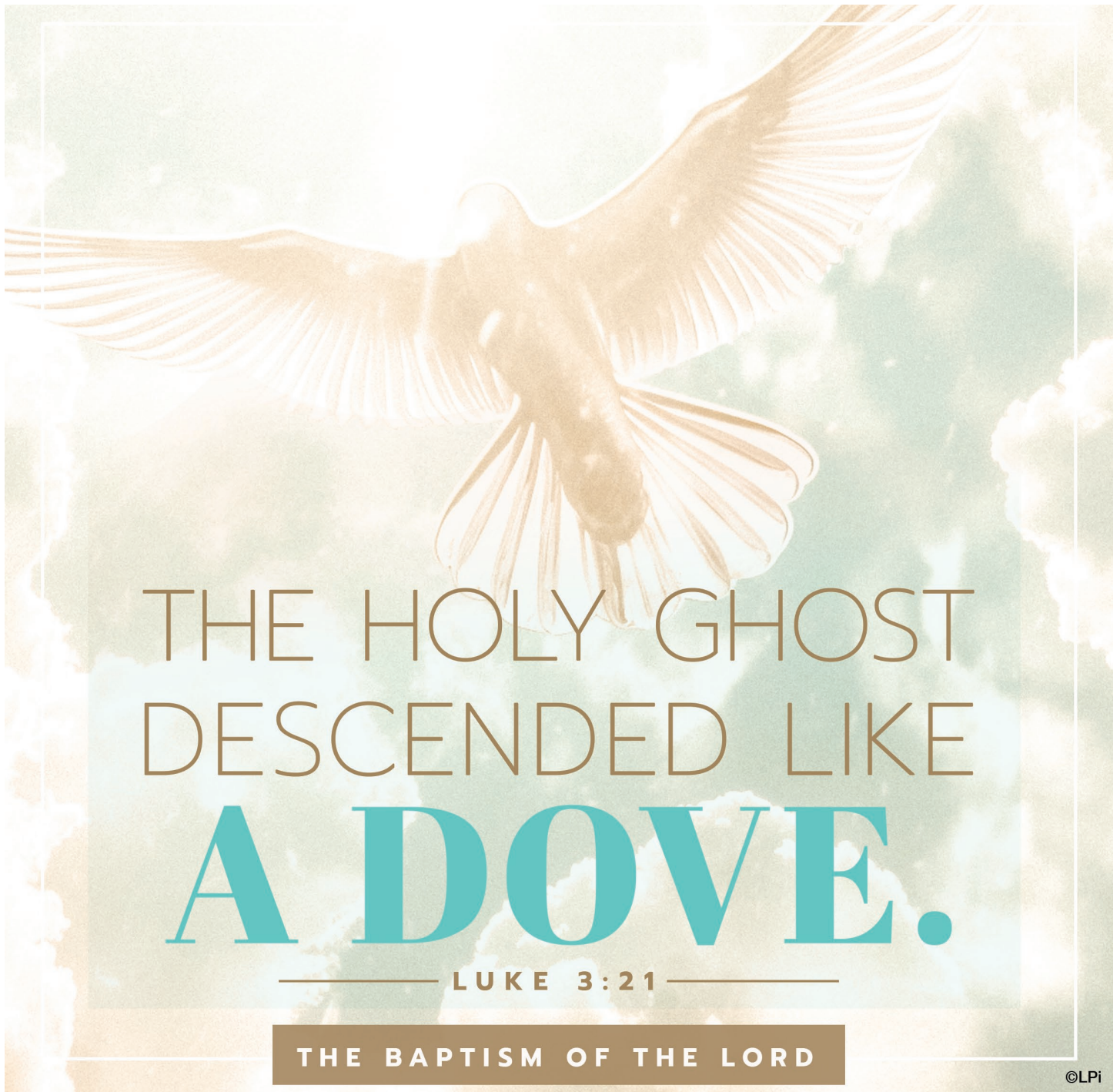




January 12, 2025 *The Baptism of the Lord*



THE HOLY GHOST
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— LUKE 3:21 —

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:45 am in the Main Church

Daily Masses:

Monday through Friday 8:00 am in the Little Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday: 4:15 pm to 4:45 pm in the Main Church
or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays: 1:00 pm

Arrangements must be made in advance of the date.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements must to be made at least six to eight months prior to wedding.

