

Sunday, January 15, 2017

Baptism of the Lord

READINGS: Isaiah 49.3, 5-6 1 Corinthians 1.1-3
Psalm: 40 Gospel: John 1.29-34

Saturday, January 14 - 4:00 pm

Offered for: Russell 'Hoss' Mitchell – 10th Anniversary
Requested by the Family
Altar Servers: Megan, Philip and Morgan
Lectors: Liz Sunday and Norman Tarbell

Sunday, January 15 – 10:00 am

Offered for: Priscilla 'Bulla' Herne – Memorial Mass
Requested by Mr. & Mrs. Phil Patricalli
Altar Servers: Reagan, Analeyna, Rylie and Kenia
Lectors: Lori Thompson and Abram Benedict

Tuesday, January 17 – 6:00 pm

Offered for: Joey Whitecrow – Memorial Birthday
Requested by Jean Benedict & Family

Wednesday, January 18 – 10:00 am
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Offered for: Elizabeth 'Bessie' Cole – Memorial Birthday
From the funeral collection

Thursday, January 19 – 12:10 pm

Offered for: Wallace A. Jacobs Sr., - 3rd Anniversary
Requested by the Family

Friday, January 20 – 12:10 pm

Offered for: Sandra Terrance – Memorial Birthday
From the funeral collection

Saturday, January 21 - 4:00 pm

Offered for: John Bigtree Jr. – 1st anniversary
From the funeral collection
Altar Servers: Megan, Philip and Morgan
Lectors: Nidia Dejung and Jenny Dejung

Sunday, January 22 – 10:00 am

Offered for: Geraldine Gray – Memorial Mass
Requested by Danielle Dubuc & Staff
Altar Servers: Reagan, Analeyna, Rylee and Kenia
Lectors: Phil Tarbell and Lisa Tarbell

Sacrament of Baptism: Next Baptism Seminar will be Tues., February 14 at 5:30 pm at St. Kateri Center. The child(ren) must be pre-registered with a copy of their Birth Certificate. To request a form, please contact Laura at 613-575-2753 or 518-358-2931. Thank you.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY
- JANUARY 18-25**

On the night before He died on the cross for our salvation, Jesus prayed at the Last Supper, "Father, I pray that all may be one as you are in me and I in you. I pray that they may be one in us, that the world may believe that you have sent me." Jn.17:20

This year the theme for the week of prayer for Christian Unity is RECONCILIATION: THE LOVE OF CHRIST COMPELS US. (2 Cor 5:14-20.) As 2017 is the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, begun by Martin Luther, we pray that Christians all over the world will be reconciled to Christ and to each other. Reconciliation is a gift from God, intended for the entire creation. "God was reconciling the world (cosmos) to God's self in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And He has committed to us the message of reconciliation" (v.19). As a result of God's action, those who have been reconciled in Christ are called in turn to proclaim this reconciliation in word and deed: "The love of Christ compels us."

The traditional period in the northern hemisphere for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is January 18-25. Those dates were proposed in 1908 by Servant of God Fr. Paul Wattson, SA, Founder of the Society of the Atonement, to cover the original days of the feasts of the Chair of St. Peter (January 18) and the Conversion of St. Paul (January 25), and therefore have a symbolic significance. Especially this week, let us pray fervently that all peoples will be reconciled to Christ Our Lord.

PRAY TO END ABORTIONS

"Only with prayer - prayer that storms the heavens for justice and mercy, prayer that cleanses our hearts and souls - will the culture of death that surrounds us today be replaced with a culture of life." (Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities, U.S. Catholic Bishops.) Prayer is the foundation of all that we do in defense of human life. Say a short prayer or devote some time to pray a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament that all may hold Life sacred.

Since the Roe vs. Wade Decision of the U. S. Supreme Court in January 1973, there have been over 55 million abortions in the United States -- 55 million innocent babies killed. On this 44th anniversary of that decision, we pray for an end to abortion, the violent attack on human life. The National Right to Life March will take place on Friday, January 27 in Washington, D.C. Locally, there will be A MARCH FOR LIFE in Plattsburgh on SUNDAY, JANUARY 22. All are welcome to participate. The March for Life will begin at 12:45 PM at St. John 23rd Newman Center in Plattsburgh. The March of Life will proceed to St. John the Baptist Church where a Program will take place at 1 PM. The guest speaker will be Dale Barr, a Mom and nurse from Cornwall, Ontario. Dale has been active in SILENT NO MORE AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS as a regional coordinator for Eastern Ontario. As a teenager, Dale had an abortion. She's shared her story at the Washington, D.C. and Ottawa, ON March for Life Rallies. Dale is married and mother of four on earth and one in heaven, All are welcome to join the March and presentation at St. John's Church in Plattsburgh. Reception will follow in the parish center.

