# January 9, 2022

# **Baptism of the Lord**



# Mass Schedule Saturday Vigil Mass: 5pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 11am English & 1:30pm Spanish

Daily Mass: Monday ~ Saturday 8am Reconciliation: Saturday 3pm

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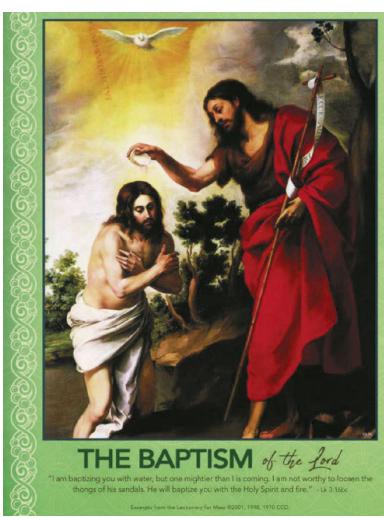
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# Holy Hour Bilingual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament January 29 @ 7pm

Come join your fellow parishioners for an hour of Adoration followed by Mass in the Church.



St. Henry Catholic Church is a community of Christian believers striving to build God's Kingdom on earth for all people. We accept the mission from Jesus Christ to love God above all else and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

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# **Church Calendar and Events**

# Mass & Event Calendar Sunday January 9

Masses: 8:30am & 11am English, 1:30pm Spanish

9:45am Everyday Strength (OC)

EFF / Sacramental Prep Classes 9:45am & 12noon (PC)

Monday January 10 Daily Mass: 8am English

## Tuesday January 11 Daily Mass: 8am English

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry 10am (SVDPP)
Pinochle Group 12noon (FSR)
Spanish Committee Meeting 5:30pm (OC)
Library Orientation 7pm (LIB)
Spanish RICA 7pm (MC)

### Wednesday January 12 Daily Mass: 8am English

O.A. 10:30am – 12noon (Rm 7)
Pastoral Council 5:30pm (Zoom)
English Choir 6:30pm (CH)
Spanish Choir 7pm (MC)
Youth Ministry 6:30pm (PC)

### Thursday January 13

### Daily Masses: 8am English, & 7pm Spanish

Brother & Sister Kitchen Serving to-go 12noon (GYM)
Folk Group Practice 6pm (MC)
Spanish Leadership Meeting 7pm (MC)
English RCIA 7pm (FSR)
Spanish Mission Meeting 7:30pm (OC)

Friday January 14 Daily Mass: 8am English Youth Choir 7pm (CH)

Saturday January 15

Daily Mass: 8am English Vigil Mass: 5pm English

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry 10am (SVDPP)

Sunday January 16

Masses: 8:30am, 11am English and 1:30pm Spanish

9:45am Everyday Strength (OC)

EFF / Sacramental Prep Classes 9:45am & 12noon (PC)



The office of St. Henry will be closed Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr.

|   | Family of Anne & Charlie Joch                               | January 10 - 16<br><sub>iim</sub>                  |
|---|---|--|
| M | -Jeannine Summerfield                                       | (Prayer Shawl Ministry)<br>(Linda Summerfield)     |
| Т | +Todd Gross (Suzanna, D                                     | Oonna, MaryPat, Marnie)                            |
| V | +Todd Gross (Suzanna, D                                     | Oonna, MaryPat, Marnie)                            |
| Т | +Clarence & May Dingman<br>+Mari Spring<br>+Samelys Bonilba | (Dingman Family)<br>(Staff)<br>(Vielka Franceschi) |
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| F | +Aide de Castillo   | (Vielka Franceschi)                                |
| S | -Esteban Eloy Ruiz Perez                                    | (Vielka Franceschi)                                |
|   | +Jackson Sparks   | (Ron Welsh)  |
| S | +Sue Redhouse   | (Judy & Gary Delorit)                              |
|   | +Bud Bladow   | (Judy & Gary Delorit)                              |
|   | +Lucille Fagundes   | (Manuel Fagundes Jr.)                              |
|   | +Christopher Kelly  | (Ron Welsh)  |

There will be a Memorial Mass for Genevieve Collins on January 14 at 2pm in the Church



"What you ask in my name, I will do" John 14:13. Every January 1 the Prayer list starts over.

