

St. Anthony the Abbot Catholic Church

Courageously Living the Gospel

January 9, 2022 The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord



"And a voice came from the heavens,

'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.'"

Mark 1:11

The Baptism of Christ by Carl Bloch 1834-1890—Public Domain

Mass Weekdays:

Monday—Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Mass Weekends:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Vigil Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. Traditional Latin Mass



Reconciliation:

Saturday 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. or by appointment by calling the parish office

Sacrament of the Sick:

After Mass or upon request. Please call the office in advance.

Marriage Preparation:

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Mass Intentions and Weekly Readings

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 8

4:00 p.m. Dinis Chavez †

Sunday, January 9

Living and Deceased 8:00 a.m.

Members of St. Anthony

the Abbot Parish

10:00 a.m. Laurie Leggio †

11:30 a.m. Joseph Mazzuchelli†

Monday, January 10

8:00 a.m. Kevin Shields

Tuesday, January 11

8:00 a.m. Emigdio Ahumada †

Wednesday, January 12

8:00 a.m. Beverly Neuhann †

Thursday, January 13

8:00 a.m. Joe Brown †

Friday, January 14

8:00 a.m. Delores Wright

Saturday, January 15

8:00 a.m. Margaret Whitfield Deceased Macfarland 4:00 p.m.

Family Members †

Sunday, January 16

Living and Deceased 8:00 a.m.

Members of St. Anthony

the Abbot Parish

10:00 a.m. Joe Brown †

11:30 a.m. Donald Boss †





SAINT MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS

DATES: 1620-1700 — FEAST DAY JANUARY 12



Toffered
myself with all
my heart to do
Gods will

—St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

rowing up in Troyes, France, Marguerite formed a special relationship with Our Lady. She was turned away by two religious communities, but met the founder of Montreal, Canada, when he returned to France to visit his sister. He invited Marguerite to open a school in the New World; she went, despite misgivings, after praying to Mary. From that first school in an

abandoned stable, her ministry grew to include teaching women crafts and founding the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame. She managed to keep her sisters uncloistered, despite opposition from the bishop, and served as superior for many years. When Pope John Paul II canonized her in 1982, she became Canada's first woman saint



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INFANT OF PRAGUE PRAY FOR US

FEAST JANUARY 14



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Readings for the week of January 9, 2022

Sunday, January 9 Feast of The Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10; Acts 10:34-38; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, in Year C, Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday, January 10 Weekday

1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday, January 11 Weekday

1 Sm 1:9-20; Ps 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 12 Weekday

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday, January 13 Weekday

[Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church]

1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45

Friday, January 14 Weekday

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday, January 15 Weekday [BVM]

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday, January 16 Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

Is 62:1-5; Ps;1 Cor 12:4-11; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10; Jn 2:1-11

Weekly Message from Fr. Pecchie



My Dear Friends in Christ,



We have all heard of devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, but maybe not all of us know the story of how it was spread, a story that illustrates God's surprising ways of working in the world. It was Our Lady of Fatima who gave this devotion its real push.

It happened in 1917, when she appeared to three poor shepherd children in the hills of Portugal. She appeared to them six times, on the 13th of the month from May through October. By the last appearance, a huge crowd of somewhere near 70,000 people were in attendance, and they all witnessed a promised miracle in which the sun spun around and then moved dramatically up and down in the

sky. Throughout this series of apparitions, Mary instructed the children (a seven-year-old, a nine-year-old, and a ten-year-old) to pray the Rosary and to offer sacrifices for the conversion of sinners.

Mary didn't appear to a community of monks in a monastery. Nor did she ask a group of priests and bishops to do sacrifices in reparation for sin and to console her Immaculate Heart. Instead, she gave her heavenly message to three poor shepherd children. The children responded with great faith to Our Lady's entreaties, dedicating themselves passionately to prayer and penance in spite of their age.

One day, for example, they were with their sheep in the fields, and they were talking about what sacrifice they could offer to God. One of them suggested that they give their lunch to their sheep instead of eating it themselves – which they did. Other days they gave their lunches away to nearby children even poorer than themselves, and they would just eat pine nuts instead. This was the unlikely and unexpected way God in his Providence reminded humanity of the importance of prayer and repentance at the very beginning of the bloodiest century in human history.

Jesus came to earth in order to call forth God's pleasure on sinful mankind, to lift us back into membership in God's family and give us, once again, the hope of true, lasting happiness. He did that by taking our place, uniting his divine nature to our human nature. But for us to experience the benefits of this saving grace, we in turn have to unite ourselves to Christ.

Now this is not something that happens from one minute to the next. Developing our friendship with Christ is the main project of our whole life. But even so, we can identify three steps that can help us focus our ongoing efforts to become more and more united with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ: knowing him, loving him, and imitating him.

