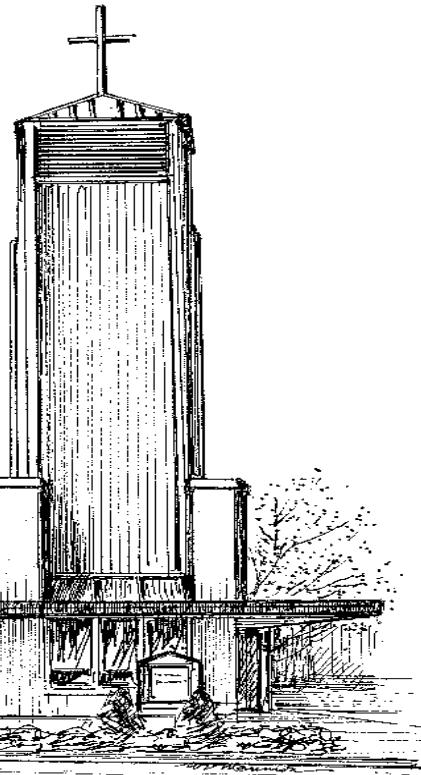


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Dina R. Tarabocchia,
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MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 Noon
Weekdays: Monday 7:00 PM
 Tuesday to Friday 8:00 AM
 Saturday 9:00 AM

CONFESIONS: Saturdays at 1:00 P.M.

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The Holy Eucharist for this Week

5:30 PM Robert Dittmar, Sr.



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Sunday, January 13, 2019
The Baptism of the Lord

8:00 AM **Bruno Morin**
10:00 AM **Johanna Davis**
12:00 PM **Nicolo Mattessich**

MONDAY, January 14
7:00 PM Paolo Pieroni

TUESDAY, January 15
8:00 AM John Bussanich

WEDNESDAY, January 16

THURSDAY, January 17
8:00 AM Antonio Hroncich (Zio)

FRIDAY, January 18
8:00 AM Otto Baumeister

SATURDAY, January 19

5:30 PM Andrew R. Camilleri

Sunday, January 20, 2019
Second Sunday of the Church Year

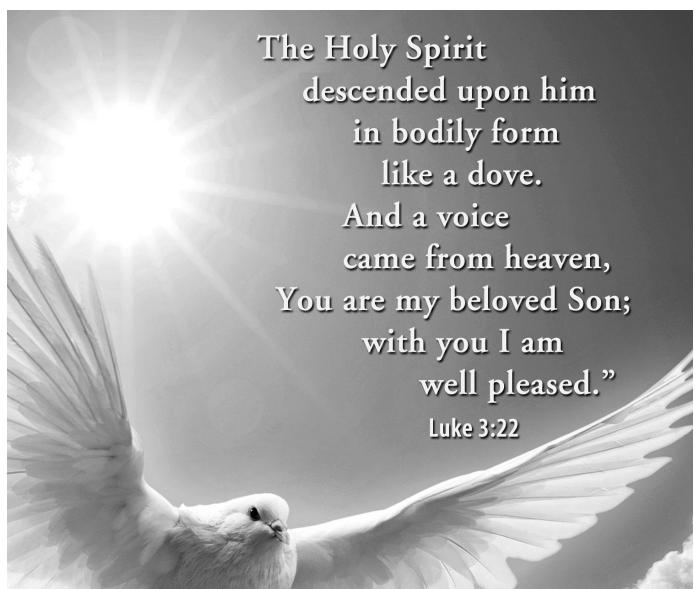
**8:00 AM Anita, Jack & Lisa Zorat
10:00 AM Martino Matesic
12:00 PM Sergio Passaro**

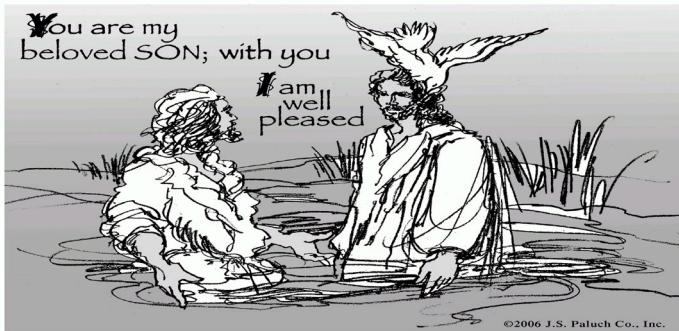
**Memorials
Bread & Wine
Robert O'Callahan
Sanctuary Candle
People of Our Parish Family**

SELF-DISCIPLINE

The greatest of all warriors in the
Troy had not the preeminence because
given him strength and he carried the
but because self-discipline had taught
bend it.

—Daniel Webster





The Baptism of the Lord

January 13, 2019

He saved us through the bath of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

-- Titus 3:5

CALLED TO SERVE

For many weeks now, we have been celebrating the appearance of the divine presence in human form. As a child, he came to Mary and Joseph, was seen by the shepherds, and then by some wandering magi from the East.

