

## Fr. Ted's Corner

From a Sermon by Saint Gregory of Nazianzus, bishop  
(Oratio 39 in Sancta Lumina, 14-16, 20: PG 36, 350-351, 354, 358-359)

### The baptism of Christ

Christ is bathed in light; let us also be bathed in light. Christ is baptized; let us also go down with him, and rise with him.

John is baptizing when Jesus draws near. Perhaps he comes to sanctify his baptizer; certainly he comes to bury sinful humanity in waters. He comes to sanctify the Jordan for our sake and in readiness for us; he who is spirit and flesh comes to begin a new creation through the Spirit and water.

The Baptist protests; Jesus insists. Then John says: *I ought to be baptized by you.* He is the lamp in the presence of the sun, the voice in the presence of the Word, the friend in the presence of the Bridegroom, the greatest of all born of woman in the presence of the firstborn of all creation, the one who leapt in his mother's womb in the presence of him who was adored in the womb, the forerunner and future forerunner in the presence of him who has already come and is to come again. *I ought to be baptized by you;* we should also add: *and for you,* for John is to be baptized in blood, washed clean like Peter, not only by the washing of his feet.

Jesus rises from the waters; the world rises with him. The heavens like Paradise with its flaming sword, closed by Adam for himself and his descendants, are rent open. The Spirit comes to him as to an equal, bearing witness to his Godhead. A voice bears witness to him from heaven, his place of origin. The Spirit descends in bodily form like the dove that so long ago announced the ending of the flood and so gives honor to the body that is one with God.

Today let us do honor to Christ's baptism and celebrate this feast in holiness. Be cleansed entirely and continue to be cleansed. Nothing gives such pleasure to God as the conversion and salvation of men, for whom his every word and every revelation exist. He wants you to become a living force for all mankind, lights shining in the world. You are to be radiant lights as you stand beside Christ, the great light, bathed in the glory of him who is the light of heaven. You are to enjoy more and more the pure and dazzling light of the Trinity, as now you have received-though not in its fullness-a ray of its splendor, proceeding from the one God, in Christ Jesus our Lord, to whom be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

## Religious Education News

by Joan Dudley, Director of Religious Education  
Youth News Locally and Around the Archdiocese

As our students are preparing to make their sacraments in the spring, let us all come together in prayer and love to support their preparation efforts.

### Around the Archdiocese

There are several **Confirmation retreats** sponsored by the Archdiocese of Santa Fe. Most are in Albuquerque however a new one has been scheduled for Espanola which gives us two choices closer to home.

- **March 29 – 31, 2019** at Holy Cross Parish in Santa Cruz, led by the **Friars of Renewal**. This a 3 day over-night retreat starting on Friday evening and ending on Sunday at noon.
- **March 30, 2019** Sacred Heart Parish (11:30 am – 5:30 pm) Registration applications can be obtained from the DRE or can be downloaded from the Archdiocese of Santa Fe Youth and Young Adult website. Copies of registration forms will also be available on the bulletin on the bulletin board outside the office in Chama. Lunch will be served and Mass will be at 4:30 and will fulfill your Sunday mass obligations.



"You are my Son."

January 12-13, 2019

# EL VALLE CATOLICO SAN JOSÉ, SANTO NIÑO & ST. PATRICK PARISHES

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**Confessions:** Saturday, January 19, 2019 will be held at Santo Niño/Tierra Amarilla at 2:00 p.m and after Mass in Canjilon, Sunday, January 20, 2019

San José, Los Ojos-1st Saturday ~ St. Patrick, Chama-2nd & 4th Saturday ~ Santo Niño, Tierra Amarilla-3rd & 5th Saturday

**San Juan Nepomuceno, Canjilon-1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays after Mass ~**

Santo Niño de Atocha, Cebolla-2nd and 4th Sundays after Mass

**Baptisms:** By prior arrangement with Fr. Ted Butler and attend Baptismal Preparation Class: Call Offices to Register.

**Marriages:** By prior arrangement with Fr. Ted Butler (6 months before wedding date)

**Funerals:** Please contact the Parish Offices before making final arrangements/dates. Masses will be at 11:00 am

**FORMED Website:** Register at FORMED.org Parishioners, enter code: 8HKJKQ

**El Valle Católico Prayer Group:** 2nd Friday of the month at Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel of St. Patrick Church in Chama at 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Daily Readings

Sunday, January 13, 2019

The Baptism of the Lord

IS 42:1-4, 6-7

PS 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10.

