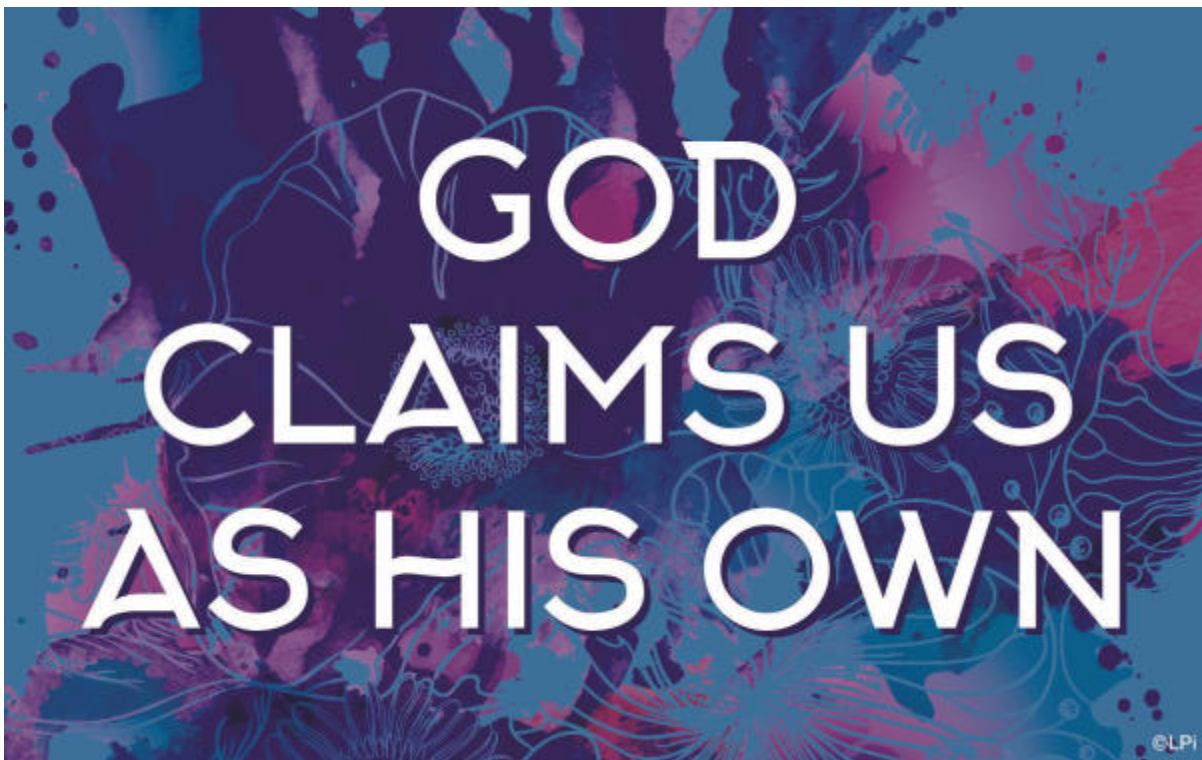




# OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

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9 JANUARY 2022—THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



*Then the  
glory of  
the LORD  
shall be  
revealed,  
and all  
people  
shall see it  
together;  
for the  
mouth of  
the LORD  
has  
spoken.  
(Is 40:5)*

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***Mass Schedule : Saturday 4:30 pm in Oak Park—Sunday 9:00 am in Oak Park and 11:00 am in Ferndale***  
***Tuesday 9:00 am in Ferndale***

***Thursday 9:00 am in Oak Park (First Thursday of the Month 7pm Mass will replace the 9am Mass)***

***Sacraments: Baptism, Anointing of the Sick, and Reconciliation*** Please call the parish office at 248.545.2310  
***Marriage—Must be active and registered members of the parish for at least 6 months prior to scheduling***  
Please call the parish office at 248.545.2310.

