

#### JANUARY 13, 2019

#### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc

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#### Mass Times

Holy Family - Grand Blanc Saturday Vigil 4 pm Sunday 8 am, 10 am, 12 pm, 5 pm

> *Weekday* Monday - Saturday 8 am Wednesday 6:30 pm

**St. Mark's - Goodrich** Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm Sunday 9:30 am

> *Weekday* Tuesday 6:30 pm Friday 8:30 am

#### Parish Directory

Hours...... M-F 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. / 1 - 5 p.m. (closed 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. for lunch) Email: holyfamily@hfgb.org / Website: hfgb.org Pastor, Fr. Joseph Krupp Parochial Vicars, Fr. Peter Lawrence and Fr. Bill Wegher Deacon, Dennis Pennell Deacon, Larry Blondin Music Director, Dr. B. Simon Lee Associate Music Director, Dr. Sia Lee Liturgy Coordinator, Lorri O'Dea Business Manager, Brian Kita Director of Evangelization, Erin Cummings Accountant, Aimee Wolven Program Director, Kristin Smith Parish Secretary, Theresa Dyer Bulletin Editor, Linda Doyle Special Projects / Communications, Nicole Urbanik

#### Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.;
Sunday 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 12 p.m. & 5 p.m.
Children's Liturgy of the Word (no summer) - during 10 a.m. Mass - For children four years old - 2nd grade
\*St. Mark - Goodrich - Sat (Vigil) 5:30 p.m. / Sun 9:30 am
Weekday: Monday - Saturday 8 a.m. / Wed 6:30 p.m.
\*St. Mark - Goodrich - Tue 6:30 p.m. / Fri 8:30 a.m.
Holy Day: As announced in bulletin.

#### **Sacraments**

Reconciliation: Sat. 8:30 - 9:30 a.m., Sun. 9:30 - 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., and by appt. Wed. 8:30 - 9 am and 6 - 6:30 pm *St. Mark - Goodrich Saturday 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.* Baptism: Please make arrangements in advance. Marriage: Please make arrangements with Parish Priest at least nine months in advance.

#### **Prayers & Devotions**

**Rosary:** 7:15 am MWTF / 5:30 pm Wed / 8:30 am Sat **Eucharistic Adoration:** Wed....... 8:30 a.m. - 6:15 p.m. \**St. Mark - Goodrich - First Fridays 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.* **Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion** ....Wed 7p.m. **Fatima Prayer Cell** ..... Tues 4 p.m.

#### Ministry to the III & Bereaved Linda Waggoner, Nancy Repuyan 694-4891

Social Outreach Ministry......771-7279 Hours M-F 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. / Brian Holyfield

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#### Religious Education......694-9072

Religious Education Classes (Pre-school - Adult) Children's Liturgy of the Word... during Sun. 10 am Mass Grades K-6 .... Sun 11:30 am - 12:45 pm Grades 7-8 .... Sun. 6 - 8 pm in St. Joseph Center Special Education Contact the RE office Director, **Janet Gravel** ...... ext. 151 RCIA/Baptism Director, **Maddie White**......ext. 154

#### Youth Ministry 694-9072

Jan Gravel (Middle School), ext. 151 Erin Cummings (IMPACT High School), ext. 204 All meeting Sundays 6 - 8 pm in the St. Joseph Center during the school year

#### Event/Facility Coordinator 694-9013 Carrie Pilarski

Meeting and Event Facilities: Father Bush Parish Center, St. Joseph Center, and all other venues

#### **Pastoral Council**

Chairperson, Matthew Williams Vice Chairperson, Jordan Mitchell At-Large Members: Rel. Ed./Youth - Tiffany Minder Athletic Boosters - Jayson Richert School/PTO - Tim Willis Communications/Events - Carrie Pilarski Worship Representative, Sr. Sharon Hektor Evangelization Representative, Deb Hawley Christian Service Representative Parish Life Representative, Carrie Pilarski Finance Representative, Jayson Richert

Commissions: Christian Service Commission Facilitator, Evangelization Commission Facilitator, Randy Petrides Finance Commission Facilitator, Jim Distelrath Parish Life Commission Facilitator, Connie Lesley

To contact any Facilitators, please call parish office

**Bulletin Deadline:** The deadline for each Sunday is the previous **Monday by noon.** Watch the bulletin for holiday early deadlines. Submit to: Idoyle@hfgb.org

### Pastoral Notes

#### A Cup of Joe

Greetings in Christ, all! This morning I woke up to snow on the ground and I believe that winter is finally here...thank God! I know a lot of you won't agree with me on this one, but I love the cold...mmmmm!

