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THE  
BAPTISM  
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## MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 am

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am

10:00 am | Facebook Live

Domingo (Español) 12:00 pm | Facebook en vivo

2:00 pm

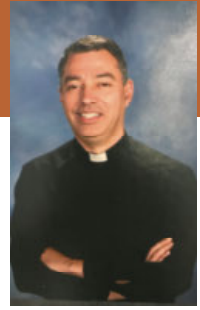
Confessions — Saturday 3:30pm  
*And by appointment*

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday **Closed**



### Being baptized means living in spirituality

*He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.*

"Spirituality" is an unfortunate word. For many it can only mean something useless, far from real life. What can it be used for? What matters is the concrete and practical, the material, not the spiritual.

However, the "spirit" of a person is something valued in modern society, as it indicates the deepest and most decisive part of one's life: the passion that animates ultimate inspiration, what infect others, what that person is putting in the world.

The spirit encourages our projects and commitments, configures our horizon of values and our hope. Our spirituality depends on our spirit. And so will our religion and our entire lives.

The texts that the first Christians have left us show that they live their faith in Jesus Christ as a strong "spiritual movement". They feel inhabited by the Spirit of Jesus. A Christian is someone who has been baptized with that Spirit. "He who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him." Guided by that Spirit, they live in a new way.

The first thing that radically changes is your experience of God. They no longer live with the "spirit of slaves," burdened by fear of God, but with the "spirit of children" who feel they are loved unconditionally and without limits by a Father. The Spirit of Jesus makes them cry out in the depths of their hearts: Abba, Father! This experience is the first thing that everyone should find in the communities of Jesus.

Their way of living religion also changes. They no longer feel "prisoners of the law", norms and precepts, but liberated by love. Now they know what it is to live with "a new spirit", listening to the call of love and not with "the old writings", busy fulfilling religious obligations. This is the climate that we all have to care for and promote in Christian communities, if we want to live like Jesus.

They also discover the true content of the worship of God. What pleases the Father is not empty rituals of love, but rather that we live "in spirit and in truth." This life lived with the spirit of Jesus and the truth of his gospel is for Christians, their authentic "spiritual worship."

We must not forget what Paul of Tarsus said to his communities: "Do not quench the Spirit." A dull church, void of the spirit of Christ, cannot live or communicate its true Newness. You cannot savor or spread your Good News. Caring for Christian spirituality is rekindling our faith.

Have a blessed week,

*Fr. Andres Arango*

Pastor

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9

- SUN 01/09** 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
- MON 01/10** 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20
- TUE 01/11** 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
- WED 01/12** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/  
Mk 1:29-39
- THR 01/13** 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
- FRI 01/14** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
- SAT 01/15** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17
- SUN 01/16** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/  
Jn 2:1-11

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

# BAPTISM OF THE LORD

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday January 9

**8am** Alicia Pusac †  
Mary West †

**10am** Jaime Jim Gonzales †

**12pm** For the Parish  
**2pm** For the Parish

### Tuesday January 11

**8am** For the Parish

### Wednesday January 12

**8am** For the Parish

### Thursday January 13

**8am** For the Parish

### Friday January 14

**8am** For the Parish

### Saturday January 15

**5pm** Teri Bode †

### Sunday January 16

**8am** Alicia Pusac †  
**10am** Jaime Jim Gonzales †  
**12pm** For the Parish  
**2pm** For the Parish



## WE PRAY FOR

Billie Krzywickig ▪ Laura Manjarez

Narci Martinez ▪ Emely Luwter

Lesly Valenti ▪ Clara Rivera

Norman Morrissette ▪ Debbie Ortiz

Christina Olubambo ▪ Mario Vera

Iris Oligschlaeger ▪ Gail dee Barrett

Jim Bensfield ▪ Rhonda Bensfield

Thelma Garcia ▪ Katherine Johnson

Mike Romans ▪ Ellen Phungrasamee

Felicia Agbobli ▪ Martha Morales

Georgie Santa Cruz ▪ Rosalina De Luna

Yvette Torres ▪ Lupita Rodriguez

Patricia Cook ▪ Kris Patty ▪ Maria Perez

Yesenia Montes ▪ Concepcion Daley

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**Current Total Raised: \$22,540.00**

## TOGETHER LET US GO FORTH

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**Parish Goal: \$ 605,138.00**

**Raised: \$ 296,137.00**

**Redeemed: \$ 100,000.00**

## 2ND COLLECTION—BUILDING FUND

This collection is used to help the church projects.

