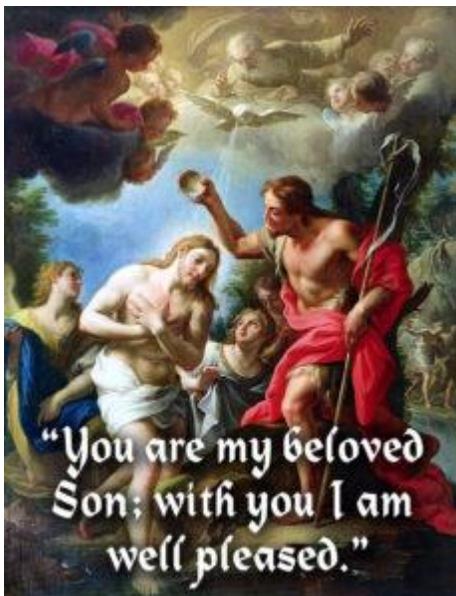


**A PRAYER FOR THE
FEAST OF THE BAPTISM
OF THE LORD**



*Open the heavens Almighty
Father; and pour out your
Holy Spirit upon your people.
Renew the graces of our Baptism
and fill us with zeal for good deeds.
Let us hear your voice once again,
that we may recognize in
your beloved Son
our hope in inheriting eternal life.
Grant this through Jesus Christ,
your Word made flesh,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
in the splendor of eternal light.
God forever and ever.
Amen*



**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

Saturday, January 9

4:00 PM †Delores Fry by Sherry Goelden

Sunday, January 10

8:00 AM †Abbie Anderson Sr. by Knights of
Columbus

10:30 AM Pro Populo

12:15 PM Para todas las Almas del Purgatorio Int.
de María Guerrero

Tuesday, January 12

8:30 AM Gabriella Enid Tanon by Enid Tanon

Wednesday, January 13

8:30 AM †Marino de Vera Jr. by Cherry Martinez

Thursday, January 14

8:30 AM †Aderaldo Arteaga by the Arteaga
Velazquez Families

Friday, January 15

8:30 AM †Wesley H. Archer by Jorn Jamieson

Saturday, January 16

4:00 PM †Delores Fry by David & Bobbie
Goelden

Sunday, January 17

8:00 AM Tirado Family

10:30 AM Pro Populo

12:15 PM †Jesús Ramon Lozoya Vazquez Int. de
Nick & Norma Morales

Mass Intentions

 *Mass Intention Offering Envelope*

Mass for Living Deceased

Date Requested: _____ Time: _____

Requested By: _____

Phone Number: _____

Amount: _____ Date Received: _____

in \$ _____ Received By: _____

*Sound Catholic practice encourages us to offer the
Mass for the departed and for those in any need. To
request a Mass to be offered, please return to the office
a completed Mass Intention envelope. We have Mass
Intentions envelopes in the foyer of the church.*

Prayer Requests



Joe Wages	Nick Morales, Sr.
Rosann Kinkaid	Barbara Meshell
Maria Landaverde	Wayne Meshell
Becca Elliott	Judy Aloï
Mike Gonzales	Nancy Bardsley
Jessica Harris	Kenneth Elliott
Tillie Trevino	George Lawshe
Frances LaPoint	Maria Carmona
Juan Ramirez	Susie Connolly
Elaine Kasper	Cyndy Vargas
Clarence Gattenby	Ernestina Bueno
Nancy Diaz	Cynthia Leal
Janie Garcia	Bob Rowland
Stephen LaPoint	Bobbie Goelden
Felipe Caballero	Sergio Roman
Dominic Sanchez	Rojelio Garcia
Nelda Torres Leflower	Danny Doak

Lectors Schedule ~ January 16/17

Saturday:

4:00 PM Cathy Burton

Sunday:

8:00 AM Gerald Garcia
10:30 AM Bill Bedrick

Last Weekend Collection: January 3, 2021

Regular Collection:	3,454.44
2 nd Coll. (Parish Improvement Fund):	1,598.75
Diocesan Coll. (Trujillo, Honduras):	223.00
Solemnity of Mary (Jan. 1 st):	782.00

Reporting Abuse:

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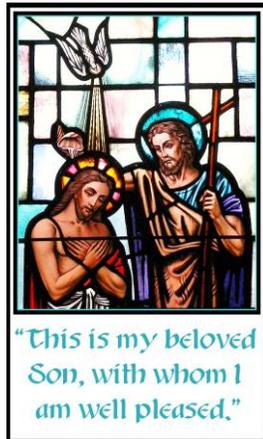
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Readings for the Week of January 10, 2021

Sunday	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3); Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11
Monday	Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday	Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday	Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday	Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday	Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday	Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

First Week of Ordinary Time

The **Baptism of the Lord** is on Sunday. We hear the Lord say in the first reading from **Isaiah**, “Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit.” That is echoed in **Mark's Gospel**, after Jesus' baptism: “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.’” This feast marks the end of the **Christmas season**. Monday begins **Ordinary Time** on the Church calendar which will continue until **Ash Wednesday**.