I need to start off by clarifying right away something from last week's bulletin. When I wrote about Fr. Bill taking on responsi-

bilities in our area, I did not mean to indicate that he is not praying Mass with us anymore: he is, thank God! I only meant that he will probably do less of the day-to-day appointment work he's been doing. Sorry if I confused anyone!

In a homily earlier in my time here, I quoted Pope Benedict and a couple of you asked me to share that quote. I'm going to share two of my favorite quotes from him for your reflection and edification, also because my time is short here and I need to get the bulletin in!

God bless you all, I thank the Lord for both of my Parish Families!

"To have Christian hope means to know about evil and yet to go to meet the future with confidence. The core of faith rests upon accepting being loved by God, and therefore to believe is to say Yes, not only to him, but to creation, to creatures, above all, to men, to try to see the image of God in each person and thereby to become a lover. That's not easy, but the basic Yes, the conviction that God has created men, that he stands behind them, that they aren't simply negative, gives love a reference point that enables it to ground hope on the basis of faith."

#### — Pope Benedict XVI

"Are we not perhaps all afraid in some way? If we let Christ enter fully into our lives, if we open ourselves totally to him, are we not afraid that He might take something away from us? Are we not perhaps afraid to give up something significant, something unique, something that makes life so beautiful? Do we not then risk ending up diminished and deprived of our freedom? . . . No! If we let Christ into our lives, we lose nothing, nothing, absolutely nothing of what makes life free, beautiful and great. No! Only in this

friendship are the doors of life opened wide. Only in this friendship is the great potential of human existence truly revealed. Only in this friendship do we experience beauty and liberation. And so, today, with great strength and great conviction, on the basis of long personal experience of life, I say to you, dear young people: Do not be afraid of Christ! He takes nothing away, and he gives you everything. When we give ourselves to him, we receive a hundredfold in return. Yes, open, open wide the doors to Christ and you will find true life. Amen."

#### — Pope Benedict XVI

**Everyone Has a Mission** 

Thursday, February 7th, 7 - 9 p.m.

Please join us as we welcome Fr.

Holy Family, Grand Blanc -Fr. Bush Parish Center



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#### **Stewardship & Worship** Receive God's gifts gratefully - Cherish & tend to them responsibly -Share them in justice & love - Return them to God

#### **Outreach Thank You**

Thank you so much to all who came to help with food unloading, sorting and distribution! A special thank you to the 18 young ROTC men who helped on both Friday and Saturday. It is wonderful that, with all your support, we were able to provide food to so many for the holidays.

#### Bottle and Can Drive

HFS 8th Graders are going to Washington DC in March! To assist with expenses, they will be having a Can and Bottle Drive from **Saturday, January 12th, through Sunday, January 20th**. Please drop off all your cans and bottles to the trailer located in the upper parking lot. Thank you for your support!



Welcome to our newest members who joined us through the Sacrament of Baptism.



*Editor apologies for missing the following baptisms for the January 6 bulletin.* 

#### Baptized on December 30, 2018

Mariana De Jesus Sanchez, daughter of Jesus Sanchez Penaloza and Jody (Garcia) Sanchez. Mariana was born on December 28, 2011.

**Brooklyn Diane Sokol**, daughter of Justin and LeAnn (Cunningham) Sokol. Brooklyn was born on July 28, 2018.

#### Stewardship of Treasure January 5th & 6th

Registered Families	1923
Envelopes received this week	495
Online givers this week	149
Amount offered from envelopes	\$ 17,403.00
Amount offered from online giving	\$ 14,040.83
Amount offered from visitors	\$ 1,851.75
Total weekly offerings	\$ 33,295.58

#### Angel Tree Gift Thank You

The two hundred children of the North End Soup Kitchen thank the families of Holy Family Parish for their generous and thoughtful Christmas gifts. It was greatly appreciated!

