

QUEEN OF PEACE  
907 Sixth Avenue



CATHOLIC CHURCH  
Patton, PA. 16668

## The Baptism of the Lord, January 10, 2021



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. – Mk 1:7-11

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Mon. - Jan. 11	7:30 am	No Morning Mass
Tues. - Jan. 12	7:30 am	No Morning Mass
Wed. - Jan. 13	7:30 am	No Morning Mass
Thurs. - Jan. 14	7:30 am	No Morning Mass
Fri. - Jan. 15	7:30 am	No Morning Mass
Sat. - Jan. 16	7:30 am	No Morning Mass
Sat. - Jan. 16	5:00 pm	† Paul Jenkins
Sun. - Jan. 17	8:00 am	† Special Intention <b>and</b> The L & D of our Parish
High Mass, Latin 11:00 am		L & D of the Mary Beth Chaney Family

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
Saturday, 4 – 4:45 PM



The Sanctuary Lamps burn  
**In Memory of**  
**Joe Stevens**, the week of  
January 10 – January 16

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Families using Sunday Envelopes:

	NUMBER	PERCENT
<b>January 3, 2021</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>18%</b>
January 3, 2021, weekly/monthly - \$2,037.00		
January 3, 2021, Repair Fund - \$10.00		
January 3, 2021, Fuel Fund - \$237.00		
January 3, 2021, St. Vincent de Paul - \$130.00		
† SVDP Conference - \$12.00		
† SVDP Food Pantry - \$118.00		
Mary, Mother of God - \$168.00		
Add. Immaculate Conception - \$15.00		
Add. Retirement – Religious - \$10.00		
Add. Christmas Collection - \$1,432.00		
(total to date - \$6,376.00)		
Add. St. Mary/St. George Cemetery Fund - \$100.00		

**Catholic Ministries Drive**  
**44 Families (16%) have pledged \$7,210.00**  
**Our Parish Goal is \$20,569**



Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Jim Hoover** (Uncle of Bill & Mary Hoover) and **Paul Jenkins**. May flights of angels wing them to Paradise, and may their souls and the souls of all the Faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen...

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### ALTAR SERVERS

**Saturday, January 16**

**5 PM** Elizabeth, Martina & Olivia White

**Sunday, January 17**

**8 AM** Alice Hoover, Malia Anderson, Brynson Nagle

### LECTORS

**Saturday, January 16**

**5 PM** Barb Barnosky

**Sunday, January 17**

**8 AM** Jennifer Anderson

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Suspended until further notice  
As is bodily contact at the Sign of Peace

**Chicken Dinners, Sunday, January 17**, prepared by the local Queen of Angels Council of the Knights of Columbus, beginning at 11 AM (until sold out), in the upper level of the Parish Center. Dinners are \$8 and are available for take out only. No phone orders taken. Thank you for your continued support.

**Parish Prayer List** – We entrust to the care of Christ the Divine Physician, those members of our Parish Family in need of Healing in Body, Mind, or Spirit especially **Mary Bishop, Barry Pellas Family, Greta Stevens, Jacob Miller, Alvin Spacht, Bob & Clara Fitzpatrick, Dick Anna, Derek Miller, Gerard Macaluso, Bernie Ropchock, Leona Hoover, Angel Sherwood, Kara Vozniak, and Rose Moxley**. May they embrace their trials in union with the Crucified Christ for the salvation of souls, and the remission of sins.

Does your New Year's Resolution include coming closer to God? As we continue through the uncertainty of our times, it is our priority as Christians to encounter Him more deeply. Consider doing spiritual reading, alone or as a family, to learn more about your faith. Schedule in daily prayer times and consider ways you can love and serve others better this year.

- Family Life, Diocese of Altoona/Johnstown

## COVID – 19

All the directives for the celebration of Mass and the reception of the Sacraments during this time of the Coronavirus pandemic remain in effect.

### **Please Remember:**

**Please wear a mask** - for your protection and others.

**Social distance** - 6 feet away from your neighbor in the pews, standing in line for Holy Communion and at the Communion Rail.

**Take your conversations outside after Mass has ended** - no gatherings inside the Church.

**If you are sick, stay home** – You are dispensed from assisting at Mass until further notice.

**Without our best, conscious effort** - we could face the possibility of closing Churches again!

## BE SMART, STAY HEALTHY



**JANUARY 10, 2021 – *The Baptism of the Lord (Mk 1:7-11)*** – The Gospel today points to Jesus’ humanity; like us He needed RECOGNITION (“You are My Son”), AFFECTION (“My Beloved Son”) and AFFIRMATION (“With You I Am well pleased”). In our families it is easy to focus on irritating behaviors and take for granted all the positives. This New Year take a lesson from God the Father, be an AFFIRMER and not a BLAMER.

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**REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL** – 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 what is revealed to Jesus as He rises from the waters: that humanity, despite its sinfulness, is loved with the prodigal love of God. - *Living Liturgy, The Baptism of the Lord 2021*



## THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

***Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord.*** This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord’s second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His Baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

In the Eastern Church this Feast is called Theophany because at the Baptism of Christ in the River Jordan, God appeared in three persons. The baptism of John was a sort of sacramental preparatory for the Baptism of Christ. It moved men to sentiments of repentance and induced them to confess their sins. Christ did not need the baptism of John. Although He appeared in the “substance of our flesh” and was recognized “outwardly like unto ourselves”, He was absolutely sinless and impeccable. He conferred upon the water the power of the true Baptism which would remove all the sins of the world: “Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him Who takes away the sin of the world”.

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ’s Baptism are symbolical of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ’s Baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His Baptism Christ was proclaimed the “Beloved Son” of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons of God. At Christ’s Baptism the Heavens were opened; at our Baptism Heaven was opened to us. At His Baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin.

The Baptism in the Jordan returns to the great Christmas theme of ‘Christification,’ Jesus of Nazareth’s spiritual anointing, His presentation as the Anointed One par excellence, the Messiah or the One sent by the Father for the salvation of mankind. The Spirit that descended on Jesus shows and seals in an incontrovertible way the ‘Christification’ of Jesus’ humanity that the Word had already fulfilled from the first moment of His miraculous conception by Mary. Jesus, from the very beginning, was always the Lord’s Christ, He was always God. Yet, His one, true humanity, that which is perfect in every way, as the Gospel records, constantly grew in natural and supernatural perfection. ‘*And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and with men*’ (Lk 2:52). In Israel at 30 years of age, one reached full maturity and therefore could become a master. Jesus came of age and the Spirit, descending and remaining on Him, definitively consecrated His Whole being as the Christ.

The same Spirit, that descended on the water of the River Jordan wafted over the waters during the first creation (Gen 1:2). Therefore, the Baptism in the Jordan presents yet another truth: that Jesus has started a new creation. He is the second Man (1 Cor 15:47) or the last Adam (1 Cor 15:45), that comes to repair the first Adam’s guilt. He does this as the Lamb of God that takes away our sins. ‘*Looking at the events in light of the Cross and Resurrection, the Christian people realized what happened: Jesus loaded the burden of all mankind’s guilt upon His shoulders; He bore it down into the depths of the Jordan. He inaugurated His public activity by stepping into the place of sinners*’.

- Joseph Ratzinger, *Jesus of Nazareth, Bloomsbury 2007, p.18*