

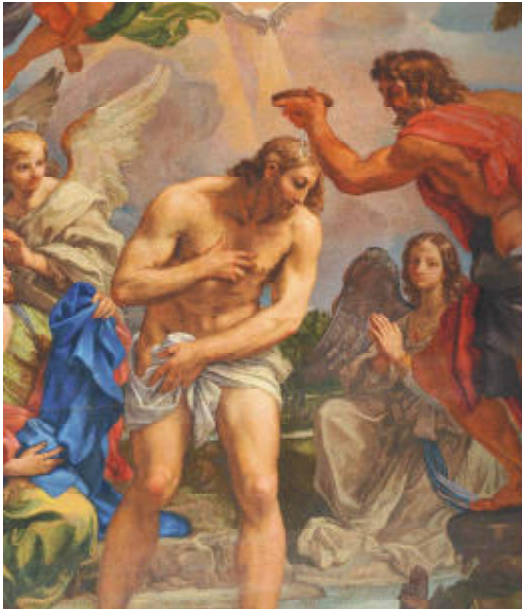


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January 9, 2022



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



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 3:21-22a

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Bison Children's Scholarship Fund



BISON

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Selection is done by lottery on March 1.**

Head on to their website at www.bisonfund.com for more information and to apply.

This Week's Readings - January 9, 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

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/
Jn 2:1-11

For more information on our Parish, how to become a Parishioner, or for Letters of Recommendation, please call the Rectory or head on to our website.

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 10

- 7:30 am For the People
- Fr. Greg
11:30 am Frank Koletar
- Family

Tuesday, January 11

- 7:30 am Dave Atzrott
- Joe Crowley
11:30 am Edward Healy Sr.
- Dottie Losardo &
Family

Wednesday, January 12

- 7:30 am James Sperduti
- Dr. & Mrs. Mark
Teach & Family
11:30 am Ralph Parzynski
- Dr. & Mrs. Mark
Teach & Family

Thursday, January 13 St. Hilary

- 7:30 am Anna Sniderhan
- John & Lois
Riccardi
11:30 am Michael Gallagher
- Family

Friday, January 14

- 7:30 am All Souls
11:30 am Harry O'Brien
- Mary & Bob Kiener

Saturday, January 15

- 4:00 pm Edna & William Cox
- Paula Moyer
& Ellen Clark
5:30 pm Wallace Piotrowski
- Pisanczyn Family

Sunday, January 16 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Virginia Calieri
- The Piotrowski
Family
9:30 am Judy Webber
- Dalessandro Family
11:15 am Ray Vogt
- Steve Zatlukal

From the Pastor's Desk

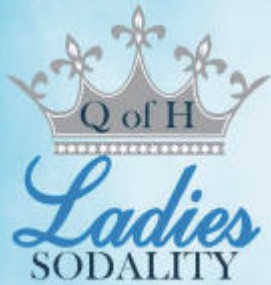
Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Like the Feast of the Epiphany, it is another manifestation of who this newborn child really is. On the Epiphany we celebrated the revelation of Jesus to the nations as the true light of the world for all people. The Magi came from the East searching to find the newborn King of the Jews and found Jesus in his home with his mother, Mary. In this weekend's Gospel we hear Luke's account of the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan by John the Baptist. People were searching for the Messiah, but John testifies that he himself is not the Christ. He proclaims that, "one mightier than I is coming who will baptize people with the Holy Spirit and fire." That testimony is confirmed when Jesus comes to be baptized. **The heavens opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon Jesus in the form of a dove. The voice of God comes from heaven declaring: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."** This is the culmination of the season of Christmas. Jesus Christ, the babe who was born in a manger, whose coming was proclaimed to the shepherds by angels, and whom the Magi sought to find, is now declared to be the Son of God! Jesus will now go forth in his public ministry, healing the sick and performing miracles to manifest even more fully who this babe in the manger really is.

With the conclusion of evening prayer on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, the Season of Christmas ends, and we are in Ordinary Time until Ash Wednesday. This year Ash Wednesday is on March 2, which means that we have a little over seven weeks of Ordinary Time before we enter into the Season of Lent. This time will be in the heart of winter. The Priests will be wearing green vestments, and it is a good opportunity for us to be in touch with the more common rhythms in our daily lives. **Where is God working in the daily ebb and flow of our lives, and where is God calling us to be?** As Jesus was called into His ministry at His baptism, so are we invited to serve our God in our baptismal call. Each of us has been given different gifts to share, but all are called by the one Spirit to serve our God. May this Ordinary Time help us to grow stronger in faith and to develop healthier habits in our lives that enable us to serve God and our neighbors more fully, even during a pandemic!

On the lighter side of things, this weekend we will discover whom the **Buffalo Bills** are playing in the Wild Card round of the Playoffs and whether or not it will be a home game. Nevertheless, it is great just to know that for the fourth time in the past five years they will be in the post season once again. The Playoffs is a new season, and only one team is left victorious at the end. Let us enjoy the ride while it lasts, and maybe this is the year where we finally get that Super Bowl win!