#### PRAYER OF LIFE NOVENA Monday, Jan. 14 - Tuesday, Jan. 22



This weekend you will find in the pews a beautiful prayer card given to us by the Knights of Columbus. This prayer comes to us from Pope St. John Paul II's Encyclical, *Evangelium Vitae.* 

You are encouraged to take the prayer card home and pray this prayer for the nine days, a Novena, leading up to the January 22nd, Day of Prayer (information about Jan. 22nd is listed below).

We will be praying this prayer together every morning from Monday, January 14th, to Tuesday, January 22nd, at 7:55 am (just prior to the 8:00 am Mass) and invite you to come for Mass and join us.



For this recognized Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children, Holy Family will be having a holy hour beginning at noon on Tuesday, January 22nd. We will expose the Blessed Sacrament followed by readings and prayer. We will conclude at 1:00 pm with Benediction.

#### 9 Days for Life

This is another novena dedicated to life. Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual pro-life novena, 9 *Days for Life*, Monday, January 14 – Tuesday, January 22. Pray for the respect of all human life with daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Download a free mobile

app, or sign up to receive the novena through daily emails or text message.

(A printable version is also available online.) Sign up at <u>www.9daysforlife.com</u>!



# Restore the Temple

Dear Parishioners,

We have counted the pledges from the last weekend of December and the first weekend of January. We are double checking our numbers, but our initial total for the Restoring the Temple campaign is bringing the total to \$3.45 million. We will double check everything and get back with you soon on it. Last weekend we reported that \$3.5 was available for the renovation. That was a projected amount before counting the final weekend of 2018 and first weekend of 2019. We are so excited about the renovation and very thankful that over 850 parishioners support our project. A special thank you to the parishioners who have pledged or given a gift to both campaigns.

Even though the active portion of the campaign has ended, we will continue to accept gifts and pledges and invite you to leave a gift to the parish for future projects in your estate plan. If you have any, questions call the office and ask for Kristin Smith.

Fr. Joe and the Building Committee will meet later this month and begin the task of scaling the renovation to match the funds raised. Fr. Joe will continue to provide updates as the project moves forward.

Thank you and God Bless you for your faithful and generous support of Holy Family.



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## What's Happening Here

#### **Bereavement Journey**

Please join us for a Spiritual Journey of the Heart and Soul. These meetings are for anyone who is grieving a recent or past loss or for someone who is supporting another who has suffered a loss.

We are meeting on the fourth Wednesday of the month. Our next meeting is on **Wednesday, January 23rd**, 1:00 p.m. in the Fr. Bush Small Hall.

For more information, please contact Linda Waggoner or Linda Blondin in the parish office (810) 694-4891, ext. 211.



#### Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship

Free participation - open to all boys and girls ages 9 - 14 Eligibility is determined by the age as of January 1st, 2019 New basketballs will be given to each age bracket winner Age bracket winners move on to District Championship Pizza and refreshments available to all participants!

Holy Family, Grand Blanc - school gym

Today, Sunday, January 13th / 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

For further information, please contact Fred McAvoy at mcavoy75@comcast.net or (810) 931-1870

## **CINCINNATI MISSION TRIP**

Grow closer to Christ by being his hands and feet to the world.

JULY 28TH - AUGUST 3RD | \$50 DEPOSITS DUE FEBRUARY IST

EMAIL ECUMMINGS@HFGB.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION



Open to all in High School

#### Holy Family Book Club

Book Club will begin the new calendar year with Joyce Rupp's *Dear Heart, Come Home*. We will continue to meet on Thursday evenings, beginning January 31st and continuing February 7th, 21st and 28th. The meeting time remains the same at 7 p.m., but the location has been changed to HFS (Rm. 7). The book is available online for about \$14, with used copies less. All are welcome. To register, or if you have any questions, call Debbie Oglenski, 866- 4777, or 989-479-6765.

#### 55 & Over Club

Blame it on the weather! When Holy Family School is closed due to inclement weather, our 55 & Over lunches are also cancelled. You will not be called. Check the TV station.



