

## Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2020

The Holy Spirit descended on him like a dove, and a voice from the heavens said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

### MASSES

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

9:00AM + (St. Mary's) M/M George Tetreault by M/M Dan Seymour

4:00PM + (St. Mary's) Mary Bennor by her sons, Richard, Charles & Randy Ashfield

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

8:00AM + (St. Pat's) Soul of Christopher Gosselin by his Wife

10:00AM + (St. Pat's) Donald LaBombard by Bernard & Eve Duffy & Family

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 13

9:00AM+ (St. Pat's) Alice Glode by Terry Seymour

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

9:00AM + (St. Pat's) George Marnes by Ted Favro

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

9:00AM + (St. Pat's) Francis Laurin by Gerard & Genevieve Ducharme

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

5:00PM + (St. Mary's) Sadie Guay by Vera Dragoon & Harold

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

5:00PM (St. Mary's) Special Intention for Beverly Duprey by Linda Burky & Chris

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

9:00AM + (St. Mary's) Lucy Dominy by a Friend

4:00PM + (St. Mary's) Eva & Edward Favreau by the Family

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

8:00AM + (St. Pat's) 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Lena Bombardier by her Children & Grandchildren

10:00AM + (St. Pat's) Barry Lamberton by Barbara LaBombard

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Mary Baker, Judy Letourneau, Morris (Buster) Roberts, Diane Favreau, Jean LaBombard, Donnie Hicks.

**Please note: we normally keep the names on the sick list for a couple of months and then remove them, unless we hear otherwise. However, they may be placed on the list again by just calling the rectory.**

**Nursing Homes:** Art Tremblay, Doris Deso, Gerry Hayes.

**Please pray for all of our Military** including: Maritza St. John-Lester, Avery Trombley, Shawn LaFontaine.

#### SANCTUARY CANDLE JANUARY 11 - 18

Special Intention by a Parishioner

### WELCOME

If you are visiting St. Mary's, or have not been here in a while...Welcome! We are grateful you have joined us today!

### WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

	2020	2019
January 5	(73)	(81)
Envelopes	\$2,382	\$2,959
Make-ups		
Plate	106	49
Kids		
Total	\$2,788	\$3,008

Thanks to all who are so generous to our parish and to all who make up their envelopes when they are unable to attend mass.

### ATTENTION ENVELOPE USERS

With the continuing volume of packages and first class mail (tax documents) anticipated over the next few weeks, Cathedral Corporation is taking the extraordinary step of separating the January/February packet into 2 separate mailings, one with your January offering envelopes mailing now and then again at the end of January containing your February offering envelopes.

This measure will reduce the thickness of the envelope packet and keep them in the automated mail stream thereby helping to assure the envelopes are received by parishioners within the posted delivery standards for non-profit mail.

### TIME TO TAKE DOWN THE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

We will be un-decorating the church on Tuesday around 1:30pm. We could certainly use a few extra hands to help. Please stop by the church if interested.

**REMINDER:** Please take advantage of the drop box on the rectory porch. This box is checked on a daily basis and is the safest way to leave things when the office is closed.

### VIGIL CANDLES

The Vigil Candles burn for 6-7 days for an offering of \$10. This is a great way to remember someone (living or deceased) or on special occasions. Please call the rectory to request a date.

### TWENTY WEEK CLUB WINNER

Week 2: (\$50) Mary Zurlo

### 2020 HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Thursday, May 21 (Ascension of our Lord)

Tuesday, December 8 (Immaculate Conception)

Friday, December 25 (Christmas, Nativity of the Lord)

Saturday, August 15 (Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) and Sunday, November 1 (All Saints) are not Holy Days of Obligation this year as they fall on a Saturday and Sunday respectively.

### BULLETIN ADS

Thank you to all the businesses who sponsor our bulletins by advertising with us. We appreciate your generosity! Also, special thanks to Pauline Brindisi who takes great pride in getting the ads for us each year.

