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Sanctae Familiae Jesu Maria et Ioseph

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The Baptism of the Lord



From the Pastor

In this New Year 2022 we are invited to take a step forward in hope, always trusting in the Father's loving plan for us revealed in Jesus Christ His Son. Let us trustingly, like true children of our heavenly Father, continue to draw close in love to Our Lord, who in so many ways, through our Church, draws close to us. Remain faithful each week to Sunday Mass, pray in the home with the family every day and seek in other ways to generously invite the Lord into your daily life.

May God bless our parish with greater faith, hope and love in this gift of a new year.

Epiphanytide Blessing of Homes

Please be sure to take home blessed chalk and write above the door of the house the year, along with the initials of the Three Kings, like so: **20 + C + M + B + 22**

Your chalk received a priestly benediction on the Feast of the Epiphany with the following prayer from the Roman Ritual:

“Bless, O Lord God, this creature chalk to render it helpful to Thy people. Grant that they who use it in faith and with it inscribe upon the doors of their homes the names of Thy saints, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar, may through their merits and intercession enjoy health of body and protection of soul. Through Christ our Lord.”

The following prayer may be said by the head of the household with the sprinkling of the rooms with Epiphany Water, available from the parish Holy Water tank:

Be enlightened and shine forth, O Jerusalem, for thy light is come, and upon thee is risen the glory of the Lord, Jesus Christ born of the Virgin Mary.

Nations shall walk in thy light, and kings in the splendor of thy birth.

R: And the Glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

Let us pray. Bless, O Lord, almighty God, this home that it be the shelter of health, chastity, self-conquest, humility, goodness, mildness, obedience to the commandments and thanksgiving to God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. May Thy blessing remain for all time upon this dwelling and them that live herein. Through Christ our Lord.

R: Amen

The Sunday Holy Gospel

From the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Luke 2:42-52

“And when he was twelve years old, they going up into Jerusalem, according to the custom of the feast, And having fulfilled the days, when they returned, the child Jesus remained in Jerusalem; and his parents knew it not. And so on.

Homily of St. Bernard Abbot

Homilia super Missus est, n. 7-8

“And he was subject unto them. Who was subject? And to whom? God to man! God, I repeat, to whom the Angels are subject, whom the Principalities and Powers do obey, was subject to Mary; and not only to Mary, but to Joseph also for Mary's sake. Marvel, therefore, both at God and man, and choose that which giveth greater wonder, whether it be the most loving condescension of the Son, or the exceeding great dignity of his Mother. Both amaze us, both are marvellous. That God should obey a woman is lowliness without parallel, that woman should rule over God, an elevation beyond comparison. In praise of virgins it is sung of them alone, that they follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. Of what praise do ye judge that woman to be worthy who is thus placed before the Lamb of God.

“Learn, O man, to obey! Learn, O earth, to be subject! Learn, O dust, to submit! The Evangelist speaking of thy Creator saith: And he was subject unto them. And there is no doubt that this sheweth us that God was subject to Mary and Joseph. Shame on you, ye proud entities of dust and ashes! God abaseth himself, and dost thou, O creature sprung from the earth, exalt thyself? God maketh himself subject to man, and dost thou, who art always so eager to lord it over men, set up thyself to lord it over thy Creator? For as often soever as I desire pre-eminency over men, so often do I strive to excel God. For of him it was said: And he was subject unto them. If thou disdainest, O man, to follow the example of man, at least thou canst follow thy Creator without dishonour...”

Thank You Caitlin Sanders

For several years Caitlin has assisted our parish in various ways, more recently as a bulletin editor. We wish to thank and recognize her for her generous service as she is now stepping down from this task. Please offer a prayer of thanks for her intentions.

Please note that now bulletin items should now be submitted through the parish office or emailed to sjkrautle@gmail.com. Thank you!

Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of Richard K. Estes

“Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church” is now on Facebook. “Like” us today!

