



St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2021**

# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." - Mk 1:7-8

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Parish registration

Newcomers to the parish are asked to register with the office as soon as possible. We would like to meet you and give you a welcome packet!

BAPTISM

Classes are scheduled by appointment through the Church Office.

***Baptism packet/registration must be picked up in advance, please stop by the Church Office.***

MARRIAGE

Contact the church office at least six months in advance.



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, January 11th

9:00am — +Logan Cunningham

Tuesday, January 12th

9:00am— +Deacon James Burns

Wednesday, January 13th

12:10pm— +Jay Delaney

6:00pm—(SI) David Herron

Thursday, January 14th

9:00am—+Susan Markwell

7:00pm (San José)

Special Intention

Friday, January 15th

9:00am—+Margaret Dorneden

Saturday, January 16th

5:00pm—+Rose Nowell

Sunday, January 17th

7:30am —+Kenneth Carter

9:30am—+Irene Gallagher

12:00pm —+Isidro Limon

2:00pm (Spanish)

People of the Parish

**CONFESSION:**

Wednesday 5:00—5:30pm

Saturday 4:00—4:45pm

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

Wednesday 4:00—5:40pm

First Friday 9:30—11:00am



# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10, 2021

- SUN 1/10** Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
- MON 1/11** Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20
- TUE 1/12** Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28
- WED 1/13** Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39
- THR 1/14** Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45
- FRI 1/15** Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12
- SAT 1/16** Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13-17
- SUN 1/17** 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10, 2021

- Sunday:** The Baptism of the Lord
- Wednesday:** St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Sunday:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

We carry a greater depth of self-confidence and chance of succeeding when we have affirmation, a sense of direction and clear purpose in life. Each of these serve to provide our lives with meaning, allowing us to clearly establish priorities and goals. They also are necessary for integrity, which is the conviction and single mindedness that keeps us grounded in the truth of who we are. "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Jesus' baptism provides him with exactly what he needs to get about the business of his mission as the Son of God. He is given what he needs to be successful in fulfilling the purpose for which he was sent. Our baptisms give us these same gifts. We receive the affirmation we need from God, knowing that we are one of his beloved daughters and sons. We are gifted with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Are we ready and willing to answer the call?

  
**BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

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*The future  
starts  
today, not  
tomorrow.*

— ST. JOHN PAUL II

## JOINED BY FAITH; CALLED TO SHARE

### OFFERTORY Week of December 20th

|                 |    |           |
|-----------------|----|-----------|
| Offertory       | \$ | 11,961.00 |
| Online          | \$ | 3,690.00  |
| Parish Missions | \$ | 605.00    |
| Online          | \$ | 0.00      |

Please consider online giving:  
<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1566>

Offertory may also be mailed to the parish or dropped in our secure lock

### OFFERTORY Week of December 27th

NOT AVAILABLE AT THE TIME  
OF PUBLICATION.

Please make note: At this time we are not able to offer missalettes for distribution. These disposable missalettes, along with the hymnals, come with a three year contract which we have determined is not economical or environmentally friendly. We are planning to eventually provide permanent hardbound hymnals with readings for years A, B and C. These will be ordered and placed in the pews when it is determined it is safe to do so. In the meantime we do have available the monthly subscription to Word Among Us. The combined edition for January and February has been placed out and we have ordered more to distribute as soon as possible. You may use the Word Among Us for daily Mass and Sunday Mass. Also, readings are available on our parish app and through the USCCB.org website.

23RD ANNUAL  
**REVERSE DRAW**  
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW!**

# HAVANA Nights

**Saturday, February 13 2021**  
**Rainwater Conference Center | Valdosta**

Music | Dancing | Full Cash Bar | Silent & Live Auctions | Steel's Jewelry Raffle

## A CHANCE TO WIN \$10,000!



## Prayer intentions

### For our sick

*Together let us pray for our loved ones...*

#### Parishioners

Beatriz Agudelo, Mickey Kelly, Julie Nickeson, Jeannine Becton, Charles McFarland, Mary Padgett, Doug Henderson, Bob Consolini, Betty McElwain, John Waite, Wynette Dobard, Brigitte Carter, James Dabney, Nerma Dave, Carol Hill, Janie McGhin

#### Family and Friends of Parishioners

Cathy Chamberlain, Linda Haymen, Linda Barrett, Joseph C. Wink, Jr., Dan Chase, Sandy Darden, Mike Eddington, Jerry Stophel, Andrew Meissner, Janet Starling, Joe Sheer, John Gutermuth, Lucy Davis, Marge Gannaway, Freddy Stalby, Kristian Ann Roberts, Kathleen Valasek, Rhonda Hoffman