Sacrament of the Sick

Contact Fr. Gunderson at 847-234-1401

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Please call the Ministry Office at 847-234-1401

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Bulletin Deadlines

All articles must be submitted by noon of the deadline date. Please contact the parish Ministry Office.

Bulletin Date

January 19

January 26

February 2

Due Date

January 9

January 16

January 23



From the Desk of Fr. Jerry

January 12, 2025

Dear Friends,

Today's feast of the Baptism of the Lord provides a transition from the Advent-Christmas Season to Ordinary Time. Once again, John the Baptist appears to be pointing to Jesus. The focus of today's gospel seems to be the involvement of the Holy Spirit and the Father in propelling Jesus' God-given mission.

Luke's gospel frequently mentions the Holy Spirit. It was in the Holy Spirit that Zechariah, the father of John the Baptist, spoke of his birth. Mary conceived through the Holy Spirit and hastened to visit Elizabeth. Just as these gospel characters take up a God given mission propelled by the Holy Spirit, so too does Jesus. The Holy Spirit descended upon him at his baptism. Luke adds that the Father approves of what has happened. "You are my beloved son; with you I am well pleased." Thus, the formula for Baptism in the Catholic Church is trinitarian. "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

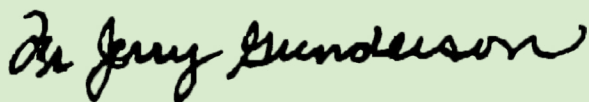
When parents make the decision to baptize their child they promise to raise the child in the practice of faith. In this regard they seek the support of the entire community of faith to help them raise the child as a person who "keeps the flame of faith alive in their heart," and who "...goes out to meet the Lord when he comes."

Over the past few months Ramiro and Lucia Roman have been preparing to be coordinators of the Infant Baptism Preparation Sessions for parents at St. Patrick. I am grateful for their willingness to assume this ministry. They bring years of Catholic practice and parental experience. They love to share their faith with others.

When a family contacts the parish pastoral office to arrange for a baptism, they usually speak with Joanne Manarik, our parish secretary. Joanne takes some basic information and briefly tells the family about our program. Then their contact information is provided to Ramiro and Lucia who contact the parents as soon as possible. They invite them to a two-hour parent preparation session. Godparents are also invited. The preference is to have multiple new parent couples present at this session. They share a common experience of being new parents. The birth of a child is a happy occasion for a family and the church shares in the joy of welcoming a child. Parents are asked to reflect from a faith perspective on the changes brought about by becoming new parents.

While most baptisms take place after the last Mass on Sundays, it is also possible to celebrate a Baptism at a Sunday Mass. When done in this way the baptism becomes an occasion for the entire assembly to renew our baptism promises and to pledge support for the young family in their mission of raising their child in faith.

A reminder: I will be away from January 15-25. Fr Wilfred Bwezani Phiri will be taking my place. He is the pastor of Chikwa Parish in the Chipata diocese of Zambia. I know you will welcome him.



Fr. Jerry Gunderson

This Week

Sunday, January 12

Baptism of the Lord

8:00am Mass - Fr. Jerry

10:00am Mass - Fr. Hennessey

11:45am Mass - Fr. Jerry

4:00pm Confirmation Classes - PC

Monday, January 13

4:30pm RE Grades 1-7 - PC

7:00pm MG Meeting - PC

7:30pm PPC Meeting - CR

Tuesday, January 14

8:30am IH Leaders Meeting - CR

4:30pm RE Grades 1-7 - PC

Wednesday, January 15

8:30am IH Prayer Group - CR

9:00am Bridge Group - PC

9:05am St. Mary Mass - MC

7:30pm A Sacred Trust - PC

Thursday, January 16

Friday, January 17

7:00am Stations of the Cross - MC

Saturday, January 18

Sunday, January 19

8:00am Mass - Fr. Jerry

10:00am Mass - Fr. Hennessey

10:50am Youth Ministry - PC

11:45am Mass - Fr. Jerry

Monday, January 20

MLK, Jr. Day

No RE Classes

Scripture Questions of the Week

First Reading:

