

# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

## JANUARY 13, 2019

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### A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

Today we come to the end of this beautiful Christmas Season. Again, I want to thank all of you for making our celebration of Christmas so joyous, for your generosity once again to our Christmas Collection and to the Poinsettia's, which have made our Sanctuary so beautiful throughout this holy season. You truly make this Parish such a beautiful place to be.

The Christmas Season ends today with this Feast of the Baptism of the Lord which really brings the meaning of Christmas to its fulfillment. In today's Gospel, Jesus came to the Jordan River to be baptized, not because He needed to be cleansed and made new, but because we do. His Baptism was a sign that He came into the world to take our sins upon Himself, to crush them in His own Body on the Cross, and to raise us up with Him to new life. In Baptism our old self infected by sin died with Him, and the new self, cleansed from sin and replenished with Grace, rose with Him. We became a new creation, sharing in God's own Divine Life. Through our Baptism Jesus has shared with us His relationship with His Father. In Christ we have become by adoption what He is by nature; a son, a daughter, a child of God.

We heard in the Gospel of St. John on Christmas Day: *"Jesus came to what was His own in the world, but His own people did not accept Him. But to those who did accept Him, He gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in His Name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice, nor by a man's decision, but of God."* Saint John is talking about Baptism. This is why Jesus was born: to make us new. He humbled Himself to share in our human nature to give us a share in His Divine Nature; He was born into our human family to make us part of God's Divine Family; the Son of God became a son of man so that man, you and me, could become a son, a daughter of God. This is the *power* of our Baptism.

In today's Gospel from Saint Luke, we hear that after Jesus was Baptized by John in the Jordan River *"heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."* The same happened to us at our own Baptism - heaven was opened, the Holy Spirit descended upon us and within us, and the

Father in heaven looked upon you and me as His own beloved son, His own beloved daughter, in whom He is well pleased. Our mission now is to *live* as true children of God, in a way that is at all times pleasing to our Heavenly Father. May God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Rev. Matthew J. Furey



**WASHINGTON D.C.**  
**FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2019**

On the 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Supreme Court Decision legalizing abortion, come and walk for the sake of the unborn on Friday, January 18, 2019. Buses leave from St. Francis of Assist in W. Nyack @6am. Adults \$30 / Students \$15

**For reservations call 735-5238, 735-4379, or 420-1226 (para español). For more info, visit [www.RocklandRTL.org](http://www.RocklandRTL.org)**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>**

**Day Of Prayer And Penance Here at Sacred Heart for An End To Abortion and a Greater Respect for Human Life**

**In Solidarity with the March for Life in D.C.**

**Marking the 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Roe vs. Wade:**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, starting at 9:30am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and ending with the Rosary for Life, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Benediction beginning at 3:00pm.

**PRAYER VIGIL FOR LIFE**

**WITH THE SISTERS OF LIFE &**

**FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF THE RENEWAL**

**Tuesday, January 22, 2019**

**the 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Roe v. Wade**

**6:30PM** - Holy Hour led by Br. Malachy, CFR & Franciscan Friars of the Renewal

**7:30PM** - Holy Mass with Fr. Richard Veras of

Magnificat publication, homilist

[St. Patrick's Cathedral](http://www.St.Patrick'sCathedral.org)

## PRAYER FOR RESPECT FOR LIFE

Heavenly Father, the beauty and dignity of human life was the crowning of your creation. You further ennobled that life when your Son became one with us in his Incarnation. Help us to realize the sacredness of human life and to respect it from the moment of conception until the last moment at death. Give us courage to speak with truth and love and with conviction in defense of life. Help us to extend the gentle hand of mercy and forgiveness to those who do not reverence your gift of life. To all, grant pardon for the times we have failed to be grateful for your precious gift of life or to respect it in others. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen!

### SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

**Feast of the Holy Family—\$14,176.  
Last Year's Collection - \$13,773.**

**January 6<sup>th</sup> Collection—\$13,923.  
Last Year's Collection—\$13,280.**

**Catholic Communications & Catholic University  
Second Collection - \$3,384.  
Last Year's Collection - \$3,676.**

**Solemnity of the Virgin Mary - \$5,544.  
Last Year's Collection - \$2,912.**

## PARISH CALENDAR

### Sunday, January 13

CYO Clinic – 1:30pm in the gym

### Monday, January 14

Rel. Ed. Grade 6 – 4:30pm

Rel Ed. Grade 7 – 7:00pm

Hispanic RCIA – 7:00pm in the Rectory

Novena – 7:15pm

### Tuesday, January 15

Rel. Ed. Grades 3 – 5 – 4:30pm

Rel. Ed. Grade 8 – 7:00pm

Prayer Group – 7:30pm in the Rectory Chapel

### Wednesday, January 16

St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry – 2:00pm to 4:00pm

CYO Basketball – 5:00 to 9:00pm gym

Children's Choir Practice – 5:00pm

Choir Practice – 7:00pm

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8:00pm

### Thursday, January 17

CYO – 5:00pm to 9:00pm

RCIA – 7:00pm

### Friday, January 18

### Saturday, January 19

St. Joseph Group – 7:30am in the Rectory

### Sunday, January 20

CYO Clinic – 1:30pm in the gym

## THANK YOU!!

As a parish we wish to acknowledge and thank the anonymous donor who donated a magnificent 70" Sharp TV, computer, smart board. This donation is to benefit both the Religious Education Department and Sacred Heart School.