When we were baptized, God's own life was poured into our souls; it was planted like a seed in fertile soil. But every seed, in order to grow to maturity, needs three things: water, sunlight, and nutrients. The seed of divine life in our souls also needs three things in order to grow to maturity: to know, love, and imitate Christ a little bit more every day. The more fully we come to know Christ, especially through prayerful reading of the Gospels and time spent with him in the Eucharist, the more we will come to love him. The more we love him, the more we will want to follow and imitate him, especially in his perfect fulfillment of the Father's will and his tireless, active love for all people.

If we let these three motifs of knowing, loving, and imitating Christ set the rhythm for our daily living, we too can please the heart of God and be filled to overflowing with his life-giving love, just like our Lord.

Venite Adoremus!

Fr. Pecchie

TODAY WE OFFICIALLY CLOSE OUR CHRISTMAS SEASON AND RETURN, TOMORROW, TO ORDINARY TIME.

BUT AS CHRISTMAS REMINDS US GOD IS EMMAUEL (GOD-WITH-US).

SO WE CONTINUE TO REJOICE THAT HE HAS NOT GONE BUT REMAINS WITH US ALWAYS!

Ministry Information



Join Fr. Pecchie to study and learn as he shares the truths of God's Word, and enjoy the fellowship of other people like you.

Mondays 7:00 p.m. Thursdays 9:00 a.m.



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Please join us for coffee, donuts, and fresh fruit after Sunday Masses. Donations are welcome.

Become a Member

Call Paul Poco at (813) 763-2953 or email us at thekofc6800@gmail.com. Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month. The Rosary is at 6:00 p.m.. The meeting begins at 6:30 p.m..



Adult Faith Formation Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the Catholic Church and how to become a Catholic, or for any adult Catholic who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please call:

> Michele at the Parish Office Tuesday - Thursday (352) 796-2096, ext. 108

The Gospel of MATTHEW A BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. Led by Jack Lavery

Please join us to study the Gospel of Matthew. Come and deepen your knowledge and understanding of Scripture. Studying Scripture helps to deepen your personal relationship with our Lord. The class meets in the parish hall on **Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m..** The only book you need for class is your Bible. Contact:

Jack Lavery, (813) 340-7343

jacklavery2014@gmail.com for more Information or to register. Jack sends out regular reminder emails to the class. Warning: Reading the Bible can be habit forming!



All men invited!!
Join
Father Pecchie for

Faith and Ale

Learn about your faith and grow closer to Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as you fellowship with Fr. Pecchie and other men like you.

Every **2nd Thursday** of the month at **7:00** p.m. at the Fire Pit.



All women invited!! Join Fr. Pecchie for

Wine and the Word

Come and fellowship with Fr. Pecchie and other women while learning about your faith and grow closer to Our Lord Jesus Christ. Every **3rd Thursday** of the month at **7:00 p.m. at the Fire Pit**.

Farewell, Deacon Manny



Deacon Manny Carreiro is retiring and moving to Portugal!

Join us as we bid farewell to Deacon Manny.

Potluck Dinner
Parish Hall
Saturday, January 22, 2022
After 4:00 p.m. Mass

Thank you for so many years of faithful service to our parish.



MARCH FOR LIFE ST.AUGUSTINE

16th Annual March for Life in St. Augustine January 15, 2022

The theme for the 2022 March is:

Heal Our Wounded Culture, Choose Love * Choose Life.

Keynote Speaker, Dr Monique Ruberu is a Napro-Technology trained OB/Gyn, who has lead 40 Days for Life Campaigns in Philadelphia and leads sidewalk advocates encouraging women to choose life.

Join people from around Florida and southern Georgia in bringing a peaceful, prayerful pro-life presence to the streets of our oldest city as we Heal, Love, and Protect life.

For more information on how you can participate, please visit the March for Life 2022 website: https://www.marchforlifestaugustine.com/

Ministry Information





TIME to START OVER



Last year, Bishop Parkes, diocesan leadership and a task force of experienced pastors studied how our parishes work together to support our local Church. For more than 20 years, the Annual Pastoral Appeal (APA), had supported all parts of our diocesan budget: administrative, business, leadership as well as ministry, programs and

outreach. Parishes worked to reach their goal, sometimes all year. But if not met, the balance was paid by the parish. The Appeal Task Force recognized how difficult this was for parishes. They also discerned that our people wanted to support the good work of our Catholic Church.

After much prayer, consultation and review, the task force voted unanimously to retire APA, and start over, separating how different areas would be funded. Their innovative plan calls for the leadership of our local Church to be supported by a much smaller assessment of 2%, and the administrative functions such as accounting and human resources to be funded through interest earnings on a responsibly invested trust.

