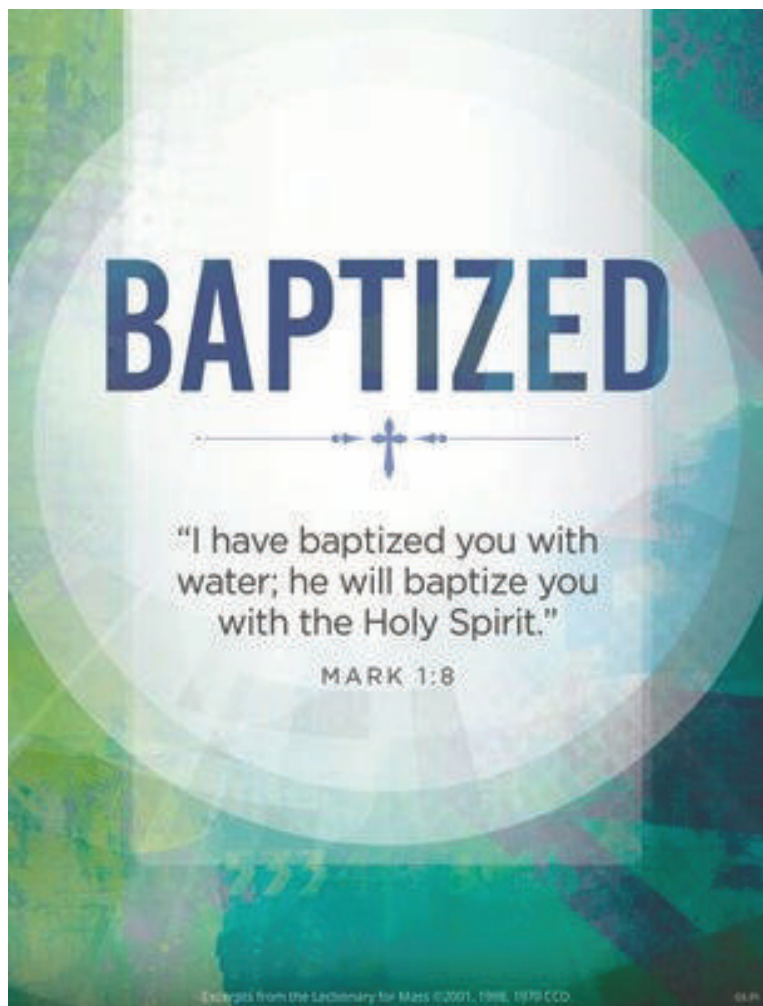


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119 Broad Street
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Sunday, January 10, 2021 | The Baptism of the Lord



Sacrament of Baptism

*Sundays at 1:00 p.m. by appointment
and after preparation with Mrs. Webster*

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment

Sacrament of the Sick

In case of emergency, at any time. Whenever someone is seriously ill, in the hospital or homebound, please notify the parish office.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Bride and groom must meet with the pastor at least one year before date, be registered parishioners and must present a recent baptismal certificate.

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*Office continues to be closed to visitors
due to COVID 19*

*Monday - Thursday • 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Friday • 8:30 ~ 12:00*

*Phone calls to Reserve seats for mass will be taken
during normal office hours, from Monday at 8:30 a.m.
through Friday at 12:00 p.m.*

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (Fulfills Sunday Obligation)
Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
Mon.-Fri: Open for Private Prayer from 7 am to
11:00 ~ No mass at this time.
First Saturday & Holy Days Only: Mass at 7:45 a.m.

*"One in Mind and Heart, Intent
Upon God" ~ St. Augustine*



MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of January 11, 2021

MONDAY, JANUARY 11

Stanislaw Surowiec

Grace Weiss & Family

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

Daniel Judge

Kathleen Judge

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

Angie Kellner

husband, Jerry

Patricia Rushkoski

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The Baptism of the Lord *January 10, 2021*

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:

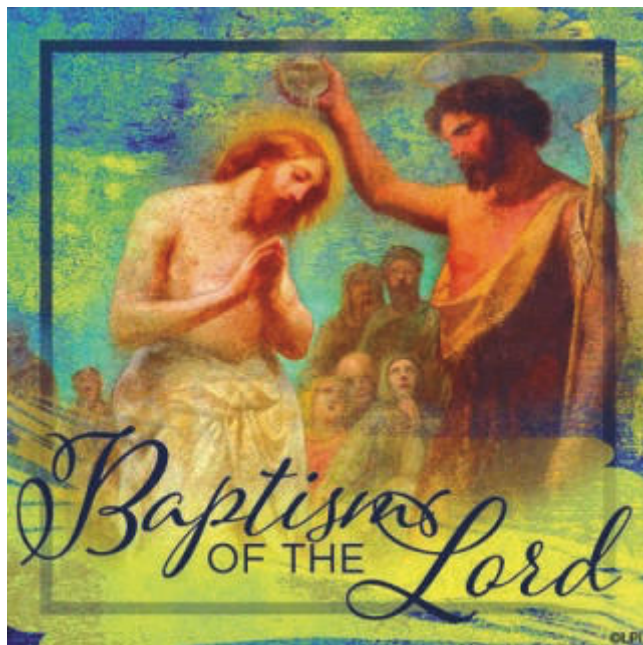
You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation. (Is 12:3)

