

January 10, 2021 The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

We welcome newcomers to our church! If you would like to become a member of our parish family, please complete one of the blue registration forms, which you will find on the table near the front door of the church. You can bring the form to the office during business hours or put it into the collection basket.

Mass Intentions

- 1/10/21 For the People of the Parish
- 1/11/21 Penelope Lie
- 1/12/21 Lynn Keck
- 1/13/21 Bryan Sieben
- 1/14/21 For the Canonization of Bl. Peter Donders, C.Ss.R
- 1/15/21 Theresa and J.C. Giglio
- 1/16/21 Philomena Andrews

Week of January 3 - 9, 2021

Income \$3,321.00
 CCD \$137.00
 First of the year Offering \$290.00
 Expenses \$1,111.53

Birthday List

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| Kasey Daleo | 1/11 |
| Trinity Lockler | 1/11 |
| Jacob Paxton | 1/11 |
| Jerry Covington | 1/14 |
| Connie Pelt | 1/14 |
| William Robey | 1/15 |
| Katie Covington | 1/16 |

Our monthly Holy Hour is postponed to January 24, 12 to 1 p.m.

Bishop Toups' response to the unrest in Washington, DC

"Let us unite in prayer for our country during these challenging times. Violence and vandalism never solve the issues of society. May there be a smooth transition of power, and may we truly be 'one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.'"

"Jesus' public life begins with his baptism by John in the Jordan. John preaches 'a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.' A crowd of sinners - tax collectors and soldiers, Pharisees and Sadducees, and prostitutes - come to be baptized by him. 'Then Jesus appears.' the Baptist hesitates, but Jesus insists and receives baptism. Then the Holy Spirit, in the form of a dove, comes upon Jesus and a voice from heaven proclaims, 'This is my beloved Son.' This is the manifestation ('Epiphany') of Jesus as Messiah of Israel and Son of God. The baptism of Jesus is on his part the acceptance and inauguration of his mission as God's suffering Servant. He allows himself to be numbered among sinners; he is already 'the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.' Already he is anticipating the 'baptism' of his bloody death. Already he is coming to 'fulfil all righteousness,' that is, he is submitting himself entirely to his Father's will: out of love he consents to this baptism of death for the remission of our sins. The Father's voice responds to the Son's acceptance, proclaiming his entire delight in his Son. The Spirit whom Jesus possessed in fullness from his conception comes to 'rest on him.' Jesus will be the source of the Spirit for all mankind. At his baptism 'the heavens were opened' - the heavens that Adam's sin had closed - and the waters were sanctified by the descent of Jesus and the Spirit, a prelude to the new creation. Through Baptism the Christian is sacramentally assimilated to Jesus, who in his own baptism anticipates his death and resurrection. The Christian must enter into this mystery of humble self-abasement and repentance, go down into the water with Jesus in order to rise with him, be reborn of water and the Spirit so as to become the Father's beloved son in the Son and 'walk in newness of life'" - *from the Catechism of the Catholic Church, #535, 536 & 537*



Ofc. William McKeon, Lequita Baldwin, Barbara Allen, JoAnne & Travis Harris, Martin Brantley, Wanda Brantley, Nancy Huckabee, Kimberly Huckabee, Daniel Begnaud, Alice Loftin, Fred Blanchette, Castro Family, Vivian Lopez, Maylee Converse, Cody Warner, Denise Tremonte, Phyllis Rhodes, Linda Brown, Sue Dickey, Sandra Dugan, Jim Kaiser, Woodrow Guidry, Dora Robinson, Annie Marino, Kelcey Converse, Jo Frances Manuel, Mary Rogan-Reeder, Joseph Reeder, Steve Morris, Karon Preiss, Roy Harmon, Ann Crain, Edward Waggoner, Donia Brown, Cece Cobb, Patsy Bobo, Aprille McLaughlin, Norman Lytle, Sami Thibodeaux, Mrs. Martha, Melanie Pickering, Janet Swearingen, Larry Britain, Angela Grisham, The Men and Women of the USS Makin Island, Sara Spikes, Leah & Natalie Spikes-King, Abril Spikes, Mathew Mull