Please pray for... Art Abbott, Marven Bowman,
Page Bowman, Dr. Richard H. Miller, Kathleen L. Miller
Vickie Rizzo, Jeannine Summerfield
Out of respect for an individuals privacy,
we print only the names of those who give
their permission to have their names published.
Please call the office to have your name on this list.

### **CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN**

Question: Who designed the dome of the cathedral of Florence?

Answer: Filippo Brunelleschi

A homeless man, who was dumpster diving, found a folded veterans flag in a case with a name on it. He said it didn't belong in a dumpster and asked if I could properly take care of it. I took it to our local VFW. They found this veteran was in the Navy in WW2. As far as they could determine he had no relatives to pass it on to and properly disposed of it. - Brother & Sister Volunteer

# ~ Pastor's Notes ~ Baptism of the Lord 2022



Today we celebrate the last official Sunday of the Christmas season...and the first Sunday in Ordinary Time. So how might we choose a song to fit with the homily...You might ask what are you preaching about? An Irish priest, Fr. John Henry (a sub priest at a New York parish), was asked that question. So he replied simply, "Sin...I'm against it." Now what song might you select? Keep in mind we celebrate the three great epiphanies of Jesus: First the arrival of the Magi, today the Baptism of the Lord, and then the miracle of Jesus at the Cana wedding feast. But first, let us concentrate on the Baptism of the Lord.

Why is Jesus baptized? Theologically, this is an essential part of his *Kenosis* – his emptying, "I give my all." His baptism is part of one movement of the divine

mystery: Incarnation, Life, Death, and Resurrection. Jesus is lining up with us sinners. Again, why does he do that? So we can change our ways he is with us in complete solidarity. He will sit and eat with sinners AND he forgives them, shares with them, defends them!

So today we also celebrate the day of our own baptism. We were given a candle. Then we remember the day we identified ourselves with Jesus, the Father and the Spirit. Then we remember how we are to conduct ourselves.

We see Jesus in His role as the Isaiah Servant: one endowed with God's own Spirit in order to bring forth justice for the nations. It is wrought gently, carefully, lovingly. Jesus served God's purpose. As Jesus was anointed shouldn't we also see ourselves as God's anointed servants, filled with the Spirit, AND equipped

with every good gift in order to do God's work. To uphold justice and to be light in someone else's darkness. Life surely can be complicated, but there is a secret to making it easier. If you want to simplify your life, do what you say you're going to do. If you're a Catholic you have said you will go to Mass every Sunday. So don't debate it — do it. You have said you will teach your children about Jesus. Do it. You have said you will obey the commandments. Don't lie or cheat or steal or gossip. That's not what Jesus would do. Don't worry so much about being first or best or greatest. Jesus wouldn't do that either. Love God. Love each other. Do it — because we said we would.

And then, brothers and sisters, if we listen closely, maybe we will hear that voice of God say those words we long to hear: "You are my beloved son and daughter ... and I am so pleased with you."



### The Bible and the Mother of God

We are starting a bible study on Mary January 24 or 25 depending if you want to attend on Monday evenings or Tuesday mornings. The classes are held in the Madonna Center for both times (Monday, 7PM or Tuesday, 9AM). The classes should last about 75 minutes. Contact the office (Terri) to sign up. Workbooks will be available but please indicate your preference for a book that will cost \$10. Dr. Brant Pitre examines what the Old and New Testaments, the life of Christ, and the early Church fathers reveal about the life and identity of Mary. Deacon Mike

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# **Schedules and Readings**

### **Greeters & Lector Schedule for the Weekend of January 16**

5:00pm Saturday Evening... Greeter: Carol Cord, Jim & Karen Lewis Lector: Ellen O'Keefe

8:30am Sunday Morning... Greeter: Becky King, Anne & Faith Herold Lector: Peggy Hietpas

11:00am Sunday Morning... Greeters: Cathy Paintner, Cal & Rhoda Auvil Lector: Teresa Jones

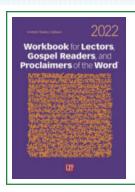
**First Reading:** Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. (40:5)

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

**Second Reading:** He saved us through the bath of rebirth and re-

newal 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)



### Lectors...

Please pick up your workbook if you haven't done so already.
They are on the counter in the Sacristy.
There is no charge for these books.

# Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments: I Hope I Am Like Him— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

"Who is this Christ? Is he like you?"

Perhaps you've heard this story, often attributed to the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta. A sick man asked her this question, as he marveled at her tireless service to himself and others in the name of someone named Jesus Christ.

"He is nothing like me," the saint is said to have answered. "But I hope I am like him."

Though the authenticity of this exchange cannot be verified, its message rings perfectly true: all the value of our stewardship lies in its relativity to the one in whose name we perform it.

Consider the figure of John the Baptist — a magnificent, towering character even purely from a literary or historical perspective. A martyr who fed on wild locusts and boldly spoke truth to power — a man so great some mistook him for the Messiah.

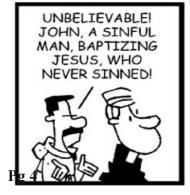
But why is he great? Because he prepared the way. All his accomplishments and escapades mean nothing if they are taken out of the context of salvation history. He only makes sense relative to Christ — and this is exactly as he wanted it. "One worthier than I is coming," he insists. And because of that humility and that total embrace of God's will, he is given one of the greatest honors in the New Testament — he baptizes the Son of God.

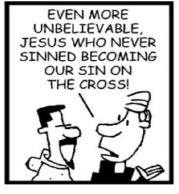
Let's examine our lives in the light of their relativity to Christ. How do we prepare the way? When Christ comes to us, what do we do? How do we leave ourselves open to be actors in God's plan?



The generosity of our St. Henry parishioners is overwhelming. On the behalf of Faith Formation and Catholic Charities our traveling crib "runneth over" with gifts that will be appreciated by struggling mothers and families. The Traveling Crib is a program of Catholic Charities Pregnancy Support program. Donations are needed and accepted throughout the year. THANK YOU FOR HELPING US CELEBRATE LIFE!!!









# **Community News**



# Let it snow











Thank you to those who helped this year with the Christmas Family Adoption program. Sponsored by Faith Formation and Catholic Family Life Committee.

The family sends a special thank you to all.

# SAINT OF THE WEEK: St. Hilary of Poitiers | January 13

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 Phyrgia 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.



# Meditación / Meditation ©LPi

Espero ser como Él "¿Quién es este Cristo? ¿Es como tú? — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Quizás hayas escuchado esta historia, a menudo atribuida a la vida de Santa Teresa de Calcuta. Un hombre enfermo le hizo esta pregunta, mientras se maravillaba de su incansable servicio para él y los demás en el nombre de alguien llamado Jesucristo.

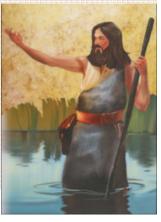
"Él no se parece en nada a mí," se dice que respondió la santa. "Pero espero ser como Él."

Aunque no se puede verificar la autenticidad de este intercambio, su mensaje suena perfectamente cierto: todo el valor de nuestra corresponsabilidad radica en su relatividad con aquel en cuyo nombre lo realizamos.

Considere la figura de Juan el Bautista, un personaje magnífico e imponente, incluso desde una perspectiva puramente literaria o histórica. Un mártir que se alimentaba de langostas salvajes y con valentía le decía la verdad al poder; un hombre tan grande que algunos lo confundieron con el Mesías.

Pero ¿por qué es grandioso? Porque preparó el camino. Todos sus logros y aventuras no significan nada si se sacan del contexto de la historia de la salvación. Solo tiene sentido en relación con Cristo, y esto es exactamente como él lo quería. "Viene uno más digno que yo," insiste. Y debido a esa humildad y ese abrazo total de la voluntad de Dios, se le otorga uno de los mayores honores del Nuevo Testamento: bautiza al Hijo de Dios.

