

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Baptism Of The Lord

JANUARY 10, 2021

A voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Mark I:II

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When we go to a pop music concert, there is often an opening act. Usually they are a young group on their way up, or older musicians who are past their prime and still hanging on in the business. This is indeed a hard job. In the comedy world it is the same thing. You have to warm up the crowd. You are not who they are coming to see, and audiences may be unresponsive, come in late, or not pay a lot of attention. Yet John had no problem being the opening act, the messenger, the harbinger of faith for Jesus. He was very devout in his faith and knew what his role was. Many Jews were actively seeking a messiah, and he was quick to let them know that he was not the one for whom they were waiting. "I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." Yet he conducted his ministry with faith and hope.

BEING THE MESSAGE

As John humbly carried out his mission and Jesus accepted this simple baptism by John, the Holy Spirit indeed came down upon Jesus, and God proclaimed for the first time, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Thus Jesus

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 8:45 a.m. -12:00 p.m.; 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Parish Staff

Rev. Greg Korenek, Pastor Sr. Valerie Janecka, IWBS - Parish Secretary Janet Weaver, Bookkeeper Martha Nichols, PCL/Safe Environment Coordinator Tammy Fikac, PCL Thomas Santos & Tracie Tibiletti, Music Ministry

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME

Registration forms online at <u>www.lourdesvictoria.org</u> or email: <u>ollvic@lourdesvictoria.org</u> began his formal ministry. There must have been much that he already knew, but also much that he uncovered each day in his encounters with the disciples and the crowds. As he responded "yes" to the Father over and over, his thirst was quenched and his spirit strengthened.

How many times do we witness baptisms in the parish? The priest ministers with simple elements of water and oil, but the Spirit is called down each time. Every time we participate, we are experiencing the message, experiencing the call again. How many times have we blessed ourselves with holy water, or participated in a sprinkling rite? Yet in these days, when church fonts are empty due to safety precautions, we need to remember those other times, trust in God, and sing the prayer of Isaiah in our hearts about drawing the water joyfully. We must trust in the message. We must become the message of God's saving action through our baptism and our lives.

Today's Readings: Is 55:1–11; Is 12:2–3, 4bcd, 5–6; 1 Jn 5:1–9; Mk 1:7–11

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: Sunday: Daily (Mon-Sat): 4:00 p.m. 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. Before daily Mass

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: First Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS: First Sunday of every month

CHOIR PRACTICE:

Wednesday Evening



SUNDAY - January 10 - Baptism of the Lord 7:30 am - Harrison Raska **†** 10:00 am - Max Mayer **†**

MONDAY - January 11 8:00 am - Elaine Wheat **†**

TUESDAY - January 12 8:00 am - Cecilia Edwards +

WEDNESDAY - January 13 8:00 am - Louis A. Marbach +

THURSDAY - January 14 8:00 am - Hazel E. Waida **†**

FRIDAY - January 15 8:00 am - Kali Renee

SATURDAY - January 16 8:00 am - Muriel Jean Culpepper + 4:00 pm - Johnny Bomersbach +

SUNDAY - January 17 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family 10:00 am - Franklin J. Sedlar +

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Tuesday: Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Sunday:

Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20 Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28 Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39 Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45 Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12 Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

Ouestion of the Week

How can I bear witness to others to the new life I have in Christ and the Holy Spirit?



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Patricia Pooley, Samuel William Bek, Matt Brown, Marvin Kucera, Milton Greeson, E. J. Bammert, Steve & Veronica Serrill, Michael Johnson, Bernita Korenek, Michael Krenek, John Correll, Cheryl Barker, Ruben & Frances Espino, Larry Vitek, Kathleen Edwards, Helen Schoener, Darren Mikulik, Tina Moya, Cole Ohrt, Ramona Perez, Jo Ann Hough, James Rung, Wade Shumbera, Frank & Gloria Wearden, Marjorie Anders, Joe Lara, Dolores Kilgore, Eunice Brosch, Frank Reyes, Jr., Carly Walker, Julius Belicek, Gerald Yankey, Ann Hagel, Rachel Wiesner, Piper Eloisa Lara, Kevin Quinn, Joel Nava, Bernice Drost, Mae Jean Willemin, Katrina Marbach, Lawrence Yanta, Hailey Vasquez, Patsy Wieland, W. R. Nichols, Lillian Kozielski

THIS WEEK

The Christmas season concludes today with the feast of the Lord's baptism.

> The BAPTISM of the LORD Collection/Envelope: Weekly Stewardship 2nd Collection: Diocesan Services Appeal

WEDNESDAY - Choir Practice (6:00 pm)

SATURDAY - Confessions: 3:15 pm - 3:45 pm

SECOND SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Collection/Envelope: Weekly Stewardship 2nd Collection: Altar Server Education Memorial Scholarship Fund

and

NEXT WEEKEND - January 16/17, 2021

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION

LECTORS

Greg Richter

Liturgical

Ministers

Sat. 4:00 pm - Standby Sun. 7:30 am - Standby Sun. 10:00 am - Standby

Emily Yeary Standby

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 4:00 pm - James Record, Suzie Ryan Sun. 7:30 am - Karley & Katelyn J. Sun. 10:00 am - Eric & Reice T.

