

The Lewis County Catholic Times

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The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

The mystery of Christ's baptism in the Jordan by St John, the Precursor, proposes the contemplation of an already adult Jesus. This mystery is infinitely linked to the Solemnities of the Lord's birth and the Epiphany that we have just celebrated, as in some ways it takes up and represents their significance to us.

At Christmas we have contemplated the human birth of the Word incarnate by the Virgin Mary. In the 4th century, the Fathers of the Church deepened the understanding of the faith with regard to the Christmas mystery in the light of Jesus' Humanity. They spoke of the Incarnation of the Word already working like the 'Christification' of that humanity that he had assumed from His mother. Or put in simpler terms: Jesus is the Christ from the first instant of conception in Mary's spotless womb because He Himself, with His Divine Power, consecrated, anointed and 'Christified' that human nature with which He became incarnate.

In the mystery of the Epiphany, we then meditated on Christ's manifestation to all nations that was represented by the Magi, the wise men from the East, who came to adore the Child.

Now, in the mystery of Christ's Baptism in the Jordan River, we again encounter and represent the truth of the Lord's incarnation and His manifestation as the Christ. Jesus' Baptism is in fact His definitive manifestation as the Messiah or Christ to Israel, and as the Son of the Father to the entire world. Here we find the dimension of the

Epiphany which was His manifestation to all nations. The Father's voice from heaven shows that Jesus of Nazareth is the eternal Son and the descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove shows the Trinitarian nature of the Christian God. The true and unique God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, shows Himself in Christ, through Him, with Him and in Him.

The Baptism in the Jordan returns to the great Christmas theme of 'Christification,' Jesus of Nazareth's spiritual anointing, His presentation as the Anointed One par excellence, the Messiah or the One sent by the Father for the salvation of mankind. The Spirit that descended on Jesus shows and seals in an incontrovertible way the 'Christification' of Jesus' humanity that the Word had already fulfilled from the first moment of His miraculous conception by Mary. Jesus, from the very beginning, was always the Lord's Christ, He was always God. Yet, His one, true humanity, that which is perfect in every way, as the Gospel records, constantly grew in natural and supernatural perfection. 'And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and with men' (Lk2:52). In Israel at 30 years of age, one reached full maturity and therefore could become a master. Jesus came of age and the Spirit, descending and remaining on Him, definitively consecrated His whole being as the Christ.



The same Spirit, that descended on the water of the River Jordan wafted over the waters during the first creation (Gen 1:2). Therefore, the Baptism in the Jordan presents yet another truth: that Jesus has started a new creation. He is the second man (1 Cor 15:47) or the last Adam (1 Cor 15:45), that comes to repair the first Adam's guilt. He does this as the Lamb of God that takes away our sins. 'Looking at the events in light of the Cross and Resurrection, the Christian people realised what happened: Jesus loaded the burden of all mankind's guilt upon His shoulders; he bore it down into the depths of the Jordan. He inaugurated his public activity by stepping into the place of sinners' (Joseph Ratzinger, Jesus of Nazareth, Bloomsbury 2007, p 18).
- Excerpted from the Congregation for the Clergy

Commentary for the Readings in the Extraordinary Form: Second Sunday after Epiphany: Feast of the Holy Family

(Jesus) came to Nazareth, and was subject to them" (Gospel).

Subject to them is the awe-inspiring phrase which sums up His Life. Humbly did He abide by the decrees of human law! Obedience to My Father's business must come first, as a guide to all other business, if heaven is to find our family unbroken (Prayer)

If Jesus withdraws from us as a test of our love, or if we

lose Him by the commission of sin, we will not regain the joy of His Presence amid the distractions of relatives and acquaintances; but we will find Him in the temple at Confession and Communion.

So-called "modern" ideas and practices are evicting Christ from the home. As an antidote, at the family meal let us read aloud from the New Testament. Let the word of Christ dwell in your home (Epistle). Then will your family, even though living in "obscurity" as did the Holy Family, advance in wisdom and ... grace before God and men (Gospel).

— Excerpted from My Sunday Missal, Confraternity of the Precious Blood

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Prayer Chain:

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday, 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.
12:30 p.m. (Latin)

Reconciliation:

Wednesday and Saturday, 6:00pm,
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses:

Wed., 6:00 p.m.

(See Weekly Schedule for any changes to times or location!)

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesday, 5:00 to 5:45p.m.

Parish Office Hours: (By Appointment)

Sunday, 10:30 - 12:30
Monday, 9 - 4
Tuesday, 9 - 4
Wednesday, 12 - 5
Thursday, 9 - 1
Friday, 9 - 1

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Latin Mass Livestream Options

Livestream Video Schedule For The Priory of the Canons Regular of the New Jerusalem on their YouTube channel and Facebook page. You do not have a Facebook account to view the Mass.