### “FORMED”

**FORMED** Is An Innovative Online Platform Through Which You Can Have Access To A Wide Range Of Top Quality Faith Formation Resources. Our parish has a free one-year subscription. This can be compared to Netflix for Catholics, but it is so much more. Now, the best Catholic study programs, movies, audio presentations and eBooks from the most trusted apostolates are all just a click away. Visit [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and click the “Register” link and use the parish code **CK6N9W**.

### SACRED HEART SCHOOL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

January 27, 2019 - February 3, 2019

Will be celebrating Catholic Schools week with several events. Please stop by for a tour and an application. To Tour the school please call the school office at 845-357-1684.

### SACRED HEART SCHOOL BOOK FAIR

Everyone is Invited to Our Scholastic Book Fair

**When:** January 27, 2019

**Where:** Sacred Heart School  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Classroom

**Time:** 10:30am to 2:30pm

**Come and experience the wonderful world of reading. All proceeds benefit Sacred Heart School.**

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS JOYCE KILMER COUNCIL 1177 FREE THROW CONTEST

All boys and girls ages 9-14 are invited to participate in this free competition on Sat. January 19 at 7pm at the Sacred Heart Gym. Winners of each age group advance to regional competitions. All contestants are recognized for their participation. For info contact Jerry Reilly 845-709-7423/ grandknight@kofc1177.com

### PALLOTTI CENTER

“Come join us for a Women's Retreat on February 9<sup>TH</sup> & 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 at the Pallotti Center in Monroe, NY. The cost for the overnight retreat is \$75 which includes all meals. To Register call 845-774-9321 or 845-492-5066.

### DEBT AND DEFICIT REDUCTION COLLECTION

JANUARY 19 & 20, 2019

The Parish Debt and Deficit Reduction second collection will take place.

**CRISIS PREGNANCY HOTLINE  
GOOD COUNSEL HOMES**

For Pregnancy emergencies call  
Any time of day: 1-800-723-8331  
[www.goodcounselhomes.org](http://www.goodcounselhomes.org)

**2018 CONTRIBUTION OFFERINGS**

The year-end reports for 2018 from the envelope company and parish pay if you have signed up for online giving, will reflect totals for the year 2018 for envelopes on which parishioners' numbers and amounts have been recorded on the outside throughout the year. Statements will be mailed by the end of January. **Thank you for your generous support!**

**ANUNCIOS**

El Grupo de Oración en Español tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles, a las 8 de la noche en la cafetería. Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 19 de enero 2019 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.

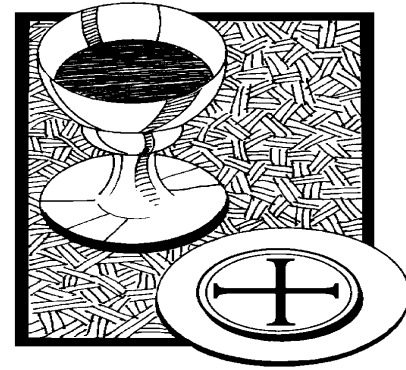


Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: **Keith Alanis, Luciano Antonucci, Jenna Applebaum, Theresa Anselmi, Baby Ty, Michael Brady, Pat Brady, Annette Burbridge, Dolores Cangelose, Frank Calfa, Kelly Collins, Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Robert Cosenza, Laura D'Alesio, Joe Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, John Duffy, David Eckert, Sr. Ginny Figula, Stefanie Gaudelli, Arlene and Fred Gentile, Mark Goldman, Debra Gravina, Catherine Greeley, Senan Halpin, Roy Harris, Clement Hayes, Carrin Holborn, Mr. Harris, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Susan Jarkiewicz, Anna Kasperska, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Roberta Lynch, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Marie Marasuilo, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Joseph Mikulka, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Pat O'Neill, Shace Paljusevic, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Charles Picarelli, Ruth Schwetz, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Roberto Sorgo, Maureen Starke, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, Fr. Peter Tarantino, SA, Phyllis Varacalli, Robert Vogt, Fr. Wing, Marie Witt, and Vladimir Zaslavsky.**

**ALTAR MEMORIALS  
JANUARY 13, 2019**

**Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of**

**PALMA M. & HENRY J. HECK**



**SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 12**

9:00am – Grace Jackson

**SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS**

5:30pm – James Grasso

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 13**

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Virginia Menschner

10:00am – Henry & Jeanne Bukowski

11:30am – Rudy & Richard Laguna

1:00pm – Dave Clifford

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

**MONDAY, JANUARY 14**

7:00am – Eugene & Rose Magurno

9:00am – Catherine Howard & Fr. John Quinn

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 15**

7:00am – Holy Souls Kasperski, Kliglich Families

9:00am – Palma M. Heck

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16**

7:00am – Alan Petukh

9:00am – Ted Ashman

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 17**

7:00am – Sisters of Life Convent & Their Intentions

9:00am – Joseph Varano

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 18**

7:00am – Richard Agnello

9:00am – Sandra Torres

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 19**

9:00am – Carmela Cogliano

**SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS**

5:30pm – David C. Clifford

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 20**

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Marjorie DeLitta

10:00am – Tina R. Urban

11:30am – Robert Stolarik

1:00pm – Thomas J. Favia, Sr.

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners,  
and family members and loved ones:

Especially: **Harold "Hack" Gravius  
Joseph Varano**