

Baptism of the Lord

Sunday, January 10, Baptism of the Lord

8:30 **SA** Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

10:30 **DE** Neal Wagner from Judy Thelen

12:00 **DE** William Keating Sr from Terri & Michael Hinckley

Monday, January 11

12:10 Sophie Cimino From Tom & Francie Hiltz

Tuesday, January 12

12:10 Rose Quehl from Kay & Bill Russ

Wednesday, January 13

12:10 Brian Kaufman from Tom & George Ann Raabe

Thursday, January 14

12:10 The Fariello Family from Judy Thelen

Friday, January 15

12:10 Nellie Dillon from Carol & Larry

Saturday, January 16

12:10 **BW** Ann Macke from Margie Coffey

7:00 **JW** Howard Mushaben from Helen Weartz

Sunday, January 17

8:30 **DE** Pudy Lame from Terri & Michael Hinckley

10:30 **EW** Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

12:00 **EW** Ann Macke from Helen Weartz

From the Pastor's Desk

PUBLIC MASSES WITH RESTRICTIONS WILL BE HELD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

PLEASE REGISTER for Saturday evening and Sunday masses at strosecincinnati.org

ALL INDIVIDUALS MUST WEAR A MASK WHILE INSIDE THE CHURCH. Thank you for your understanding, patience and cooperation.

THE CATHOLIC FAITHFUL WHO RESIDE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI CONTINUE TO BE DISPENSED FROM THE OBLIGATION OF ATTENDING SUNDAY MASS.

To join us for Live Streaming of mass go to our website STROSECINNATI.ORG and click on [WATCH LIVE](#). I want to thank everyone who continues to support us with their generous contributions. God Bless, Fr. Barry

PRAYER AGAINST CORONAVIRUS

Lord Jesus Christ, our Divine Physician, we ask you to guard and protect us from Coronavirus COVID-19 and all serious illness. For all that have died from it, have mercy; for those that are ill now, bring healing. For those searching for a remedy, enlighten them; for medical caregivers helping the sick, strengthen and shield them. For those working to contain the spread, grant them success; for those afraid, grant peace. May your precious blood be our defense and salvation. By your grace, may you turn the evil of disease into moments of consolation and hope. May we always fear the contagion of sin more than any illness. We abandon ourselves to your infinite mercy. Amen. -Pedro de la Cruz

We feel it is important to celebrate anniversaries. If you and your spouse **are celebrating your 25th, 50th or 60th anniversary in 2021 please call the office**

In the charity of your prayers please pray for the soul of **Mary Menchen** whose funeral was this past weekend.

Dear Fr. Barry and St. Rose Parishioners,
Many thanks to all who donated, collected and delivered the gifts for the Hope Emergency Program this Christmas season! A special thanks to Mrs. Chris Ryan and her Elves! We were able to distribute gifts to 700+ children and food for 468+ families! We are truly blessed. Thank you.

May you and your parish family enjoy a Happy, Healthy, and Holy New Year!

Gratefully, Sr. Lucia Castellini and Mrs. Dianne Vollman
Co-directors

2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

Families will be receiving a CMA mailing in the coming weeks. Please prayerfully complete your pledge card and return it in the envelope provided, or bring your completed pledge card to Mass. This year, our goal is **\$35,000**. For more information, please visit CatholicAppeal.info. Thank you!

PERMANENT DEACON APPLICATION CYCLE TO BEGIN - Men of the archdiocese who are interested in applying for the Permanent Deacon Formation class which will begin in September 2022 should contact Deacon Mark Machuga, Director of the Office of the Diaconate, at 513.263.6641 or deaconoffice@catholicaoc.org. The application cycle for the next class will begin in early 2021. Prerequisites, qualifications and procedures will be discussed with each man considering the Diaconate.