Sunday

Low Mass: 8:30 am

Weekdays & Saturday

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am,
Saturday: 9:30 a.m.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

St. Patrick Church Sanctuary Lamp Sponsorship

If you would like to memorialize the sanctuary lamp in honor/memory of someone for a two-week period, please call the parish office at 304-269-3048. The donation is \$20.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 9, 2021

6:00 p.m. Confessions

6:30 p.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

Sunday, January 10, 2021, THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

10:00 a.m. Confessions

10:30 a.m. Mass for †Lori Hamrick by Dan and Sandra Mick

12:00 p.m. Confessions

12:30 p.m. (Latin Mass) The Holy Family

Mass for †Regina Quesenberry by family

Wednesday, January 13, 2021, Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

5:00 p.m. Confessions

6:00 p.m. Mass for †Sam Aman by Mary Ellen and Margaret Ann Lydon

Saturday, January 16, 2021, Saturday of the First Week in Ordinary Time

6:00 p.m. Confessions

6:30 p.m. Mass for †Mary Lough by Junior and Veronica Brumley

Sunday, January 17, 2021, SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:00 a.m. Confessions

10:30 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

12:00 p.m. Confessions

12:30 p.m. (Latin Mass) Second Sunday After Epiphany

Mass for †Most Rev. Francis B. Schulte, D.D.

Prayer List

Of your charity, please offer prayers for...

- **Those who are sick:** Jim Arsenault, Nick Bakas, Sr. Jennifer Berridge, Norma Boice, Pat Broschart, Jean Scott Chase, Rose Determan, Tom Fealy, Marsha Garton, Robert Hamilton, Courtney Heimberger, Fr. John Hollowell, Shirley Hubbs, Mary Jo Hull, Ellen Ketron, Bernadette Law, Pam Mahdavi, Julia Marsh, Philomena Martin, Steve Moran, Faye Mullooly, Ed and Mary Ann Murray, Susan Murray, Mary Oldaker, Delores Paugh, Sr. Ellen Poche, Steve Perrine, Raylee Rahming, Catherine Ratliff, Sr. Christine Riley, John Riley, Mike Riley, Keith Rose, Sheila Sayre, Jim Shaver, Cindy Sumpter, Mary Taylor, Helen Tomaro, Philip Woodruff
- **Those who have died:** Charles Kemper, May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
- **All Military Personnel:** Alan Hamilton, Aaron Hamilton, Stephen Lindsey, R. Brody Springer, Justin Stark
- **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**
- **Former priests and religious of our churches**
- **Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.**
- **All diagnosed with Covid 19**
- **All health care workers, first responders, mail carriers and essential employees**

Attendance & Collections

Saturday 40
Sunday (10:30) 75
Sunday (Latin) 41

General \$1147

Second and Special Collections

- January 30 & 31: Church in Latin America
- February 17: Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Every Wednesday**
6:00 p.m., RCIA begins with Mass in the church

- February 17, Ash Wednesday

Our Neighbor Collection

January

- Deodorant, feminine products

Items can be placed in the plastic tote on the back porch of St. Patrick Church parish office.

Liturgical Calendar & Scripture Readings

- Sunday, January 10, THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD, Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or, in Year B, Is 55:1-11/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
- Monday, January 11, Monday of the First Week in Ordinary Time, Heb 1:1-6/Mk 1:14-20
- Tuesday, January 12, Tuesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time, Heb 1:1-6/Mk 1:14-20
- Wednesday, January 13, Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, Heb 2:14-18/Mk 1:29-39
- Thursday, January 14, Thursday of the First Week in Ordinary Time, Heb 3:7-14/Mk 1:40-45
- Friday, January 15, Friday of the First Week in Ordinary Time, Heb 4:1-5, 11/Mk 2:1-12
- Saturday, January 16, Saturday of the First Week in Ordinary Time, Heb 4:12-16/Mk 2:13-17

Liturgical Calendar for Traditional Latin Mass

- Sunday, January 10, The Holy Family
- Monday, January 11, St. Hyginus, Pope & Martyr
- Tuesday, January 12, Feria of 1st Sunday after Epiphany
- Wednesday, January 13, Commemoration of the Baptism of the Lord
- Thursday, January 14, St. Hilary, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor
- Friday, January 15, St. Paul, the First Hermit, Confessor
- Saturday, January 16, St. Marcellus I, Pope & Martyr

One Day Retreat

WHEN: Saturday March 20
WHERE: St. John XXIII Pastoral Center in Charleston, WV
WHO: College age young men and older

Do you desire a life of sacrifice and faithful service to God and His People? Do you desire to give yourself completely to God in a life of consecration and commitment to building up the kingdom of God here in West Virginia? Perhaps the Lord is calling you to be a Priest of Jesus Christ in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston! The annual diocesan Men's Priestly Discernment Retreat will be held on Saturday, March 20 at the Pope St. John XXIII Pastoral Center (100 Hodges Rd, Charleston, WV 25314) from 10AM – 5PM. This event is open to men 18 years and older who are simply open to reflecting on God's will for them in their lives. The day will consist of Holy Mass, prayer, reflections on the priesthood, and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession. For any men interested in attending, please email Rick Teachout at rteachout@dw.org or call him at (304) 233-0880 ext. 442.