During this first week in Ordinary Time, we begin a four-week cycle of weekday readings from the **Letter to the Hebrews**. This is the longest letter to any community in the New Testament.

For the next six weeks, until the beginning of Lent, the weekday gospels are from **Mark's Gospel**. This week Mark offers us a look at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. Monday he calls his first disciples: Simon and Andrew, John and James. He drives out evil spirits and heals Peter's mother-in-law. When he slips away to pray and the crowd follows, he returns to preaching: “For this purpose have I come.” Moved with pity, he heals a leper who told so many people about his healing that “it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly.” When a paralytic was lowered down through a roof for healing, Jesus forgives sins to the skepticism of the scribes. The week-ends as Jesus extends an invitation to the despised tax collector, Levi/Matthew “Follow me.”

Daily Prayer This Week

In this first week of Ordinary Time, we might find ourselves feeling a little let-down after the Christmas season, especially in parts of the world where it seems cold and dark most days. This is where we can ask for the grace to let the stories of the gospels come alive in our hearts.

The vivid narratives of this week's gospel are packed with stories of Jesus' entering into the lives of real people and touching them in extraordinary ways. These are not far away stories, but ones that have a real meaning for us. This is a week of invitation from Jesus to us, with two invitations for us to ponder in our hearts this week.

Jesus encounters Levi, a Jewish tax collector. Because of his profession, he was probably wealthy, but he had humiliated his family and made himself a pariah to most of those around him. Jesus' response to this “outcast” was to invite him to be one of his closest disciples - and to dine at his house.



In our own lives we may find a loneliness or separation from people in our family or others in our lives. We have parts of our lives that are dark and embarrassing and seem unchangeable. It is into this very darkness and discomfort that Jesus extends the same invitation to us - “Follow me.” This clear and personal call to us is from Jesus who already knows us and our failings and yet asks us to be with him. We can hear this invitation more clearly if we can be touched with awareness of our own failings and understand more deeply how much we need a savior in our lives. It is then that our hearts open to accept this invitation.

This week Jesus invites us to follow him, as friends and disciples. This is a good week for us to contemplate with Jesus, what we are looking for and how much we want to turn and follow him. We can pray to Jesus for the strength to leave the patterns and habits of our lives that so often turn us away from him and ask for the grace to make a new beginning in our lives. If we can sit with our hands open in humility, we can accept that we can't do this on our own but know in our hearts that with the help of God, nothing is impossible.



Por esos días, vino Jesús desde Nazaret de Galilea y fue bautizado por Juan en el Jordán. ([Evangelio](#))

Clases Pre-Bautismales ~ 2021



ANOTEN: Tendremos clases Pre-Bautismales el **20 de febrero**, el **20 de marzo** y el **17 de abril** 2021 a las 6:00 PM.



**“TU ERES
MI HIJO AMADO;
YO TENGO EN TI
MIS COMPLACENCIAS”**

Jesús se presenta delante de Juan para ser bautizado.



- *El Catecismo de la Iglesia católica*, en su número 536, nos dice: “El bautismo de Jesús es [...] la aceptación y la inauguración de su misión de Siervo doliente. Se deja contar entre los pecadores (cfr. Is 53, 12); es ya ‘el Cordero de Dios que quita el pecado del mundo’ (Jn 1, 29); anticipa ya el ‘bautismo’ de su muerte sangrienta (cfr. Mc 10, 38; Lc 12, 50). Viene ya a ‘cumplir toda justicia’ (Mt 3, 15), es decir, se somete enteramente a la voluntad de su Padre: por amor acepta el bautismo de muerte para la remisión de nuestros pecados (cfr. Mt 26, 39). A esta aceptación responde la voz del Padre que pone toda su complacencia en su Hijo (cfr. Lc 3, 22; Is 42, 1). El Espíritu que Jesús posee en plenitud desde su concepción viene a ‘posarse’ sobre él (Jn 1, 32-33; cfr. Is 11, 2). De él manará este Espíritu para toda la humanidad. En su bautismo, ‘se abrieron los cielos’ (Mt 3, 16) que el pecado de Adán había cerrado; y las aguas fueron santificadas por el descenso de Jesús y del Espíritu como prelude de la nueva creación”.

**Dios nos hizo sus hijos
el día en que fuimos
bautizados. Él nos ama y
espera mucho de nosotros.**