## WESHARE ONLINE GIVING

Register for online giving for Sunday Giving, Vocations Collection, and/or Building Fund.

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## PLATE COLLECTION

### Plate

.....\$ 7,002.27

### Online Giving

.....\$ 6,760.50

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## BAPTISM OF THE LORD



## BIBLE STUDY

Now meeting at Emmaus House  
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## LIGHT A CANDLE

Prayer Candles available for purchase at the Parish office or after Mass **\$5.00 each**  
Your candle is kept beside the Guadalupe Chapel or Holy Family chapel.

## MASS USHERS

MASS	LEAD	USHERS
Sat 5pm	Parishioners	Parishioners
Sun 8am	Steve Jenkins	Parishioners/SVDP
Sun 10am		
1st	School Staff	School Parents
2nd	Dr. Kimbuende	African-American Community
3rd	Phillip Herrington	Herrington Family
4th	Paul Lewis	Lewis Family
5th	Steve Jenkins	SVDP

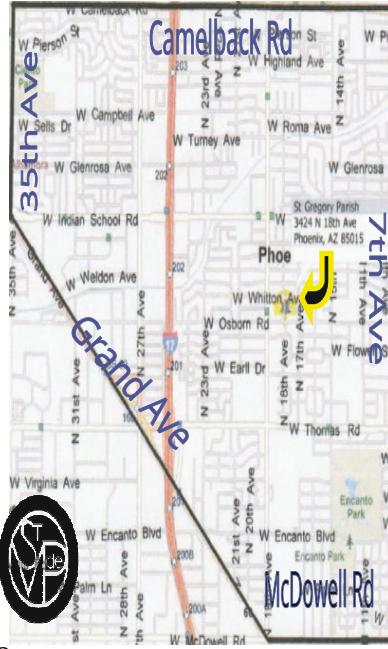
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Puede ser necesario seguir marcando.



**“We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ.”**

**Pope Francis**

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.

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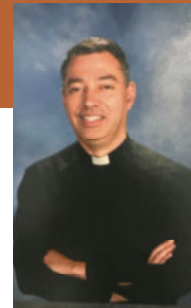
***Awaiting the Bethany Chapel & Spiritual Garden***

| John Hoffman |

The Burning Bush reached out to Moses. Moses asked, “Who are you?” The Crowds at the Jordan murmured among themselves, “Who is this?” Again, the crowds asked each other while listening to Jesus teach in the Synagogue. “Who is this?”

Bethany Chapel & Spiritual Garden opens for the Lenten Season as a sacred space to ask the Burning Bush reaching out to us, “Who are you?” then Be Still, then Listen and know “I am your God and you are my child.”

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### Ser bautizados significa vivir en la espiritualidad

*Él los bautizará con Espíritu Santo.*

"Espiritualidad" es una palabra desafortunada. Para muchos sólo puede significar algo inútil, alejado de la vida real. ¿Para qué puede servir? Lo que interesa es lo concreto y práctico, lo material, no lo espiritual.

Sin embargo, el "espíritu" de una persona es algo valorado en la sociedad moderna, pues indica lo más hondo y decisivo de su vida: la pasión que la anima, su inspiración última, lo que contagia a los demás, lo que esa persona va poniendo en el mundo.

El espíritu alienta nuestros proyectos y compromisos, configura nuestro horizonte de valores y nuestra esperanza. Según sea nuestro espíritu, así será nuestra espiritualidad. Y así será también nuestra religión y nuestra vida entera.