***First Communion and Confirmation*** Please contact Natalie LaCroix, DRE at 248.533.5424



**Saturday, January 8, 2022**

**Vigil of the Baptism of the Lord**

**4:30 pm – Oak Park**

Rev. William J. McGoldrick (2011)

**Sunday, January 9, 2022**

**Baptism the Lord**

**9 am – Oak Park**

Rhoda Hurley by Cornelius Henderson

Bernice Henderson—8th Anniversary of Death—

by Cornelius Henderson

**11am - Ferndale**

Msgr. Edward J. Baldwin (2016)

Michael and Sara Rayis Family by Muneer Rayis

**Monday, January 10, 2022**

Rev. Francis Woloszyk (1987)

**Tuesday, January 11, 2022**

**9 am - Ferndale**

Dolores Becker by Kathy Wlosinksi

**Wednesday, January 12, 2022**

Rev. Cyril J. Keating (1986)

**Thursday, January 13, 2022**

**9 am – Oak Park**

Most Rev. Arthur H. Krawczak (2000)

**Friday, January 14, 2022**

Msgr. William F. Lynch (1982)

**Saturday, January 15, 2022**

**Vigil of the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4:30 pm – Oak Park**

Rev. Anthony M. Slosar (1987)

**Sunday, January 16, 2022**

**The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9 am – Oak Park**

Rhoda Hurley by Cornelius Henderson

Msgr. Lawrence F. Graven (1990)

**11am - Ferndale**

Michael and Sara Rayis Family by Muneer Rayis

Mark Anderson by Smith Family

Rev. Henry J. Kenowski (1973)

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT OUR PRAYER LISTS

The Church calls us to lift our brothers and sisters up in prayer when they are sick or struggling. The Parish continues to receive word about our parishioners who are ill, and we also receive requests about their well-being by others and ask why their names are not published. Since some of the members of our parish request that their names not be published when they are ill it becomes difficult. We strive to respect everyone's privacy along with trying to provide prayer support to all. We hope to list the members of our parish who are currently in need of our prayers, a visit, a note, or a phone call. To add a name to the listing, please contact the person first to make certain they want such information published and then contact the parish office at 248.545.2310. If you wish prayer during a time of illness or difficulty for yourself or for a family member, please contact the office by e-mail at omophparish@gamil.com or by phone at 248.545.2310. Names will be kept on the list for 4 weeks. Contact the parish office, at 248.545.2310, if you wish a name to remain on the prayer list for an additional four weeks.

## Prayer REQUESTS

### **Pray for Our Sick, Their Families and Caregivers, and the Special Intentions of Our Parishioners**

David Doig, Chuck Yodhes, Judy Chmielewski, Margaret Devereaux, Michelle Ciambelli Milewkovic, Vera McBride, Cody Abugow, Mark Rigotti, Stanley Michalik

### **Pray for Our Men and Women Serving in the Military**

1st Lt Jacob Ashmore-USAF, Cpt Jonathon Ashmore-USMC, Sgt Cory Berry-US Army, LtCOL Thomas Goedert-USMC, Matthew Pelletier-USAF, Sgt Douglas Raven-US Army, COL David Rogers-US Army, COL Thomas Rogers-US Army, PFC Edy Silveira de Souza-USMC, Staff Sgt. John W. Tomassi-USAF, AB Ashley N. Vozel-USAF, SSG Noah Reiter-US Army, HM2 Maura Curtin--Navy, CPT Matthew Carey-USAF, HN Autumn-Kyoko Cushman--US Navy

## **UNITED IN FAITH, LOVE AND SERVICE TO OTHERS**

**OUR MISSION**—*Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish is a welcoming and nurturing Catholic community building up the Body of Christ through prayer and service.*

**OUR VISION**—*Our vision is to be an extraordinary spiritual gathering place where people of all backgrounds and ages are welcome to question and learn, pray, worship, and serve. In community through prayer and worship, we hope to continue to grow together in our understanding and appreciation of God's love. We strive to change and improve our lives and the lives of others.*

***How do you live out  
our mission and vision?***

## IN THE WORDS OF POPE FRANCIS...

*“Just as Jesus is the Father’s beloved Son, we too, reborn by water and the Holy Spirit, know that we are beloved children, the object of the Father’s pleasure, brothers and sisters among many other brothers and sisters, entrusted with a grand mission to witness and proclaim the Father’s boundless love to all men and women.”*



