

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



*St. Mary, Our Lady
of the Annunciation
January 9, 2022
Rev. James R. Rafferty, Pastor
Deacon David Drysdale*

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Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:15, 10:00 & 11:45 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 8:00 am & 3:00-4:00 pm
Wednesday 6:00 pm,
First Friday 8:00 am & 6:30pm
Or by Appointment— call parish office
Baptism Class-Registration Required
Date TBD

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Mass Schedule

Monday, January 10, 2022

8:30 a.m. Normandin Family

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

8:30 a.m. Diane Zuker by Mamie Schave

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

6:30 p.m. Living and deceased parishioners of St. Mary
Gary Louzon+ by Susan Cuzelis
Michael Baum+ by mom
Gonyea & Herzog Families
Gail Vargo+ by Paul & Jill Brazier
Richard Schave+ by Mamie Schave

Thursday, January 13, 2022

St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30 a.m. Ken Cuzelis+ by KimAmos

Friday, January 14, 2022

8:30 a.m. Frank & Hattie Nowski+ by Family

Saturday, January 15, 2022

Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased members of the Bidwell Family
By Cherie Domigan
Joseph Selva+ by Connie Boulay
Ellen Subastian+ by Ralph & Cathy Subastian
Maureen Brazier+ by Paul & Jill Brazier
Richard O'Neill+ by Daughters of Mary

4:30 p.m. Scott Head+ by Mary Jo Peer

Sunday, January 16, 2022

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Antonio Catella by Tony Conti

10:00 a.m. Patricia Skinner+ by Jim & Jeanette Herzog

11:45 a.m. Diane Zuker+ by Connie Boulay

The clothing closet will now be accepting donations. Please bring your donations on the days of operation, which are the first and third Saturday of the month, from 10-12pm. Thank you for your generosity.

Giving Basket Needs

**Canned fruit, coffee, tea, cocoa, oatmeal,
Deodorant, Dish Soap,**

*"Whatever you do to the least of my Brethren,
that you do unto me."*

Offering January 2, 2022

Current	YTD	Budget	over/(under)
\$16,523	\$267,033	\$ 249,345	\$17,688
Christmas	\$29,376	\$ 28,000	

Catholic Services Appeal

\$120,768 \$80,077 \$40,691

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*Offerings may be mailed to us at :
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Jan 13-16th

Benediction 1/13	Mass	4:30 p.m.	8:15 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	11:45 a.m.
Michael d	Lector	Janet K	Joe S	Barb M	Pat Senn
	Acolyte	Joe C	Jim L	Jim H	Tom J
	Servers	Needed	Hunter/Ryder	Collins Family	Sarah L/Peyton B

January 2022 Calendar

Rosary is prayed Mass

Information is based on submission date of bulletin and subject to change; watch website and flocknote

9 Mass 8:15, 10:00 & 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Sunday Session 9:30 a.m.	10 Mass 8:30 a.m. Flame of Love 9:30 a.m.	11 Mass 8:30 a.m. D of M 9:30, 1:00 & 6:30 p.m. Catechism 6:00 p.m.	12 Confession 6:00 p.m. Mass 6:30 p.m. K of C Planning 7:30 p.m.	13 Mass 8:30 a.m. Adoration 9:30- 6:45 p.m.	14 Mass 8:30 a.m.	15 Confession 8:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m. Clothing Closet & Giving Basket 10-noon
16 Mass 8:15, 10:00 & 11:45 a.m.	17 Mass 8:30am Flame of Love 9:30 a.m.	18 Mass 8:30am D of M 9:30, 1:00 & 6:30 p.m. Catechism 6:00 p.m.	19 Confession 6:00 p.m. Mass 6:30 p.m.	20 Mass 8:30 a.m. Adoration 9:30- 6:45 p.m.	21 Mass 8:30 a.m.	22 Confession 8:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.
23 Mass 8:15, 10:00 & 11:45 am Confirmation Sunday Session 9:30 am	24 Mass 8:30am Flame of Love 9:30 a.m.	25 Mass 8:30 a.m. D of M 9:30, 1:00, & 6:30 p.m. Catechism 6:00 p.m.	26 Confession 6:00 p.m. Mass 6:30 p.m. K of C Meeting 7:30 p.m.	27 Mass 8:30 a.m. Adoration 9:30- 6:45 p.m.	28 Mass 8:30 a.m.	29 Confession 8:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.

The Saints on Holy Communion

"One of the most admirable effects of Holy Communion is to preserve the soul from sin, and to help those who fall through weakness to rise again. It is much more profitable, then, to approach this divine Sacrament with love, respect, and confidence, than to remain away through an excess of fear and scrupulosity."

--St. Ignatius of Loyola

"If someone knows from experience that daily Communion increases fervor without lessening reverence, then let him go every day. But if someone finds that reverence is lessened and devotion not much increased, then let him sometimes abstain, so as to draw near afterwards with better dispositions."

--St. Thomas Aquinas

"If Christ did not want to dismiss the Jews without food in the desert for fear that they would collapse on the way, it was to teach us that it is dangerous to try to get to heaven without the Bread of Heaven."