God Bless,
Fr. Greg



Our first meeting of the New Year 2022
will be held
Tuesday, January 18th
at 6:30 pm.

We are excited to have Denise Reichard
return to us with a new program called
Faith Journey.
As insightful as she was with her
historical figures, we know we will be
enriched by her presentation
once again.



Rehearsals begin
again
Wednesday,
January 19
at 7:00 pm
in the Choir Loft

All are welcome to join!
No music experience necessary.
Instrumentalists always welcome also.

For questions, please contact
Kevin, our Music Director,
at kcapanyola60@gmail.com

Parish Information

Mass Schedule

Daily: 7:30 am; 11:30 am
Saturday: 4:00 pm; 5:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am; 9:30 am; 11:15 am
Confessions: 3:00 pm Saturdays
Holy Days: See Bulletin & Website

Rectory

Weekdays: 9:00 am - Noon
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
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*To see a particular priest,
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Sick calls any time.*

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Misc.: \$110

2021 Stewardship:
\$10,564

2020 Stewardship:
\$9,389

School Fund: \$1,157
Christmas: \$11,763.65

1/2/2022

Regular: \$7,517

Loose: \$2,016.06

2022 Stewardship:
\$9,533.06

2021 Stewardship:
\$15,461

Solemnity of Mary:
\$1,431

Upcoming Second Collections

January 16
School Fund

January 30
Catholic Relief Services

Faith Formation

Phone: 675-3714 Text: 716-508-0018 Email: youthfamilyinfo@qofhchurch.org

It is very important to call or email our office for an appointment instead of just stopping in. Visitors are not allowed in our building.

**Forms & payments, baptism certificates, etc.
can be dropped off in the Rectory front door mailbox 24/7.**

UNIT 3 GOSPEL WEEKLIES:

Packets for Home Study are ready for pickup from the Rectory front hall and Family Program packets are there as well.

SESSION INFORMATION

All sessions are in person this year. Masks are required for all programs whenever we are in the building.

FAMILY PROGRAM

Meets Saturday January 8.

Door is open after 8:00 Mass and the session runs from 9:15 to 11:00. Please bring your own snacks & drinks.

SATURDAY PROGRAM

Meets Saturday January 8 and 15 from 9:45 to 11:15 AM

CONFIRMATION

Session #5 meets Tuesday January 5 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM in the Cafeteria.

We ask our Parishioners to remember these candidates in your prayers in a special way during their journey to Confirmation.

LIFE TEEN

Meets Sunday 10:45 AM to 12:15 PM in the Board Room.

EDGE

Meets Tuesday 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the Board Room.

*For all correspondence, please check your email inbox and spam/junk mail for messages from:
youthfamilyinfo@qofhchurch.org.*



Please remember
in your prayers

Our Dearly Departed

Eileen Coughlin
Loretta Di Martino


**Vocation
View**

Christ gives us the gift of Baptism,
through which we each have a
vocation in the Church.

Pray for those who are discerning
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There are many open hours in the adoration schedule - when you decide to become an Adorer; simply write your name and phone number in any open spot on the printed schedule outside the Chapel nearest Mill Road, or go to the Queen of Heaven website and under the Adoration Chapel page you can view the open hours available and sign up for your hour there. For more information email us at: adoration@QofHChurch.org.

All are welcome.



Pausa is a series of short videos by our Seminarian, James Bobak that will be posted weekly on Mondays on the Parish Facebook page. In our fast-paced world, our lives seem like an endless rat race with no rest. We need to fight the current and take time to cultivate our relationship with God each day. The Pausa series seeks to encourage you to pray and to offer tips on how to make time for God.

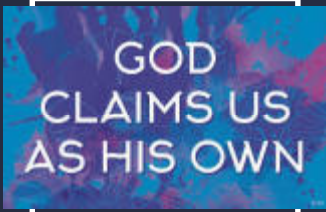
2022 MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions are still available for requests to celebrate special hallmarks, birthdays, anniversaries, and remember your loved ones both with us and those we have lost.

Stop in the Rectory to see if your special dates are available!

The donation is \$15 per Mass.





LIVE THE LITURGY -
Inspiration for the Week

Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action he let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters God announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor and God is very pleased.

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QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK

First Reading: Is 42:1-4, 6-7

The prophet Isaiah was called to bring words of comfort and good news to the beleaguered Israelites held captive in Babylon. How do you minister to those in your life struggling to find God's presence?

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38

Paul taught Titus that baptized believers are called "to live temperately, justly, and devoutly." How well do you think you live by this moral and ethical standard?

Gospel: Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

We hear today the account of the baptism of Jesus and God's words from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." What do you imagine Jesus did (prior to the start of his public ministry) that was so pleasing to God?

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Saturday
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Schedule of Events



3:30 pm Rally in the St. Greg's Ministry Center

4:15 pm March begins

5:30 pm Mass for Life with Bishop Fisher

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