

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH & ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

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The Baptism of the Lord • January 13, 2013

Baptism of the Lord

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



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

25267 Redwing Avenue
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MASS SCHEDULE

Sun.9:00 am

ST. JOSEPH

490 Bench Street
Taylors Falls, MN 55084

OFFICE HOURS

Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 am -4 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday

Tues.- Fri.7:30 am

Weekend

Sat.5:30 pm

Sun.7:30 & 10:30 am

24 HOUR ADORATION

8 am Fri. - 7:45 am Sat.

RECONCILIATION

Tues.-Fri.....7:00-7:20 am

Sat.4:30-5:00 pm

Call the office to schedule a time for confession if you want to receive this wonderful sacrament outside the regular schedule.

BAPTISMS

Fill out a registration form and attend a 1 hour class to schedule the date for your child's Baptism. Call the office for more information.

MARRIAGE

Call the office 9 months in advance to set up dates for required classes for marriage preparation. Couples and/or parents should be registered members of the parish.

ADMINISTRATION

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MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of Jan. 13

Saturday Vigil, 5:30 pm

†Tom Walsh

Sunday, 7:30 am

For all Deacons and Priests

SF-9:00 am

†Hank Nelson

10:30 am

All parishioners of both parishes

Tues., 7:30 am

†Tom Walsh

Wednesday, 7:30 am

Open

Thursday, 7:30 am

†Alice Rivard

Friday, 7:30 am

Open

For the week of Jan. 20

Saturday Vigil, 5:30 pm

†Fr. Allan Moss

Sunday, 7:30 am

All parishioners of both parishes

SF-9:00 am

†Dorothy Schaber

10:30 am

Josefa Jaremczuk

† indicates the Repose of Soul

If you would like to have a mass intention added to the calendar, please contact the office.

Thank you for the Christmas cards and gifts from both parishes. Your thoughtfulness is much appreciated. Since I have been battling the flu, I haven't had a chance to send out thank you notes yet. Thanks again and Happy New Year to all of you! Fr. Frank

In this Year of Faith, the Catholic Bishops of the U.S. have called for a nationwide effort to advance the movement for Religious Liberty, Life and Marriage, through prayer, penance, and sacrifice. The Archdiocese of St. Paul and Mpls. responds by offering a Holy Hour, at the Cathedral of St. Paul, led by Archbishop Nienstedt, on Jan. 20th, from 3-4 pm. We ask you to join us and Catholics across the nation to pray for increased protections of religious liberty, and the rebuilding of a culture favorable to life and marriage. For more information, call 651.291.4488 or visit the website, www.archspm.org.

Discretionary Fund - Thank you to all who have contributed to the Discretionary Fund. Your thoughtful generosity will truly be a blessing to someone in need.

St. Joseph parish collection - \$4,027.42

St. Francis parish collection - \$2,134.00

Come and see ALESSANDRO, the powerful drama about the young teenage martyr, St. Maria Goretti. It will be performed at St. Briget of Sweden Catholic Church on Sun., Jan. 20th at 4 pm. For more information, call 651.257.2474.

Q. As we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus, what exactly are we commemorating?

A. Water rituals of various sorts were common in Judaism. Most common was the miqveh. This was a bath, fed by running water either from a stream or rain, which was used for purification rites. Men and women who became impure for various reasons were all required to immerse themselves in miqveh. If one was impure, one could not participate in social, religious or communal functions. The action of purification connected one back to the community and to God. It indicated a desire to live according to God's covenant, and manifested a desire to be faithful to God.

John the Baptist uses water in similar fashion. He challenged the Jews of his day to publicly recommit themselves to God's commands and covenant by immersing themselves in the Jordan. Immersion was a public sign of their intention to turn from sin and connect to God's covenant once again.

When Jesus approaches John for baptism, Jesus publicly indicates his desire to purify himself so as to properly commit himself to God's covenant. Whether Jesus needed purification was not relevant to the modeling that his baptism conveyed.

The baptism of Jesus is usually interpreted as Jesus' vocation call. It is the first public act of Jesus' ministry, recorded in every Gospel except John. Jesus' commitment to God's covenant is confirmed in the Gospels by having God indicate in various ways God's pleasure with Jesus' action.

How does your life manifest your baptism and continued desire to commit yourself to God's covenant relationship?