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OF PARISHES**

## OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH GIVING OPPORTUNITY TO BENEFIT THE FRANCISCAN OUTREACH PROGRAM AT TRANSFIGURATION

*From Fr. Paul's Letter ... Some of you found your home in our Advent Giving Opportunities. We are now a member of a Family of Parishes. In the spirit of collaboration with our Family we are collecting canned food items, pantry items, and paper products for the Franciscan Outreach Program located at Transfiguration. Please bring your donations to the gathering area at either worship location.*

### Items needed include: Canned Goods / Pantry Items

(concentrating on high protein items like peanut butter, tuna, beans and canned meats), canned fruits and vegetable, jelly, dry pasta, pasta sauce, macaroni and cheese, etc. and Paper Products like paper towels, facial tissue, and toilet paper.

*Last weekend to donate is January 8/9, 2022*



## FAITH FORMATION PERSPECTIVES

### JAN. 9 - THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD—BAPTISM AND BEYOND (Lk 3:15-16, 21-22)



Luke presents his gospel account of the baptism of Jesus. Luke brings out three important events concerning Jesus' baptism: 1) Jesus is in prayer after his baptism. Prayer is something Jesus does before important decisions; 2) The descent of the Holy Spirit, in the form of a dove, upon Jesus. This is a preview of Pentecost and the beginning formation of a new community around Jesus; and 3) By the heavenly voice, "You are my beloved Son. On you my favor rests" acknowledges Jesus' relationship to the Father and Jesus' divinity. Luke downplays Jesus' baptism in this passage to only three words, "likewise being baptized."

The people are anticipating the Messiah. They wonder if John is the Messiah. He tells the people that he baptizes with water but one mightier than he will baptize in the Holy Spirit and in fire.

Jesus and the people were baptized. Jesus is in prayer when the skies opens and the Holy Spirit descends upon him in the form of a dove. A voice from heaven is heard saying, "You are my beloved Son. On you my favor rests."

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord should bring to mind the importance of our own day of baptism and what our baptism calls us to be and do. We celebrate our

birth day when we became a son or daughter should we not also celebrate our baptismal day when we became sons and daughters to our heavenly Father? Do you know your baptismal day?

Jesus commanded his disciples to, "Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptize them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." (Mt 28:19) and Jesus tells Nicodemus, "I solemnly assure you; no one can enter into God's kingdom without being begotten of water and the spirit." (Jn 3:5)

The Catechism of the Catholic Church presents, "Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments." (#1213) and "Baptism is birth into new life in Christ, in accordance with the Lord's will, it is necessary for salvation, as is the Church herself, which we enter by baptism." (#1277). The General Catechetical Directory presents "By Baptism men and women are cleansed from original sin and from all personal sins, they are born again as children of God, are made part of the Church and made holy by the gifts of the Holy Spirit." (# 57)

"Every baptized person should consider that it is in the womb of the Church where he is transformed from a child of Adam to a child of God." St Vincent Ferrer (1350-1419) and "The soul is regenerated in the sacred waters of baptism and thus becomes God's child." St. Maximilian Kolbe (1894-1944)

St. Gregory of Nazianzen (329-389) says, "These three things God requires of all Baptized: right faith in the heart, truth on the tongue, temperance in the body."

"The rediscovery of the value of one's baptism is the basis of the missionary commitment of every Christian, because we see in the Gospel that he who lets himself be fascinated by Christ cannot do without witnessing the joy if following in his footsteps ... we understand even more that, in virtue of baptism, we have an inherent missionary vocation." Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI (1927 -)

*By Leonard Piasta, FFC Chair*

**Offertory for FY 2021-2022:**

Offertory Amount	\$18,333	\$98,029
Over/(Under) Prior Year	\$1,718	(\$14,069)
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$787)	(\$24,768)

Week of 12-26-2021 Offertory total: \$5,747  
 On-line giving totaled \$3,795.75 and drop off, mailed in, and dropped in offertory basket, envelopes totaled \$14,537.09 for a grand total for 4 weeks of December deposits totaled \$18,332.84.