The prophet Isaiah brought words of comfort and hope from God to the Israelites exiled in Babylon. *Is there someone in your life who needs hope for the future?*

Second Reading:

Paul challenged Titus to reject godless ways and worldly desires. *Do you have any family or friends you consider a role model in living an exceptional life?*

Gospel:

The Holy Spirit affirms Jesus as the Christ, the beloved Son of God. *When do you sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life?*

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This Week's Readings

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/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday:	Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday:	Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday:	Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11/Mk 1:40-45
Friday:	Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday:	Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/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

Finances

YTD ending January 5, 2024

Actual	Budget	Surplus/Deficit
\$404,903	\$342,009	\$62,894

May we learn, like Mary, to discover God's greatness in the little things of life. May we learn to care for the precious gift of life: life in the womb, the lives of children, the lives of the suffering, the poor, the elderly, the lonely, and the dying.

-Pope Francis - follow @pontifex



Our Prayers

Mass Intentions

Sunday, Jan 12

8:00 am

† Stephen McGlone, req. Peg Scichili

10:00 am

† Dr. Kathleen Fitzgerald, req. Thomas Fitzgerald
Special intention for: Kit O'Brien, req. Ann O'Brien
† Vivian Ripple, req. Linda & George Jackson

11:45 am

People of St. Patrick Church

Monday, Jan 13

8:00 am

Tuesday, Jan 14

8:00 am

† Mary Jane Walsh, req. The Slingerland's

Wednesday, Jan 15

8:00 am

Thursday, Jan 16

8:00 am

† Judy Heraty, req. The Dick Heraty family

Friday, Jan 17

8:00 am

Special intention for: Kit O'Brien, req. Ann O'Brien

Saturday, Jan 18

5:00 pm

† Robert Seiler, req. Ken & Mary Billings

Sunday, Jan 19

8:00 am

10:00 am

† Col. John H Sullivan, req. Ted & Liz Brandt
† Marie A. Roti, req. Angie & John Lyons
Special intention for Kit O'Brien, req. Ann O'Brien

11:45 am

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Those Serving Our Country

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Son of Mike and Donna Koob

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Son of Ana and Carl Marcyan

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Son of Karen Davis

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Son of Roger and Liz Platt

Cadet Reid Walsh, United States Military Academy,

Son of Allison & Brian Walsh

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Our Sick

Fr. Ronnie Calkins
Joseph Zittnan
Nicole Tallarico
Carolyn Welby
Florence Gatti
Jennifer Mikell
Gianfranco Isaia
Paul Zittnan

Names added to the prayer requests will remain for 1 month. To add or re-add a person please email jmanarik@stpatrick-lakeforest.org or call the ministry office at 847-234-1401.

Our Deceased

Robert S Seiler, father of Marianne Seiler



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professional life, rearrange your priorities, awaken your dreams, and show you the genius of Catholicism. "

Consecration Day on the First Saturday of the Month of March 1st, 2025 – 8 AM Mass.

Join our St. Patrick group dedicated to this Eucharistic Consecration, starting Mid-January 2025, scan with the link above. Open to all; Daily reminders; and Weekly tag-up sessions on an intense journey.

