

# Oh, bless the Lord, my soul.

## January 13, 2019

## The Baptism of the Lord



### Saturday, January 12

8:45 am For Lori Ann Liskiewicz by Kelly Fleidner & David Book

### Sunday, January 13

9:00 am For Joan Pirolo by Masterson Family

10:45 am Mass at Heath Village Health Care Center

11:00 am For Sharla Jones Davis by Kerry Connollon

### Monday, January 14

8:45 am For Piotr Nowak by Fr. Marcin

### Tuesday, January 15

8:45 am For Elizabeth Feldhusen by Parishioners of St. Mark's

10:45 am Mass at Heath Village

### Wednesday, January 16

8:45 am For Fr. Marcin's Special Intention by Corry Family

### Thursday, January 17

8:45 am For

### Saturday, January 19

5:30 pm For Raymond Anthony McCarthy Jr. by Kellyann Tell

### Sunday, January 20

9:00 am For a Special Intention

For a Special intention for Bill Pirolo by Masterson Family

11:00 am For Frances Ferrante by Woelfel Family

### REMEMBRANCE MEMORIALS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

**Sanctuary Lamp:** In loving memory of Vito and Marie Benardone and Aeneas and Genevieve Corry by Corry/Benardone family

**Altar Breads & Wine:**

**Mass Candles:**

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January 19, 20, 2019

#### Saturday, 5:30 pm

Celebrant: Fr. Javier Bareno

Lector: Joanne Lee

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Scarda

Altar Servers: Brendan & Jordan Roehrig

#### Sunday, 9:00 am

Celebrant: Fr. Javier Bareno

Lector: Jim Scott

Eucharistic Ministers: Gina & Paul Tupaczewski

Altar Servers: Teagan Daniels

#### Sunday, 11:00 am

Celebrant: Fr. Javier Bareno

Lector: Gabriella & Emily Nowak

Eucharistic Ministers: Angel Nowak

Altar Servers: Jared Bermeo, Piper Heike

### THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

#### Monday, January 14

8:45 am Mass

CEC K-5 - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat

#### Tuesday, January 15

6:15 pm Family Faith Formation

8:00 pm K of C Meeting

#### Wednesday, January 16

8:45 am Mass

9:30 am Women's Bible Study

#### Thursday, January 17

8:45 am Mass

#### Friday, January 18

Parish Office Closed

#### Saturday, January 19

8:00 am Men's Bible Study

5:30 pm Mass

#### Sunday, January 20

9:00 am & 11:00 am Mass

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

Current Year	Last Year 2018
January 6, 2019: \$1,992 Parish Debt Reduction: \$559	January 7, 2018: \$2,333 Parish Debt Reduction: \$583
Supermarket Gift Cards: Sales: \$2,700 Profit: \$135 YTD Profit \$135 # of families: 11	St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484

### FAITH DIRECT...

The twelve days of Christmas culminate with the celebration of the wonderful Feast of Epiphany. I am thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, Faith Direct. Signing up is easy! **Visit [faith.direct/NJ484](http://faith.direct/NJ484)**, or text the word ENROLL to (Text-to-Give Phone Number). Thank you for your continued support of our parish family. God Bless you, Fr. Marcin

### FOOD PANTRY - 2019...

Have you made any New Year's resolutions yet? (Have you broken any yet?)

Whether it's your first, or one of many, here's a good resolution to consider: Donate something to the Food Pantry *every month* during 2019. You'll be sure to have a blessed year, and you'll be helping others at the same time. And, you don't have to worry that you'll forget - the Bulletin will remind you every month!

For January, consider stews or hearty soups, hot cereals, canned fruits/vegetables, and medicine cabinet items such as Tylenol, cough drops, etc. As always, anything you donate will be appreciated.

## MY DEAR PARISHIONERS,

Christmas season is coming to the end but peace, love and blessing of our Lord Jesus stay with us because Jesus is with us always in the special way in the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

We celebrated the Epiphany of Jesus last Sunday. When we think of Epiphany we think of the wise men visiting the baby Jesus in Bethlehem but “Epiphany” means “revelation” so when we celebrated the Epiphany of Jesus we celebrated Jesus being revealed and shown to the world. Today we celebrate another epiphany of Jesus which occurred at his baptism when his heavenly Father spoke and said, “**This is my Beloved Son with whom I am well pleased.**”



