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SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2021

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." - Mk 1:7-8

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. Jan. 11	8:30am	For all who are homeless
Wed. Jan. 13	12 Noon	Salvo & Silvio Barile Req. by Graziano Canini Chuck Heil, Sr. Req. by Family William Egan Req. by Family
Thurs. Jan. 14	8:30am	Clyde Sr., Clyde Jr., & Joseph Lickman Req. by Theresa O'Bey
Fri. Jan. 15	8:30am	Salvo & Silvio Barile Req. by Graziano Canini
Sat. Jan. 16	4:30pm	Theo Lenart Req. by Jane Lenart & family Vicky Angelosanto Req. by Rosie Heil Ronald Pryce Req. by Aunt Dee Hugh Tinery Req. by brother, Frank
Sun. Jan. 17	9:00am	Grace Rysztak Req. by Ed & Florence Rysztak
	11:00am	For Our Parish Family Lorinda Boboige Req. by the Doutsas Family Alexander Doutsas Req. by the Doutsas Family



Heavenly Father,
welcome Home those whom you
have called from this world,
especially:

Judith Ross
and all the souls of our faithful.
May they rest in peace. Amen



Vincent & Patt Barry
Genevieve Tulloch

and to all our newly registered members!
If you have any questions about any of the
Committees or Groups at our Parish,
please call the Parish Office at
734-425-4421

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

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Angela Bunio
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Eileen Durham
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Helen Tasiemski
George & Jackie Tindall
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Roberta Troher
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Ralph Yakey
Nicole Zapinski
Henry Zajac
Joseph Zasa

If there are any names that can be removed from our Prayer List, please let us know by calling **734-425-4421**.

OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

CPT Joey Saunders, U.S. Marines; **Joseph David Onadia**, U.S. Navy; **PVT Marcus Rodriguez**, U.S. Army

Parish Mission Statement

The Parish of St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, inspired by Mary's "Yes" and led by the Holy Spirit, strives to be a faith-filled community, joyfully welcoming all to witness and to celebrate the Gospel.

Queen's Quotes from Religious Formation

New Year Greetings and Salutations,

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord. When Jesus was baptized in the Jordan river the heavens opened, the Holy Spirit descended like a dove, and a voice from heaven spoke. "You are my Son, the beloved; with you I am well pleased." We are baptized too, and the words that God say to Jesus are true about us. What will you do for Jesus today?

Giggle time...

What is the best breakfast food to eat in the winter? Frosted Flakes!

Why did the girl keep her saxophone out in the snow? Because she wanted to play cool jazz.

Peace and Prayers,

Sabrina Queen - Director

NOTES FROM PAUL

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist tells us that he was not worthy to "stoop and loosen the thongs of [Jesus'] sandals." When Holy Thursday rolls around, we will commemorate Jesus not only loosening the sandals of his Apostle's, but also washing their feet. He then goes a step farther, and tells them, and us, that if we want to be with him in the next life, we need to do the same.

While listening to this Gospel this weekend, I tried to keep both pictures in my mind. The God-Man who's feet I am not worthy to touch and that same God-Man bending his back to serve those around him. If Jesus can humble himself to serve other, I guess I have no excuse to not do the same. As we finish the Christmas Season, we must also remember that we are on the road to the Resurrection, and that means that that road that leads through the cross. It is not easy to follow Jesus, but remember that it is a road to heaven.

God bless you,

Paul Zbytowski

Pastoral Associate

Evangelization and Christian Service Coordinator

NEW BOOK CLUB STARTING

Our next Book Club will feature the book **"Conquering Coronavirus- How Faith Can Put Your Fears To Rest"** by Teresa Tomeo. We will be discussing the book for 4 weeks on Tuesdays evenings from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. via zoom beginning January 19 and ending on February 9. Whether the coronavirus still threatens you, your friends, and your family or has harmed someone you love, these pages will ease your fears, heal your wounds, quench your sorrow, and bring you the consolation God provides to all who seek Him in pestilential times like these — times that are, in fact, not foreign to our ancient Faith.

