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Saturdays: 4:30 p.m.
Sundays: 9:00 a.m.

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Saturdays beginning at 3:00 p.m.

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

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January 8 - 9, 2022

St. Michael Catholic Church Mission Statement:

We, the parish family of St. Michael Catholic Church, following in the footsteps of the Lord, are a Eucharistic community of faith. Nourished by the Sacraments and the Word, we strive to reflect Christ's light to the world through worship, education and service.

St. Michael's Catholic Church

Cañon City, Colorado

Adoration of the Eucharist:



Eucharistic Adoration will continue on Tuesdays in The Main Church from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and on Wednesdays in the Main Church beginning at 12 p.m. and continuing through the night until 8 a.m. Mass Thursday morning.

Adoration will continue after Mass until approximately 10:15 a.m. concluding with Benediction. Contact Jeff Worley for more info: 269-1278.

PARISH SUPPORT

December 30, 2021

General ~ \$2,102.00

Votive ~ \$422.00

Flowers ~ \$215.00

Alms ~ \$40.00

Christmas Eve ~ \$762.00

Christmas ~ \$9,061.00

Parish Support amounts for the weekend of January 1/2 were not available before the deadline for printing. This information will be printed in next week's bulletin, January 15 & 16

Thank you for your continuing generosity.



Emergency Prayer Chain: (719) 275-5970
or (719) 269-7316

NEW LIFE PRAYER GROUP

Meets Wednesday mornings in the school meeting room.
8:45—9:45 a.m. Scripture Study
9:45 a.m. Prayer Meeting
All are welcome.



!!! THANK YOU PARISHIONERS !!!

Thank you to all who have come and worked hard to make our worship space "sparkle"! If you would like to join this group to give your time and talent to this project, come join us on

Monday, January 10, at 9:00 a.m.

All are welcome to help clean the house of our Lord.

We will be collecting items to give out to the homeless again this winter on behalf of our community Homeless Outreach Team.



Items in need (new, not used please):
coats, hats, gloves, boots, hand warmers,
heavy socks, & blankets.

Donated items can be brought to the large tote located in the Narthex. All items donated will be passed out to individuals and families who are homeless in Fremont County.

For any questions or concerns, contact Anna Carochi at 719-371-3525. Thank you in advance for your generosity in serving Christ's poor.

Join in on our local Synod Journey!



As you may know, Pope Francis has called a Synod of Bishops in Rome for October 2023, designated as the Synod on Synodality.

The purpose of the synod is to remind the entire Church to walk together on a synodal journey.

On October 17th, Bishop Berg celebrated an opening Mass for the Synod. He also invited all Clergy and laity to participate in the official Prayer for the Synod on Synodality, and take the **official survey** which will be submitted to the Vatican for review and consideration.

You can easily find a link to this Diocesan survey on our **St. Michael website home page: www.stmikesanoncity.org**
Thank you in advance for your participation!

When there is more information regarding the Synod on Synodality, the Pueblo Diocese will make sure to let you know through "The Living Garden". Make sure to subscribe for the latest updates!

THE LIVING GARDEN

The Official E-News for the Diocese of the Little Way.

"I understood that if all the lovely flowers wished to be roses, nature would no longer be enameled with lovely hues. And so it is in the world of souls. Our Lord's Living Garden."

- St. Thérèse of Lisieux



THE 2022 CALENDARS ARE HERE!

The St. Michael Parish Calendars for 2022 are available in the Narthex.

We extend our special thanks to this year's sponsors:

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www.stmikesanoncity.org

Click the menu item on the home page that says:

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The link will take you directly to our St. Michael on-line giving page where you can easily set up your new account!

Welcome

NEW PARISHIONERS

If you would like to become a registered St. Michael parishioner, we welcome you to please fill out a **Blue** registration form.

If you did not UPDATE your registration in 2020, you are also welcome to please fill out a **Yellow** registration update form.

Both forms are available in the Narthex or at the Parish Offices.

The Baptism of the Lord

January 8th - 9th, 2022

Liturgical Ministers' Schedule

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday January 15, 2022 4:30 p.m. Mass	Sunday January 16, 2022 9:00 a.m. Mass
Altar Servers	Adeline & Sammy Glasser	Kaj Clark Emi Masih
Lectors	1) Jeff Worley 2) Adam Worley	1) Monica Kelly 2) Mary Kay Evans
Sacristan	Sandi Miller	Edie Knellinger
Hospitality Ministers	Lorraine Kennec Ralph Kunselman Marcia McAllister Fay Podsobinski HM Coord - Jeannie Rector	Dave Ackerman Julie Schilf Laura Schilf Paula Schilf HM Coord - Ken Burger



Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions: January 11th, 2021 — January 16th 2022 Daily Mass in St. Michael Main Church

Tuesday, January 11 8:00 a.m. Mass	✠ Kelly Marie Henderson By: Jeannie Rector
Wednesday, January 12 8:00 a.m. Mass 8:45 a.m. & 9:45 a.m.	✠ Ralph Cruz By: Jeannie Rector Scripture Study & Prayer Meeting (in school meeting room)
Thursday, January 13 8:00 a.m. Mass	For the Salvation of Rodolfo Israel Montellano Reyes & that he may become a faithful follower of Christ By: Blanca Reyes Montellano
Friday, January 14 6:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group (In the Parish Center)
Friday, January 14 8:00 a.m. Mass	For the Salvation of: Blanca Jacqueline Montellano Reyes & that she may grow to be a good disciple of Christ By: Blanca Reyes Montellano
Saturday, January 15 4:30 p.m. Mass	✠ Ralph Cruz By: Paul & Lois Telck
Sunday, January 16 9:00 a.m. Mass	For the Health & Well Being of: Megan Hill By: Bob Fahey ✠ Steven Marquez By: James & Priscilla Kennedy

... and for those who have died from the coronavirus, may they know the peace of joy of God's love through all eternity.



