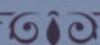


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WELCOME BACK TO MASS

Archbishop Etienne has reinstated the general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of as of December 8, 2021, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. If you've been away from Mass during the pandemic, we invite you to come back to receive the Eucharist, rebuild community life and renew your commitment to Sunday Mass. More information can be found at archseattle.org.

If are unable to join us at Mass, there are exceptions to this such as:

- Having underlying conditions, pregnancy, or considered to be in a high-risk category.
- Exhibiting flu-like symptoms.
- Possibly being asymptomatic of a contagious illness (being in close contact with someone who tested positive for a contagious illness such as COVID or influenza, for example).
- Caring for the sick, homebound or infirmed.
- Being 65 years of age or older (per the Centers for Disease Control's recommendation for high-risk individuals).
- Being unable to attend Mass through no fault of your own (i.e. no Mass is offered; you are infirm; or, while wanting to go, you are prevented for some reason you cannot control, such as your ride did not show up).
- Receiving a dispensation from the pastor directly.



-IMPORTANT REMINDER-

Masks are required for everyone over age 2 inside the church. Please leave masks on for the duration of Mass. Hand sanitizer is available at both entrances for your convenience. Please refrain from joining us in person if you are experiencing **any** symptoms of illness such as runny nose, fever, chills, cough, or if you have been exposed to anyone with a positive covid test.

Thank you!



MASS TIMES

Sunday Masses

Saturday | 5:00 pm

Sunday | 8:30 am
10:30 am

Daily Masses

Tuesdays | 6:00 pm
Wed.* –Sat. | 8:45 am

*Unless noted, Daily Mass on Wednesday AMs is for students/faculty only at this time in order to comply with covid protocols

CHURCH HOURS

Monday-Friday*

8:30 am-5:00pm

*The church is occupied by the school band on Mondays from 10a-11:30a and Wednesdays from 1:45p-3:15p.

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The Journey of Faith with Father Matthew Oakland



Sacraments always amaze me. While most are normally celebrated in the context of the Mass, and there are longer parts of the ritual itself, the key part, the necessary part, often lasts a matter of seconds. For a wedding, for example, it is the vows. And the rest of life is changed. For ordination, the laying on of hands by the bishop and the prayer of consecration that follows. And the rest of life is changed. For baptism, it is the pouring/immersing/sprinkling with water, and the baptismal formula: "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." And life is changed forever!

There are several rites that follow which unfold the mystery that has just taken place. As we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus today, we call to mind our own and how it has changed our lives.

The Anointing After Baptism

(a cross on the crown of the head)

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, has freed you from sin, given you new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and joined you to his people. He now anoints you with the Chrism of salvation, so that you may remain members of Christ, Priest, Prophet and King, unto eternal life. Amen.

Baptism ushers us into the life of Christ. Like him, priests, those who offer the sacrifice which is ours, the gift of our lives. Like him, prophets, those who share the Word of the Lord, and who listen first in order to hear Him ourselves. Like him, kings, those who share in the reign of Christ, the victory over sin and death realized daily and eventually eternally. A crown is ours, with the Sacred Chrism, that beautifully perfumed and holy oil. May the beauty of our lives, priests, prophets and kings, be a fragrant offering to our Lord.

Clothing with a White Garment

You have become a new creation and have clothed yourselves in Christ. May this white garment be a sign to you of your Christian dignity. With your family and friends to help you by word and example, bring it unstained into eternal life. Amen.

Clothing is often attached to our environment (the beach vs the grocery store vs a nice restaurant or the House of God), or our actions (work clothes). So too may we don our baptism garment each day, if only figuratively, to guide our way of life and remind us of the work of the Lord which is ours. May it remain pure and clean, an outward reflection of our hearts.

Handing On of a Lighted Candle

Receive the light of Christ. Parents and godparents, this light is entrusted to you to be kept burning brightly so that your children, enlightened by Christ, may walk always as children of the light and, persevering in the faith, may run to meet the Lord when he comes with all the Saints in the heavenly court.

The light is ours, but others help us, and we help others. That is the nature of the light. It is something we receive but something we share. Sometimes the light and sometimes the flame itself. If we want to be safe from the powers of darkness, we would do well to hold onto our candles and be sure we are always carrying it with us.

Ephphetha

(with sign of the Cross on ears and lips)
May the Lord Jesus, who made the deaf to hear and the mute to speak, grant that you may soon receive his word with your ears and profess the faith with your lips, to the glory and praise of God the Father. Amen

May we live our Baptism each and every day by our words and actions manifesting the presence of God in the world. Christmas doesn't have to end unless we let it.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

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)

