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January 10, 2021



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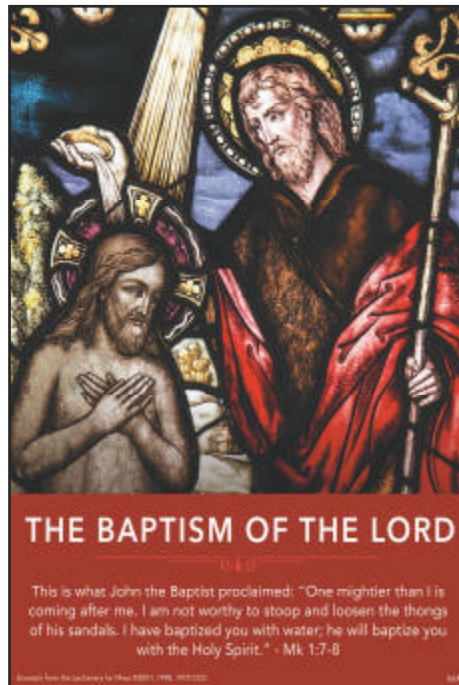
A Vicarious Descant

As we draw back from the manger, we behold the Infant Jesus surrounded by Joseph and Mary. It is the Holy Family that the Church draws our attention to that we might understand that God chose to first manifest Himself to the Jews and Gentiles from within a family. There are the two greatest saints closest to Jesus—Joseph and Mary. To honor Jesus, we look to them. We seek to imitate their love for Jesus. And since they live in heaven near Christ, we ask their intercession to help us in our journey through life that we might join them one day in heaven.

In 1921 Pope Benedict XV set today as the Feast of the Holy Family, which is still observed on this day in the Tridentine calendar. Veneration of the Holy Family had been observed in many dioceses since the 17th century. In the 19th century, Dom Gueranger wrote of this devotion to the Holy Family saying that it was “welcomed by succeeding Pontiffs as an efficacious means for bringing home to the Christian people the example of the Holy Family at Nazareth, and by the restoration of the true spirit of family life, stemming, in some measure, the evils of present-day society.” “The evils of present-day society” today most assuredly eclipse the evils of which Dom Gueranger and Benedict XV lamented.

The *Compendium of the Catholic Church* speaks about the family in the section addressing the Fourth Commandment—Honor your father and your mother.

The first question (*Compendium* 456) asks,



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: “One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” - Mk 1:7-8

“What is the nature of the family in the plan of God?” And to this question the Church replies, “A man and a woman united in marriage form a family together with their children. God instituted the family and endowed it with its fundamental constitution. Marriage and the family are ordered to the good of the spouses and to the procreation and education of children. Members of the same family establish among themselves personal relationships and primary responsibilities. In Christ the family becomes the *domestic church* because it is a community of faith, of hope, and of charity.”

This leads to the next question, then, (457) “What place does the family occupy in society?” Since the family was established by God, it is, as the Church teaches, “prior to any recognition by

public authority. Family values and principles constitute the foundation of social life. Family life is an initiation into the life of society.” Society, particularly through government, has obligations toward the family, not the other way around. Society has the duty to support and strengthen marriage and family. “Public authority must respect, protect and foster the true nature of marriage and the family, public morality, the rights of parents, and domestic prosperity” (458).

Regarding the responsibilities of children toward their parents, the Church teaches that “Children owe respect (filial piety), gratitude, docility and obedience to their parents. In paying them respect and in fostering good relationships with their brothers and sisters, children contribute to the growth in harmony and holiness in family life in general. Adult children should give their parents material and moral support whenever they find themselves in situations of distress, sickness, loneliness, or old age” (459).

