

# The Baptism of the Lord

**We remember in our prayers all the sick, especially the following:**

Barbara Quesada. Wilburn Roberts. George Bruner. Chase Larson. Jeff Gibbons. Eric Gray. Myles Acosta. Elise Sugg. Jacob Stephens. Fr. John Lydon. Fr. Joseph Nasser. Fr. Christopher Ruggles. Fr. Tim Kelly. Fr. Steven Duyka. Msgr. Gerald Priest. Jim & Joann Rayl. Rose Kennedy. Judy Fazzio. Marsha & Marty Blahitka. Carolyn Edwards. Dominic Sosta. Joshua Larsson. Avery Boultinghouse. Wanda Stephens. Wanda Thompson. Elleana Fritz. Kathryn Allen. Jim & Geri O'Neil. We list the names of our sick Parishioners. Friends and Relatives for one month. **We remember in our prayers all those who have recently died, especially: The Mother of Debi Nunley Jenet LeJeune.**

**Father Peter McGrath has been placed in hospice care.** Please pray for peace and serenity for him and his family as they enter into a very difficult time.

**Please pray for the men and women active military service from our parish community:**

Airman First Class Natalie York (Daughter of Steve & Julie York). Pvt First Class Randall Scheaffer US Army(Grandson of Carlos & Pat Gallardo). Lt. Col. William P Shea. (Nephew of Deacon Sam and Nancy Mullen). Colonel John Anthony Fontana. U.S. Army (Son of John & Mary Fontana). Ensign Gary Buchanan; 2nd Lt. Blake Gaughan & Lcpl Mike Buchanan (Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). Paul Moreno USCG (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan. U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Eamma). Warrant Officer Michael Hauck (brother of Jeff & Cathy Ellis) & Seaman Rainer Hauck (nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

**CALLED TO SERVE**

For many weeks now, we have been celebrating the appearance of the divine presence in human form. As a child, he came to Mary and Joseph, was seen by the shepherds, and then by some wandering magi from the East. Today we celebrate another showing, later in time, to a group gathered at the Jordan River.

John hesitated to baptize Jesus, whom he recognized as "one mightier than I." But he did as Jesus asked, and the "Holy Spirit descended" and heaven's voice spoke to Jesus, "You are my beloved Son." Jesus was beginning his public life of teaching and service. Soon he would start calling others to join him.

Peter was one of the first to be called by Jesus. In today's second reading, he announces the heart of the message, "peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all." Peter was called, and you and I are called to spread that message and to serve God's word.

**SELF-DISCIPLINE**

The greatest of all warriors in the siege of Troy had not the pre-eminence because nature had given him strength and he carried the largest bow, but because self-discipline had taught him how to bend it.—Daniel Webster

**Mass Times & Intentions**

- Sat 1/12 5:00pm Mass—Agnes Laudt Zitnick+ (Bridget Rich)**
- Sun 1/13 9:30am Mass—Rusty Anderson+ (Ruddie Anderson)**
- Tue 1/15 9:00am Mass/Adoration—Holy Spirit Cleaning Crew**
- Wed 1/16 5:00pm Mass—Deacon Sam Mullen (Mother Susan Catherine)**
- Thurs 1/17 9:00am Mass—Holy Spirit Choir**
- Fri 1/18 9:00am Mass—Deacon Sam Mullen 22nd Ordination Anniv.**
- Sat 1/19 5:00pm Mass—Agnes Laudt Zitnick+ (Bridget Rich)**

**Saturday Confessions are from 4:15—4:45pm**

**Sunday Confessions are from 8:45—9:15am**

**PARISH SUPPORT**

**Required Weekly Funds Offerings**

	<u>1/05 &amp; 1/06</u>
	<b>Sat. Sun.</b>
\$ 3,962	<b>100 76</b>
\$ 5,221	<b>100 76</b>

One can Give without Loving...But one cannot Love without Giving

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) or *Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11.*

**Psalm** The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) or *Psalm 104.*

**Second Reading** Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) or *Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7.*

**Gospel** A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20
- Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28
- Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
- Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
- Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12
- Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
- Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11



Please remember Holy Spirit Parish in your Will.



