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#### **The Cathedral Community**

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#### Cathedral Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 9:00 am — 3:00 pm Friday 9:00 am — Noon

#### **MASS TIMES**

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday Sunday 4:00 pm

7:00 am, 9:15 am & 11:15 am

#### **Daily Mass**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 12:10 pm

Tuesday at 7:30 am

#### **CELEBRATION OF PENANCE**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 11:30 am — Noon

Friday 11:30 am — Noon and 4:45 — 5:15 pm

Saturday 2:30 — 3:30 pm

January 9, 2022 The Baptism Of The Lord

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. At the inauguration of his public ministry, Our Lord humbly submitted to a baptism of repentance—not out of any personal sin of course (of which he had none)—but as a means of associating himself with sinful humanity, for which he would give his life for us on the Cross to take away the sins of the world.

There is a famous line from St. Maximus of Turin in the early 5<sup>th</sup> century which explains well the purpose of Christ's baptism: "Christ is baptized, not to be made holy by the water, but to make the water holy, and by his cleansing to purify the waters which he touched. For the consecration of Christ involves a more significant consecration of the water."

Around the same time, St. Proclus of Constantinople said similarly:

"On the feast of the Saviour's birth, the earth rejoiced because it bore the Lord in a manger; but on today's feast of the Epiphany it is the sea that is glad and leaps for joy; the sea is glad because it receives the blessing of holiness in the river Jordan"

In other words, the sanctifying power of every sacramental baptism draws its strength, in some way, from the event of Christ's baptism, and principally from his redemptive death on the cross, which the event of his baptism foreshadows as he plunges into the waters of the Jordan and rises to up again in a symbolic "preview" of his death and resurrection soon to come.

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It has been a custom for recent Popes to celebrate Mass on this day in the beautiful Sistine chapel of the Vatican, at which time he personally administers baptism to a group of newborn babies. From what I can tell, it looks like Pope Francis plans on doing the same this year.

While we don't have something comparable going on this Sunday at the Cathedral, I do want to share some pictures of a group baptism that took place here last week involving *five children* from our Karenni Community! (**Please see the photos inside the bulletin**).

As many of you may already know, our Karenni Community here at the Cathedral involve families from a currently persecuted ethnic group originating from lands now located within the countries of Myanmar and Thailand. Many of these members of our parish are themselves first-generation Catholics, baptized as adults through the incredible missionary efforts of priests who evangelized in refugee camps in Thailand. They are for us living examples of the power of baptism in our world today and of that *unity through Christ in baptism* which transcends all linguistic, cultural, and ethnic barriers. This important segment of our community provides us a visible reminder that our worship here on earth is a sharing in the worship of heaven itself, which St. John recounts in his heavenly vision:

"After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no man could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, 'Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne, and to the Lamb!'" (Revelation 7:9-10).

By the way, those who attend the 9:15 Mass on Sunday will have noticed that since the first Sunday of Advent, we have been doing the Second Reading at Mass in the Karenni community's native language. You can follow along with the English text of the Second Reading in any personal missalette, but you can also find the reading provided in the music printouts that we have been providing.

In the hearts of Jesus and Mary, *Fr. Peter Van Lieshout* 

#### PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

In your charity, please pray for Shirley Mannara, Evelyn Gotham and all of our deceased.



Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them.

#### This Week's Sanctuary Candle

In Memory of — Dina Carfagna Requested by — John Spinosa

In Memory of — Katherine M. Bellanti Requested by — Nina & Joe Lombardo

In Memory Of — Anna Edwards
Requested by — Margaret & Dan Gentile



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#### **BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

Ryan Damore & Francine Ford

Please keep their future happiness in your prayers.



### Sick, Infirmed and Homebound

Because of HIPAA laws, the only way the Parish Staff learns of parishioners who are ill or infirmed

is if the parishioner, or a family member notifies the office.

If you, or someone you know is ill, hospitalized or moved to a nursing facility or family member's home, please let the Cathedral Main Office know.

If you/they are unable to attend Mass, please contact the office to arrange to receive communion.

If a family member has gone to hospice care or needs healing prayers, the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick can be administered by our priest. Please call the office, at 254-3221.

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#### **Suggestion Box**

The RED suggestion box is located in the narthex on the information desk. We encourage you to leave questions/

issues that you would like to suggest to parish council or to Fr. Van Lieshout. Going forward we hope to find a way to make summaries of our meetings available online for your review.

#### Thank You

Thanks for making the Christmas ornament fundraiser to benefit St. Damien Pediatric Hospital a great success! Our donation of \$1,027.00 has been sent to the hospital fund and it will be doubled by an anonymous donor. Thank you again.!

#### Roe vs. Wade

January 22, 2022 is the 47th anniversary of the infamous Roe vs. Wade decision that legalized abortion throughout our country.