VOLUNTEER CAREGIVING OPPORTUNITIES - Are you at home looking for an opportunity to communicate with those that are Homebound? Would you like to brighten someone's day with your friendly voice by phone? Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio, <https://www.ccswoh.org> has the perfect opportunities for you! We need help making phone support calls through our Heart of Mary Phone Reassurance Program. We also need class leaders for Powerful Tools for Caregivers (PTC), an evidence-based self-care class for caregivers. All materials and training provided, VIRTUS certification required. Call 513.535.2291 for more information or visit <https://tinyurl.com/CCSWOHCSS> to apply to become a Heart of Mary phone support specialist or PTC class leader today!

SUNDAY FUN

These were taken from Charles Schulz's "Peanuts" comic strip:

~Worrying won't stop the bad stuff from happening it just stops you from enjoying the good.

~When my arms can't reach people who are close to my heart... I always hug them with my prayers.

~ Faith is... Holding on tight when the going gets windy.

~All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt.



A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

Peter proceeded to speak to those gathered in the house of Cornelius, saying:

"In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him.

You know the word that he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power.

He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

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Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God,
 who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan
 and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him,
 solemnly declared him your beloved Son,
 grant that your children by adoption,
 reborn of water and the Holy Spirit,
 may always be well pleasing to you.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

The word spoken by the Father at the baptism of Jesus is addressed to Jesus, not the Baptist or the crowd. The voice of God affirms Jesus as “my Son,” with memories of Psalm 2:7, a royal coronation psalm, and then as “the Beloved” upon whom God’s favor rests. In the humble setting of the Jordan River, a humble man from a humble Galilean village is baptized by the humble precursor and proclaimed by God as one with royal dignity. The cost of Jesus’s allegiance to his Father as yet hovers only as gently as a dove; in the not-too-distant future it is the carrion crow of death that will descend upon Jesus before he is unbound in the resurrection because of his obedient love of his Father.

This gospel is a declaration of who Jesus is to Mark’s church, a statement of their self-understanding as disciples of the new messianic times who are sons and daughters of the Father because they are baptized into the Spirit-filled and Beloved Son, and commissioned to serve in his name. Throughout Mark’s gospel, those who follow Jesus will struggle to understand and accept the implications of accepting one who is Son and Beloved, to understand what is revealed to Jesus as he rises from the waters: that humanity, despite its sinfulness, is loved with the prodigal love of God. The first human being in this gospel who professes faith in Jesus as the Son of God and recognizes the heavens torn open in the torn body of the Crucified is the Gentile centurion. We are caught up in this same struggle of faith. Baptism demanded everything of Jesus—as it does of us.

Closing Prayer

God who tore open the heavens, your Spirit once descended like a dove and is still active and alive today. Give us ears to hear your voice, that we too may know we are *beloved*, and that, in your unconditional love, with us you are *well pleased*. Amen.

For Reflection:

- Today’s feast calls to mind the day of our own baptism. What do you remember or what stories have you heard about the day you were baptized?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the “Opening Prayer” (in *The Roman Missal* called the “collect”).
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully “Reflecting on Living the Gospel” and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to “For Reflection.”
5. Pray the “Closing Prayers.”

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Gospel

Mark 1:7-11

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.”

It happened in those days that Jesus came
 from Nazareth of Galilee
 and was baptized in the Jordan by John.
 On coming up out of the water he saw the
 heavens being torn open
 and the Spirit, like a dove, descending
 upon him.

And a voice came from the heavens,
 “You are my beloved Son; with you I am
 well pleased.”

Readings for the week:

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	2nd Sunday in Ord. Time
Baptism of the Lord	Hab 1:1-6	Hab 2:5-12	Hab 2:14-18	Hab 3:7-14	Hab 4:1-5, 11	Hab 4:12-16	1 Sam 3:5b-10, 19
Isa 42:1-4, 6-7 or Isa 62:1-11	Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9	Ps 82ab and 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6, 7, 8, 9	Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11	Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8	Ps 128:9, 10, 15	Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10
Ps 28:1-2, 3-4, 9-10 or Isa 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6	Mark 1:14-20	Mark 1:21-28	Mark 1:29-39	Mark 1:40-45	Mark 2:1-12	Mark 2:13-17	1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20
Acts 10:34-38 or 1 John 3:1-9	Mark 1:7-11						John 1:9-14