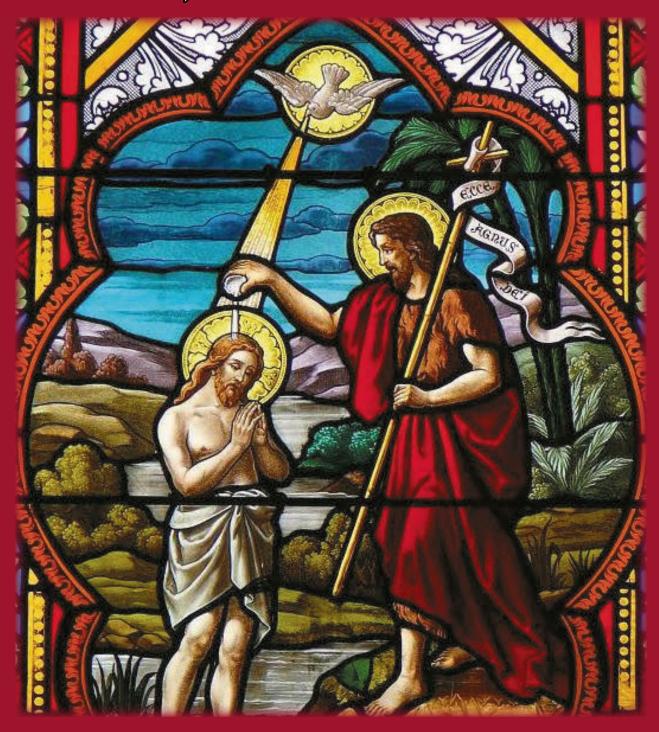
CATHEDRAL OF ST. HELENA

JANUARY 9, 2022



The Baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ



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January 9th - January 16th Liturgical Calendar AT YOUR CATHEDRAL OF St. Helena

Sunday, January 9 - The Baptism of the Lord 7:30 am - Mass 9 am - Mass 11 am - Mass (livestream)

Monday, January 10 - Ordinary Weekday 7 am - Mass (Livestream); Rosary after Mass

Tuesday, January 11 - Ordinary Weekday 7 am - Mass; Devotions; Rosary after Mass 12 Noon - Mass (Livestream); Devotions

Wednesday, January 12 - Ordinary Weekday 7 am - Mass; Rosary after Mass 12 Noon - Mass (Livestream)

Thursday, January 13 - Ordinary Weekday 7 am - Mass; Rosary after Mass 12 Noon - Mass (Livestream)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14 - ORDINARY WEEKDAY
7 AM - MASS (LIVESTREAM); ROSARY AFTER MASS
ADORATION UNTIL 12 NOON

Saturday, January 15 - Ordinary Weekday 8:30 am - Rosary 9 am - Mass Reconcilliation after Mass until 11 am

Sunday, January 16 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

> 7:30 am - Mass 9 am - Mass 11 am - Mass (livestream)

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A weekly seminar and support group for people who are separated or divorced. It is a place where you can hear valuable information about ways to heal from the hurt of divorce. The next session begins January 25, 2022 and will continue every Tuesday from 6:30 until 8:30 pm. For more information, contact Kathy Surbrugg at 442-5825.





It is our goal to walk with and provide formation to couples in civil unions seeking convalidation or to get their marriage blessed in the Catholic Church. This sacramental Marriage formation will be personal, inviting, timely, engaging and allow space for growth. Good marriage formation can provide the foundation for a lifelong, happy and fruitful marriage. For more information, contact Fr. Scheidecker or Kathy Surbrugg at 442-5825