Stewardship Last Sunday:

Offertory: \$1011.00
 Parish use/restricted:
 \$721.00
 Christmas \$640.00
 Website Paypal portal wkly
 avg: \$200
 Maintenance labor/supplies:
 \$70.00
 Fuel \$66.00
 Solemnity Jan 1st: \$797.00
 Votives \$6.00

-Thank you for your generosity

Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Irving Chappellear, Dorothy Hume, Ray Stublarec, Neal Sullivan, Miles and Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn, Daniel Rodriguez, Paul Custer, and Jerome and Jean Malsack.

Please call the rectory at 301-274-3416 or contact Father Cusick at cusickk@adw.org to arrange for him to visit any homebound, ill or hospitalized parishioners or family members.

Rite of Christian Initiation - Adult Faith Formation Classes

Classes for adults seeking to enter the Church are scheduled by our faith formation director Aaron Percich. Email him to start formation: aaron.percich@comcast.net. Pick up a copy of the weekly Wanderer Newspaper available in church and see the "B" section for a basic adult catechetical resource.

Children's Faith Formation

Our Church teaches that parents are the first teachers in the ways of Faith for all of our young people. No one has more power or responsibility before God for witnessing to our children of the fact of the Lord's Resurrection and His presence in our lives through the Church. Those parents who wish to augment home school with parish faith formation are asked to contact the parish office.

Families must be attending Sunday Mass throughout the year before children can receive first sacraments.

Holy Sweepers for the weeks of January 2 and 9

Ponton Family

Holy Sweepers are the families and individuals who graciously keep our church clean and tidy. They clean once a week, for a two week period, on a rotating basis. If you would like to be a Holy Sweeper, please contact the parish office.

Service on the Altar

Training for all current and prospective members of the Society of Saints Aloysius and Alphonsus (SSAA) altar boy society will be held on the first Saturday of each month after the 9:00 am Mass.

All interested boys and men are invited to please contact Jamieson Scarlata at 1619surfer@gmail.com

UPCOMING:

- ProLife prayers every second Saturday of the month, **and next on January 8th**, from 10-11 am at Waldorf Planned Parenthood, 3975 St. Charles Parkway, Gateway Plaza, 20602

Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

Sunday	9 Jan	8:00 am	Annmarja Balan	Sanctæ Familiæ Jesu Mariæ Joseph
		9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	Baptism of Our Lord
		11:00 am	Christmas Flower Donor Intentions	
Monday	10 Jan	**	Tony Mazzucco	Within Octave of Epiphany
Tuesday	11 Jan	**	David Darling	Within Octave of Epiphany
Wednesday	12 Jan	6:00 pm	<i>Adoration/Confessions</i>	
		7:00 pm	†Bishop Luigi Negri	Within Octave of Epiphany
Thursday	13 Jan	9:00 am	Tony Mazzucco	Octave Day of the Epiphany
Friday	14 Jan	9:00 am	Elizabeth Shane	St Hilary, Doctor & Confessor
Saturday	15 Jan	9:00 am	Intns Fr Cusick	St Paul, First Hermit & Confessor
Sunday	16 Jan	8:00 am	Sr Dede	Dominica II post Epiphaniam
		9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
		11:00 am	Dr Condon	

* Mass in English **Father away - no public Mass

If you would like to have a Mass offered, you may email meitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com, stop by the parish office during regular business hours, drop a note in the collection basket or see Father after Mass. The customary offering for a Mass, per Archdiocesan guidelines, is \$10.00.

Staff

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Mass and Sacrament Schedule

Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays 8 am & 11 am

Weekdays: Mon 9 am, Wed 7 pm, Thurs-Sat 9 am

Holy Days: 8 am, 7 pm

English: Sundays 9 am, **Holy Days** 6 pm

Confessions offered prior to all weekend Masses

Baptisms and Marriages: By appointment 6 months in advance. **Bulletin Deadline:** Two Thursdays prior to the date of publication. Send to sjkrautle@gmail.com or call the rectory at 301-274-3416.

New Parishioners: Welcome! Please complete a registration form, available in the back of the church and also at <https://www.stfrancisbenedict.org/registration-form/>. You may email it, return it to Father, or drop it in the collection basket.