In the best of weather, cold or hot, come join us at our lunch from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Many events are in store for all of us this year.

Lunch this **Tuesday, January 15th**. Coming soon: Annual Garage and Bake Sale in April.



Join us for Trivia Night on **Friday, January 25th**, in the Fr. Bush Parish Center. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; game play begins at 7:00 p.m.

Register your team of six to eight players with cpilarski@hfgb.org. \$20 per player fee includes game play, white board side games, and chili dinner. Team table assignments will be made upon receipt of team entry fee. (Must be 18 to participate.)

Sponsored by Holy Family Parish Life Commission.

#### Mass Intentions January 14 - 20

#### Monday, January 14

8:00 AM Sue Daunt *by Kevin & Tina Makarewicz & sons* **Tuesday, January 15** 

8:00 AM Dr. Charles and Margaret Claffey by Knights of Columbus 6742

#### Wednesday, January 16

8:00 AM Denny O'Rourke by Shirley O'Rourke 6:30 PM Clara Wash by CRHP team friends

#### Thursday, January 17

8:00 AM Otto Wendt by Ales Family

#### Friday, January 18

8:00 AM Thomas R. Waggoner by Waggoner Family

#### Saturday, January 19

8:00 AM Darwin Hickman by Pete & Linda Daunt 4:00 PM Jerry Creighton by Bernice Murphy

#### Sunday, January 20

8:00 AM James Romprey *by Pete & Linda Daunt* 10:00 AM Mario Simoni *by Margherita Simoni Family* 12:00 PM Marion Palmer *by Jim Otis* 5:00 PM All Holy Family Parishioners

#### **Holy Family Happenings**

#### Sunday, January 13

9 AM - 2 PM Coffee & Donuts (FBPC)
9 AM - 12 PM Knights' Family Breakfast (FBPC)
12 PM - 3 PM Knights' Free Throw Contest (gym)
11:30 - 12:45 PM Religious Ed classes (HFS)
6 - 8 PM Religious Ed classes (SJC)
6:30 - 8 PM RCIA for Adults (FBPC)
6:30 - 8 PM High School Youth Group (FBPC)
Monday, January 14

9 AM - 12:30 PM St. Joseph Guild (FBPC) 10 - 11 AM Prayer Quilt Ministry (FBPC)

1:30 - 3 PM Christian Service meeting (FBPC)

**Tuesday, January 15** 11 AM - 2 PM Senior Luncheon (FBPC) 7 - 8:30 PM Baptism Prep (HFS)

#### Wednesday, January 16

8:30 AM - 6:15 PM Eucharistic Adoration (CH)
9 - 11 AM Walking with Purpose (SJC)
6:15 - 7 PM Parish Youth Choir (Dr. Lee's office)
5 - 7 PM Knights' Spaghetti Dinner (FBPC)
5:45 - 6:25 PM Parish Youth Choir (Dr. Lee's office)
7 - 9 PM Cantor/Adult Choir rehearsal (CH)
7:30 - 9 PM Church History Series (SJC)
Thursday, January 17
6 - 7:30 PM Walking with Purpose (SJC)

7 - 8 PM Band Concert (FBPC)
Friday, January 18
3 - 4 PM Help Put God Back in America (CH)
Saturday, January 19

9 AM - 12 PM Secular Order of Franciscan's (SJC)

#### Liturgical Ministry January 19 - 20 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM Saturday - Fr. Bill Wegher Lectors: Lorri O'Dea, James Daris Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: TBD Sandy Sprague Kathy Swiantek Jean Farris Anna Przyjazny Kourtney Lobsinger Mary Ann Hergenreder Darlene McKone Randy Swiantek Servers: A. Lobsinger, R. Payionk, L. Londrigan

#### 8:00 AM Sunday - Fr. Peter Lawrence

Lectors: Dan Charboneau, Neal Fatheree				
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:				
TBD	Ica Bernabe	Karen Horton		
David Roberts II	Yvonne Cesal	Peter Cook		
Cesar Bernabe	Kim Dinger	Dick Jobbagy		
Servers: Madysen	Haus, Halle Purcell,	Anna Dinger		

