

10 January 2021

THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD (New Calendar)

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY (Traditional Calendar)

Sun. Mass: Anticipated Sat. 4PM/Sun. 8 AM Ancient Rite Latin Mass
Sunday 9:30 & 11 AM

Confessions: Wed. 6:30-6:55PM/Sat. 7:30-7:55AM
Sat. 2:30-3:30 PM & 6:30-7:30 PM

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Mon. 11 Jan. St. Hyginus, Pope & Martyr
8 AM Ancient Rite Latin Mass
For: Special Intention

Tue. 12 Jan. St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, Virgin, Foundress
8 AM For: Harry and Margaret Robson
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Whittemore
Holy Rosary for the Preborn & Newborn

Wed. 13 Jan. ST. HILARY OF POITIERS, Bishop, Doctor
7 PM For: Clara Sexton+
Req: The Mark Judge Family

Thu. 14 Jan. St. Felix of Nova, Priest, Martyr
8 AM For: Rocco Occhiogrosso (L.)
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Maciag

Fri. 15 Jan. Our Lady of Prompt Succor
9 AM For: Frances Rotolo+
Req: Margaret Bovi

Sat. 16 Jan. St. Marcellus, Pope, Martyr
8 AM For: Special Intention

4 PM For: Joshua Nashi+
Req: Marge Hesler

Sun. 17 Jan. II Sunday in Ordinary Time (New Calendar)
II Sunday after Epiphany (Traditional Calendar)

8 AM For: Glenda Buczek+

Req: Mr. & Mrs. Ryan Mosack

9:30 AM For: Frances McCauley (L.)

Req: The Mark Judge Family

11 AM For: The Parishioners of OLGCC

CALLING ALL SERVERS: Please offer your services in the sacristy when you come to Holy Mass. Our Lord is honored by your devotion.

NEXT WEEKEND: Group II comes to Holy Mass.

SIGN-UP LIST FOR THE MARCH FOR LIFE: WALK-A-THON PARTICIPANTS FIRST

On the bulletin board is the sign-up list for this year's March for Life in Washington, D. C., which takes place on Fri. 29 January. We will be leaving from the parking lot of the Rectory on Thu. 28 January at 11 PM. Due to Wuhan virus restrictions, I would like just our Walk-A-Thon participants to sign up first for the bus. We will probably have to practice some form of social distancing on board to be able to do this. If you are sure of going with us, please print your first name and last name, and your cell phone number on the list that is on the bulletin board. But please, if you put your name on the list, commit yourself to going. More details will be forthcoming the closer we get to the March.

HAVE YOU PICKED UP YOUR ENVELOPES YET?

Naturally, with so many people not coming to Mass during the shut-out period, there are many sets of envelopes still in the Church hall. If you have not gone down to get yours yet, please do so this weekend.

BLESSED EPIPHANY WATER

On the eve of the traditional Feast of the Epiphany (6 January), Father blessed the wonderful sacramental known as Epiphany Water. In blessing this water, the Church imparts to it the power to repel evil spirits, rout the enemies of the Church, cure illness, overcome plague, pestilence and epidemics, as well as many other blessings. There are some small bottles next to the Holy Water vat next to the confessional for you to take (Please do not take more than one). So many have said how sad it is that we cannot have our Holy Water fonts at the entrances to the church, so at least you can take this Holy Water home. In the large container there is also Blessed Epiphany Water with which you may fill your own container.

LECTORS

Please pick up your new schedule in the sacristy today. If you are assigned to a weekend that is not your Group's weekend, please come to Holy Mass (with your family) and read anyway.

A Few Thoughts about this Week's Events

Thursday 7 January 2021 will forever live in our memories as a fateful day for our nation, for many thousands of babies who will never be given a chance at life or heaven, and for our world. Our disappointment at the outcome of the election has so many levels. We prayed and begged God for a different outcome, we have petitioned, marched, and offered sacrifices for the cause of the unborn. And yet, on this Thursday, the most pro-life, pro-God President in history was shamefully robbed of the victory that he had obviously won. How could it happen? Why did God allow this to happen?

We know for certain, that the course of events is guided by Divine Providence. God is all-good, and He only permits evil so that a greater good may come of it. What will He bring out of this national tragedy and nightmare? Only He knows, but we must trust Him absolutely. We must not give up our hope, we must not doubt the providence of God, or we become as godless as our opponents. Sacred Scripture reminds us, "Who can know the mind of God, or who has been His counsellor?"

The great signpost that God has given us for our times is the message of Our Lady of Fatima. In 1917, the Mother of God revealed to the three shepherd children that God was preparing to punish the world by means of war, hunger and persecution of the Church and the Pope. She said that she would ask for the Consecration of Russia to her Immaculate Heart, and the Communion of Reparation on the five first Saturdays. "If my requests are granted, Russia will be converted and there will be peace. If not, she will scatter her errors throughout the world, provoking wars and persecution of the Church. The good will be martyred, the Holy Father will have much to suffer, and various nations will be annihilated." (13 July 1917).

Well, it appears that Russia's errors have taken hold and now reign triumphant in our beloved nation: we have legalized abortion; recognized sodomitical "marriage"; poisoned the hearts and minds of our citizens with impurity; we have expelled God from our schools, from our public institutions. We even uphold the "right" to reject your God-given sex and select another.

We have not complied with the requests of our heavenly Mother to repent of our sins, do penance and pray her Holy Rosary fervently. The Popes have not consecrated Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary as she requested them to do. So, we should not be surprised that things are going from bad to worse? And yet, Our Lady said, "But in the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph, the Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me, and a certain period of peace will be granted to the world." These words give us hope...but we must work even more tirelessly to see that her requests are met.