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# MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Sat., January 9th

4:00PM- (St. J.)

- For Eileen & Vito Dellerba by The Family (Wedding Ann.)

Sun., January 10th

8AM - (St. P.)

- For Greg Fitts by Larry & Gerry Ritter

9:30AM - (St. J.)

- For Our Parishioner & Their Intentions

#### Mon., January 11th

8:30AM - (St. J.)

- For Dcn. John Brusa, III by The Parish

Tues., January 12th

8:30AM- (St. J.)

- For John Roock by The Parish

Wed., January 13th

8:30AM - (St. P.)

- For Fr. Frank Young by The Parish

Thurs., January 14th

8:30AM- (St. J.)

- For Msgr. James Kennedy by The Parish

Fri., January 15th

8:30AM- (St. J.)

- For Rev. Canon Richard Wilczynski by The Parish

#### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat., January 16th

4:00PM-(St. J.)

- For Edward & Eileen Pruckno by Dave, Steve & Andy

Sun., January 17th

8AM - (St. P.)

- For Our Parishioner & Their Intentions

9:30AM - (St. J.)

- For Thomas Havel by The Lyons Family

JANUARY FAMILY FORMATION PACKETS ARE ON THE OFFICE PORCH. PLEASE PICK THEM UP AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE.

We remember in our prayers
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Jamie Uhl-Goosman, Jeffrey Batt, Lorraine
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Hartness, Jim White, Roberta Wilson,
John Bailey, Cretia Carpenter, Candace Schaffer,
David Hoffman, Steven Stooks, Michael
Stinebrickner, Paul Boliver, Joan Farmer,
Scott MacFarland

Our Regular Confession Times Wednesday, Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> 5:00-6:30PM at St. Joseph's Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> 3:15-3:45PM at St. Joseph's

Please enter the Church through the front door, cross over the Sanctuary into the Sacristy when the door is open to go to Confession.

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Update to Hope Appeal 2020
Thank you to everyone who has donated or pledged to the 2020 Hope Appeal. We have met \$12,915.00 in donations and \$2,535.00 in pledges towards our Hope Appeal Goal goal of \$19,295.13. The Hope Appeal will close on Jan. 31, 2021. We only have \$3,845.13 to go! What we don't realize in donations will come out of our savings. Hope Appeal pledge envelopes are at the Church Entrances.

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Novena to St. Joseph

O St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the Throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. O St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; so that having engaged here below your Heavenly power I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers. O St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press him in my name and kiss His fine Head for me, and ask Him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen. Say for nine consecutive mornings for anything you may desire. It has seldom

+JMJ

Dear Friends in Christ,

been known to fail.

This Sunday we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, when Jesus was baptized by St. John the Baptist in the Jordan river.

We might ask why Jesus was baptized. Baptism washing away our original sin, but Jesus did not have original sin, He is God. Some of the saints say that there were a few reasons. One was that Jesus was showing what Christians would have to do later—following Him into His own baptism. Secondly, Jesus made baptism holy; or we could say He made the waters holy.

Third, this is the beginning of Jesus' public ministry and it shows that baptism is at the beginning of this, which tells us that our baptism is the beginning of our Christian life.

We also read about the words of God the Father to Jesus saying that He is the beloved Son of God. With us as well, after baptism we literally become adopted children of God. That is, we receive Sanctifying grace in our souls, which allows the Holy Trinity to dwell in us.

We might also ask what the Lord Jesus was doing from the time of His childhood up until His baptism. This is often referred to as the "hidden life of Jesus". The time up until He turned thirty years old when He lived, worked and prayed at the house in Nazareth with St. Joseph and the Blessed Mother. This hidden life in Nazareth was a preparation for His three years of public ministry. We do not know the details of this time period, but from what some of the saints tell us, Jesus' prayer and daily work during this time was very powerful and did a lot more than we know or can imagine spiritually for the world.

The fact that the Lord spent the majority of His life in this hidden way shows us how prayer and communion with God are necessary before going out and doing His work. Our good works flow from our connection to God. The more in touch we are with God, the more we have overcome our faults, the more grace and the Holy Spirit can flow through us and direct our outward actions.

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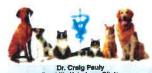
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## The Baptism of the Lord

Today's readings begin on pg. 878-- Year B Jan. 10, 2021

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Behold my servant with whom I am well pleased.

Psalm 29:1bc-2, 3-4,

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Acts 10:34-38

God anointed him with the Holy Spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

John saw Jesus approaching him, and said: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Mark 1: 7-11

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