Examinemos nuestras vidas a la luz de su relatividad con Cristo. ¿Cómo preparamos el camino? Cuando Cristo viene a nosotros, ¿qué hacemos? ¿Cómo nos abrimos a ser actores en el plan de Dios?



### The Baptism of the Lord

"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.

# **Anuncios Parroquiales**

- **1.** Entrada a la Iglesia se les pide de manera atenta recordar venir a tiempo a la Misa, que inicia a la 1:30p.m y que tenemos un Rosario a la 1:00 p.m.. Gracias por Respetar la MISA.
- **2.** Confesiones. Son los días Sábados y son a las 3 de la tarde, si vienen a las 3:40p.m. y ya no hay gente en el templo, es posible que los sacerdotes se hallan ido también.



- **3.** El Horario de la Oficina Parroquial. Es el Lunes a Jueves de 9:00 a.m. a 3:00 p.m. Hay Servicio en En Español los MARTES y JUEVES de 10:00 a.m. a 1:00 p.m. Favor de hablar antes de llegar a la Oficina para que se le atienda con prontitud.
- **4.** Pláticas para Bautizos en Español. Las pláticas para los Bautizos son los Primeros Sábados de Mes. de 9:00a.m. a 1:00 p.m. PERO PRIMERO DEBEN REGISTRAR EL BAUTIZO EN LA OFICINA. (Con la Sra. Mina.) Si no se registra en la oficina no pueden ingresar a la plática.
- Ø Recuerden que los Padrinos, que son pareja, deben estar casados por la Iglesia, si no, NO PUEDEN SER PADRINOS; los padrinos solteros, bien solteros.
- Ø Los Papás deben estar registrados en esta parroquia.
- Ø Traer la Copia del Acta de Nacimiento del Nino, y de la Boleta de la Boda de los padrinos.
- 5. A TODOS LOS SERVIDORES Y LIDERES DEL MINISTERIO HISPANO:
- Ø Se les Recuerda el COMPROMISO de Venir a Los Jueves de Formación en el Horario de Costumbre,
- Ø Se les Recuerda la Obligación de Buscar Adquirir el MEMORANDUM de la Semana para estar al día de las Actividades del Ministerio Hispano.
- Ø Ver también las Fechas y Hora de los Talleres de cada Ministerio.
- **6.** R.I.C.A. (Para los Catecúmenos y Candidatos). Tendrán su RITO/BENDICION de BIENVENIDA el Próximo Domingo (Cristo Rey), se les pide venir 15 minutos antes para tomar su lugar en las dos bancas de Frente y Lados. Son un total de 29 personas.
- **7.** Ya hay FECHAS para las Pláticas PRE-MATRIMONIALES y las XV Añeras: Ambas consisten en 7 clases ininterrumpidas.
- · MATRIMONIOS, inician el LUNES 17 de Enero de 2022, de 7:00 p.m. a 9:15 p.m.
- · las XV añeras inician el SABADO 22 de Enero de 2022, de 10:00 a.m. a 12:15 p.m.

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### Preguntas de la Semana ©LPi

**Primera Lectura:** El profeta Isaías fue llamado a traer palabras de consuelo y buenas nuevas a los asediados israelitas cautivos en Babilonia. ¿Cómo ministras a aquellos en tu vida que luchan por encontrar la presencia



Segunda Lectura: Pablo le enseñó a Tito que los creyentes bautizados están llamados a vivir una vida "sobria, justa, y fiel." ¿Qué tan bien crees que vives de acuerdo con este estándar moral y ético?

**Evangelio:** Hoy escuchamos el relato del bautismo de Jesús y las palabras de Dios desde el cielo: "Tú eres mi Hijo, el predilecto; en ti me complazco." ¿Qué imaginas que hizo Jesús (antes del inicio de su ministerio público) que agradó tanto a Dios?

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