10:00 AM Sunday - Fr. Peter LawrenceLectors: Randy Petrides, Matthew WilliamsExtraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:TBDEarl HagenRoy LinkowskiRichard CrossDeborah Jansen van GalenLinda McGinnisJim GarlandCathy KellyTerry PetersonKaren GarlandPatrick KellyMarje MercierLinda KingstonServers:Ava Zagata, Blair Zagata, Emmerson Minder

#### 12:00 PM Sunday - Fr. Bill Wegher

Lectors: Ken Bachman, Mike Zelley Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: TBD Bill Harris Karen Allen Kathy Savoie Jane Harris Gavin Beach Karen Zelley Chris Harris Mark Dyer Servers: Michael / Monica Facchinello, Shawn O'Brien

5:00 PM Sunday - Fr. Joe Krupp Lectors: Chris McVannel, Alice Thomas Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

TBD	Sharon Peasel	Nancy Repuyan		
Martha Mansour	Marie Psenski	Jim Ridley		
Chris McVannel	Paula Rainey	(Help needed)		
Servers: Addison	/ Hannah Sliwka,	(Help needed)		

#### Weekly Readings January 13 - 20

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 / Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20 / Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28 / Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39 / Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45 / Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/ Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12 / Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf, Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13 -17 / Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

## Youth News and

### High School Youth Ministry

*Mission Statement:* We, the youth of Holy Family, as disciples of Jesus Christ, seek to deepen our relationship with the Lord and welcome others into that relationship through prayer, fellowship and service.



Join us this week for a talk by Fr. Peter and time to work on art for our art show fundraiser. Deposits for the Cincinnati Mission Trip are **due February 1st**! Turn in to the office or to Erin Cummings at youth group Sunday 6-8.

#### **DBSA Peer-led Support Group**

(Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance) Join a community of caring and supportive people who can help you on your road to recovery. The support group meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Center. For more information, call Angela at (810) 347-4706.



Sometimes people choose to remember a loved one who is deceased or to honor a special occasion by donating flowers for the altar. We order from our regular florist

so that the arrangements are a standard size and match the décor of the season. The cost is \$40. Currently **January 27, February 3 and 10, and March 3** are open for Altar Flowers.

If you would like to remember your loved ones in this special way and help make our church beautiful, please call Theresa in the parish office, 694-4891.

#### **Scripture Verse**

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.

- Lk 3:21-22a

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## and more

### Religious Education

#### Updated Calendar for Grades K - 8

January 13	Class (today)
January 20	No Class - Martin Luther King Weekend
January 27	No Class - Holy Family School Open
	House. All are Invited to attend.

\*7th/8th grade students are invited to join us for an evening (Jan 27) of creating art for the upcoming art show. We will meet in the SJC from 6 - 8 pm (instead of class).

#### **Confirmation Update**

The Confirmation/Sponsor retreat will be held on **Saturday**, **February 9th**, Noon - 4 p.m. (We will attend the 4 p.m. Mass.) Students should bring their sponsor or, if the sponsor is not available, a parent may come in their place. Please accept my apologies for all the confusion regarding this retreat. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Jan at 810-694-9072, ext.2151.

#### **First Reconciliation Services**

First Reconciliation Services are the following days: Saturday, February 9th, at 10 a.m. Saturday, February 16th, at 10 a.m. Thursday, February 21st, at 6:30 p.m. Please keep these children in your prayers as they prepare to receive this beautiful sacrament of healing

#### Lost and Found

Found Friday, December 15: car keys in church parking lot - has a Clio Chrysler Dodge Jeep tag.

Found Monday, December 17: necklace with a V-shaped front (in back of church).

#### 8th Grade Visitation at Powers

8th grade students from area public schools are invited to come experience Powers Catholic on **Friday, February 1st**, from 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity to help you and your student make a decision about high school. All students will be sent home with information to share about the school, enrollment, and ways to reduce the cost of tuition.

If interested, please **RSVP by January 28th** to Ms. Valaria Sunday, Director of Admissions, at (810) 591-4741, ext. 6, or admissions@powerscatholic.org. Please include student's name, current school, and parish. It will be a Spirit Day at PCHS, so jeans are acceptable (no holes or tears please) with an orange and/or blue top. Lunch will be provided.