A WORD ABOUT THE WORD

This week we remember the baptism of the Lord. One of the things I love most about our Church is the fact that every year we journey through the life of our blessed Lord. We enter into His birth, His ministry, His death and His resurrection, and today we focus on His baptism. Here at the Cathedral, I am priveleged to teach the baptism preparation class to parents and godparents. It is a great blessing, and since we are on the subject of baptism, let me give you some tidbits you may not know. The Sacrament of baptism is over two thousand years old. It is the first Sacrament of Initiation into the Faith and is known as the "gateway" to all the other sacraments. Baptism is not magic! Sometimes people think that if one is baptized then they never need to go to Church again. Wrong answer recruit. This is not true. Baptism is a new birth into the body of Christ and into all of the supernatural graces that God has for us. It frees us from the stain of Original Sin, and we are born anew in water and the Holy Spirit. It is a starting point, not an ending. If a child is born physically, we do not leave them in the delivery room and say "have a nice life, I hope you make it." If we did this the child left alone would die. It is the same thing spiritually. If we do not nurture and take care of those seeds planted at baptism by praying and going to Church and partaking of the other Sacraments, then our spirituality will wane away and die. Did you know that parents are responsible for their children's souls until that child reaches the age of reason and can choose Jesus for themselves? Many parents don't realize that they are agreeing to nurture and bring up that child in the Faith unto which he was baptized. Again, it is not magic. So this week as we reflect on our Lord's baptism, let us think about our own baptism and renew our own soul by reciting the Apostle's Creed slowly and affirming each line. Finally, let us teach our children well, and the seeds of their own baptism will grow and provide shelter and nourishment to a starving society. Something to think about...May God richly bless you always...



Prelude: Fugue in F major composed by J.S. Bach

Opening Hymn: Praise to the Lord the Almighty 616

Introit: You have loved justice and hated iniquity; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness above your companions.

Offertory: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light, alleluia, alleluia.

Communion: As for all of you who have been baptized in Christ, you have put on Christ, alleluia.

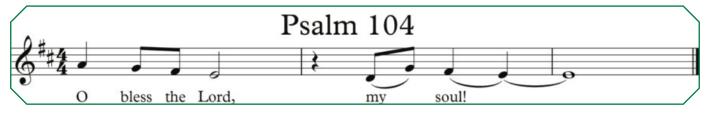
Communion Meditation: When John Baptized by Jordan's River 458



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DR. JONATHAN EMBRY WILL PRESENT A FREE ORGAN RECITAL IN THE CATHEDRAL ON JANUARY 31, 2022 AT 6:00 PM. THE HOUR-LONG PROGRAM WILL FEATURE WORKS BY BACH, HINDEMITH, AND EMBRY.



VOCATIONS PRAYER

Heavenly Father, please abundantly bless these men who are in formation for the priesthood of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant them gifts of wisdom, knowledge and most of all, generous hearts, that they may be enflamed with love for You and Your Church. Through Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

Deacon Matthew Christiaens
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The Pope's Intention for January: for true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.





The Traditional Latin Mass is celebrated at SS. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church on the **2nd Sunday** of each month at 12 Noon.



Marriage Preparation

Diocesan policy states that couples wait 6 months from the time they approach a priest regarding marriage to the date of their wedding. During this period, the couple must participate in preparatory classes for the Sacrament of Matrimony. The next marriage prep class will begin January 24, 2022. For more information, please contact Kathy Surbrugg at 442-5825

Seven Sisters Apostolate

We need more ladies to join the Seven Sisters Apostolate Group for Bishop Vetter. Help us fill 3 hours of prayer each day for our bishop.

Contact:

7sistersforbishop@gmail.com for more information.



Please continue to pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this new year for the Synod of Bishops.