Likewise, parents, too, have responsibilities toward their children, “Parents, in virtue of their participation in the fatherhood of God, have the first responsibility for the education of their children and they are the first heralds of the faith for them. They have the duty to love and respect their children as *persons* and as *children of God* and to provide, as far as is possible, for their physical and spiritual needs. They should select for them a suitable school and help them with prudent counsel in the choice of their profession and their state of life. In particular they have the mission of educating their children in the Christian

Mass Intentions  for the Week

Monday, - January 11, 2021

7:30 a.m.– Giovanni Sossi (D)

Tuesday, - January 12, 2021

7:30 a.m.– Charles Green

Wednesday, - January 13, 2021

7:30 a.m.– Claude Evans (D)

Thursday, - January 14, 2021

7:30 a.m.– Catharina Welsing (D)

Friday, - January 15, 2021

7:30 a.m.– Mary Decker (D)

Saturday, - January 16, 2021

7:30 a.m.– Faithful Departed in the Grotto Cemetery

4:00 p.m.– Special Intention

Sunday, - January 17, 2021

6:30 a.m.– Special Intention

9:30 a.m. -People of the Parish

12:00 p.m.– Special Intention

“When we leave the holy banquet of Communion, we are as happy as the wise men would have been if they could have carried away the infant Jesus.” -St. John Vianney

Mass Servers

Saturday, January 16, 2021

4:00 p.m. D. Bastuba, J. Cline

Sunday, January 17, 2021

6:30 a.m. R. Jacek, M. Pomeroy.

9:30 a.m. K. Garavaglia, A. Santine, M. Grado, J. Prevo, D. Grado, C. Bueche

12:00 p.m. M. Chambers, A. & W. Remske, G. Welsing, J. & D. Berch

Readings for the week of

January 10, 2021

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3])/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/ Jn 1:35-42

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SUNDAY MASSES: Saturdays at 4:00; Sundays at 6:30, 9:30 (Tridentine), & Noon

HOLY DAY MASSES: 6:30, 9:30 (Tridentine), Noon & evening at 7:00 p.m.

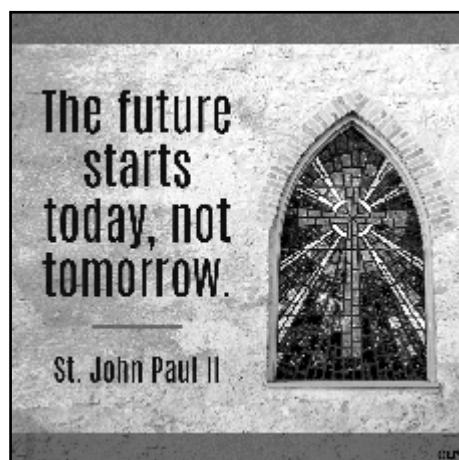
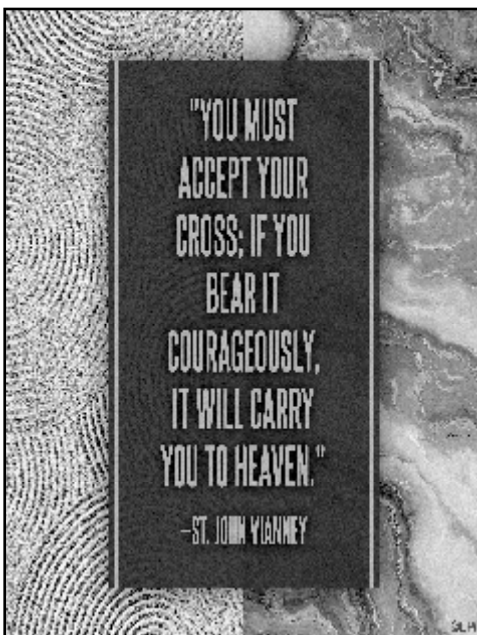
WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday-Saturday 7:30 a.m. (all Tridentine).

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 2:30-3:30, Sunday 9:00 & 11:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS: Every Saturday after the 4:00 p.m. Mass or Sunday after the Noon Mass. Arrange at the Rectory Office.

BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS: After the Noon Mass on the first Sunday of the month.

REGISTRATION: Visit the Rectory or call for a form to be sent out to you.



A Vicarious Descant (continued)

faith” (460). This education is done by example, prayer and family catechesis which include the participation in the life of the Church” (461).

At their child’s baptism, parents and godparents (properly called “Sponsors”) promised that the child would be raised in the Catholic faith. The priest says at that time, “In asking to have your child baptized, you are accepting the responsibility of training him or her in the practice of the faith. It will be your duty to bring him or her up to keep God’s commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbor” (*Rite of Baptism*). And this promise cannot be fulfilled without the parents and godparents themselves practicing the faith.