USHERS/Door Monitors:

Sat. 4:00 pm - John Novak, Norman Schoener Sun. 7:30 am - Michael Fikac, Matt Warwas Sun. 10:00 am - Joe Ryan. Michael Fikac, Matt Warwas

Meekly Collections

DECEMBER 25 - The Nativity of the Lord Count - 150

Christmas Offering	\$ 2,390.75
WEEKEND of December 26/27, 2020 Count - 205	
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Total Operating Income	\$ 2,740.00
2nd Collection: <i>St. Vincent de Paul</i>	\$ 1,579.50
Online (December)	\$ 2,380.00
JANUARY 1- Solemnity of Mary Count - 126	
Solemnity of Mary Offering	\$ 815.00
WEEKEND of January 2/3, 2021 Count - 207	
Total Operating Income	\$ 2,127.00
Initial Offering	\$ 231.00
2nd Collection: Building Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 6,455.00

Your Generosity is Greatly Appreciated.

We thank Dr. & Mrs. Travis Schaar for gifting each parish family with the book "Do Something Beautiful for God". We / acknowledge their thoughtfulness and generositv. If you have not already done so. please receive your personal copy on the table at the entrance of the Church.



The Gabriel Project of the Crossroads thanks Our Lady of Lourdes parish for sponsoring the Christmas Giving Tree. The generosity of OLL was awesome and the gifts will enable the ministry to continue offering assistance to women facing crisis pregnancies. Sincerely,

Fred A. Williams **Board President**

Altar Society News!

There will be an Altar Society meeting on January 18, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the basement. Hope to see you there. Elaine Mayer Altar Society President

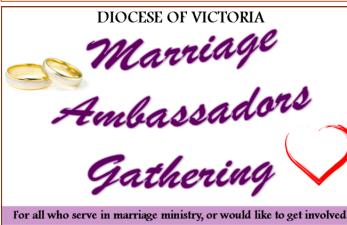
Festival News!

There will be a wrap-up festival meeting on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 in the basement. Come and find out the details of this year and planning for next year. See you there. Elaine Mayer 2020 Festival Chair

CANDLELIGHT MARCH

The Candlelight March will take place **Pro-L** January 28. Groups will gather start-

ing at 6:30 pm at Victoria downtown DeLeon Plaza. The march begins at 7:00 pm. More details coming soon.



For all who serve in marriage ministry, or would like to get involved.

Saturday, January 30, 2021 Spiritual Renewal Center 9am to 4pm (registration/sign-in at 8:30am)

Join us for a day of fellowship, training, and encouragement as we meet marriage ministers from around the diocese, learn from experts, and celebrate this important ministry. Bishop Cahill will be joining us!

Childcare provided. \$25 per couple, \$15 per individual. Register at: https://www.victoriadiocese.org/marriageambassadors

Questions? Contact Justin Reves, Director of Family Evangelization at 361-573-0828 x 2265 or jreyes@victoriadiocese.org

- EVENTS ALL AROUND -

The 10:00 am Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church continues to be live-streamed on Facebook.

- Parishioners should take their temperatures before coming to Mass and should not attend if exhibiting any signs of sickness.
- Parishioners attending Mass are asked to wear a face mask, bandana, scarf, or other covering for the mouth and nose while on church grounds.
- Please follow all civil orders: www.VictoriaTXOEM.org

Nazareth Academy Open House: You are invited to attend NA's Open House for prospective students in Grades PK3 - 8th grade, on Tuesday, Jan. 19, from 6:30 -

8:30 pm. Information about the school's history and curriculum will be shared, tours will be given and teachers and staff will be available to answer your questions. Registration information for the 2021-2022 school year will be given. Check our website and fb page for most current information.

Please RSVP to dmichalski@nazarethacademy.org if you plan to attend. Face masks will be required. Social distancing as well as other safety protocols will be in place. We look forward to meeting you!

St. Joseph High School **Open House for Prospective Students and** Families

It's Not Just What You Learn....It's Who You Become

If you are considering St. Joseph High School for your son or daughter, please join us for Open House.

Experience STJ with a campus tour and attend academic department presentations. Get answers to your questions about admissions, curriculum and tuition assistance.

To adhere to social distancing guidelines, an RSVP is required by January 29, to attend STJ **Open House**.

RSVP Online www.stjvictoria.com/admissions/ openhouse.cfm

Sunday, January 31 at 2:00 pm St. Joseph High School - 110 E. Red River St.

> Visit STJvictoria.com/admissions You'll Love the Journey!



January

Fiat: Mary says Yes.

See January Family Info Sheet for fun activities!



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