For more than two weeks we have celebrated Jesus as an infant. Now once again we begin celebrating Jesus as an adult. Therefore appropriately we begin with Jesus' first public appearance as an adult, his baptism by John the Baptist in the river Jordan. Jesus' baptism in the Jordan expressed the intention of his whole life right up to dying on the cross for us, taking our sins on himself to save us. Our baptism also expresses the intention of our whole life up to our death, leaving our sin behind and living with the life of Jesus. Every day is to be a living out of our baptism with that new life of Jesus. Every day is another opportunity to turn from sin and continue following Jesus which we began with our baptism. When we were baptized we entered the tomb with Jesus to leave a life of sin behind. Our baptism receives its power from Jesus' death and resurrection. Our baptism is a sharing in the effects and salvation of Jesus' death and resurrection, a sharing in the new life of Jesus we receive from his death and resurrection. Jesus was baptized so that all righteousness might be fulfilled and this happens when we live our baptism by turning from sin to live the life of Jesus and all righteousness is fulfilled.

Every sacrament has a lasting effect, our baptism was not just a magic formula recited over us by the priest to wash off original sin and give us a chance of getting to heaven. Baptism is like Ordination and marriage, it is something to be lived every day. **When we were baptized it is as if the Father said over us as he said over Jesus, “This is my beloved son, this is my beloved daughter.”**

We don't think enough about our baptism, this most important event in our lives. If we reflected more on who we are since baptism how different we would be, how differently we would live.

### !!!ST. MARK'S NEW YEAR'S 5K WAS A BIG SUCCESS!!!

I am very happy to say that the 5K was a big success. We had 150 runners. Thank you and God bless you to all runners especially our parishioners who participated in this race. Thank you to all those who helped us to run this race parishioners, volunteers, sponsors and many others.

From the depth of my heart I would like to thank our fundraising committee especially Kimberly Dunn and Patrick Regan.

## THIS WEEK AT OLM CHURCH:

MONDAY --- HOLY HOUR (7PM-8PM, PRIEST AVAILABLE FOR CONFESSION)

FRIDAY --- DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION (3PM – THE HOUR OF MERCY)

Come and see the goodness of the Lord. Come and spent some time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. JESUS IS WAITING FOR YOU.

*God Bless you,*

*St. Mark --- our patron --- pray for us...*

FR.MARCIN

## FROM FR. SLAWOMIR...

**St. Paula – January 19**

**Widow and Scholar (347-404)**

St. Paula, who was born in an aristocratic family in Rome, enjoyed a happy marriage and bore several children. After being widowed at thirty-two, however, she committed herself to Christ and adopted a life of severe austerity. A turning point came with her introduction to St. Jerome, a priest and scholar, who became her spiritual director and lifelong friend.

Jerome was better known for his pugnacious personality than for his human warmth. Nevertheless, when Jerome left Rome for the Holy Land in 385, Paula and one of her daughters elected to accompany him. With Jerome, she used her wealth to establish two monasteries in Bethlehem, one for men and another for women. Though she personally oversaw the women's community, Paula's principal work was to look after Jerome and assist him in his scholarly projects. As a child she had learned Greek, and now, with Jerome, she undertook the study of Hebrew. Thus she provided invaluable assistance with his master work, the Vulgate Bible – a Latin translation from the original languages, which became the official text of the Church for over 1,500 years.

Paula died on January 26, 404 and was buried in the church of the Nativity, the site of her Savior's birth. Having successfully exhausted her fortune, she died penniless.

“God is my witness that what I do I do for His sake. My prayer is that I may die a beggar, not leaving a penny to my daughter and indebted to strangers for my winding sheet.”

- St. Paula

## TEACHING FROM THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH - THE SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

### The Sacrament of the Eucharist

#### The Paschal Banquet

My dear brothers and sisters the Mass is at the same time, and inseparably, the sacrificial memorial in which the sacrifice of the cross is perpetuated and the sacred banquet of communion with the Lord's body and blood. But the celebration of the Eucharistic sacrifice is wholly directed toward the intimate union of the faithful with Christ through communion. To receive communion is to receive Christ himself who has offered himself for us.

The altar, around which the Church is gathered in the celebration of the Eucharist, represents the two aspects of the same mystery: the altar of the sacrifice and the table of the Lord. This is all the more so since the Christian altar is the symbol of Christ himself, present in the midst of the assembly of his faithful, both as the victim offered for

our reconciliation and as food from heaven who is giving himself to us. "For what is the altar of Christ if not the image of the Body of Christ?" asks St. Ambrose. He says elsewhere, "The altar represents the body [of Christ] and the Body of Christ is on the altar." The liturgy expresses this unity of sacrifice and communion in many prayers. God Bless You

#### **SIGN UP SHEET FOR FOOD FOR ANTIOCH RETREAT...**

There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering space for food items that are needed to feed our teens and adults who will be attending the Antioch Retreat on January 25-27. Your support is greatly appreciated.