ACTS 10:34-38

LK 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday, January 14, 2019

Monday of the First Week in Ordinary

Time

HEB 1:1-6

PS 97:1 AND 2B, 6 AND 7C, 9

MK 1:14-20

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Tuesday of the First Week in Ordinary

Time

HEB 2:5-12

PS 8:2AB AND 5, 6-7, 8-9

MK 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

Wednesday of the First Week in Ordinary

Time

HEB 2:14-18

PS 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9

MK 1:29-39

Thursday, January 17, 2019

Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot

HEB 3:7-14

PS 95:6-7C, 8-9, 10-11

MK 1:40-45

Friday, January 18, 2019

Friday of the First Week in Ordinary Time

HEB 4:1-5, 11

PS 78:3 AND 4BC, 6C-7, 8

MK 2:1-12

Saturday, January 19, 2019

Saturday of the First Week in Ordinary

Time

HEB 4:12-16

PS 19:8, 9, 10, 15

MK 2:13-17

### Masses at San José

Sundays 10:00 a.m.

Fridays 9:00 a.m.

First Friday Devotion 8:00 a.m.

### Masses at St. Patrick

Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Sundays 8:00 a.m.

Mondays & Wednesdays 9:00 a.m.

First Saturday Devotion 8:00 a.m.

**Spanish Mass: 4th Sunday of month 5:00 p.m.**

**Blessed Sacrament Adoration:**

Monday starting 10:00 a.m. through

Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

### Masses at Santo Niño

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Thursday 9:00 a.m.

**Blessed Sacrament Adoration:**

Wednesdays starting 12:00 noon

through Fridays 12:00 noon



### Masses at San Juan Nepomuceno/Canjilon

1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday, 12:30 Noon

**Communion Service:** 2nd and 4th Sunday,

12:30 Noon

**Blessed Sacrament Adoration:**

Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and

Monday 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

**Masses at Santo Niño de Atocha/Cebolla**

2nd and 4th Sunday, 12:30 Noon

### Organization Meetings / Activities

**\*Al-Anon.** Gatherings are on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Chama Senior Citizen's Center.

**\*AA Meetings** are on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Chama City Hall.

**\*IT'S TIME TO BE FREE FROM ADDICTION** - La Clinica del Pueblo is proud to announce our new Substance Abuse Program, called KIN (KICK IT AND NAIL IT). We also have a Medication Assistance Treatment Program (MAT). Please call Jo Anne Martinez or Phyllis Richards at 575-588-9506 for an appointment.

**\*Knights of Columbus** Santo Niño Council #4445 Monthly meeting will be held **Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at Santo Niño Parish Hall in Tierra Amarilla.** Officers meeting at 5:30 p.m. and General meeting at 6:00 p.m. (during Mountain Standard Time. During inclement weather, notification will be sent out.)

You are invited; Come to the Well! **Thirst...A Retreat Day for Lay Ministers.** Retreat Master: Archbishop John C. Wester on Saturday, February 23, 2019, Cristo Rey Catholic Church, 1120 Canyon Rd, Santa Fe, NM 87501. Retreat will begin at 9:30am with registration and end with Mass at 4:30pm. Cost is \$10.00 and includes lunch. Visit <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=1b5cec> to register today! For more information, contact Denise Frias at the Office of Pastoral Planning and Evangelization at 505-831-8165 or dfrias@archdiocf.org

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY** begins Friday, January 18 and continues through Friday, January 25. Let us join other Christian churches in our area as we remember the 2019 theme, "Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue" (Deuteronomy 16:20).

Join us as the three Dioceses of New Mexico prayerfully mark the 46th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision, Roe v. Wade legalizing abortion with a Sanctity of Life Awareness and Unity Day on **January 16, 2019.** The day includes a noon Mass with the three Bishops of New Mexico, Archbishop John C. Wester (Archdiocese of Santa Fe), Bishop Emeritus Gerard Kicanas, Apostolic Administrator (Diocese of Las Cruces) and Bishop James S. Wall (Diocese of Gallup) at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis in Santa Fe, a prayer procession and rally with Allen Sanchez at the Roundhouse. Participants are asked to bring baby items like diapers, blankets, bottles, etc. and/or socks and toiletries for the elderly to be collected at the Mass and distributed to organizations that provide support to expectant mothers in need or nursing homes. Sponsored by the NM Conference of Catholic Bishops. For more information, call the Social Justice and Respect Life Office, 505-831-8167

**Archdiocese of Santa Fe Martin Luther King, Jr Mass:** The AACC invites all to Mass on Sunday, January 20, 2019, 12 noon at St. Joseph on the Rio Grande Catholic Church, 5901 St. Joseph's Dr. NW, Albuquerque. **Celebrant: Most Rev. John C. Wester, Archbishop of Santa Fe.** For more information, call Brenda, 505-836-6327.

