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Baptism

Sunday 12:00 pm by appointment

Marriage

Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance.

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Secretary Sandy Johnson Office hours: Wednesday and Friday 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Enter on Victoria St.

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Ministry Schedule - Jan 16/17 **Hospitality:**

5:00 pm - Not Scheduled for now 9:00am - Not Scheduled for now 11:00am - Not Scheduled for now

The Baptism of the Lord - Year B

Baptized with the Holy Spirit

Lectors:

5:00 pm - Not Scheduled for now 9:00am - Not Scheduled for now 11:00am - Not Scheduled for now

January 10, 2021 A.D. The Baptism of the Lord - Year B



Lord may the request of our people rise before you like a fragrant offering

Tues	Jan 12	St Marguerite Bourgeoys	
		6:00 pm +For the repose of the soul of Margaret Torok	by Mr & Mrs Armenti
Wed	Jan 13	8:30 am +For the repose of the soul of Mary Jean Thompson9:30 am +For the repose of the soul of Marcel Borg	by Bettina DiGiulio by Joe & Melita Cassar
Thurs	Jan 14	8:30 am +For the repose of the soul of Gloria Concessi9:30 am For the health and healing of Joe Attard	by Victor & Jackie Gatt by the Morning Coffee Group
Fri	Jan 15	8:30 am +For the repose of the soul of Teresa Martine Fenton9:30 am +For the repose of the soul of Ruben John Ascencio	by Family by Victor & Jackie Gatt
		The 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time5:00 pm +For the repose of the soul of Rose Markovich	by Maggie Rezo
Sun	Jan 17	9:00am +For the living and deceased members of St. Patrick's Parish 11:00 am +For the repose of the soul of Antonio Ricci	by Teresa Ricci

TO WHOM DO YOU BELONG?

Our Christmas season concludes with the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Jesus was not baptized because He needed to repent - rather, He was revealing who He is and what He came to do. By submitting to the baptism of John, He affirmed His humanity, revealed His divinity as the Son of God, and sig-

naled His mission to save man from sin.

Although Jesus' baptism was just the beginning of His ministry, it revealed all that He came to accomplish. And it is from His mission that we can receive the Sacrament of Baptism - the moment we become adopted sons and daughters of God. From that moment, we belong to Christ - we become His stewards. Our lives should be a reflection of this relationship. The way we live and act should reveal Whose we are.

The prophet Isaiah shares a message of hope, "Why spend your money for what is not bread, your wages for what fails to satisfy? Heed me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare." We can take these words from Isaiah and ask ourselves, "Who is the king of our hearts?" We often fill our thoughts and our lives with things that satisfy us only for a moment. If we truly do belong to Christ, then we will make Him our top priority. And what we fill our lives with should reveal that He is King. Remember, the Lord will satisfy the deepest longings of our hearts and fill us with a feeling of lasting peace and contentment.

Belonging to Christ requires commitment. In our fastpaced lives, we should ask ourselves, what commands our

life? Is it God and His commands? Keeping Christ's commandments will not only deepen our relationship with Him but also help us become better stewards to others, "In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments." Through our faithfulness, we will become stewards of Christ's love and mercy. It is out of love that God gave

us these commandments, and if we truly belong to Christ, we will keep them.

Once Jesus was baptized, the Holy Spirit descended upon Jesus and God the Father proclaimed, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." By our baptism, we have become God's beloved sons and daughters. We, too, have access to an intimate relationship with God. But like all good relationships, it flourishes with effort. How we spend our time and share our gifts says a great deal about Whose we are. We must do our part to spend time with the One to Whom we belong.

As we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord today, let us reflect on what it means to be a son or daughter of God. Let us resolve with conviction to make God the King of our hearts, live by His commands, and share with Him our time and gifts. Let us pray that our lives might be a reflection of our relationship with Christ.

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2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

If you have not picked up your box of envelopes, please do so this week as the remainder will be returned to the office Friday Jan 8th.

MASSES CONTACT TRACING LIST

We are directed by the Diocese of St. Catharines to establish a list for Contract Tracing.

Everyone, including parishioners and visitors, will be asked to provide their name and phone number upon entering the church for Masses.

We ask for you compliance and patience as the Ushers take down this information. We also ask that you arrive early to accommodate this as it will take some time to do.

COVID LOCKDOWN CHANGES

Beginning December 26, 2020, we are going into lock-down again. This means that we are restricted to 9 people at any one Mass, Funeral or Baptism. We will be adding a Mass on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning at 9:30am. There will be no change to our weekend Mass times. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days will continue. All Masses will be on a first come, first serve bases and once we reach capacity, the doors will be lock. These changes will continue for a minimum of 28 days.

All Ministry Schedules are currently invalid except 1 Usher/Mass. I hope you understand that this is an extremely difficult time for all of us.

Please be patient and kind to one another.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

2020 Income Tax Receipts will be available in January of 2021. The deadline for donations to the church for the 2020 tax year will be Dec 31, 2020.

BAPTISM PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God,
who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and
as the Holy Spirit descended upon him,
solemnly declared him your beloved Son,
grant that your children by adoption,
reborn of water and the Holy Spirit,
may always be well pleasing to you.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever.

REMEMBERING YOUR OWN BAPTISM

It's very important to remember one's anniversary of baptism. The Church has given an opportunity to gain a plenary indulgence if one renews the baptismal promises on that day.

A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful, who renew their baptismal promises according to formula in use; but a plenary indulgence is granted, if this is done either: 1) in the celebration of the Paschal Vigil or 2) on the anniversary of one's baptism.

Prayer:

I, ______ (name), who through the tender mercy of the Eternal Father was privileged to be baptized "in the name of the Lord Jesus" (Acts 19, 5) and thus to share in the dignity of his divine Sonship, wish now in the presence of this same loving Father and of his only-begotten Son to renew in all sincerity the promises I solemnly made at the time of my holy Baptism.

I, therefore, now do once again renounce Satan; I renounce all his works; I renounce all his allurements.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born into this world and who suffered and died for my sins and rose again. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

Having been buried with Christ unto death and raised up with him unto a new life, I promise to live no longer for myself or for that world which is the enemy of God but for him who died for me and rose again, serving God, my heavenly Father, faithfully and unto death in the holy Catholic Church.

Taught by our Savior's command and formed by the word of God, I now dare to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;

thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Prayer Source: Enchiridion of Indulgences,

June 29, 1968