

Holy Innocents Catholic Parish

January 10 2021

Holy Innocents Church
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"Receive the Light of Christ"

Kaylee and Zoe Byrd Baptized

December 27, 2020

Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Livestream from St. Jude-www.holyinn.org)

Sunday : 8 am & 10:30 am — inside— Reservations Only at www.holyinn.org

Livestream 8am at www.holyinn.org 10:30 am [www.facebook.com/Holyinnocents Duvall](https://www.facebook.com/HolyinnocentsDuvall)

Daily Mass: Tue, Thur & Fri 9 am, Wed 6pm-Livestream www.holyinn.org

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Mission Statement

The Catholic Community of Holy Innocents Church is called to continue the mission of Jesus Christ by:

- Enhancing Spiritual Growth;
- Reaching out and serving those in need;
- Educating our community in Christ's teaching
- Creating and maintaining a warm and welcoming atmosphere.

Dear friends in Christ,



This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, another manifestation of Christ's divinity, and the institution of the sacrament of Baptism. Christ goes down into the water to make the waters of Baptism capable of washing away our sins and conveying his divine life to us. Pope Benedict reflects beautifully on the meaning of this feast in these excerpts of a homily given on the Baptism of the Lord:

The words that the Evangelist Mark recounts at the beginning of his Gospel: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased" (1: 11), introduce us into the heart of today's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord with which the Christmas Season ends. The cycle of the Christmas Solemnities leads us to meditate on the birth of Jesus, announced by the angels who were surrounded with the luminous splendor of God; the Christmas Season speaks to us of the star that guided the Magi of the East to the House in Bethlehem, and invites us to look to Heaven, which opens above the Jordan as God's voice resounds. These are all signs through which the Lord never tires of repeating: "Yes, I am here. I know you. I love you. There is a path that leads from me to you. And there is a path that rises from you to me". The Creator assumed the dimensions of a child in Jesus, of a human being like us, to make himself visible and tangible. At the same time, by making himself small, God caused the light of his greatness to shine. For precisely by lowering himself to the point of defenseless vulnerability of love, he shows what his true greatness is indeed, what it means to be God.

Christmas, and more generally the liturgical year, is exactly that drawing near to these divine signs, to recognize them as impressed into daily events, so that our hearts may be open to God's love. And if Christmas and Epiphany serve primarily to render us capable of seeing, of opening our eyes and hearts to the mystery of a God who comes to be with us, then we can say that the Feast of the Baptism of Jesus introduces us into the daily regularity of a personal relationship with him. Indeed, by immersion in the waters of the Jordan, Jesus united himself with us. Baptism is, so to speak, the bridge he built between himself and us, the road on which he makes himself accessible to us. It is the divine rainbow over our lives, the promise of God's great "yes", the door of hope and, at the same time, the sign that that indicates to us the path to take actively and joyfully in order to encounter him and feel loved by him. POPE BENEDICT

May this feast remind us of the grace and new life of Christ we have experienced through our own baptism. Blessings on your week!

Fr. Johnson



Holy Innocents Calendar

January 10	The Baptism of the Lord	
	Mass—indoors	8 am
	F.U.T..U.R.E Table Talk	9:15am
	Mass— indoors	10:30 am
Tues	Set up for Pantry	11 am
	Pantry—3-7 pm	By appointment
	Virtual Living Your Strengths Wkshp	7pm
Wed	Pantry—9 am —12 noon	By appointment

Prayer Requests:

Call the Office (425)788-1400

At the celebration of the Eucharist this week and in your prayers, please remember those from our parish family for whom we have been asked to pray.: For all who are sick, and for all those have died. Mary Lou Kittridge, Thomas Murphy; Linda McCormick, James Magill, Shirley Bushy, Teresa Swedman, Michael Gordan, BethAnn Willits, Leila Edwin, Helen Sexton, Paul Beard, Audrey Lawton, Alfred Harke, Rex Harke, Tess Buchthal, Michael Barroga-Hulett, Cyndi Uhlenkott, Kristi Douglas, Jo Ann Douglas, Tom Dabov, Michelle Kendrick, Kimberly Smith, Harry Oestreich, Marcia Evans, Gina Howell.