## Parish Prayers and more

#### **Prayer for My Family**

Gracious God, I pray now for my parents, and for all those who have positively influenced my life... for the happiness of good memories, and for the healing of sad memories... for the forgiveness of those who have wronged me, and for peace of heart with those to whom I did not or could not say "I'm sorry"...

For all the deceased members of my family, that in Your great mercy, Lord, You may forgive their sins and welcome them into eternal life...

For my relatives, friends, neighbors, coworkers and all who have assisted me throughout my life, in appreciation for the joys we have shared...

For my children and grandchildren and all other family members with whom I have experienced times both rewarding and challenging, and with whom I have shared events both painful and enriching...

For all those I know and love for whom I am presently anxious or concerned... for their health and well-being... for their return to the Sacraments... for those who are ill and in need of healing... for those who are out of school or unemployed... for those who are burdened with worries, fears, disappointments or addictions...

In Your great mercy, Lord, hear my prayers and grant my petitions for peace of mind and heart, for all in need of Your blessings, compassion, wisdom and saving grace.

Amen.



Altar flowers in memory of Edward and Susann Villaire by Scott & Cynthia Villaire and family

#### Help Put God Back in America

If you are concerned about the direction our country is going, please join us in church at **3:00 p.m. every Friday** and help with prayer to "Put God Back in America." The more voices, the more powerful the prayer. For more information, call Joe Dunn at 694-9223 or Marje Mercier at 694 -2276.



Please pray for the following Holy Family parishioners who died on these dates:

January 13 Ernest Miller, Michael Yates, Virginia Jablonski January 14 Robert Greib, Irene Curtis, Leota Catanese, John Dragus, Grayce D. Hubble, Toni Poirier, Frederick Ferguson January 16 Helen J. Atherholt, Henry Frey January 17 George Whaley, Marilyn Woodruff, Beatrice Robitaille January 18 Mary Lewis, Marion Mintline, Thomas R. Waggoner, Wilma Steinmetz, Robert Crawford, Bertha Williams, John Fry, Maurice Robitaille January 19 Thomas McGuinity, Anne Kulik, Bernard Cunningham

### **Prayer Intention of Pope Francis**

for January

**Evangelization:** That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the gospel to the world.

#### Please Pray for the Ill and Their Caregivers



Please remember in prayer those listed in the January 6 bulletin and those listed in the Parish Book of Intercessions at the back of the church. Newly added: Julia Kerrigan.



Please pray for these men and women in military service:

SFC Matthew Crimando—Army, Camp Shelby, MS Sgt. Kyle Kaneris—Army LT. Noël Koenig—Navy, Dallas, TX Lcpl. Zachary Korte—Marines, Washington Sgt. Adam Moreau—Army, North Carolina A1C Daniel Przybysz— Air Force, Minot, ND Sgt. Zachary Rogers - Army, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii PFC Joseph Sardo - Army, Ft. Carson, CO A1C Patrick Sordyl—Air Force, Wright-Patterson, OH Maj. Richard J. Valko—Marines, San Diego, CA PV-2 Adam Vance—Army, Colorado

## What's Happening Here

#### Knights' Spaghetti Dinner

The Knights' monthly spaghetti dinner is this coming **Wednesday, January 16th**, from 5 to 7:00 p.m. in the Fr Bush Parish Center. Please join us for great spaghetti and salad bar. All proceeds fund our numerous charities. Great deal \$8 adults, \$5 children, and \$27 for the family.

#### Fatima Apostolate Prayer Cell

Fatima Apostolate Prayer Cell is a weekly time in the church (**Tuesdays 4:00 p.m.**) for prayer to honor the Trinity within the Eucharist, a time to pray for our family and for those whose faith is being challenged and for the sins of the world. Today this is so important when you look around the world. We also pray a rosary.