2021 National Prayer Vigil for Life Will be Virtual This Year

The 2021 National Prayer Vigil for Life will take place Thursday, January 28, through Friday, January 29. Please note that, due to COVID-19 restrictions, there are significant changes to the schedule and limitations for in-person participation. However, we invite you to join us virtually via livestream on our website and via broadcast on EWTN.

Thursday, January 28, 2021, 8pm – 11pm

8:00 p.m. National Rosary for Life
8:30 p.m. Opening Mass, Celebrant & Homilist: Archbishop Joseph Naumann of Kansas City in Kansas – Chairman, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities
10:00 p.m. Holy Hour for Life

Friday, January 29, 2021, 8am – 9am

8:00 a.m. Closing Mass, Celebrant & Homilist: Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore – Chairman-Elect, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities

Diocesan Official Appointments

Bishop Mark Brennan has made public the following appointments:

Very Rev. James R. DeViese, Jr., J.C.L., J.V., has been granted a six-month sabbatical from parish ministry, effective January 25, 2021, to attend to family matters. He will continue to serve as Judicial Vicar and in all other offices to which he has been assigned.

Father Douglas Ondeck is appointed pastor of St. Patrick Parish, Weston; St. Bernard Chapel, Loveberry; and St. Bridget Chapel, Roanoke; with residence at the parish rectory in Weston, effective January 25, 2021. In addition, he is also appointed as chaplain at Sharpe Hospital in Weston.

In consultation with Bishop George Pallippambil, S.B.D., of the Diocese of Miao, India, Father Shaji Jacob Thomas Chennathu is appointed administrator of Sacred Heart Parish, Huntington, and St. Peter Claver Parish, Huntington, with residence at the Sacred Heart Parish rectory, effective January 25, 2021.

Tax Time

Annual giving statements are being prepared for parishioners who gave \$250 or more in the past year. These statements will be mailed when they are complete. If you have moved in the past year, please contact the parish office to make sure we have the correct mailing address. If you do not need a statement, please contact the parish office to let us know. This will help us save on paper/postage. Thank you for your continued support of St. Patrick Church.

January 2021 - Overview for the Month

The month of January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus, which is celebrated on January 3. The first ten days of January fall during the liturgical season known as Christmas which is represented by the liturgical color white — the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity and innocence (absolute or restored). The remaining days of January are the beginning of Ordinary Time, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time.



Parish Membership & Benefits:

To be considered an “active” member of any parish (and thus eligible for Sacraments, sponsor eligibility, and the “Active Parishioner Rate of tuition” at a Catholic school), the parish takes into account the following things. First, to receive a discount at a Catholic School or to receive a sacrament, **the children MUST attend weekend Mass.** Second, family & individual involvement in parish life and ministries are taken into consideration. Mass attendance is only able to be tracked accurately via collection envelopes. If you are not receiving envelopes currently, please contact the appropriate person at your parish. Parishioners over 18 should register as a household to help us keep records accurate and up-to-date.

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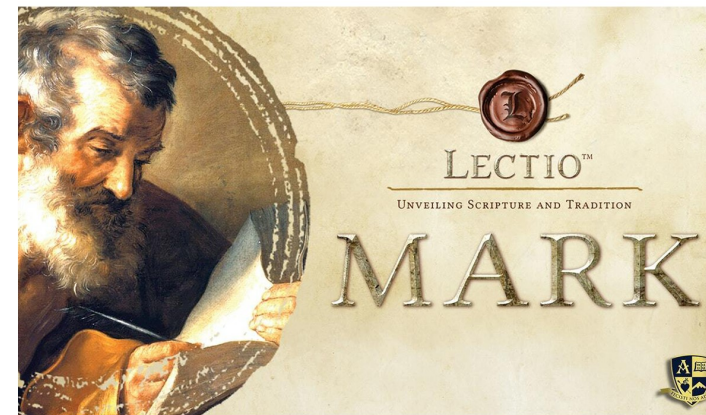
PICK OF THE WEEK

January 10, 2021

WATCH

REBORN - EPISODE 1: A NEW CREATION

This week, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will come to understand the deeper meaning behind your Baptism!



LECTIO: MARK, EPISODE 2: PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

Jesus couldn't have been baptized without a baptizer. Join Dr. Tim Gray as he explains the opening verses of Mark's Gospel that depict the ministry of John the Baptist — the man who would baptize Jesus.

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CHANGED FOREVER: THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM BY FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

Renowned Catholic speaker and priest, Fr. Mike Schmitz, explores the beautiful gift of the Sacrament of Baptism. In this talk, Fr. Mike provides a wonderful presentation on the waters that give new life!



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