HI TIP: Together in Prayer

Each month we focus on a local community concern and ask parishioners to commit to prayer for 2 minutes each day specifically for that concern as well as for our church community. You can pray whenever and want, "Ask and you will receive," said Jesus Together we can do great things:

January

From our church windows we see the lights of the Monroe Prison. Let us pray for those in prison, for those who work in the prisons, for the victims of crime, for the families of prisoners, for Matthew House ministry, and for the judicial and the parole systems. St. Maximillian Kolbe, pray for us.

All Parish Faith Formation

January Virtue of the Month:

Generosity: Giving without counting the cost.



In keeping with the theme of Epiphany, we begin our focus of the virtue of generosity for the month of January. You can visit our website this week to discover ideas and activities to help you learn about and grow in this virtue. You can also find Fr. Anh's video presentation at the website as well.

- F.U.T.U.R.E's Sunday Morning "Table Talk" has begun again. Please email Debby@holyinn.org for the link to participate.
- The Faith Formation Narthex Nook is set up. This month, you are invited to stop by to put together a generosity refrigerator magnet

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Infant Baptism Preparation



If you are interested in having your infant child baptized before Lent, (Feb 17th) please contact Debby@holynn.org to find out about preparation and scheduling.

Baptism

The celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism for infants is scheduled after the baptismal preparation for the parents is completed. Baptisms are normally celebrated at a Sunday mass in the parish where the parents live. Adults (7 years or older) seeking baptism or confirmation are invited to inquire at the parish office for information about adult preparation.

Marriage

Couples seeking marriage in the church are asked to contact the parish at least four months in advance of their proposed wedding date. For those with prior marriages, additional time may be required. Marriages are celebrated in the parish in which one of the Catholic parties lives.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Private confession is available every Friday evening 6:00 pm — 7:00 pm.

Pastoral Care for the Sick and Dying

In the case of serious illness or failing health due to old age, parishioners should ask the church for the Sacrament of Anointing. This sacrament is administered by a priest and is celebrated by appointment as necessary. When a parishioner is near death, they should receive Holy Communion, called Viaticum (food for the journey). This sacrament can be administered by a priest or deacon or Eucharistic minister.

Pantry Thank You

Thank you to Family Grocer in Duvall. They have been inviting customers to “round up” their purchases and direct the difference to Holy Innocents Food Bank. Since October, they have raised \$3262.00. In addition, customers donated 104 bags of groceries during the holiday giving campaign at their store.



Confirmation Mass Announced

Monday February 8, 2021

at 7:00pm

With Archbishop Etienne



Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

January 10, 2021 — The Baptism of the Lord
IS 42:1-4, 6-7 or IS 55:1-11; PS 1-2, 3-4, 9-10 or IS 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; ACTS 10:34-38 or 1 JN 5:1-9; MK 1:7-11
Our Christmas season concludes with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Jesus was not baptized because he needed to repent — rather, He was revealing who He is and what He came to do.

It is from His mission that we can receive the sacrament of baptism — when we become adopted sons and daughters of God. From that moment, we belong to Christ — we become His stewards. Our lives should be a reflection of this relationship. The way we live should reveal Whose we are.

In our First Reading, the prophet Isaiah shares a message of hope, “Why spend your money for what is not bread, your wages for what fails to satisfy?” We should ask ourselves, “Who is the king of our hearts?” As Christian stewards, it should be God. We often fill our lives with things that satisfy us only for a moment. If we truly do belong to Christ, then we will make Him our top priority. What we fill our lives with should reveal that He is King.

In our Gospel, Mark reveals the intimate relationship between God the Father, God the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit descended upon Jesus and God the Father proclaimed, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.” We, too, have access to an intimate relationship with God. But like all good relationships, it flourishes with effort. How we spend our time and share our gifts says a great deal about Whose we are.

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