



# MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Parish office hours: Mon-Thurs 9:00am-2:00pm, Fri 9:00am-noon

## REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday Masses: (Church)**  
Saturday Vigil 4:30pm  
Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am  
Sunday 12:00pm *Spanish*

**Daily Masses: (Church)**  
Monday - Friday 8:00am  
Saturday 9:00am

Gift Shop (Social Hall): Sunday 8:30am-11:45am

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## THE SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: By appointment call church office

Marriage: Call six months prior to nuptials

Baptism, RCIA: By appointment. Contact the DRE

Going to the Hospital or Need the Sacraments?

To have a pastoral visit, the Eucharist, or Anointing of the Sick, notify the

**Parish Office at 347-9989**

For an emergency where a priest is needed, call 727-347-9989 x 306

"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 3:16c



# January 9, 2022

"Yo bautizo con agua, pero ya viene otro más poderoso que yo, a quien no merezco desatarle las correas de sus sandalias. El los bautizará con el Espíritu Santo y con fuego". - Lc 3, 16

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*Most Holy Name of Jesus parish, nourished by Word and Sacrament, is a Catholic family growing in faith, hope and love, and called to proclaim the Gospel of Christ in both word and deed. Our vision is that every member be renewed in Christ.*

DAY	MASS INTENTIONS	CALENDAR OF EVENTS
<b>Saturday, January 8, 2022</b> 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b; Jn 3:22-30	9:00am Angela Marie Llop † 4:30pm Jerry Hays †	
<b>Sunday, January 9, 2022</b> <b>The Baptism of the Lord</b> 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	8:00am Ron Pfeifle † 10:00am Phil Hoffman † 12:00pm Damian Miguel Lujano 3rd birthday	11:00AM Faith Formation
<b>Monday, January 10, 2022</b> 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19; Mk 1:14-20	8:00 am Michael Wiernasz †	9:00am-2:00pm Chapel open
<b>Tuesday, January 11, 2022</b> 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19; Mk 1:14-20	8:00am Dan Hamilton	9:00am-2:00pm Chapel open 7:00pm Spanish Bible Study
<b>Wednesday, January 12, 2022</b> 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29-39	8:00am The Staff at the Springs	9:00am-2:00pm Chapel open
<b>Thursday, January 13, 2022</b> <b>St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</b> 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45	8:00am Audie Rivard	9:00am-2:00pm Chapel open
<b>Friday, January 14, 2022</b> 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1-12	8:00am Carlos Alday Jr. †	8:30 am-2:00pm Adoration in Church
<b>Saturday, January 15, 2022</b> 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 2:13-17	9:00am 4:30pm Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Amaral †	
<b>Sunday, January 16, 2022</b> <b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11	8:00am Jorge Hernandez Prieto † 10:00am Secular Franciscan Fraternity 12:00pm Fr. Vladimir †	<b>11:00am Faith Formation</b>

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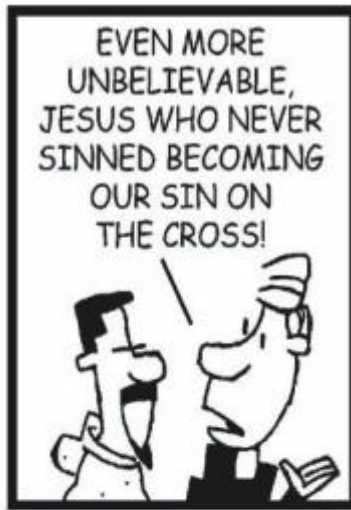
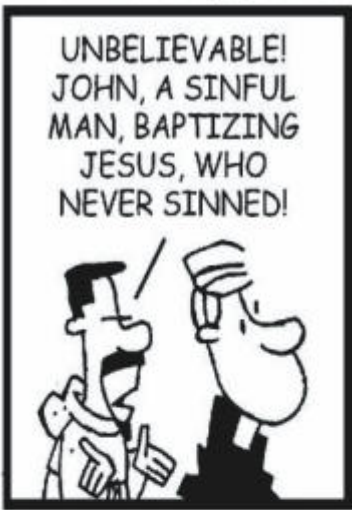
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**APA 2021**  
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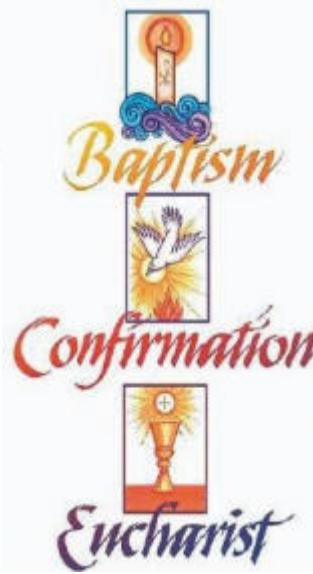
### Prayer for a Blessing on the New Year