Please join us Saturday, January 22, 2022 in front of Planned Parenthood, 114 University Avenue, as we stand together in peaceful public witness and prayer for the end to abortion. Our featured speaker is Fr. Peter Van Lieshout, Rector of the Sacred Heart Cathedral. There will be a Rosary at 9:15 am with the program beginning at 9:45 am.

If you would like to memorialize a baby lost to abortion, please bring a flower to be left at the site.

#### PRAY FOR OUR SICK



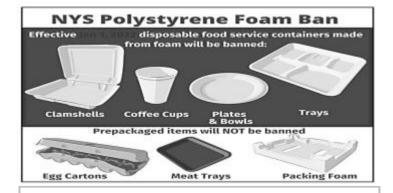
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## Parish Offertory Support January 1 & 2, 2022

Actual Goal Variance \$4,084 \$7,600 \$-3,516

Current Fiscal Year Goal Variance \$202,337 \$206,500 \$-4,163

**Christmas** — \$6,476



#### No More Styro!

Packaged foods will look different beginning January 1, 2022 as New York State implements a **ban on Expanded Polystyrene Packaging and Loose Fill**(commonly known as packing peanuts). Polystyrene is one of the Top 10 contributors of environmental litter.

Disposable food service containers that will be banned include bowls, cartons, hinged clamshells, cups, lids, plates, trays and includes any container designed as single us.

The laws DOES NOT apply to raw meat or seafood that is sold for the purpose of off-premises cooking or prepackaged food filled or sealed prior to receipt at a food service provider



The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is planned for January 14-16, 2022 at the Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua, NY. Register online at wwme.org.

The WWME weekend teaches communication techniques such as active listening, listening with the heart and empathy towards your spouse's feelings. It is based on the sacrament of Holy Matrimony and expresses the importance of love in the union and encourages this love be taken out into the world in various ministries to serve God by strengthening the couples and families in the church.

The Marriage Encounter gives busy couples much needed time together to focus on each other and deepen their communication. After the Experience, couples often return to their life and families refreshed with renewed commitment to each other. Pictures of a group baptism that took place here last week involving *five children* from our Karenni Community











Saturday, January 8, 2021

1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30 2:30—3:30 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Mary Frances Mastrella—Family

Sunday, January 9, 2022 — Baptism Of The Lord

Is 40:1-5 9-11, Ti 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21 7:00 am Bernard Coniff—Michael 9:15 am William Brown—Family

11:15 am For the people of the Cathedral Community 8:00 pm Solemn Compline w/Fr. Van Lieshout

Monday, January 10, 2022

1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20 11:30—Noon- Confessions

12:10 pm Frank Attie—David & Julie Boland

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28

7:30 am Priests of our Diocese past and present—Parishioner

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20-; Mk 1:29-39 11:30—Noon Confessions

12:10 pm Deceased members of Dave & Julies Families

Thursday, January 13, 2022

1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45 11:30—Noon Confessions

12:10 pm Ben—Friend of Dave & Julie Boland

Friday, January 14, 2022

1 Sm 8:4-7;, 10-22a; MK 2:1-12 11:30—Noon Confessions

12:10 pm Mike Myers—Dave & Julie Boland

4:45—5:15 Confessions

Saturday, January 15, 2022

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10-1; Mk 2:13-17

2:30—3:30 pm Confessions

4;00 pm Intentions of Rev. Thomas P. Mull—Sr. Joan Hilbert

Sunday, January 16, 20210—Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

Is 62:1-5, 1 Cor12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

7:00 am Deceased members of the Burleigh/Tiefert Families-

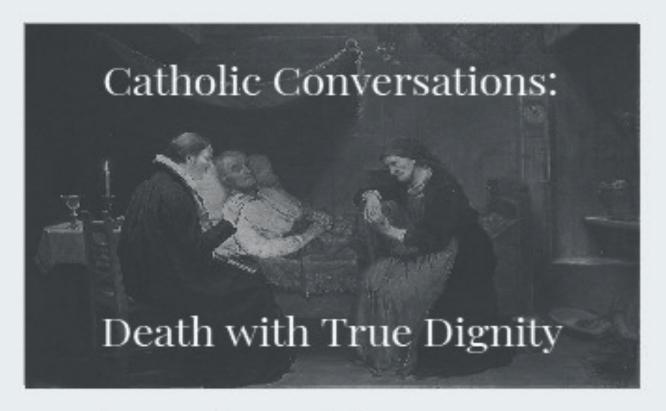
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9:15 am John Mangieri—Eva Galambos

11:15 am For the people of the Cathedral Community Solemn Compline w/Fr. Van Lieshout

Pray the rosary for the families of Sacred Heart Cathedral. Please feel free to join us at 3:00 pm on Saturdays. "There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot solve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary"

#### Save the date!



January 15, 2022 | 7:30 a.m.- 2 p.m.

# CATHOLIC CONVERSATIONS: DEATH WITH TRUE DIGNITY









15 January 2022 | 7:30 a.m.- 2 p.m. Online & in-Person (lunch included). Register for free to reserve your spot!

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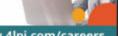
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