And finally, it invites our parishioners to participate in the new Catholic Ministry Appeal each year to fund what most consider to the traditional ministries and programs of our diocese.

HOW is THE CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL DIFFERENT?

- + Each parish will have a goal for the new appeal, but it does not have to be paid by the parish if not achieved.
- + Because leadership and administrative costs are not included in this appeal, 100% of donations are going to outreach that positively affects people, communities, parishes and schools.
- + If we exceed our \$7.1 million goal, ministries such as seminarian support, Worship, the permanent Diaconate program, campus ministry efforts, discipleship formation and vocations can grow.



SCAN TO LEARN MORE!



|project rachel Peace starts here

Post Abortion Healing Project Rachel

Project Rachel is a confidential healing ministry for the many people, both men and women who have been impacted by an abortion decision. Upcoming healing programs include:

> One Day Retreat 8:00a.m.—5:00p.m. registration fee \$20.00 on: Sat. Jan. 22 —Lutz Sat. Feb. 26 — Seminole

More details and pre-registration needed: please call (813) 924-4173 or email projectrachel@ccdosp.org

Catholic Women's Conference

Every woman is invited to attend Spirit FM's 7th Annual Women's Conference on April 2, 2022 at the Florida State Fairgrounds

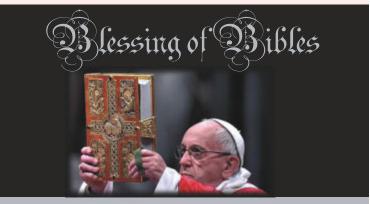
All guests will have the opportunity to attend Reconciliation, Adoration and celebrate the Mass. There will also be plenty of singing, praying, shopping and laughing! The day will make you grateful that, "This is my life. This is my faith."

The Spirit FM Catholic Women's Conference

is suggested for Catholic women (moms, older teenagers, married, single, widowed or consecrated). Women of all denominations are warmly welcomed and encouraged to attend.



Tickets are on sale through myspiritfm.com/womensconference.



Sunday of the Word of God Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 23, 2022

Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter establishes that "the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God."

> Please bring your Bibles to be blessed on January 23rd at all Masses.

Information

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 9 Feast of The Baptism of Thursday, January 13 Weekday the Lord [Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor

8:00 a.m. Mass

9:30 a.m. RCIA Session

10:00 a.m. Mass

11:30 a.m. Traditional Latin Mass Coffee and Donuts after all Masses

Monday, January 10 Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. Miraculous Medal Novena 5:30 p.m. SVDP Meeting—Parish Hall

Tuesday, January 11 Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. St. Anthony of Padua or Infant of Prague Novena

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Spanish Legion of Mary

—Portable #7

Wednesday, January 12 Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. St Joseph Novena 8:45 a.m. English Legion of Mary

-Portable #7

6:00 p.m. Faith Formation—Potluck 6:30 p.m. Faith Formation—Parents

& Students—Family Meeting.

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time donation online or schedule recur-

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Thursday, January 13 Weekday [Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church]

8:00 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. St. Jude Novena 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Faith & Ale—For Men

Friday, January 14 Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. Holy Hour Adoration

Saturday, January 15 Weekday [BVM]

8:00 a.m. Mass

10-11 a.m. Reconciliation

4:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, January 16 Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass 9:30 a.m. RCIA Session

10:00 a.m. Mass

11:30 a.m. Traditional Latin Mass Coffee and Donuts after all Masses





Donating your Time and Treasure

The outreach ministry of St. Vincent de Paul

appreciates your financial support for those in need. Please place your contribution in the baskets located at the church entrances on the first weekend of every month. Volunteers are also needed. Please call the parish office if you are willing to help.



If you have been a regular contributor, but haven't registered with our Parish, we welcome you to become a registered member. Please complete a registration form located in the racks of the church entrances and drop in the donation box, or you can pick one up at our Parish Office.



Is God Calling you?

"I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice," Do you feel the Lord calling you to consider becoming a priest, deacon or consecrated religious?

Call Father Chuck Dornquast (727) 345-3452 or write: scd@dosp.org

Volunteers Needed!

To Take Down Christmas Decorations

We need assistance taking down the Christmas decorations on:

Monday, January 10th at 8:30 a.m.

If you would like to volunteer please come to the Church.

Thank you!



Pastor

Rev. Paul Pecchie

Assisting Priest

Rev. Mikhail Kouts

Deacon

Manny Carreiro

Parish Staff

To contact a member of the church staff call (352) 796 2096 then the extension below.

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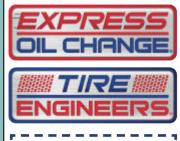
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