--St. Jerome

"Many Christians take their time and have leisure enough in their social life (no hurry here). They are leisurely, too, in their professional activities, at table and recreation (no hurry here either). But isn't it strange how those same Christians find themselves in such a rush and want to hurry the priest, in their anxiety to shorten the time devoted to the most holy sacrifice of the altar?"

--St. Josemaria Escriva

I desire to unite Myself to human souls, Know, My daughter, that when I come to a human heart in Holy Communion, My hands are full of all kinds of graces which I want to give to the soul. But souls do not even pay any attention to Me; they leave Me to Myself and busy themselves with other things...They treat Me as a dead object. (1385) Now you shall consider My love in the Blessed Sacrament. Here, I am entirely yours, soul, body and divinity, as your Bridegroom. You know what love demands: one thing only, reciprocity...(1770)

--St Faustina, Divine Mercy in my Soul

Twinkies and Root Beer

A little boy wanted to meet God. He knew it was a long trip to where God lived, so he packed his suitcase with Twinkies and a six-pack of Root Beer and he started his journey.

When he had gone about three blocks, he met an elderly man. The man was sitting in the park just feeding some pigeons.

The boy sat down next to him and opened his suitcase. He was about to take a drink from his root beer when he noticed that the man looked hungry, so he offered him a Twinkie.

The man gratefully accepted it and smiled at boy. His smile was so pleasant that the boy wanted to see it again, so he offered him a root beer.

Again, the man smiled at him. The boy was delighted! They sat there all afternoon eating and smiling, but they never said a word.

As it grew dark, the boy realized how tired he was and he got up to leave, but before he had gone more than a few steps, he turned around, ran back to the man, and gave him a hug. The man gave him his biggest smile ever.

When the boy opened the door to his own house a short time later, his mother was surprised by the look of joy on his face. She asked him, "What did you do today that made you so happy?"

"He replied, "I had lunch with God." But before his mother could respond, he added, "You know what? God's got the most beautiful smile I've ever seen!"

Meanwhile, the elderly man, also radiant with joy, returned to his home. His son was stunned by the look of peace on his face and he asked, "Dad, what did you do today that made you so happy?"

He replied, "I ate Twinkies in the park with God." However, before his son responded, he added, "You know, he's much younger than I expected."

Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around. People come into our lives for a reason, a season, or a lifetime. Embrace all equally!

~author unknown~

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

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

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Attention Religious Education Families

I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas and your New Year is off to a great start. As we jump into 2022, our sacramental students will be extra busy with retreats and preparing for this spring's sacraments. Parents, pay close attention to the calendar and your emails for all the information!!

Calendar for 2022

Jan. 9th **Confirmation Sunday Session #6 (9:30-11:30am)**

Jan. 11th Class

Jan. 18th Class—Movie Night

Jan. 23rd **Confirmation Sunday Session #7 (9:30-11:30am)**

Jan. 25th Class

The Orans Posture During the Our Father

During the Mass the Orans Posture is to be used by the celebrant, and the celebrant alone. The Orans Posture is when hands are extended outward and upward, and is to be used when the priest is offering prayers on behalf of the faithful. In Article 6 §2, of the document, Instruction On Certain Questions Regarding the Collaboration of the Non-Ordained Faithful in the Sacred Ministry of Priests it states:

"In Eucharistic celebrations deacons and non-ordained members of the faithful may not pronounce prayers — e.g. especially the Eucharistic prayer, with its concluding doxology — or any other parts of the liturgy reserved to the celebrant priest. Neither may deacons or non-ordained members of the faithful use gestures or actions which are proper to the same priest celebrant. It is a grave abuse for any member of the non-ordained faithful to "quasi preside" at the Mass while leaving only that minimal participation to the priest which is necessary to secure validity."

Anytime that the celebrant is using the Orans Posture position deacons, concelebrating priests, and members of the lay faithful should not use this position too. During the Lord's Prayer, and when the response is "And with your Spirit," the laity should not extend and uplift their arms as well as during any other part of the Mass. In Canon 907 we read:

"In the celebration of the Eucharist, deacons and lay persons are not permitted to say the prayers, especially the Eucharistic prayer, nor to perform the actions which are proper to the celebrating priest."

The above is excerpted from the article "5 Things You Might Be Doing Incorrectly at Mass" by Christina M Sorrentino on www.Catholic365.com

Additional Intentions for Christmas Flowers



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 James Kaminske
 Eugenice Kolasz
 Joseph Kolasz
 Kozlowski family
 Don and Lenore Louzon

**St. Hilary of Poitiers, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Feast Day: 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 Phrygia 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.

Mary’s Meals

FREE Meals for Those in Need!

Every Thursday at 5:00p.m. St. Mary offers a full course meal for those in our community who are in need. **We are now feeding over 55 people each week!** Praise God! The Soup Kitchen is located in the school hall. The parking lot entrance is off of Burton Street.

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**Please Pray
 for the Sick...**

Please Pray for Those in the Armed Forces

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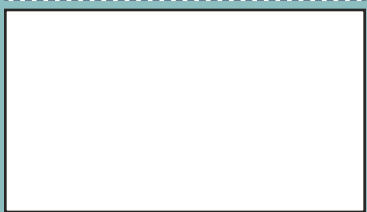
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