### For Those Who Have Died

*Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:*

Margaret "Peg" Mayo, mother of Michelle Kirkpatrick

Richard Pye

Ransom F. Gladwin,  
father of Randy Gladwin

Ray Hamel

Bobby Dugger

Sr. Joan Harrington



## RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

RCIA will continue following the 9:30 Mass (10:45-11:45 AM) in the Parish Center Conference Room. These sessions are open to everyone (even those who are already Catholic). It is requested that masks be worn. For more information contact Deacon Paul at 229-263-5659 or e-mail [deaconpaul@stjohnenvang.org](mailto:deaconpaul@stjohnenvang.org)

Topic for Jan. 10 – The Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation

Topic for Jan. 17 – Vocation; Sacrament of Matrimony

Topic for Jan. 24 – Sin and Repentance; Sacrament of Reconciliation

## Thank You and New Year Wishes

Words are not adequate to express my appreciation for your generosity, kindness and support given to St. Francis Center not just this Christmas but throughout 2020. ( look out for report in January.) Due to the pandemic we have seen an increase in unemployment, evictions, homelessness, domestic violence, food insecurity and emergency utility assistance. We were able to assist many more of our vulnerable brothers and sisters because of your generosity. Thank you for your Christ like response and for recognizing Jesus in our downtrodden, wounded, homeless and hungry brothers and sisters.

As we enter the New Year of 2021, I wish you a renewed sense of Hope, a deeper Awareness of God's presence in our midst, especially in all the chaos, confusion, suffering, pain and deaths that continue due to COVID 19.

With a heart full of gratitude, I share this blessing with you:

Let the Star of Hope blaze through discouragement, doubt and disgruntleness.

Let the Star of Kindness radiate through what you think, feel and do today.

Let the Star of Remembrance glitter in thoughts of good people and good deeds.

Let the Star of Laughter sparkle in your eyes and in your smile.

Let the Star of Joy dance in the corners of your heart that have forgotten to sing.

Let the Star of Patience permeate that which you find difficult and irritable.

Let the Star of Love encompass your heart, a ray of welcome for everyone you meet.

( Taken from book *Out of the Ordinary* by Joyce Rupp)

Peace and blessings!

Sr. Nuala

## ADORATION AND PRAYER FOR LIFE

NEVER TIRE OF FIRMLY  
SPEAKING OUT IN DEFENSE OF  
LIFE FROM ITS CONCEPTION AND  
DO NOT BE DETERRED FROM THE  
COMMITMENT TO DEFEND THE  
DIGNITY OF EVERY HUMAN  
PERSON WITH COURAGEOUS  
DETERMINATION.

*Christ is with you;  
Be not afraid!*

- Pope St. John Paul II



The over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a “throwaway culture.” However, we have great trust in God’s providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord’s help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard.

Friday, January 22, 2021 marks the 48th anniversary of the *Roe v. Wade* ruling that legalized abortion in the United States. In reparation for this grave sin, we will have sung vespers for the dead, silent prayer and a rosary for life on this day beginning at 6:00pm in the church.

LET US BE PRO-ACTIVE FOR THE CAUSE FOR LIFE! The parish Respect Life Ministry is hosting a *Diaper Drive* throughout the month of January. The diapers will be shared with different agencies in our community to help support families with new babies—including our own St. Francis Center. Look for the Pack-n-Play (crib) in the vestibule of the church.

## PARISH MISSION IN FEBRUARY!



Gus Lloyd, host of *Seize the Day* on the Catholic Channel Sirius XM 129, will be returning for a Parish Mission on Friday evening, February 5th and Saturday, February 6th.

**“Meeting the Spiritual Challenges of our Challenging Times”**

This event will be held in the church and will also be live-streamed for our viewers at home through our Facebook “Live”

## ANNUAL CHILI SUPPER!



Wednesday, January 27th, 5:00 to 7:00pm  
Chili, Cornbread and dessert—to go!

Tickets are \$5.00 per person and are available after Mass on January 9th/10th and 16th/17th, OR at the Church Office during the week.

## LENTEN FAITH SHARING GROUPS

St John the Evangelist will once again have our small Lenten faith sharing groups available to parishioners. The groups meet on various days & times during the Lenten Season. We are now looking for parishioners who would like to lead a small group. Lenten materials will be provided. You choose the day of the week and time of day that would fit your schedule to lead a group.

Please contact [leecrosby1012gmail.com](mailto:leecrosby1012gmail.com) or 229-251-6628 if interested in leading a group or if you have questions. Please let us know as soon as possible. Thanks for your interest.

# 9 DAYS FOR LIFE

PRAY TO PROTECT  
HUMAN LIFE!

**JANUARY 21-29, 2021**

*9 Days for Life* is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Join today at [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com)!



**3 WAYS TO JOIN**



**9DaysforLife.com**

Image: A mosaic of Our Lady of Guadalupe decorates a side altar in the Church of Santa Maria della Famiglia at the Vatican, Dec. 13. (CNS photo/Paul Haring.)