Today we celebrate another showing, later in time, to a group gathered at the Jordan River. John hesitated to baptize Jesus, whom he recognized as "one mightier than I." But he did as Jesus asked, and the "Holy Spirit descended" and heaven's voice spoke to Jesus, "You are my beloved Son." Jesus was beginning his public life of teaching and service. Soon he would start calling others to join him.

Peter was one of the first to be called by Jesus. In today's second reading, he announces the heart of the message, "peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all." Peter was called, and you and I are called to spread that message and to serve God's word.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) or Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11. Psalm -- The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) or Psalm 104.

Second Reading -- Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) or Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7.

Gospel -- A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

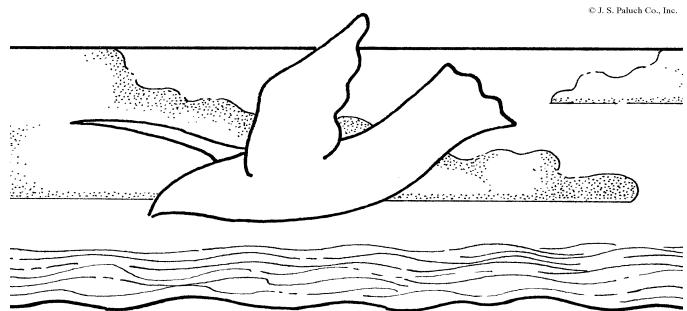
Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Monday: First Week in Ordinary Time begins

Thursday: St. Anthony

Friday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

Saturday: Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany); Blessed Virgin Mary





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**We lift up to the Lord
in our prayers and
good works for: the
sick, frail and the
homebound.**

Shirley Pizza
Catherine Mary Moncello
Camilla Leventhal
Jackie Grabusnik
Michele Porta
Giovanna Careri
Grace Ehler
Julio Sanchez
Anna Semioli
Florence Navarro
Regina Ballone
Victor Traverso
Florence Corbisier
Rose Ratynski
Colette Caminiti
Philip Dittmar
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John McConnell
Baby Amato Jordan
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Victims of terrorism and war; genocide in Syria and the Holy Land, worldwide human trafficking, racism and hatred, domestic abuse and street violence, severe weather conditions especially for all those victims who suffered and lost so much, under the severity of hurricane.



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FOOD PANTRY

This weekend, January 12th & 13th is our Parish Food Pantry collection. Items can be dropped off at church after any Mass, and placed in the empty room outside of the restroom. We are in need of items people cannot buy with food stamps, such as laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, and personal hygiene products. We are also in need of coffee and cold/hot cereals.

Please note: At this time we are *not* in need of canned vegetables.

The Pantry will be open on Wednesday, January 16 for those who qualify.

NEW HOURS: from

4:00 p.m. to

6:00 p.m.

The wonderful generosity of our parishioners every month is very much appreciated by those we try to serve.

EUCARISTIC ADORATION

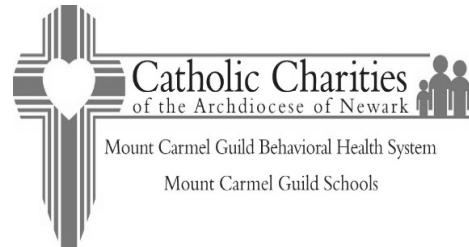
Our parish Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place Wednesday, January 16 Mass will be celebrated at 6 p.m. Adoration will follow until 7 p.m. We will close with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Merry Christmas! Share that cheerful greeting with some folks today. They may wonder if you have had any Elvis sightings lately, attended Star Trekkie conventions, or were Cleopatra in a previous lifetime. Despite the skeptics, today is solidly within the Christmas season. In fact, in some strands of the Christian tradition it represents the clearest manifestation of the mystery of the Incarnation. On Christmas Day, for example, the Gospel reading is the Prologue of John's Gospel, which reveals the glory of Christ shining through our humanity precisely in his baptism.

At any rate, this is an ancient feast, celebrated first in Egypt sixteen centuries ago. More than most other ancient people, the Egyptians understood the life-giving properties of water. On this day, they drew water from the Nile, so central in the history of their people, and reserved it in honor. Many other places copied the custom, so that St. John Chrysostom wrote of people in Antioch gathering at midnight to collect flowing water into vessels they brought from home since "today there is a blessing on the water." At home for dinner tonight, decorate the table with beautiful bowls of water and white candles, toast one another with goblets of sparkling water, and light a Christmas candle in the window one last time.

ACCOUNTABILITY WITH HEARTFELT THANKS



Catholic Charities received a payment of \$1,118 as a result of your clothing donations from June 1st, 2018 to November 30th, 2018. These funds combined with monies from other participating parishes throughout the Archdiocese enabled Catholic Charities to provide 94,355 nights of shelter to 1,324 homeless individuals and families (FY17/18).

Thank you for being our partner and enabling us to bring Christ's love to the most vulnerable in our society.

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