

Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022 ~ Liturgical Year C

Mass Intentions

† January 10, 2022 to January 16, 2022

As we gather, let us remember and pray for . . .

Monday ~ January 10th

8:00 am +Len Michaud (by The Michaud Family)

+Anna DiMarco (by Judy Wright)

Tuesday ~ January 11th

8:00 am +Luisa Minicucci (by Betty & George Dawson)

+Antonio DeFabritiis (by Siria DiPompeo)

Wednesday ~ St. Marguerite Bourgeoys ~ January 12th

8:00 am +Angelo & Rosalie Bussi (by Rosa Bussi)

+Rocky DiRaddo (by Stephen & Anna Charlton)

Thursday ~ January 13th

8:00 am +James Norton and

+Dennis Covello (by Pearl Norton)

Friday ~ January 14th

8:00 am +Jim, Mary & Tom Kenny (by Don & Joan Kenny)

+John Gabriele (by Carlo & Anna Grossi)

Saturday ~ January 15th

8:00 am +James Reid (by a Parishioner)

5:00 pm +The Marrone Family (Living & Deceased)

(by Theresa & Family)

+Pauline Bosco (by Family)

Sunday ~ 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ January 16th

8:00 am +♥The People of Holy Rosary Parish

9:30 am +Domenico DiFruscia (by Anna DeDivitiis)

11:00 am +Angela, Pietro & Dorothy Pignotti

(by Rosi Pignotti)

+Veronica 'Dani' Winstanley

(by Lorna Cecchini & Family)

Baptism is the foundational Sacrament of the Catholic faith. By flowing water and the invocation of the Trinity, a person is cleansed of Original and Personal Sin, given Sanctifying Grace and incorporated into the Body of Christ. This action enables the baptized to participate in the life of the Church by receiving other Sacraments.

Yet, it also commits them to live out their faith by participating in the Church's mission on earth.

BIBLE STUDY CANCELLED: In keeping with new Provincial and Diocesan protocols, the Bible Study sessions that have been taking place on Tuesday evenings have been cancelled until further notice due to the rapid spread of new COVID-19 variants.

SACRAMENT PREPARATION: There will be a virtual Learning & Prayer Session for First Communion Candidates and their Parents on Tuesday, January 11, 2022. An email will be sent to registered families.

SACRAMENT PREPARATION: There will be a virtual Learning & Prayer Session for Confirmation Candidates on Wednesday, January 19, 2022. An email will be sent to registered Candidates.

SYNOD 2021-2023, Journeying Together: Our Holy Father Pope Francis, in his Opening Address for the Synod said, "In the Church, everything starts with baptism. Baptism, the source of our life, gives rise to the equal dignity of the children of God, albeit in the diversity of ministries and charisms. Consequently, all the baptized are called to take part in the Church's life and mission. Without real participation by the People of God, talk about communion risks remaining a devout wish. In this regard, we have taken some steps forward, but a certain difficulty remains and we must acknowledge the frustration and impatience felt by many pastoral workers, members of diocesan and parish consultative bodies and women, who frequently remain on the fringes. Enabling everyone to participate is an essential ecclesial duty! All the baptized, for baptism is our identity card."

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: Diocesan and Parish Offices will be closed to visitors due to the rapid spread of new COVID-19 variants. To request a Mass Card, please call the Parish Office and leave a message. Your call will be returned and the Mass Card may be picked up on Friday.

MASS TIMES: Mass celebration times and attendance capacity have not been affected by the recent COVID-19 restrictions announced by the Provincial Government on January 4. Masses will continue to be celebrated as scheduled.

SANCTUARY LAMP: This week's Sanctuary Lamp is donated in memory of Frank Tassone.

2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Thank you to all our volunteers who gave the gift of their time to deliver the 2022 boxed sets of Offertory envelopes. Please call the Parish Office if you have not yet received your envelopes or would like to start using offertory envelopes.

