, discuss our faith and help lift each other up through friendship and prayer.

Future meeting dates (**9:45-11:45am**): 1/21, 2/4, 2/18, 3/4, 3/18, 4/8, 4/22, 5/6 and 5/20.

Join our community on Facebook, Instagram or email for encouragement, connections and resources for moms. We look forward to connecting with you soon! You and your families are in our prayers!

**Facebook: Magnificat Moms Group St. Frances Cabrini; Instagram: cabrinimagmoms
Email: CabriniMagMoms@gmail.com**

Support Groups

Groups are welcoming and offer support, prayer and fellowship to those in need. If you have general questions, please call 303-953-7765.

Abortion Healing/Forgiveness: Caring, confidential group. Open to anyone who has had or been affected by an abortion. Call Lori at 303-904-7414.

Adoptive Families: Looking for support, fellowship & education in a faith-filled atmosphere? Contact Teresa at 720-988-7847 or gogotree@q.com for more information.

Alcoholics Anonymous: For more info, call Eddie at 303-917-8992.

AI-Anon: Meetings: Fri., 9-10:30am via Zoom. Adults only. Contact Karen at 303-953-7765 for the Zoom invite.

Counseling Referrals: Our Parish has a number of counselors we refer to for a wide range of issues. For a referral, call Karen at 303-953-7765.

Sexual Purity: Join a group of men who are finding hope, healing and freedom from their sexual sin through Christ. For more information, call 303-587-6239.



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