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)



Calendar of Events

- 01/10 Baptism of the Lord
- 01/17 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 01/18 Martin Luther King Day ~ Office is Closed
- 01/24 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 01/25 Conversion of St Paul the Apostle
- 01/28 St. Thomas Aquinas

Volunteers Needed



Additional volunteers are needed to assist with the live-streaming of masses.

Live-streaming equipment is in the sacristy so volunteers can participate in the mass from the socially distanced location even while masses are suspended.

Basic knowledge of use of a computer is needed, but training will be provided.

If you are interested in assisting in this role, please contact the parish office at 518-237-3131 ext. 20 and speak with Mary.

THANK YOU

to everyone who continues to support our parish.

Regular Offertory 12/20/2020	\$ 5370
Christmas Flowers	\$ 735
Christmas Offertory	\$ 12,028

When God Whispers

"You don't need to shout. My hearing works just fine."

Are you a parent that has used that one on your kids? I'm not sure at what age they realize that the volume of their voice doesn't correlate to the likelihood of receiving a favorable reply — it might be sometime in the teenage years, when the talking slows down altogether.

But I've got to admit, it would be nice if God always gave us a loud and dramatic sign when He wanted something — the booming voice and the torn-open heavens ("This is my beloved Son!") really get the message across. Sometimes I find myself envious of the Apostles, who were able to witness such things in person.

The fact of the matter is, in the year 2021, God is more likely to speak in a whisper than in a shout. The prophet Isaiah forewarns that Christ himself will not be a noisemaker — for all his preaching, he will not cry out or shout to bring forth justice to the nations. His way is altogether different than that.

We are not the Apostles, and we do not have the privilege of seeing the Holy Spirit descend on Christ like a dove. But here's the good news: God doesn't need to shout. Our spiritual hearing works just fine. We just have to be listening.

Let's wake up each morning ready to hear God's whispers throughout the day. Let's make a conscious effort to invite those whispers into our hearts, where they can become a catalyst for grace in this world.

**Tracy Earl Welliver,
MTS**

**"God often speaks loudest
when we're quietest."**

— Mark Batterson,

Dear Friends,

I want to wish all of you a happy, healthy and blessed New Year. I'm sure we all want to put this past year behind us and pray and hope that the coming year will be a good one, a better one than this past year.

That having been said, we find ourselves at a point where the pandemic is worsening, when infection and death rates are rising and higher than when the pandemic began. Unlike back in March, it seems the pandemic is hitting closer to home for many of us. Up until now, we have been fortunate that most of our parish community have avoided the virus. But this time around, each of us is learning about more and more cases among our family, friends and neighbors, more so than ever before.

I'm grateful for all of our volunteers, our greeters, our cleaners and Eucharistic Ministers, who have allowed us to remain open for the past six months. I am, however, concerned for the health and safety of those volunteers as well as each of you. And so, with that in mind, I've made the decision to temporarily suspend public masses until further notice. We will, of course, continue to live-stream mass each weekend and if that isn't available to you, mass can be viewed on EWTN. It is my hope that by doing this, we will prevent any number of you from contracting and spreading the COVID 19 virus.

I ask for your understanding of this decision and hopefully we will be able to resume masses soon, once the pandemic has subsided. Let us continue to pray that God will watch over and protect us.

*Fr. Kelley, O.S.A.
Pastor*

Please pray for all the sick and suffering and for anyone close to death; for those troubled in body, mind, or heart, and for their care givers in a special way: Carol Travis, Anna Papperman, Alexa Papperman, Marcia Trombly, Margaret Rose DeLucia, Connie Laviolette, Muriel Smith, Patricia Komoroski, Jack Neumann, Mary Beth Woodard, Carol Hervieux-Potts, Althea Alger, Sandee Murphy, Irene Marra, Maria Pascarella, Robert R. White, Judith M Hervieux, Cathy Powers Vanina, Andrew Melville, Christopher Goyette, Brady Sullivan, Bill Dame, Michael Clune, Ginny Grigoliet, Randy Morley, Melissa Rice, Paula Navojosky, Nicholas Muscatiello, Scott McGowty, Peter Fletcher, Father Joseph Getz O.S.A. **Please help us keep our list up to date, and call the office (518.237.3131) with any changes.**





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