#### **5K RUN...**

Thank you to everyone who helped with the 5K in any way including, walking/running, collecting prizes, passing out our flyer or volunteering. Thank you to all of the fundraising committee members and their families who worked so hard at making this a success. This was a wonderful event that was well attended (over 100 runners were registered in advance and more showed up to register in person). I appreciate everyone's help. We will let everyone know the final tally and how much we made very soon. Thank you...Kim Dunn

#### **PARISH FUNDRAISING...**

##### **AMAZON SMILES-YOU SHOP AMAZON DONATES...**

Buy your gifts and essentials at smile.amazon.com and all year round! You shop. Amazon donates. Here's how: Visit smile.amazon.com for your year round shopping. Type in "St. Mark the Evangelist Church Long Valley, NJ" under "Select a Charity". 0.5% of your purchase goes to St. Mark's at no cost to you!

##### **PJ AND BOOK COLLECTION...**

The Long Valley Columbiettes will be collecting PJs and books the weekend of January 26/27. Newborn to teen size PJs and new/gently used books will be donated to the PJ Project of Warren County which provides to the foster system. A box will be in the gathering space for these donations. Thank you so much for helping others in need.

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

##### **OPEN HOUSE AT ST JOSEPH SCHOOL (MENDHAM)...**

Come join SJS faculty, students, and families for an Open House on Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. Learn more about the outstanding academics and extra-curricular activities in our Preschool-Grade 8 programs. Explore the SJS Makerspace where students' creativity comes alive!. Buses available in neighboring towns and extended care offered on-premises to 6:00 pm. Mass will begin at 11:30 am, followed by an information session at 12:30 pm, and tours of the school starting at 1:00 pm. For further details can schedule of events for the week, visit our website at [www.sjsmendham.org](http://www.sjsmendham.org) or contact Lori Arends, Principal, at 973-543-7474, ext. 7. St. Joseph School-National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence: AdvancEd Accredited.

#### **ST LUKE CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL PROGRAM...**

We will have open registration on January 14 through January 17 from 12- 1 pm at the Preschool and during the months of January and February, Tuesday through Thursday from 12 - 1 pm at the Preschool. If that time doesn't work, you can bring the Registration to the St. Luke Office. Forms are located in the Gathering Room and can also be accessed on our website at [www.stlukeparishlv.com](http://www.stlukeparishlv.com). Upon registration, a \$50 non-refundable check is required to reserve your child's enrollment. If you have questions, email us at [preschool@stlukelv.org](mailto:preschool@stlukelv.org)

#### **BUNCO AND DESIGNER PURSE FUNDRAISER...**

Sponsored by "Sarah's Fight For Hope Foundation". January 23 at St. Mark's. Doors open at 6 pm game starts at 7:30 pm. Bunco Player tickets \$20 pre-sale - \$25 at door (includes coffee/tea and dessert) Purchase tickets at [sarahsfightforhope.org](http://sarahsfightforhope.org). Tailgate Table \$30 per group. DJ and 50/50 raffle. Fundraiser benefits pediatric oncology children and their families.



Randi Alloway, Richard Alvarez, Tony Atkins, Matthew Augustine, Kenneth Bernisky, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Emily Condit, Naalia Danilczuk, Jerry Devine, Krish Dharia, Catherine DiPasquale, Neil Donohue, Elizabeth, Connie Elliott, Larry Fine, Tracey F, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Jerry Green, Barbara Gotterdam, David Guemond, Helen Greenly, Harper Lynn Granito, Regina Hague, William Heimslly, Bob Hodiern, Maria Dougherty Jante, Donna Jennings, Laurel Jilek, Joey, Jim Karpinski, Dana Karpinski, John, Kevin Kay, Russell H. Keller, Mary Koenig, Jean Koenig, Rocky Labato, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris, Maryann Litori, Anthony Marino, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Madelyn Maruggi, Jonathon McClelland, Anna McFarland, Harold & Mary McKay, Edward Michonski Sr., Kathy Minichini, Faith Morelli, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Josh Olsen, Jim Owens, Arlene Parikh, Nicky Pilosi, Laurie Pitcock, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Donald Schmitt, Jeff Schpiner, Ann Sentfinger, George Sentfinger, Bill Siegrist, Rhonda Soto, Special Intention, Judy Stone, Cindy Sullivan, William Thompson, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau, Patricia Villano, Anne Walsh

We will be updating our sick list. There may be people on the list who no longer need special prayers for the sick. Please look it over and see if you know of anyone who can now be removed. We will start a new list soon. Call the parish office or email Mary at [mary.stm@comcast.net](mailto:mary.stm@comcast.net) if you have someone you would like included on our list.