For in Christianity's two-thousand-year history, cruel persecutions and sudden, uncontrollable plagues like COVID-19 have time and again struck mankind, challenging Christians to rise up spiritually against evils that cannot immediately be conquered materially. Now our turn has come . . . along with the help we need to succeed. Here celebrated Catholic author and media host Teresa Tomeo has drawn forth from Scripture, the lives of the saints, and contemporary sources a healing balm for souls — believers and unbelievers alike — who have been shaken by the frightening evils thrust upon us by this coronavirus. With scores of emotional stories and practical weapons you can use to conquer this faceless enemy.

There is no charge to attend the book discussion. We are asking that you order and purchase your own book. The book is published by Sophia Institute Press. It is also available on Amazon. If you would like to register for the book discussion, please email Carol Nelius at youthministry@stmarycooj.org I will email you a zoom meeting link a few days prior to the first call in January.

Carol Nelius

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

Seek the LORD while he may be found,
call him while he is near.
Let the scoundrel forsake his way,
and the wicked man his thoughts;
Let him turn to the LORD for mercy;
to our God, who is generous in forgiving (Is 55:6-7)

PSALM:

You will draw water joyfully from the springs of
salvation. (Is 12:3)

SECOND READING:

This is the one who came through water and blood,
Jesus Christ,
not by water alone, but by water and blood. (1 Jn 5:6)

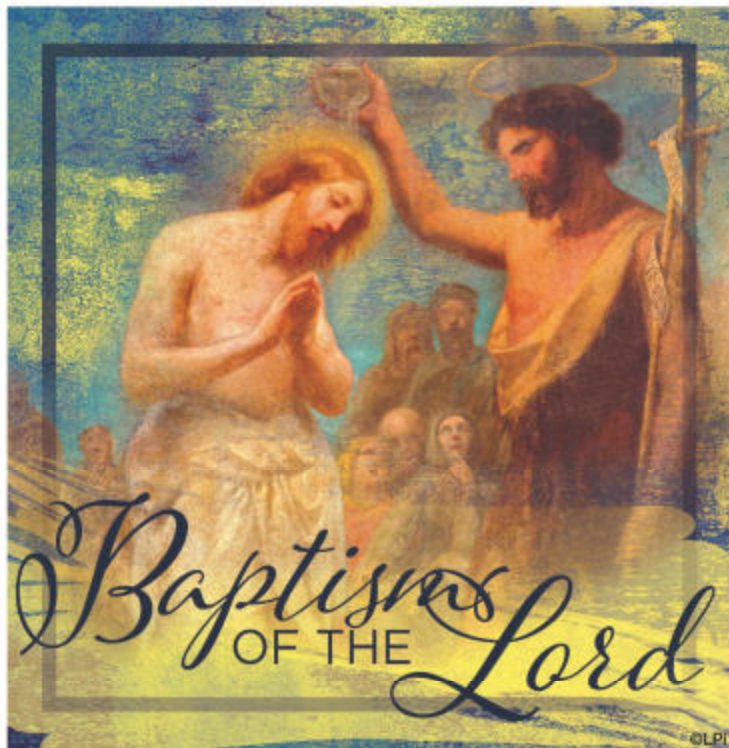
GOSPEL:

And a voice came from the heavens,
"You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."
(Mk 1:11)

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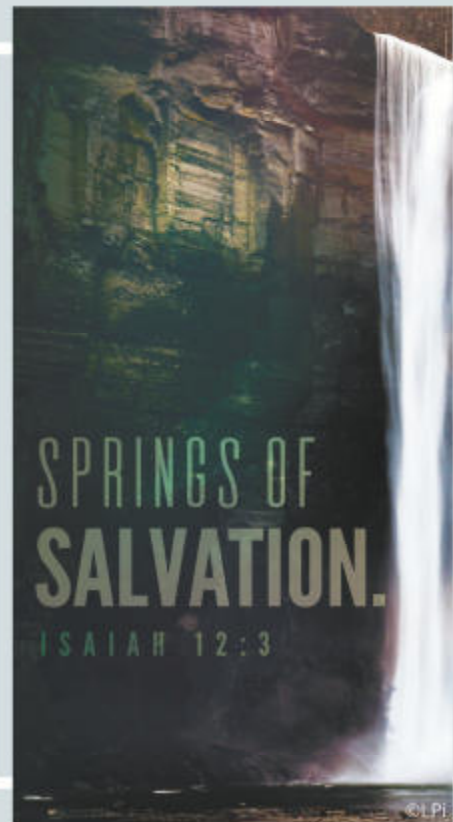
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10, 2021

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord
Wednesday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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REFLECT

FIRST READING

Isaiah was called to be a prophet to bring justice and freedom to those suffering, to be a "light for the nations." How do you see yourself serving others in need in your life?