The last precept of the Church that Catholics in America are called to observe is the support of the missionary activity of the Church. This is through prayer and example. It is not simply financially supporting the parish or contributing to foreign mission appeals, but in our daily lives—letting others see Christ in you by your words and actions. The Church’s precept calls upon each of us to bring the light of Christ to others—especially those who have already received Baptism, or may have sadly left the practice of the Faith. This missionary activity here in our country is more needed now than ever.

May the Holy Family protect, bless, and guide all families in this country and the world.

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Assumption Grotto Secular Carmelites.

If you would like to be a part of a Fraternal Community, be inspired by Carmelite Saints, seek the face of God through contemplative prayer, and have a special devotion to our Blessed Mother, call *Paula Zurawski* at 586.463.1770 and leave a message **to schedule a visit with the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Discalced Carmelite Secu-**

lars, at Assumption Grotto, in Detroit. We meet on the First Saturday of each month, beginning with a Communion Service at 8:30 am. The richness of Carmelite teachings and spirituality will still the restlessness of your heart as you learn to rest in the Lord.

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Ushers Needed

We are in need of additional men to serve as ushers at the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass and 6:30 and Noon Sunday Masses. Please contact Marty at 586-873-3905 or the rectory office if you are able to help.

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Seven Sisters Apostolate

See the flyer on the side tables of the church for more information on our three parish Seven Sisters Groups. The groups are organized to pray for Archbishop Vigneron, Fr. John Bustamante and Fr. Perrone. We are in need of more women willing to commit an hour a week as a substitute. Please call and leave your name at the rectory if God is calling you to assist our priests in this Apostolate.

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Assumption Grotto St. Vincent de Paul Helpers

Parishioners who are in need of help may contact Jeff Cline at 586-242-1959.

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Act of Contrition

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen.

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Act of Faith

O my God, I firmly believe that you are one God in three divine Persons, Father,

Son, and Holy Spirit. I believe that your divine Son became man and died for our sins and that he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe these and all the truths which the Holy Catholic Church teaches because you have revealed them who are eternal truth and wisdom, who can neither deceive nor be deceived. In this faith I intend to live and die. Amen.

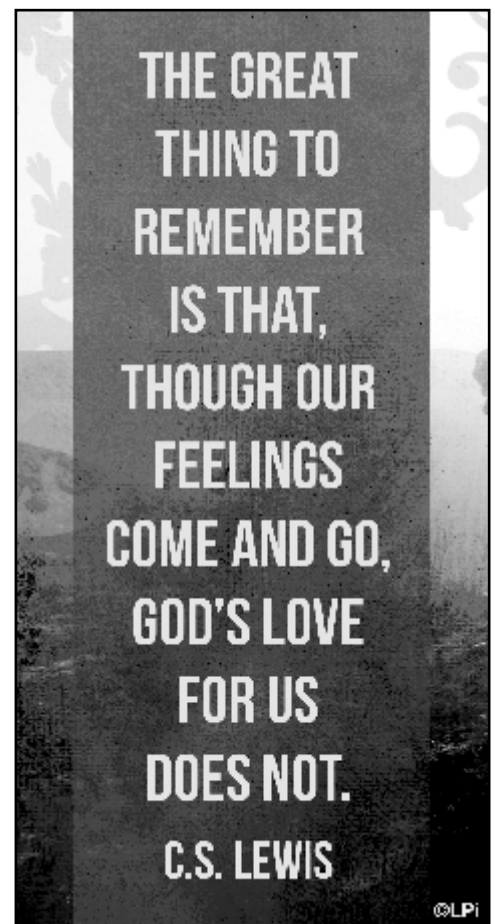
Act of Hope

O Lord God, I hope by your grace for the pardon of all my sins and after life here to gain eternal happiness because you have promised it who are infinitely powerful, faithful, kind, and merciful. In this hope I intend to live and die. Amen.

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Act of Love

O Lord God, I love you above all things and I love my neighbor for your sake because you are the highest, infinite and perfect good, worthy of all my love. In this love I intend to live and die. Amen.





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