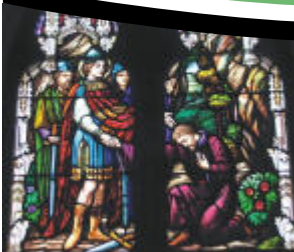


St. John Gualbert

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JANUARY 9, 2022

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday: Noon—3 PM No office hours on Holydays and Holidays. Other hours call for an apt.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM (Polish), Noon
Monday–Friday 8:00 AM and 9:00 AM
Saturday 4:00 PM
Holyday Vigil 4:00 PM
Holyday 9:00 AM and 12:15 PM

ROSARY: Recited at 8:30 a.m. second Sunday of every month by Holy Name Society members.

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 3:30 PM.

BAPTISMS: On Sundays. Parents should notify the rectory before the birth of the child, to make arrangements to attend a pre-baptismal class.

MARRIAGE: Arrange at least 6 months in advance.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: Issued only to parishioners in good standing, i.e. they attend church & support it and registered at least 3 months.

PARISH REGISTRATION: During office hours for all adults 18 years and older. Registration forms are also available in the church vestibule and can be returned in the collection basket.

IF YOU ARE MOVING, please notify us of your change of address. Consider remaining a parishioner, even if you have moved out of the area.



THE BAPTISM of the Lord

"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

Example from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCC

ST. JOHN GUALBERT PARISH

CHEEKTOWAGA, NY

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8-CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

4 PM +For those Memorialized in the Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9-THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

8:30 AM Rosary led by the Holy Name
9 AM +Paul Kida of Wozniak Family
10:30 AM +Hedwig, Stephen, Phyllis, Zenon & Anne Lepczyk
NOON +Eugene Dojka of Family

MONDAY, JANUARY 10—WEEKDAY

8 AM +Adam & Maria Kaczor of Family
9 AM For the People of the Parish

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11—WEEKDAY

8 AM +Hedwig, Stephen, Phyllis, Zenon & Anne Lepczyk
9 AM +Barbara McDermott of Family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12- WEEKDAY

8 AM +Joseph & Florence Bakowski
9 AM +Hedwig, Stephen, Phyllis, Zenon & Anne Lepczyk

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13 -WEEK DAY

8 AM +Joyce Fiore of Family
9 AM +Joseph & Florence Bakowski

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14 -WEEKDAY

8 AM +Joseph & Florence Bakowski
9 AM +Hedwig, Stephen, Phyllis, Zenon & Anne Lepczyk

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15-WEEKDAY

4 PM +Eugene Boczar of Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9 AM +Alina Lomaczko of MM Jim Serafin
10:30 AM +Stanley & Jennie Szymanski of Family
NOON +Daryn Meyers of Family



Our Mass book for 2022 is open

Weekend and week day Masses are available. The Mass stipend is \$15 per Mass. Please contact the rectory to schedule your intentions. You may also place your intentions, with the stipend amount, in the collection basket or mail in your intentions.

Masks are now mandated for all participants while at Mass and receiving Holy Communion.

Readings for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18 - 19/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17



SANCTUARY LAMP

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A Special Intention*

Baptism of the Lord – January 9, 2022

Christ gives us the gift of Baptism, through which we each have a vocation in the Church. Pray for those who are discerning a call to live their Baptismal commitment as religious brothers, sisters, priests or deacons. If God is calling you to this, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

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December 25/26

Regular \$1792/Maintenance \$85
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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In today's Gospel, as in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' baptism, we hear John the Baptist address the confusion of the people who thought that John might be the Messiah. In response, John contrasts the baptism that he performs with the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that someone will come and baptize with the Holy Spirit. The type of baptism that John performed was not yet a Christian Baptism; it was a preparation for Christian Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, it was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. The Evangelists Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. Compare this to Matthew's Gospel in which the voice from heaven speaks to everyone. In Luke, however, the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus during his time of prayer after his baptism. Through his Gospel, Luke will show Jesus to be a person of prayer who withdraws regularly from the crowds and his disciples to pray to his Father.

The baptism of Jesus is considered a manifesta-

tion of God in Jesus, another "epiphany." On this, the last day of the Christmas season, our Gospel reveals to us Jesus' relation to God: the son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. In Luke's Gospel, all three members of the Trinity are manifested here: God the Father in the voice, the Holy Spirit descending, and Jesus the Son. At the beginning of his Gospel, Luke is communicating to us important information about the identity of Jesus. In the verses that follow, Luke lists the genealogy of Jesus, tracing Jesus' ancestry back to the first person, Adam, who is also identified as the son of God. We, the children of Adam and Eve, are again made children of God through Baptism.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

Help is needed to take down our Christmas decorations on Sunday, January 9th after the Noon Mass.



PLEASE SUPPORT OUR ONLY FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR-TICKETS ARE STILL AVAILABLE

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