O sacred and adorable Trinity, hear our prayers on behalf of our holy Father the Pope, our Bishops, our clergy, and for all that are in authority over us. Bless, we beseech Thee, during the coming year, the whole Catholic Church; convert heretics and unbelievers; soften the hearts of sinners so that they may return to Thy friendship; give prosperity to our country and peace among the nations of the world; pour down Thy blessings upon our friends, relatives, and acquaintances, and upon our enemies, if we have any; assist the poor and the sick; have pity on the souls of those whom this year has taken from us; and do Thou be merciful to those who during the coming year will be summoned before Thy judgment seat. May all our actions be preceded by Thy inspirations and carried on by Thy assistance, so that all our prayers and works, having been begun in Thee, may likewise be ended through Thee. Amen.

## BAPTISM OF THE LORD



Faith Formation resumes classes on January 9th. We will be meeting every Sunday from 11:00-11:55am. It is not too late to register your children for classes.



### R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a journey through which adults become members of the Catholic Church. Full membership involves a formation process where adults prepare to commit themselves to Jesus Christ and His Church by seeking the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). If you know someone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or

needs to complete sacraments, please contact Kim in the church office.

## PRAYER LIST/ NECESITAN ORACIONES



Jon Konrad, Phyllis Emanuele, Donna Hoffman, Camille Novak, John Ferrucci, Jeremiah Meredith, Robert Parent, Clarita Reilly, Mary Marois, Lyn Rosenberg, Fred Wheeler, Jean Torrealba, Charlotte Puckett, Noel Rodrigues, Mary Mazzulli, Hobi Mork, Jim Highland, Karen Young, Anthony McCorkle, Ashton Meyer, Theodore Hebert, Peter Reilly, Raymond Patenaude, Edward Conrad, Joseph Lembke Jr., Betty Zukowski, Loriann

Hebert, Michelle Lowen, Mary J. Smith, Debra Merritt, Helen Parham, Eddie Lobo, Terry(Anna) Whitlock, Joe Scruci, Lauren Landry, Asa Jerima Hollingsworth, Elisa Severance, Teresa Coté, Cherie Loubert, Beverly McDermott, Theresa Wagner, Anita Knapp, Maria Nicholson, Mia Rose Joanne Urspruch, Thom Smith, Julie Kaplan, David Lellig, Renee Brosan, Shermila Lemos, Ilene Haras, Mary Lee Rector, Susie Kemnitz, Chuck German, Patricia De Los Santos, Noemi Foster, Patricia McFadden, Sharon Hughes, Georgiana McNulty, John Orlandella, Sadie Callahan, John and Joan Kaplan, Sue Hoover, Grace Krist, Anthony Maladonado Saurez, Anita Bennett, Shawn Bastow, Matt Marinari, Virginia Letterman, Susanna Papas, Doug Merritt, Pat Bastow, Joseph Apa, Emily Bastow, Ray and Dolly Brosan, Shayne Canning, John Botbyl, Steven Domingues, Jane Ruane, Antoinette Llamas, Frank Berger, Paul Gillespie, Monica Ottomanelli, Michael Traina, Bill Doheny, Sharon Mentecki, Ellen Mihalko, Vince Scruci, Roberta Annis, Fernando Llamas, Eleasara Missy, Mariana Missy, Juliana Missy, Charles Camasso, Nielson Lopes III, Elizabeth Reinhart, Daniel Martingano, Vicky Nolan, Debbie Granger, Dave O'Brien, Timothy James, Rickey Eveland.

*Lord hear our prayers*

## Pastoral Communication



**Beloved Parishioners,**

Happy New Year 2022!

2021  
**Annual  
Pastoral  
Appeal**  
Diocese of  
St. Petersburg

It is with great joy to report to you that we have successfully exceeded our APA-2021 Goal.