**Christmas YTD: \$18,295.00****2021 CSA Goal: \$37,746.00**

As of 12-27-21: 121 pledges received; 115 fully paid  
 Total pledged: \$87,815.66  
 Total paid: \$89,445.66  
 Total Refund to date: \$51,699.66  
 Refund due parish: (\$2,605.00)  
 Refunds issued: \$54,304.66

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JAN. 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

**OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JAN. 9, 2022**

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord  
 Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
 Sunday: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**THIS WEEK AND BEYOND - JANUARY 10—MARCH 1 - ORDINARY TIME**

The word ordinary can feel like a synonym for “boring,” but Ordinary Time is far from it. This season takes its name from the ordinal numbers (first, second, third, fourth, fifth, and so on) that are used to count the Sundays and the weeks that follow them. While the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter have a certain importance in the liturgical year, that does not diminish Ordinary Time. Consider that as the priest prepares the paschal candle at the Easter Vigil, he states, “All time belongs to him.” How might you use this season to grow closer to God?

**JANUARY 18–25 - PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity spans an octave, or eight-day observance, a time frame that lends significance to the week. It is a great sorrow to be separated from our brothers and sisters in Christ, unable to join around the Eucharistic table together to “do this in memory of me.” We wait in hope in a special way during this week for the day when all divisions among Christians will cease.

**JANUARY 25 - CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL**

This feast commemorates the day when Saul, an observant young Jewish man who opposed the early Christians and even participated in the stoning death of St. Stephen, had an encounter with the risen Jesus. Saul, also known as Paul, left behind his former life to become an apostle to the gentiles. To preach the Gospel, you might offer forgiveness and mercy to someone who is not sorry, serve a meal at a soup kitchen with a joyful heart, or drop off a box of diapers at a place that serves mothers and children. *Today's readings: Acts 22: 3–6 or Acts 9:1–22; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; Mark 16:15–18.*

**JANUARY 28 - ST. THOMAS AQUINAS**

Known as the angelic doctor, St. Thomas Aquinas was a Dominican priest whose writings are essential to the way we understand what we believe. He was a great theologian and philosopher, engaging with the intellectual currents of his day as well as those of ancient philosophy. St. Thomas described the beatific vision, unending happiness and union with God, as the goal of human life. *Today's readings: 2 Samuel 11:1–4a, 5–10a, 13–17; Psalm 51: 3–4, 5–6a, 6bcd–7, 10–11; Mark 4:26–34.*

**JANUARY 31 - ST. JOHN BOSCO**

St. John Bosco was an Italian priest who worked to improve the lives of young people who lived in poverty. He went into the world to encounter the young people who had traveled to the city to try to find a better life but were living in abject poverty and unsafe conditions. He began many initiatives and organizations to assist children and was the founder of a religious congregation. *Today's readings: 2 Samuel 15:13–14, 30, 16:5–13; Psalm 3:2–3, 4–5, 6–7; Mark 5:1–20.*

**FEBRUARY 2 - THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

This feast, forty days after Christmas, is traditionally a time to bring candles to church to be blessed. In Luke's account of the Gospel, we hear Simeon proclaim Jesus “a light for revelation to the Gentiles and glory for your people Israel.” The Gospel according to John is also a source of the imagery of light associated with Jesus. Anna and Simeon watched and waited for the light throughout their lives. At times, it can be difficult to wait for what we most hope for. Watching and waiting for the light, we can unite ourselves with the waiting of Anna and Simeon. What desires of your heart are you still waiting to have fulfilled? You might decorate a tealight holder and light the candle to remind you to wait in hope. *Today's readings: Malachi 3:1–4, Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Hebrews 2:4–18; Luke 2: 22–40.*

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*Loving God, thank you for being our shield and strength. You are a God of compassion and faithfulness. During this time of change, please protect, nourish and sustain our clergy and other church leaders through the work of your Holy Spirit. May they find rest and encouragement in your loving care. In Jesus' holy name. Amen.*

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**COVID-19 GUIDELINES LITURGICAL PROTOCOLS**

Masks wearing for all Mass goers, regardless of vaccination status / Establish an area where social distancing is observed / Hang signage indicating masking and social distancing are encouraged / Evaluate space for our musicians, and those who are unvaccinated won't participate as a musician at this time / Retain sanitization/ face covering surrounding the distribution of Holy Communion

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