FACE MASKS: In view of the rapid spread and grave threat of new COVID-19 variants, any parishioner who is unable to wear a mandatory face covering should not attend any church service. Voluntary compliance with this basic public health directive reflects our fundamental belief in the sanctity of all human life, gives honour to God and demonstrates love for our neighbours.

BATTESIMO DEL SIGNORE (C)

9 Gennaio 2022

Celebriamo oggi il mistero del battesimo di Gesù nel fiume Giordano. Il Padre lo proclama suo Figlio diletto. Chiediamo al Padre di concedere a tutti noi di vivere come fedeli imitatori del suo Figlio, per potere con lui salire alla gloria

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PREGHIERA PER IL BATTESIMO DI NOSTRO SIGNORE GESÙ CRISTO

O Padre, che nel battesimo del Giordano
con l'autorità della tua voce

e la discesa dello Spirito

Ci hai presentato solennemente

il Signore Gesù come l'Unigenito che tu ami,
dona a chi,

rigenerato dall'acqua e dallo Spirito,

è diventato tuo figlio

di vivere senza smarrimenti

secondo il tuo disegno di amore.

Amen.

OUR CONDOLENCES: Our condolences and prayers are extended to the family and friends who mourn the loss of: Jamie Ciancio, Annie Caperchione and Roy Cummings. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS: Income Tax Receipts will be prepared shortly. If you have moved since this time last year please call or email the Parish Office to update your address.

THANK-YOU: We gratefully acknowledge the family and friends of Helen Pizzacalla, Aldo Gualtieri, John DiCostanzo and Lucy Pisano for the thoughtfulness and generosity shown by their memorial donations to Holy Rosary Parish. A reminder that donations made by parishioners in memory of a loved one will be added to their year-end income tax receipt.

LITURGY VIDEO: Parishioners are reminded that a Sunday Liturgy Video and Children's Liturgy Video is available on our [Facebook](#) page or on the Parish website: www.ourladyoftheholyroary.org which consists of the Sunday Readings, reflections, prayers and hymns and faith activities.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR: "In the midst of pandemic there is hope for God that is more powerful than any disease". The BLD (OSG) Covenant Community invites you to join their six week Virtual Life in the Spirit Seminar taking place on Fridays starting February 4 and ending March 18, 2022 (except March 4). Visit www.bldstcatharines.org to register.

The Holy Family

The Spirit descends on Jesus after he was baptized. It is the Spirit that anoints Jesus to "open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness, and to bring to the poor the good news of salvation." This news is also "the good news of peace": The Spirit comes in the form of a dove.

There is a gentleness about the dove that has earned for this bird a universal association with peace. But the dove also has a wail that reminds one of the wail of someone suffering, as in poverty or childbirth. The dove, therefore, joins together the themes of justice and peace, of compassion for the poor as well as harmony among people.

Luke makes clear that the descent of the Spirit in the form of a dove takes place as Jesus was at prayer. In other words, Jesus was open to the action of the Spirit. There is certainly a message in that for us.

Peace and justice will enter our lives only if we are open to the action of the Spirit, if we make time and space for the voice from heaven to be heard within our hearts. If we make that time and space, then "the Lord will bless his people with peace."

In order that the demands of justice may be met and attempts to achieve this goal may succeed, what is needed is the gift of grace, a gift which comes from God. Grace, in cooperation with human freedom, constitutes that mysterious presence of God in history which is providence.

Pope John Paul II, [Centessimus Annus](#), 1991: 59

Gerald Darring

https://liturgy.sluhostedsites.org/BapLordC010922/reflections_justice.htm

SEPARATED & DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY:

The Diocesan Separated & Divorced Healing Ministry Support Group meets every second and fourth Monday of the month (except holidays) from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre (7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls, Ontario). The next session be on January 10, 2022 "Embracing the New Year". Given the newly introduced Provincial health guidelines under the COVID-19 protocols effective January 4, 2022, Separated and Divorced Healing Ministry meetings will only be conducted virtually for the time being. For our pamphlet, information, and registration call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154, or email separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com.

John said: One more powerful than I is coming:
he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

(Luke 3.16)