St. Michael has several ways in which we support each other in special personal prayer. Our goal is to make everyone aware of the most immediate needs in an appropriate and respectful way.

Please remember to follow the guidelines listed on the sign-in sheet. **The intent is to make us aware of a current illness or death that has taken place within the past month.**

PRAYER CORNER

People impacted from the Boulder Country Fires

The Abbate Family	Liz & Warren Babilot
The Baca Family	Phil Baca Sr.
Karen Breidenbach	Patti Bullock
The Brixey Family	Jeanne Burrage
Jane Cole	Don Conners
Ralph Cruz	Juanita Cruz & Family
Louisa DeAlejandro	Jody DeCook
Bert & Bob DeFelice	The Delgado Family
Irene Delgado	Sharon Delgado
Mike Deneff	Gina Delien
Vita & Richard DiRito	Nickii Hand
Kelly Henderson	Jeff Iubatti
Joe Kafinke	Bill Kelly
Ted Kennedy	Mike Kinzer
Dolph Koroshetz	Mr. & Mrs. Irv Lange
Ralph & Margaret Linscott	Orlinda Marquez
Kathy Martin	Suzanne Martinchalk
Tom McCoy	Our Country
Our Military Troops	Father Kevin Novack
Rita Parsons	Bob & Ruth Phiepher
Chris Renna	Clare Reynolds
Mary Sabus	Rose Scancarello
Maria Stucker & Family	Rick Taylor
Mary Louise Thorton	

"(Therefore) Pray for one another ... The fervent prayer of a righteous person is very powerful" James 5:16

The Prayer Corner Sign-in Sheet is located in the Gathering Space.
Please print legibly, thank you!



Readings for the Week of January 9th

Sunday:

Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-
25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday:

1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday:

1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday:

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/
Mk 1:29-39

Thursday:

1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday:

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday:

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday:

Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/
Jn 2:1-11

PASTOR'S PAGE

Reverend Jesse L. Perez

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE January 9, 2022 - The Baptism of the Lord

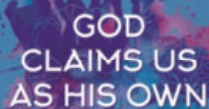
What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of 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.

LIVE THE LITURGY ***Inspiration for the week***

Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action he let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters God announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor and God is very pleased.



**GOD
CLAIMS US
AS HIS OWN**

FORMATION

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to fully live as authentic disciples of Jesus Christ,
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Where Mercy Abounds

**“I turn though in particular to you,
women who have had abortions ...
Do not despair or abandon hope.”
~ The Gospel of Life, 99**



*Please join the Where Mercy Abounds Hope and Healing after Abortion Ministry, in praying for life.

Each week we will provide you a quote or verse to reflect on and hold in your heart.

If you or anyone you know is suffering from the aftermath of abortion, please know there is hope and healing.

Fr. Matthew, the Project Rachel contact for the Diocese of Pueblo, can be reached by email at mwertin@dioceseofpueblo.org.

All counseling is free and confidential.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED



Question: At my grandson's Baptism, the priest put a bib on the baby. I do not remember seeing this before. Why is this done? Is it something new?

Answer:

When an adult is baptized, there is a part in the ceremony when the newly baptized is vested in a white garment. It is symbolic of the changes that baptism brings in the life of the baptized as they are freed from the bonds of sin and brought into the saving grace of Christ. Realities that are so profound are symbolically presented so that we might better grasp and understand them.

Infants are often dressed in a baptismal dress, which is the baptismal garment. In some places, the bib is used as a kind of baptismal garment. At the place in the ceremony where the investiture takes place, the bib is used. Some are poncho-like and fit over the baby's head. Others are simply placed on the baby's chest. If the baby is dressed in a white garment, nothing else is needed. The prayer says it all: "See in your white garment the outward sign of your Christian dignity ... bring that dignity unstained into the everlasting life of heaven." In baptism, we are given our purpose and goal in life as believers, and this is symbolized by the white garment.

The Baptism of the Lord January 9, 2022

First Reading:

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together;
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. (40:5)

Psalm:

O bless the Lord, my soul. (Ps 104)

Second Reading:

He saved us through the bath of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit. (Ti 3:5)

Gospel:

After all the people had been baptized
and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying,
heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him
in bodily form like a dove. (Lk 3:22)

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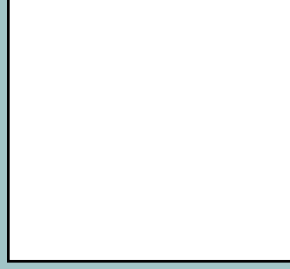
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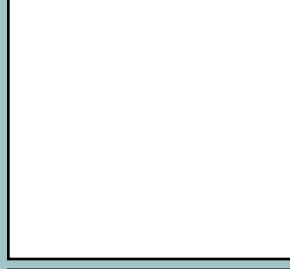
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