Los textos que nos han dejado los primeros cristianos nos muestran que viven su fe en Jesucristo como un fuerte "movimiento espiritual". Se sienten habitados por el Espíritu de Jesús. Solo es cristiano quien ha sido bautizado con ese Espíritu. «El que no tiene el Espíritu de Cristo no le pertenece». Animados por ese Espíritu, lo viven todo de manera nueva.

Lo primero que cambia radicalmente es su experiencia de Dios. No viven ya con «espíritu de esclavos», agobiados por el miedo a Dios, sino con «espíritu de hijos» que se sienten amados de manera incondicional y sin límites por un Padre. El Espíritu de Jesús les hace gritar en el fondo de su corazón: ¡Abbá, Padre! Esta experiencia es lo primero que todos deberían encontrar en las comunidades de Jesús.

Cambia también su manera de vivir la religión. Ya no se sienten «prisioneros de la ley», las normas y los preceptos, sino liberados por el amor. Ahora conocen lo que es vivir con «un espíritu nuevo», escuchando la llamada del amor y no con «la letra vieja», ocupados en cumplir obligaciones religiosas. Éste es el clima que entre todos hemos de cuidar y promover en las comunidades cristianas, si queremos vivir como Jesús.

Descubren también el verdadero contenido del culto a Dios. Lo que agrada al Padre no son los ritos vacíos de amor, sino que vivamos «en espíritu y en verdad». Esa vida vivida con el espíritu de Jesús y la verdad de su evangelio es para los cristianos su auténtico «culto espiritual».

No hemos de olvidar lo que Pablo de Tarso decía a sus comunidades: «No apaguéis el Espíritu». Una iglesia apagada, vacía del espíritu de Cristo, no puede vivir ni comunicar su verdadera Novedad. No puede saborear ni contagiar su Buena Noticia. Cuidar la espiritualidad cristiana es reavivar nuestra fe.

Dios los bendiga,

*Padre Andrés Arango*

Párroco

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Veladoras disponibles en la Oficina de la Parroquia o después de Misa, **\$5.00 c/u**  
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En la Casa Emaús

## MINISTERIO HOSPITALIDAD

—12pm

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2do Domingo	Grupo de Oración
3er Domingo	Jóvenes y Padres de Familia
4to Domingo	Equipo #2

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**9 de enero de 2022**

**El Bautismo del Señor**

Con la celebración del Bautismo del Señor se da por terminado el tiempo de Navidad. El Bautismo de Jesús es como una nueva epifanía, es decir, una nueva manifestación de Dios por medio de Jesús ahora en el Jordán. “El Espíritu Santo bajó sobre él y se manifestó exteriormente en forma de paloma, y del cielo vino una voz: Tú eres mi Hijo, hoy te he dado la vida” (Lucas 3,22). La revelación del Padre se manifiesta proclamando a Jesús como su Hijo. El Papa Francisco en una de sus catequesis lo muestra en tres puntos muy importantes para todos los que hemos sido bautizados en Cristo Jesús: “Jesús quiso recibir el bautismo predicado y administrado por Juan el Bautista en el Jordán. ¡Cuánta humildad tiene Jesús! Y al hacerlo, manifestó lo que hemos celebrado en Navidad: sumergirse en el río de la humanidad”. Jesús, va con todo a lo que refiere la cuestión humana, menos en el pecado. “El Evangelio subraya que Jesús, apenas salió del agua vio rasgarse los cielos y el Espíritu que bajaba hacia él como una paloma. El Espíritu Santo desciende en plenitud sobre Jesús para darle la fortaleza de cumplir su misión”. Por medio de nuestra vocación es que tenemos nuestra misión en la vida. ¿Cómo la estamos cumpliendo? “La fiesta del bautismo de Jesús invita a cada cristiano a recordar su bautismo”. ¿Sabes, o recuerdas la fecha de tu bautismo? Hay que preguntar sobre ese día y de cómo se celebró la fiesta de hacernos hijos e hijas de Dios. (Papa Francisco 1/7/2018). ©LPi



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