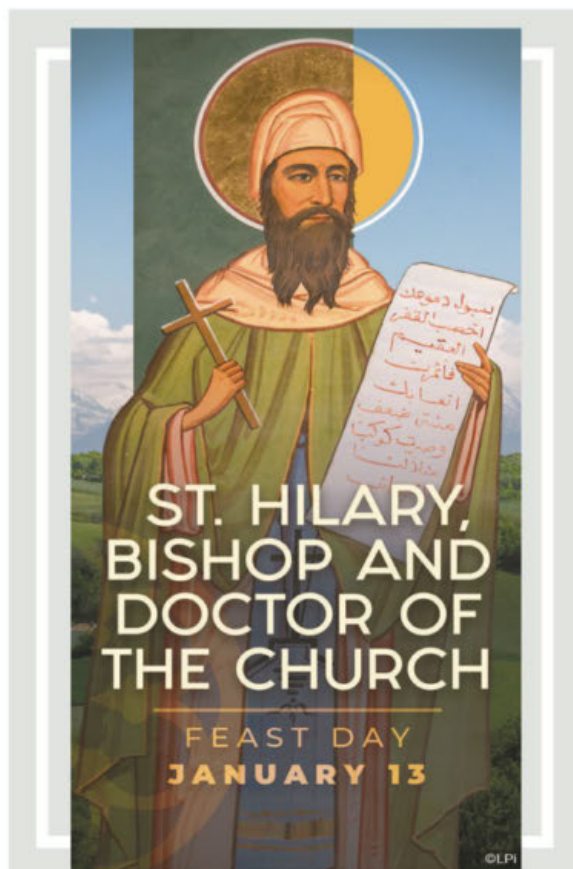
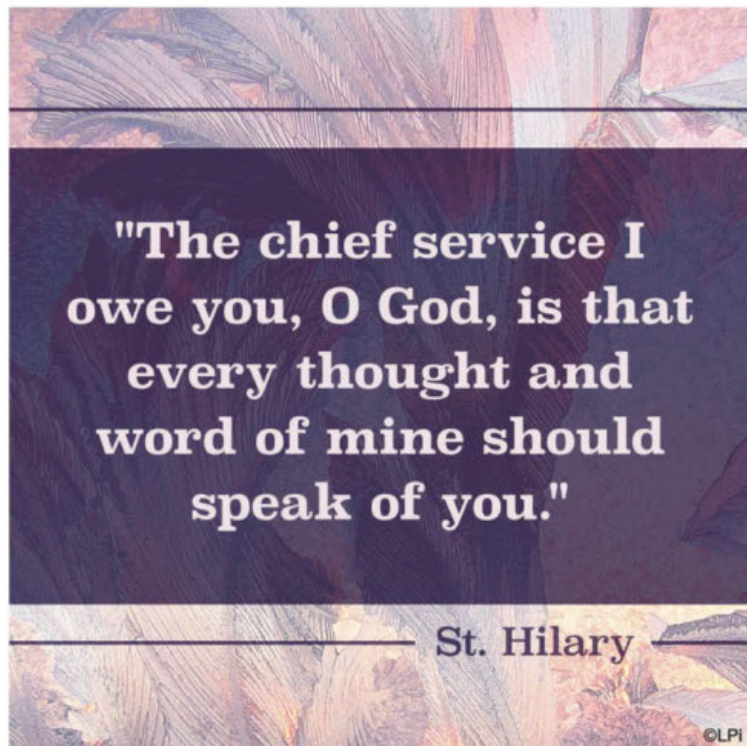
GOSPEL:

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9, 2022

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord
Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the Week

Born a pagan, St. Hilary (c. 315 – c. 367) studied philosophy and the meaning of life, eventually making his way through the bible. He became a convert and was appointed bishop of Poitiers in 353. Sometimes referred to as the Hammer of the Arians, St. Hilary defended the Nicene Creed against a popular heresy, Arianism. He was exiled to Phrygia for opposing Roman emperor Constantius II, who preferred the heresy which denies Christ's divinity. From Phrygia St. Hilary fought with his pen, zealously writing against the heresy.

Eventually he was allowed to return to Poitiers, but did so by a circuitous route, preaching against Arianism all the way. St. Hilary was likely the first writer of hymns in the West, his writings on the Trinity, Psalms and Gospel of Matthew survive today. St. Hilary was created Doctor of the Church, a title given to those who provided important contributions to theology and doctrine, in 1851 by Pope Pius IX.

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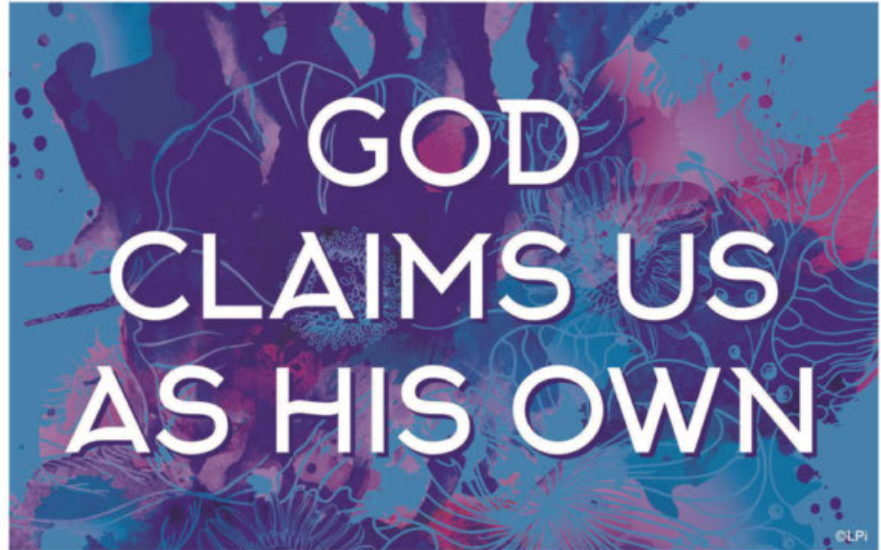
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

"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.

"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

- Lk 3:16bc

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January 9, 2022

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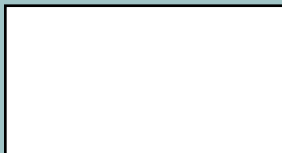
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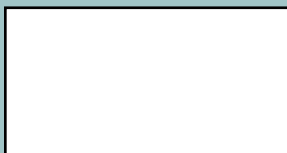
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