Helena Fertility Care

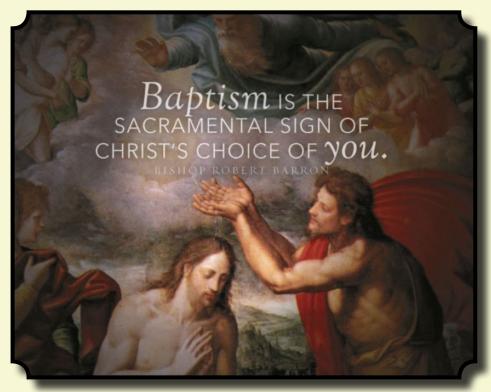
Fertility Awareness Instruction for women and couples to plan their families naturally. Creighton Model Education offered in person or online. For more information please contact

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Married Singles Lifestyle - The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are living more like roommates. Retrouvaille teaches couples how to survive times like these in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress from disillusionment to deep misery. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Our next program begins February 25, 2022. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit www. HelpOurMarriage.com Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in strictest confidence.

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"EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED TO CHRIST LETS US KNOW THAT, AFTER THE BATH OF WATER, THE HOLY SPIRIT SWOOPS DOWN UPON US FROM HIGH HEAVEN AND THAT, ADOPTED BY THE FATHER'S VOICE, WE BECOME SONS OF GOD."

-ST. HILARY OF POITIERS (FEAST DAY JAN. 13)

Please join us:

Open in prayer with Pastor
Michael Johnson
From Big Sky Fellowship
Guest Speaker:
Governor Greg Gianforte
Guest Speaker:
Matt Britton
40 Days for Life
Guest Speaker:
Angela Copenhaver with
Human from Day One Project
Closing in prayer:
Msgr Kevin O'Neill
MC Roger Lonnquist



Join us to march
in quiet prayer
around the State Capitol, led by
Knights of Columbus

**Please dress for weather
Join in prayer to end abortion

Visit with pro-life partners and organizations setting up at the March and grab a hot cocoa outside

**if you are bringing a bus, please email us to coordinate pick up and drop off

The Baptism of Our Lord January 9, 2022

Is 40:1-5

"Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together..."

Ps 104:1-30

"O bless the Lord, my soul."

Ti 2:11-14

"He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit."

Lk 3:15-22

"...heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove"

The 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time January 16, 2022

Is 62:1-5

"As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall mary you" Ps 96:1-10

"Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations" 1 Cor. 12:4-11

"But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes."

Jn 2:1-11

'Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him."

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8 / Ps 116:12-19 / Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20 / 1 Sm 2:1-8 / Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-20 / Ps 40:2-10 / Mk 1:29-39

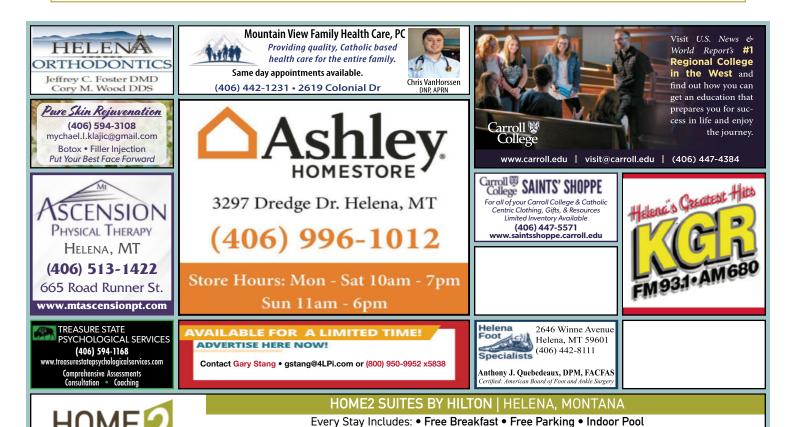
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11 / Ps 44:10-25 / Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-22 / Ps 89:16-19 / Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-19 / Ps 21:2-7 / Mk 2:13-17



Treasures from our Tradition: John the Baptist ushered us into the Advent Season and is present once again to close Christmastide on this feast of the Baptism of Our Lord, the opening of Ordinary Time. John always points us to the Lamb of God in the Eucharistic Sacrifice. January's dminishing darkness echoes St. John's prayer: "He must increase and I must decrease."





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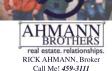




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