SCHEDULE OF MINISTRIES

■ SATURDAY VIGIL, JANUARY 19

◆ 5:30 pm Mass (St. Joseph)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Jodi Gilbert, Deb Dusenka

Larry Julik-Heine*

Reader: Mary Jo Mandell

Altar Servers: Ashley & Shelby Peltier

■ SUNDAY, JANUARY 20

◆ 7:30 am Mass (St. Joseph)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Brad Gross, Clayton Rivard

Sharon Peterson, Jan Kozlovsky*

Reader: Sue Gross

◆ 9 am Mass (St. Francis)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Carol Nelson, Pat Thraen, Karen Nelson

Dorine Rohe*

Reader: Nancy Madden

◆ 10:30 am Mass (St. Joseph)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Teresa Steele, Jan Rintoul, Char Gudmunsen

Sandy Greene*

Reader: Liturgy with Children

Altar Servers: John Deneen & Henry Budke

*Indicates people to cleanse Sacred Vessels

The 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 20, 2013

1st Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5 (66C)

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Gospel: John 2:1-11





Jesus has met every expectation

By the end of next weekend we will know the two teams that will be playing in Super Bowl XLVII. When the NFL draft took place during the last weekend of April many fans watched in eager anticipation to see whom their favorite team would select. When the draft was over, some of those same fans began an analysis of their team's picks trying to predict whether the new players would help their team develop into a winning combination. While seasoned players are often the ones who lead the way, the newest members of the team can be called on at a moment's notice to perform at the highest level of the sport. Fans and coaches alike were filled with expectations for these new recruits. And at this point in the season, near the end of the playoffs, we know whether those expectations were fulfilled or whether they were misplaced.

Early in his Gospel, St. Luke describes a similar situation in reference to John the Baptist. Of course, in first-century Palestine there was no "prophet draft" to see who could make the cut as best proclaimer of the word of God. We know that there was any number of people at the time of Jesus who exercised prophetic ministry. Some even claimed to be the Messiah who would throw off the yoke of a foreign oppressor, the Romans. John never claimed that.

Today's feast honors the second of three mysteries that are celebrated as the manifestation of Christ. Last week it was the Magi who bore witness. This week it is John the Baptist and the Holy Spirit descending as a dove. Next week it will be the miracle at Cana that testifies that Jesus is the Christ, the anointed One of God. Unlike some of the rookie players who were drafted last spring, we can acknowledge that Jesus has met every expectation and fulfilled all that we had hoped for.

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ST. FRANCIS XAVIER NEWS & UPDATES

St. Francis parish needs your help!!

We are in need of a volunteer to launder the purificators. If you are interested in helping, please see Tony Zais after Mass.

2012 Archdiocesan Newly Married

Retreat with Jeff & Emily Cavins Sat., February 2, 2013, 9 am -2:30 pm St. Charles Borromeo in St. Anthony This retreat is for all couples married 0-7 years wishing to have a happy, holy and healthy marriage. For more information or to register, call the Marriage, Family and Life Office at 651.291.4488 or go to www.archspm.org. The cost is \$40 per couple and includes lunch.

Prayer Service for Life

Tuesday, January 22, 2013, 10:30 am On this 40th commemoration for the tragic Roe v. Wade decision, join Bishop Lee Piché for the annual Prayer Service for Life, with MCCL Rally to follow. The event will be held at Saint Paul's Cathedral. Parking space is limited and roads may be obstructed due to a nearby event. Please consider carpool or bus. See www.archspm.org for more details.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Jan. 20--9 am Mass - 11 am Rel. Ed.
Jan. 25--7 pm - 2 pm, Jan. 27 Confirmation Retreat
Jan. 27--9 am - 11 am Rel. Ed.



The Rosary is prayed at St. Francis Church on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 8:40 am.

Please come to Mass early and join us!

Are you hurting after an abortion?

Hope and healing is a phone call away. Contact Project Rachel for confidential individual referrals at 651.291.4515 or e-mail: respectlife@archspm.org.

St. Francis Financial Contributions

Table with 2 columns: Contribution type and Amount. Includes weekly needed income, December 30, Children's Collection, December 31, EFT (January 5), January 6, Children's Collection, and Year to date (7/1/12).

ST. JOSEPH NEWS & UPDATES



Newly Baptized - Congratulations to Olivia Emily Korb,

daughter of Tyson and Emily Korb, who received the sacrament of Baptism on December 30, 2012. We welcome her into the Catholic faith with God's graces.

A Joyful & Holy New Year to You!

Are you looking for a sign that God loves you? Here it is! Tune in daily to hear the breadth and length and height and depth of His love you. St. Paul/Mpls. 1330 AM Listen online at www.relevantradio.com.

Christmas Flowers/Memorials

Thanks you for the donations from

- David & Roberta Whittier, in memory of Jason Whittier and Evelyn Larson
Gerry Merth, in memory of Todd Merth and George & Isabel Buckley

to help purchase altar flowers for the Christmas Season. Our apologies that you were not included in the bulletin insert on December 23rd.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Jan. 19--4:30-5:00 pm Confession 5:30 pm Mass
Jan. 20--7:30 am Mass 10:30 am Liturgy with Children
Jan. 23--5:30-7:45 pm Rel. Ed. & Choir
Jan. 25--7 pm - 2 pm, Jan. 27 Confirmation Retreat
Jan. 26--4:30-5:00 pm Confession 5:30 pm Mass
Jan. 27--7:30 & 10:30 am Mass
Jan. 30--No Rel. Ed.



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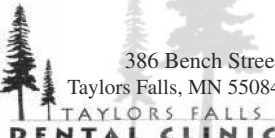
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