33-Day Journey Schedule Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jan 12 th Bulletin Announcement	Jan. 13 th >>>> Session 1	Jan. 14 th >>>> >>>>	Jan. 15 th >>>> >>>>	Jan. 16 th >>>> >>>>	Jan. 17 th >>>> >>>>	Jan. 18 th >>>> >>>>
Jan. 19 th Final Sign up	Jan. 20 th >>>> Session 2	Jan. 21 st >>>> >>>>	Jan. 22 nd Day 1 >>>>	Jan. 23 rd Day 2 >>>>	Jan. 24 th Day 3 >>>>	Jan. 25 th Day 4 >>>>
Jan. 26 th	Jan. 27 th Day 5 Session 3	Jan. 28 th Day 6 >>>>	Jan. 29 th Day 7 >>>>	Jan. 30 th Day 8 >>>>	Jan. 31 st Day 9 >>>>	Feb. 1 st Day 10 >>>>
Feb. 2 nd	Feb. 3 rd Day 11 Session 4	Feb. 4 th Day 12 >>>>	Feb. 5 th Day 13 >>>>	Feb. 6 th Day 14 >>>>	Feb. 7 th Day 15 >>>>	Feb. 8 th Day 16 >>>>
Feb. 9 th	Feb. 10 th Day 17 Session 5	Feb. 11 th Day 18 >>>>	Feb. 12 th Day 19	Feb. 13 th Day 20	Feb. 14 th Day 21	Feb. 15 th Day 22
Feb. 16 th	Feb 17 th Day 23 Session 6	Feb 18 th Day 24	Feb 19 th Day 25	Feb. 20 th Day 26	Feb. 21 st Day 27	Feb. 22 nd Day 28
Feb. 23 rd	Feb. 24 th Day 29 Session 7	Feb. 25 th Day 30 >>>>	Feb. 26 th Day 31 >>>>	Feb. 27 th Day 32 >>>	Feb. 28 th Day 33 >>>>	Mar. 1 st - Sat Consecration 8 AM Mass-SPLF
Mar. 2 nd	Mar. 3 rd Session 8					

Sessions will be held Monday nights for questions and discussions.

Session 1 – BEGINNING YOUR JOURNEY – Read Introduction

Session 2 – THE EUCHARIST IS THE ANSWER – Virtue Plan: What are your dreams

Session 3 – EUCHARIST & the PILGRIM: *Patience, Joy, Faith, Determination, Discipline, Surrender, & Perseverance*

Session 4 – EUCHARIST & SAINTS: *Consistency, Attentiveness, Spiritual Awareness, Sacrifice, Wisdom, Mercy, & Humility*

Session 5 – EUCHARIST & YOU: *Rest, Trust, Kindness, Receptivity, Preparedness, Love, & Devotion.*

Session 6 – EUCHARIST & HISTORY: *Courage, Gratitude, Faithfulness, Awe, Hope, Fortitude & Sincerity.*

Session 7 - THE MOMENT OF SURRENDER: *Enthusiasm, Simplicity, Generosity, & Obedience.*

Planning for Consecration Day (Saturday, Mar. 1st, 2025)

Session 8 - LIVING YOUR CONSECRATION – Now, What’s next?

Contact Brad or Dave at ... jbmorris@stpatrick-lakeforest.org, or davidjgewalt@gmail.com

...also, we both are usually at daily 8 AM Mass in the little church, and we are happy to assist you.



Register on our website by scanning the QR Code or visiting:
www.stpatrick-lakeforest.org/eucharistic-glory



Christmas Flower Donation Remembrance

The beautiful flowers decorating the church during this Christmas season have been donated by parishioners in loving memory of beloved departed family and friends, or in honor of someone. We, as a parish, are grateful for the floral beauty afforded in our worship space during this beautiful season by our fellow parishioners. We commend them to your prayers.

In Memory Of:

Ori & Nora Hickey
Alyce Gilroy
Joe Kreiner
Keith Kreiner
Joseph Roberti
Mary Seiler
Will & Betty Wolgast
Fr. Bill McNulty
Mrs. Mary Ellen Kadleck
Regina & John E. Sabalasky
Mrs. Gina Sutton
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Hattie & John Kadleck
Norma Hoaglund
Bill Walsh
Sharon & Jim McWeeney
Joseph Hake
Adolf Wolski
Silvija Aleksionas

In Honor Of:

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Msgr. Dempsey
Fr. Franzmann
Fr. Webb
Fr. Dunn
Fr. Hennessey
Olive, Lottie & Lennon
Arlene Fortunato

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Thank you to all that generously donated to the Thanksgiving Food Drive!

We had a record year and collected over \$12,000 that was shared equally between the CCS Food Pantry, Roberti Community House, and House of Peace. The charities were very grateful to St. Patrick Church for their support and generosity that made it possible for so many families in our community to enjoy a Thanksgiving meal.



3rd Friday Prayer Group

Stations of the Cross

January 17

7:00am in the Main Church

All Are Welcome!



Pancake Breakfast

January 26

8:00am - 11:30am

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