

January 10, 2021
Baptism of the Lord



We celebrate the Baptism of the Lord - the conclusion of our Christmas-Epiphany season. Jesus, the sinless One, insisted on taking His place in the muddy waters of the Jordan River- to show His oneness with all of us sinners. Jesus is manifested as the Son of the eternal God- the long awaited Savior!

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord concludes the Church's Christmas - Epiphany season

HELP IS NEEDED!! TODAY, January 10 the decorations will be removed from the church and stored away for another year. The more people who help out, the faster this job may be completed. Come to the church at 12:30pm and bring a friend! We thank you in advance for any help you may be able to give.

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE

<https://www.sainthelenas.org>

Coronavirus News Important Update!

Friday Reflections with Msgr. Russell

Friday Reflections is a weekly check-in video with Msgr. Russell. Please visit our YouTube Channel to watch this week's video, and be sure to SUBSCRIBE to our channel. You can even arrange for YouTube to let you know every time we add a new video!

Reminder! We'll be broadcasting Mass on YouTube afterward for you to watch.

PLEASE NOTE

Because we need to follow procedures to help maintain a safe situation for all:

- No one can enter the Church if you are sick or have been exposed to someone with the virus within the last 14 days. Or if you will not wear a mask.
- Every other pew will be roped off to help social distancing.
- All MUST WEAR A MASK except children under 2.
- Please use hand sanitizer.

Can You Help?

We are in desperate need of more folks who are willing to read the sacred scriptures at Mass. A number of our lectors feel they cannot continue to serve our community because of age and infirmities. If you are willing to prepare for this ministry, please call Msgr. Russell 302-764-0325 ext 108

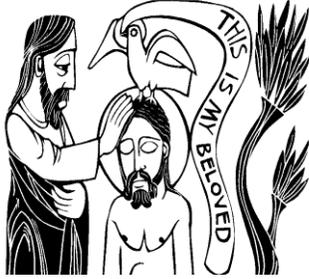
The Offertory Collection for the weekend of 12/20 was \$4,160.00 and the on-line collection was \$2,217.00 for a total of \$6,377.00. For 12/27 was \$3,389.00 and the on-line collection was \$1,892.00 for a total of \$5,281.00.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF LAY TRUSTEES

In the hotly contested Parish Trustee election last Sunday John Mousley and John Hughes were re-elected Trustees for 2021. Thanks to all who participated! (No mail-in ballots were received).

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is next week from Jan 18th to Jan 25th. Pray that all may be one in the Church of Christ.

WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sunday, January 10 The Baptism of the Lord

We celebrate the second 'epiphany' - the Baptism of the Lord. It concludes the Christmas - Epiphany season.

Monday, January 11

6:30pm Religious Ed Classes-School
6:30pm Adult Scripture Study-Zoom
7:00pm Youth Group-Rectory/Rel Ed Office

Tuesday, January 12

7:00pm Finance Council-Zoom

Wednesday, January 13

7:00pm Parish Council Exe. Mtg-Zoom

Sunday, January 17

2nd Collection: Catholic University & Communication

Please Pray For Our Sick Parishioners

Ruth Bower, Jayne Davenport, Bob Davis, Julia Davis, Gerri Episcopo, Sara Garrison, Sarah Hess, Ella Kirksey, Fr. Roy Pollard, Terri Reed, Dorothy Rich, Helen Rupnicki, Kathleen Schaubert, Irma Shock, Caitlin Soper, Frank Sullivan, Catherine Thomson, Vaughn Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Anita Tyrawski, Mary Gabel, Alline Da Grossa, Toni Di Lezio, Sister Dorothy Prettyman, Janet Szubieolski, Catalina Weddle, Ray Altamuro, Marie Spinden, Jane Parsons, Francis Medeiros, Friends at the Kutz Home Nicolas Childs, Alfred Palmer, Bridget Robinson, Fr. Charles Dillingham, Bill Thomas, Geri Crockett, Jim Fedena, Sr, Carly Fedena, Susan Watkins, Judy Wilbank, Joan Morgan, Anna Mae Shewbrooks, Aliyah Miller, Jacqueline Wilson



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Jan 9

5:00pm (SR) Ronald Joseph Dumont

Sunday, Jan 10

7:00am (SR) People of the Parish

9:00am (EF) Michael Currin

11:00am (SR) Joan & Gregory Davis

(50th Wedding Anniversary) Living

Monday, Jan 11

9:00am (SR) Dorothy Ragan

Tuesday, Jan 12

7:00am (EF) Basil Luehrmann (Living)