#### **Gospel Meditation**

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture **The Baptism of the Lord**

Think of what it's like to wait a long time. Can you imagine what it would be like to wait for centuries? No one person lives that long, of course. But for the Israelites, they had heard the stories from generation to generation. They had been conquered time and time again, and now "the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ." They had been waiting for a Messiah, one who did miraculous deeds and said profound things; someone aglow with the glory of God. We all know what it's like to hope and be disappointed. But what if your hopes were fulfilled?

That day at the Jordan River, an audience had gathered. Among the crowd for baptism was an unknown man. Perhaps he was dirty from weeks in the desert. His hands had the calloused palms of a tradesman, a carpenter. He and John the Baptist may have embraced with the familiarity of the cousins they were. This man wades into the Jordan for a good, solid dunking. As he rises from the water, the One who breathed life into Adam gasps for air like any other man.

But then "heaven was opened." The clouds in the sky part miles above. "And the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove." An apparition with substance sails through the sky. It exudes gentleness and power all at once. "And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Can you imagine the sight? For the crowd, there is no doubting what they have seen, who they have seen. Can you imagine this encounter with our God who keeps His promises? What are you waiting for?

#### Parish Youth Choir Rehearsals

Beginning Wednesday, January 9th, the Parish Youth Choir will rehearse on Wednesdays, 5:45 p.m. - 6:25 p.m. in Dr. Lee's office rehearsal room. (The rehearsal location can be changed due to the office renovation later.) Immediately after the rehearsal, the students are welcome to join the director attending 6:30 p.m. Mass, which may end around 7:00 p.m. Therefore, you may pick up your child in the church either at 6:25 p.m. or 7:00 p.m.

The Parish Youth Choir will continue singing at Sunday 12 noon Mass throughout the year.

Thank you for your support in this ministry!

#### Souper Bowl of Caring

After the 4:00 p.m. Mass on **February 2nd** and after the morning Masses on **February 3rd**, members of the Youth Group will be at the entrances to the church collecting spare change for the Souper Bowl of Caring weekend. All of the mon-



ey raised this weekend will be go to Holy Family Outreach. Please contact Erin Cummings in the Religious Education office with any questions.

#### Annual Men's Retreat March 1-3, 2019

St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt, MI "From Chaos to Order: A Scriptural Guide" Join us to gain new scriptural insights on ways to bring order into your own life and community. The suggested donation for the weekend is \$175 - retreat begins with check in at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and ends after lunch on Sunday. Men of all ages are welcome! Register with St. Francis at 517-669-8321; registration is also available online at www.stfrancis.ws. Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to set aside time for this encounter opportunity!



## What's Happening Here

#### Art Show Fundraiser Please join us on Saturday, February 9th, and Sunday,

**February 10th**, after all the Masses in the school lobby for Mission Makeover and High School Mission Trip's strolling art show.



Students have been busy painting, and making jewelry and wood products that will be available for purchase. All proceeds will go to fund the Mission Makeover program and the high school summer mission trip.

#### FORMED PICK

### Living Life by Design Not by Default

By Fr. Michael Schmitz

#### Live This Year Intentionally

Fr. Michael Schmitz explains why and how we need to live an intentionally Christian life within this technological age. Discover how, with a few small steps, you can stop going with the flow and live by design.

Listen on formed.org





"Father Mike always hits me in the gut with the simplest and most beautiful logic. So so good."

—Ryan H.



#### Holy Family School Position Open Long-Term Substitute Teacher needed for Kindergar-

ten - Holy Family School, Grand Blanc Holy Family is seeking a Long-Term Guest Teacher for Kindergarten to instruct students while teacher is on maternity leave. This position will begin with shadowing current Kindergarten teacher for three days the first week in March and taking over instruction March 14 through June 14. Applicants must be practicing Catholics, have a valid State of Michigan teaching certificate (elementary or ZA endorsement), pass a criminal background check and complete the Protecting God's Children (VIRTUS) Program. Interested candidates should submit the following to tpurcell@hfsgb.org or fax to (810) 694-9405. 1. Cover letter/ 2. Resume / 4. Copy of your transcripts /

5. List of three references (complete contact information)



#### **Church History Series**

The six-week series will cover the early Church to modern times and offer a sense of perspective on what we are going through now as a Church, as well as a good look at the inspirational work of many saints. Course will begin **Wednesday, January 16th**, at 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Center and run for six consecutive weeks (up to February 20th). Please contact Erin Cummings for more information:ecummings@hfgb.org.