Of the required \$ **66,819.00** in total pledges, we have generously raised **\$72,424.00** as of January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

I cannot thank you enough for your sacrificial and generous donations large and small, all year round, even amid the difficult economic times. As a parish we owe our special thanks and profound gratitude to the families and individuals by whose extraordinary sacrifice and generosity, contributing between \$500 - \$10,000, we have been able to even exceed our goal.

I also wish to share with you that our Parish records show that there is a great need for more families and individuals to take an active part toward this effort. Thankfully, starting this year 2022, Bishop Parkes has revised and effectively restructured APA into a CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL, ensuring that our sacrificial contributions will only be used to serve and promote Catholic ministries that foster the sanctity of human life, and will directly transform and improve the living conditions of our brothers and sisters in most need.

I therefore, encourage all our parishioners to actively participate and donate toward the *Catholic Ministry Appeal*.

The more participation, the easier for our Parish to accomplish our goal.

No donation is too small to make a difference.

I truly congratulate and thank you for this incredible achievement for our Parish. We made it AGAIN!

I am so honored and blessed to be your humble Pastor and co-worker in the Lord's Vineyard.

Wishing you the LORD's blessings in the New Year 2022.

**Fr. Frank Lubowa**

**THANK YOU!**



### A Message from Sr. Marie:

Merry Christmas dear Frank,

Back in my African culture we say: "When you drink water, remember the stream".

I am writing today to sincerely thank you from the bottom of my heart for your love, your generosity, and kindness for giving me the opportunity to display the holy items after the Holy Mass. Your parishioners were so generous to me. They offered a huge amount of money (\$1,082) that will help my Religious Order to help the orphans in many different ways. This is the result of your love, your generosity, and kindness you have instilled in the hearts of your parishioners. Of you

and your impact on your parishioners, I proudly say, "Like shepherd, like flock." Thank you so much for making a difference in the lives of the so many children who will benefit from this money.

Please, convey my heartfelt gratitude to all the members of Most Holy Name of Jesus community. They showed me how far their hearts can go. I promise to keep your parish in my prayers as I ask God to continue to bless, to protect, and to guide you and the flock that you are leading. May the Lord who sees the generosity of your heart reward you a hundredfold.

### Scholarships are Available to Attend Catholic Schools



Your child could attend a Catholic school with the help of a K-12 "Step Up For Students" Scholarship. Receive an average of

\$7,000 a year, per child for tuition and fees. Now more families are eligible. For example, a family of four with an income of nearly \$100,000 annually may qualify.

Dependent children of a reservist or active-duty member of the US Armed Forces may also qualify, regardless of household income. Learn more or apply today at [www.SUFS.org/Catholic](http://www.SUFS.org/Catholic).

### Scholarships for Children with Special Needs

Do you have a child with unique abilities? Schools in our Diocese accept the Family Empowerment Scholarship for Students with Unique Abilities through "Step Up For Students." Learn more at [www.SUFS.org/Catholic](http://www.SUFS.org/Catholic).



### 2021 Charitable Donation Request

If you would like a letter stating your charitable donations to MHNJ for 2021, please contact the Parish Office via email to: [kimp@mostholyname.org](mailto:kimp@mostholyname.org)), telephone number 727-347-9989), or complete this form and place it in an offertory basket at Mass.

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## MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO – ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA

9 de enero de 2022 El Bautismo del Señor

Con la celebración del Bautismo del Señor se da por terminado el tiempo de Navidad. El Bautismo de Jesús es como una nueva epifanía, es decir, una nueva manifestación de Dios por medio de Jesús ahora en el Jordán. “El Espíritu Santo bajó sobre él y se manifestó exteriormente en forma de paloma, y del cielo vino una voz: Tú eres mi Hijo, hoy te he dado la vida” (Lucas 3,22). La revelación del Padre se manifiesta

proclamando a Jesús como su Hijo.