For free information on making a will, finding a lawyer or making a bequest to our parish, please call Mark Henry at the East Texas Catholic Foundation @ 903-534-1077 X 200 or visit [www.etclegacy.org](http://www.etclegacy.org).

## ***EVENTS AND NEWS***

**January 2019 Second Collections:**  
26th & 27th: "International Church in Need".

### **Religious Education**

**GRADES 1—8**

"Faith and Family Life" Grades 1—8 Class on Wed., Jan. 16th 4:00-4:55pm

**GRADES 9—12**

HSY "Holy Spirit Youth" Group Class on Sun., Jan. 13th 5:00-6:30pm

God's Love Poured Out, from THE WILD GOOSE SERIES

HSY LEADERS: Randy & Shirley Munoz

Lord Jesus, fill me with your Holy Spirit and with the fire of your love and goodness.

### **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION**

Due to the new Liturgical Protocols on Flu and Cold Season from Bishop Strickland. The Eucharistic Ministers duties is beginning again this weekend Sat. 1/12 & Sun. 1/13. Please be advised that it's your responsibility to arrive in time to set up the gifts table and the credence table. And after Mass continue to retrieve the vessels to be cleaned and put away.

**FR. MIKE IS LOOKING FOR:** Christmas pictures from 2014 — 2018 of the nativity scene and or altar that have been taken with your camera or cell phone. You may email them to the church office address: holy.spirit2@yahoo.com or drop a copy of the picture off to the church office.

Thank You, *Fr. Mike Snider*

### **Exposition is every Tuesday from 9:30am—4:00pm**

"Let weak and frail man come here suppliantly to adore the Sacrament of Christ, not to discuss high things, or wish to penetrate difficulties, but to bow down to secret things in humble veneration, and to abandon God's mysteries to God, for Truth deceives no man—Almighty God can do all Things. Amen." - St. Paul of the Cross

**2018 Annual Contribution Statements:** If you want a copy of your statement. Please sign the sheet located in Narthex. Your statement will be ready the last weekend in January.

**There are five families that have not picked up their 2018 Parish Directories.** If you did not have your picture taken by Lifetouch, you may purchase a directory for a \$10.00 charge to defray our cost to buy extra copies. Once the directories are gone we cannot place an order.

**Fish Fry Friday, Jan. 18th.:** **K of C Ladies** are asked to bring any flavor sheet cake to drop off by 4:00pm on Jan. 18th.

Thank you in advance. Liza Forster

### **January 2019 News/Events**

**Sun., Jan. 13th:** **Christian Initiation** with Deacon Sam. And **Apologetics** for all parishioners from 14—99 yrs. old interested in the knowledge of our faith, begins after 9:30am Mass. "HSY" 5:00-6:30pm.

**Fri., Jan. 18th:** **K of C Fish Fry 5:00—6:30pm.** **Deacon Sam Mullen's 22nd Ordination Anniversary.**

**Sun., Jan. 20th:** **Christian Initiation** with Deacon Sam begins after 9:30am Mass. "HSY" 5:00-6:30pm.

**Mon., Jan. 21th:** **Fundraiser "Kick-off" Meeting** for Casino Night @ 6:00pm.

**Wed., Jan. 23rd:** Grades 1—8 Class 4:00—4:55pm. 5:00pm Mass.

**Thurs., Jan. 24th:** **No morning Mass.** Fr. Mike attending the Priests Study Day.

**Sun., Jan. 27th:** **Christian Initiation** with Deacon Sam begins after 9:30am Mass. "HSY" 5:00-6:30pm.

**Wed., Jan. 30th:** Grades 1—8 Class 4:00—4:55pm. 5:00pm Mass.

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

**Casino/Dinner/Raffle, Sat. April 27, 2019**

***Fundraising "KICK-OFF" Meeting***  
***Monday, Jan. 21st at 6:00pm***  
***Parish Hall***

In order to make this a huge success for our parish.

We need help with this fundraising event!  
Please mark your calendar to attend this meeting.

### **Benefits of Fundraising:**

Strengthening of faith.

Raising funds for further development in our church.

Bringing people and talents together in fun ways.

Providing great opportunities to socialize and get to know parishioners