The Lord's Prayer (in Mohawk)

Ta kwa ien ha, ne, ka ron hia ke, te si te ron, a ie sa sen na ien, a ie sa wen ni ios ta ke, a ie sa wen na ra kwa ke, non wen tsia ke, tsi ni iot, ne, ka ron hia ke, kie sa wen na rak wa. Ta kwa nont, ne, ken wen te, ia kion he kon, nia te wen ni se ra ke, sa sa ni konr hen, ne ion kwa ri wa ne ren, tsi ni iot, ni, i, tsi on kwa ni konr hens. O the non, ion ki ni konh rak sa ton, non kwe; to sa, a ion kwa sen ni, ne ka ri wa ne ren, ak we kon, e ren, sa wit, nio tak sens.
NE NE KA NA KE RAH TSHE RA, NE NE KA SATS TENH SE RA, KA IA TA NE HRA KWAH TSHE RA, SA WEN'K NON:WA NOK TSI NEN:WE – E THO E THO NA IA WEN.

January 15 – Baptism of the Lord

WHAT IS A purpose-driven life? Sometimes, the meaning only becomes clear after an experience makes us look back at seemingly unrelated decisions that made us who we are. It's that "ah-ha" moment. The gospel today describes John the Baptist's "ah-ha" moment. Until that day, John had been following a path he couldn't quite see clearly, wandering the wilderness, preaching of the Son of God whom he might never even meet in the flesh. John was a recluse who attracted a huge following. These followers believed his wrath-inflicting Messiah would be the political ruler they had been waiting for. But the meaning of John's life decisions became clear in his meeting with Jesus. The heavens literally opened and God spoke to him! Jesus' ministry would be non-political and characterized by love. Jesus was the one for whom John was preparing the way, and John's future was forever changed by Jesus. The purpose of our lives may not always be as dramatically revealed to us as John's was by God. Some of us may feel lost, wandering in our own wilderness. But recognizing the need to search is the first brave step toward finding that purpose. In that search we, like John, may meet Jesus by our own riverbank. It is an encounter that will radically change our future. *Saskia Sivananthan, Vancouver, BC.*

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THE DECEASED. O loving Father, we commend to your care all of our parishioners who are suffering in mind, body, or spirit, all anticipating surgery, all in our hospitals and nursing homes. Lay your healing hand on Orlo Ransom, April Benedict, Charlotte Lazore, Nancy Phillips, Laurie Connors, Sheila Ransom, and all who have asked our prayers at this time.

Grant eternal rest to our recently deceased: Hubert Rourke, Daniel White, Norma Johnson-Arquette and Jeffrey Day. Comfort those who mourn. Strengthen our faith and hope in the promise of resurrection in Christ. Amen.

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FOR PROTECTION OF HUMAN LIFE

Our Lady of Guadalupe, We turn to you, who are the protectress of unborn children and ask that you intercede for us, so that we may more firmly resolve to join you in protecting all human life. Let our prayers be united to your perpetual motherly intercession on behalf of those whose lives are threatened, be they in the womb of their mother, on the bed of infirmity, or in the latter years of their life. May our prayers also be coupled with peaceful action which witnesses to the goodness and dignity of all human life, so that our firmness of purpose may give courage to those who are fearful and bring light to those who are blinded by sin. Encourage those who will be involved in the March for Life; help them to walk closely with God and to give voice to the cry of the oppressed, in order to remind our nation of its commitment to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for all people. O Virgin Mother of God, present our petitions to your Son and ask Him to bless us with abundant life. Amen.

IN GRATITUDE to the three youth who have completed their training as Altar Servers, Cheyenne, Keon and Summer Mitchell, and to their parents for their support. God's blessing to each of you. The anticipated Investiture Celebration is Sun., Feb. 5, 2017, during Holy Mass.

Religious Education:

Confirmation: next class is on Jan. 18 at 6 pm at the St. Kateri Center.

First Communion: next class is Jan. 19 at 6 pm at the St. Kateri Center. AMS school next class is Tuesday, Jan. 17, immediately following school hours at 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm (for students attending AMS school).

CAMP GUGGENHEIM REGISTRATION: Registration for the 2017 season is now open! Register soon to ensure a spot for an incredible week of fun and growth in faith! Go to www.rcdony.org/camp to register! For more information call the Office of Youth Ministry at 315-393-2920 or: vlalonde@rcdony.org
WINTER RETREAT DAY: Praying with the Psalms. Theme: "Praying With the Psalms" facilitated by Sr. Bethany Fitzgerald, SSJ. Place: Cedarhaven, Morristown, located along the St. Lawrence River. Date: Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017 from 9:30- 4:00/ with option of overnight for extended retreat time. Suggested Offering: \$25 for Day (includes lunch). Additional \$25 for overnight (with dinner and breakfast included). register: Call: [315-212-6592](tel:315-212-6592) or email srbethssj@gmail.com by Feb. 1.

Parish Ministry Meetings

@ St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center

Parish Council	Jan. 25 – 5:30 pm
Finance Council	Jan. 18 – 4:30 pm
Liturgy & Faith Ministry	Jan. 9 – 5:30 pm
Choir/Music Ministry	Jan. 14 – 9:30 am
Altar & Rosary Society	Jan. 8 – 12:30 pm

COLLECTIONS for Jan. 7 and 8, 2017
\$479.35 CDN \$493.60 US