9:00am (SR) Betty O'Connor

Wednesday, Jan 13

9:00am (SR) Barry Parks

Thursday, Jan 14

7:00am (EF) Edwin Blevins

9:00am (SR) Barry Parks

Friday, Jan 15

7:00am (EF) Paul O. Knight

11:00am (SR) William Devereux (Living)

Saturday, Jan 16

9:00am (SR) James Fedena, Sr. (Living)

5:00pm (SR) Dorothy Ragan

Sunday, Jan 17

7:00am (EF) People of the Parish

9:00am (SR) Albert Minuti, Sr.

11:00am (SR) Adam Hayes



This is my
Son
In whom I am pleased

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY
CARE FOR GOD'S CREATION

We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan; it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. This environmental challenge has fundamental moral and ethical dimensions that cannot be ignored.

LIFE AND DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON

The Catholic Church proclaims that human life is sacred and that the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision of society. Our belief in the sanctity of human life and the inherent dignity of the human person is the foundation of all the principles of our social teaching. In our society, human life is under direct attack from abortion and assisted suicide. The value of human life is being threatened by increasing use of the death penalty. We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.



Support Knights of Columbus - Christopher Council charitable good works by purchasing homemade soup.

Soups are frozen and can be delivered or picked up. Because of COVID restrictions, orders must be placed in advance using <https://2020soup-christopher-council-3182.cheddarup.com>

You may pay by credit card when you place your order or by check/cash at pickup/delivery.

Available flavors are listed on ordering website. Thank you for all you do to support Christopher Council fundraising; it helps us, Holy Rosary, and our community.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SIXTH, SEVENTH and EIGHTH graders will report to Masci Hall tomorrow night (MONDAY) from 6:30p - 7:30p.

YOUTH GROUP meets at the RECTORY tonight at 7pm to take down the Christmas tree. We will then go over to the Religious Education Office.

The Dominican Sisters of Peace are hosting a free three-day virtual, interactive "Mission for Peace" program, via Zoom, for single, Catholic women, ages 18-45 from **January 8 through January 10, 2021. If you have ever pondered whether God is calling you to become a Sister, we encourage you to join us for this faith-filled, service-oriented experience. Set aside time to PRAY with our Sisters, to share with other women of FAITH, to discover God's PURPOSE for your life, to enjoy a behind the scenes glimpse of COMMUNITY LIFE, and to explore RELIGIOUS LIFE lived out as a Dominican Sister of Peace.**

The retreat begins at 4:00pm ET Friday, January 8 and concludes at 1pm ET, Sunday, January 10. For more information, call or text Sister June Fitzgerald at 570-336-3991 or email jfitzgerald@oppeace.org.

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal - Seeing Christ in the Faces of Others

To date, \$56,964.00 has been received representing 108.29% of our adjusted parish's goal of \$52,605.00 (and 90.4% of our original goal of 63,000.00). THANK YOU! If you would like more information about the Annual Catholic Appeal, go to www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal. **Your generosity is deeply appreciated.**



RETRouvaille



Upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend...

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises.

The next program begins the weekend of February 12 - 14, 2021 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit HelpOurMarriage.org... or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Give your relationship the gift of quality time during the pandemic! Join us from the comfort of your home via Zoom for eight sessions presented on Sunday and Wednesday evenings from January 20 to February 14. Make Valentine's Day 2021 extra special as you learn tools to revitalize romance and deepen communication in your marriage!! For more information visit our website at www.wwme-delmar.org or to register for the weekend, please call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-220-9833.

A PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace!

Where there is hatred . . . let me sow love.

Where there is injury . . . pardon.

Where there is doubt . . . faith.

Where there is despair . . . hope.

Where there is darkness . . . light.

Where there is sadness . . . joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled . . . as to console.

To be understood . . . as to understand.

To be loved . . . as to love.

for

It is in giving . . . that we receive.

It is in pardoning . . . that we are pardoned.

It is in dying . . . that we are born to eternal life.

VICTIMS ASSISTANCE DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON

If you have been sexually exploited or abused by a priest, brother, sister or lay person employed by the Diocese of Wilmington or by a church volunteer in service to a parish or school or other church organization call the **Victims Assistance Coordinator** by telephone (302)656-0651 and report the incident to the **Delaware State Attorney Generals Office** (302)577-8310