### DAY OF PRAYER FOR LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN

CHILDREN ... January 22 - Day of Prayer and Fasting ... The over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a "throwaway culture." However, we have great trust in God's providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord's help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children": "In all the Dioceses of the United States, January 22 shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion." As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer and fasting. Another way to take part is participating in special events to observe the anniversary of Roe v. Wade. If you are unable to participate physically, please pray for those who are traveling to Washington DC to March for Life. Thank you for your prayers. Resources are available at: <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/resources/january-22-day-of-prayer.cfm>.

**9 DAYS FOR LIFE ...** Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, 9 Days for Life, Tuesday, January 21 – Wednesday, January 29. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at [www.9daysforlife.com!](http://www.9daysforlife.com!)

### TIDBIT OF INFORMATION

The Church celebrates the Birth of the Lord until the Feast of the Baptism of Jesus, which is this weekend, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Ordinary Church times then begins on January 13<sup>th</sup> and continues until the day before Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Lenten Season, February 25<sup>th</sup>. Again, thanks to all who made the Christmas Season so beautiful!

### REMINDERS DURING FLU SEASON

+ Parishioners should not share the sign of peace if feeling ill.

+ It is recommended that parishioners receive Communion in the hand. Communion on the tongue does present hygienic problems during flu season.

+Hand sanitizers are available on the radiator covers for use by parishioners.

### BISHOP'S FUND - IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO GIVE

68 families in our parish have made a gift or pledge to the 2019 Bishop's Fund Appeal. Our parish goal is to have 87 or more families participate. We are grateful to those that have made a sacrificial gift to this year's Bishop's Fund Appeal. Our parish has raised \$6,548 toward our parish goal of \$8,026. If you have not yet made your gift, please prayerfully consider supporting the 2019 Bishop's Fund Appeal, which is separate from the Capital Campaign, with a pledge or one-time gift.

### ENVELOPE USERS

The 2019 end of year financial statements are available to envelope users. Please call the parish office to have your name placed on the list.

### All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast - Holy Angels Church Hall, Altona

Sunday, January 12, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Cost - \$10.00 Adults, \$5.00 Children 6-12  
Under 5 free!

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE for...

January 11 @ 4:00PM

Lector: Helen Bechard

(EM) Kathy Tetreault, Allisn Blain

### PARISH CENTER WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT

+Painting & trim complete

+ Work continues on the plumbing

You are always welcome to check out the progress of the addition after mass.

### PLATTSBURGH BUS TO WASHINGTON DC: March for Life

There will be a bus going down to Washington DC March for Life from Plattsburgh leaving from Saint Peters at 7:45 p.m. on January 23, 2020. It will return to Plattsburgh on January 24, 2020. The cost is \$30 per person. For more information contact: Deacon Randy Smith 518-566-6229.

### LOOKING AHEAD...

**LENTEN RETREATS 2020:** "Reflect - Pray - Reconcile"

Retreats for Young People in grades 7 to 12.

March 7th | St. Mary's Champlain

Noon to 4:00PM with concluding Mass - No fee to Attend

To Register for this event go to:

[www.rcdony.org/youthlenten/lenen-retreat.html](http://www.rcdony.org/youthlenten/lenen-retreat.html)

or contact Virginia Demers, youth office administrator at:

[vdemers@rcdony.org](mailto:vdemers@rcdony.org) - 315-393-2920 ext.1401

Each retreat will focus on 3 aspects to aid us in centering ourselves on Jesus Christ and strengthening our relationship with our loving God. Each afternoon retreat will be fun, heart and mind opening and spiritually rejuvenating.

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT CORNER: Did you know? ...

Did you know...the residual effects of having been abused can last a lifetime. Those who have been abused seldom just get over it. The sense of violation goes deep into a person's psyche and feelings of anger, shame, hurt and betrayal can build long after the abuse has taken place. A starting point for healing can be offered by the diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator (VAC) who will meet with any and all victims of sexual abuse.

For more information about the VAC, visit:

<https://www.rcdony.org/safeenv.html>