El Papa Francisco en una de sus catequesis lo muestra en tres puntos muy importantes para todos los que hemos sido bautizados en Cristo Jesús: “Jesús quiso recibir el bautismo predicado y administrado por Juan el Bautista en el Jordán. ¡Cuánta humildad tiene Jesús! Y al hacerlo, manifestó lo que hemos celebrado en Navidad: sumergirse en el río de la humanidad”. Jesús, va con todo a lo que refiere la cuestión humana, menos en el pecado. “El Evangelio subraya que Jesús, apenas salió del agua vio rasgarse los cielos y el Espíritu que bajaba hacia él como una paloma. El Espíritu Santo desciende en plenitud sobre Jesús para darle la fortaleza de cumplir su misión”. Por medio de nuestra vocación es que tenemos nuestra misión en la vida. ¿Cómo la estamos cumpliendo? “La fiesta del bautismo de Jesús invita a cada cristiano a recordar su bautismo”. ¿Sabes, o recuerdas la fecha de tu bautismo? Hay que preguntar sobre ese día y de cómo se celebró la fiesta de hacernos hijos e hijas de Dios. (Papa Francisco 1/7/2018).

## LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD DIARIA: RECONOCE A DIOS EN TUS MOMENTOS ORDINARIOS

Espero ser como Él “¿Quién es este Cristo? ¿Es como tú?

Quizás hayas escuchado esta historia, a menudo atribuida a la vida de Santa Teresa de Calcuta. Un hombre enfermo le hizo esta pregunta, mientras se maravillaba de su incansable servicio para él y los demás en el nombre de alguien llamado Jesucristo.

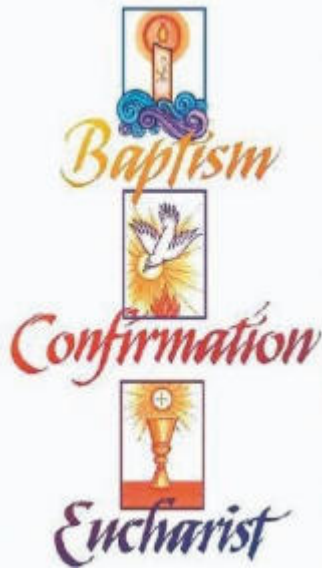
“Él no se parece en nada a mí,” se dice que respondió la santa. "Pero espero ser como Él." Aunque no se puede verificar la autenticidad de este intercambio, su mensaje suena

perfectamente cierto: todo el valor de nuestra corresponsabilidad radica en su relatividad con aquel en cuyo nombre lo realizamos.

Considere la figura de Juan el Bautista, un personaje magnífico e imponente, incluso desde una perspectiva puramente literaria o histórica. Un mártir que se alimentaba de langostas salvajes y con valentía le decía la verdad al poder; un hombre tan grande que algunos lo confundieron con el Mesías.

Pero ¿por qué es grandioso? Porque preparó el camino. Todos sus logros y aventuras no significan nada si se sacan del contexto de la historia de la salvación. Solo tiene sentido en relación con Cristo, y esto es exactamente como él lo quería. “Viene uno más digno que yo,” insiste. Y debido a esa humildad y ese abrazo total de la voluntad de Dios, se le otorga uno de los mayores honores del Nuevo Testamento: bautiza al Hijo de Dios.

Examinemos nuestras vidas a la luz de su relatividad con Cristo. ¿Cómo preparamos el camino? Cuando Cristo viene a nosotros, ¿qué hacemos? ¿Cómo nos abrimos a ser actores en el plan de Dios?



(RICA) es un viaje a través del cual los adultos se convierten en miembros de la Iglesia Católica. La membresía plena implica un proceso de formación en el que los adultos se preparan para comprometerse con Jesucristo y Su Iglesia buscando los sacramentos de iniciación (bautismo, confirmación y eucaristía).

Si conoce a alguien interesado en aprender más sobre la fe católica o necesita completar los sacramentos, comuníquese con Kim en la oficina de la iglesia.



La formación en la fe reanuda las clases el 9 de enero. Nos reuniremos todos los domingos de 11:00-11:55am. No es demasiado tarde para inscribir a sus hijos en las clases.



Si desea bautizar a su hijo, comuníquese con Kim en la oficina de la iglesia. Debido a las restricciones actuales, no tendremos bautismos durante la misa hasta nuevo aviso. Estaremos ofreciendo bautismos el sábado por la mañana, o después de la misa en español (con permiso del sacerdote presidente).

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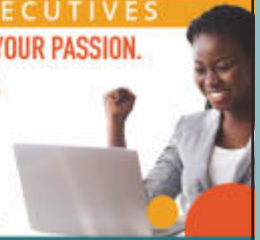
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