SECOND READING

John teaches his community that God Himself has "testified on behalf of His Son." In what way does this divine assurance help strengthen your faith?

GOSPEL READING

The preaching of John the Baptist and the baptism of Jesus is the opening scene in the Gospel of Mark. In Jesus' baptism, the Father, Son, and Spirit were fully present. As a baptized Christian, can you think of a time when you experienced God's presence?



SUNDAY CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Offertory	#of Gifts	Actual	Budget	Variance
01/03/21	182	\$ 10,701	\$ 9,195	\$ 1,506
12/27/20	148	\$ 12,669	\$ 9,195	\$ 3,474
12/20/20	157	\$ 6,616	\$ 9,195	\$ (2,580)
12/13/20	127	\$ 12,191	\$ 9,195	\$ 2,996
Fiscal Year		Actual	Budget	Variance
FY 20-21		\$ 252,347	\$ 248,255	\$ 4,092
FY 19-20		\$ 264,104	\$ 295,920	\$ (31,816)
Christmas	#of Gifts	Collected	Budget	Variance
2020	307	\$ 87,314	\$ 51,500	\$ 35,814
2019	495	\$ 104,765	\$ 63,000	\$ 41,765

WE WELCOME THE PARISHES JOINING OUR FAMILY

Over the next year-and-a-half, all parishes in the Archdiocese will join together into groups that will work together, sharing resources and talents, to further advance the shared mission of our local Church to unleash the Gospel. We welcome the following parishes as they join us!

West Wayne Vicariate Family 4
 SS. Simon and Jude Parish, Westland
 St. Mary Parish, Wayne
 St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy Parish, Westland
 St. Richard Parish, Westland
 St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Garden City

To learn more about the structure of Families in Parishes and other important information regarding the transition, visit www.familiesofparishes.org

2020 CHURCH DONATION STATEMENTS

If you made a donation to our Parish and would like to receive a statement for your income tax filing, please call the Parish office to request it. 734.425.4421

Thank you for your continued donations to help support our Parish.

Catholic Service Appeal (CSA) will send donation letters from the Archdiocese.

ART & ENVIRONMENT

Poinsettia Plant Pick Up

Christmas decorations will be taken down after the weekend masses. If you would like a poinsettia plant, please stop by the church after 12 noon on Sunday or after mass on Monday morning.

Also, many thanks to our fellow parishioners, **Jerry & Kathy Mijal from Canton Garden** for supporting our Arts & Environment ministry with their beautiful plants and kind generosity! Thank you!



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St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy

Office Hours—closed for now
Monday to Thursday: 8:00am–4:00pm
Friday: Closed

Mass Schedule

MON, THURS & FRI	8:30 am
WED	12:00 Noon
SAT	4:30 pm
SUN	9:00 am 11:00 am

Confession

Saturdays: 3:30pm

Baptisms

Please call our Parish Office during regular business hours. Parish membership and preparation class required.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made by registered parishioner at least six months in advance to allow sufficient time for instructions and preparation.

Anointing of Sick and Ministry to Homebound

Our pastor is available to visit upon request.

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

For those interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church. Please call the office.

Hearing Devices are available. Please see our music director in the choir area.

Bulletin Articles due by 9 am on Monday (5 days prior to publication). Submitted bulletin content is subject to approval.

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Readings for the week of January 10, 2021

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11
or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

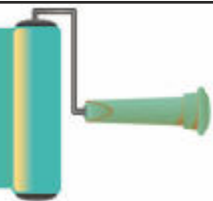
MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, we fly unto thee O Virgin of virgins, our Mother. To thee do we come. Before thee we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer us. Amen.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

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