If you, or anyone you know, has been harmed by anyone representing the Church, contact appropriate law enforcement. You may also contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Cheryl Williams-Hecksel, LMSW, by phone at 888-308-6252, or via e-mail to: cwilliamshecksel@dioceseoflansing.org.

## Around the Diocese

#### **Position Available**

The Diocese of Lansing is accepting applications for a Director of Communications. Applications will be accepted through January 18, 2019. To learn more about the position and apply, please go to www.dioceseoflansing.org/employment

#### **Ignatian Retreat**

July 14-20, 2019

The Institute for Spiritual Direction and St. Francis Retreat Center are again offering their annual Ignatian Retreat July 14-20, 2019.

This silent Ignatian retreat is built around the elements of Lectio Divina and the Examen prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola. The Examen is a technique of prayerful reflection on the events your day in order to discern God's direction for you. On this retreat, you will review your life from a prayerful, God-Centered perspective.

Fr. David Rosenberg, director of St. Francis Retreat Center, will again be the rector for this retreat. It begins with registration at 1:00 pm on Sunday, July 14th. The opening session will consist of orientation and an introduction to the rest of the week. You will be introduced to your spiritual director, whom you will meet with each day for the rest of the week.

The cost of this retreat is \$620 per person, this includes all meals, materials, and lodging. A non-refundable deposit of \$75 is requested with your registration.

#### Volunteer - Kindred Hospice

Training is available. Volunteer visits usually last 1-4 hours per week and volunteers always have the say as to their time/availability. Hospice visit volunteers must be at least 18 years old and able to provide their own transportation. (Volunteers 16-18 years old may volunteer as administrative support in the office.) Please contact Minnie Cabine at Kindred to volunteer or to ask any questions (810) 733-7250 / Minnie.Cabine@gentiva.com

#### Heartbeat Volunteer Opportunity

Heartbeat's mission is to provide much-needed supplies and support to crisis pregnancies in our community. Please consider donating the gift of your time to help staff the Heartbeat office, 320 East Fourth St, Flint 48502 during regular office hours 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Mon-Fri (except holidays), call 810.232.3101 if interested. You can work a day or part of a day as your schedule allows.

If you're new, we'll provide all the training you'll need! Thank you and God bless you for helping "the least of these"!

#### St. Francis Prayer Center Job Opening

Permanent Part-Time Maintenance Worker

St. Francis Prayer Center, G-2381 E. Carpenter Rd., Flint 16 hours, 3-4 days a week, with occasional weekends They are looking for a skilled maintenance worker to perform upkeep tasks and repairs. You will be responsible for applying basic fixes to the building and equipment, ensuring that our facility is functional.

You must possess manual dexterity and physical stamina, with the ability to lift at least 50 pounds. You need to be comfortable with ladders, climbing and have basic knowledge of plumbing, electrical systems, lawn mowers and snow blowers. Additional tasks include assisting with delivery of beds to the homes our clients and their children.

You may apply for this position by sending your cover letter and resume via email to stfrancisflint@comcast.net or mail to St. Francis Prayer Center, G-2381 E. Carpenter Rd., Flint, MI 48505.

#### Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Instead of flowers and candy, give the gift of yourselves to each other on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. Upcoming weekends will be held **Jan. 25-27** at Holiday Inn-Troy and **March 15-17** at St. Francis Retreat Center-DeWitt. Apply online at wwme.org or contact Chris & Darla Vinton at 734-531-9191.



**Discover God's Call for Your Life!** Called and Gifted Workshop, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., **Saturday, February 9th**, at St. Martha Church, Okemos. This workshop is for people asking, "How can I follow Jesus' plan for my life?"

Take the Catholic Spiritual Gifts Inventory and learn the signs and characteristics of 24 common spiritual gifts, and how discerning and using your gifts can change your life and the life of others, your parish, and the world.

Cost is \$45 and includes materials and lunch. To register and for more information call Jackie Rosalez, St. Martha Church, 517- 349-1763 or visit https://www.st-martha.org.