



St. Cecilia Catholic Church

JANUARY 10, 2021

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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*A voice came from the heavens,
“You are my beloved Son;
with you I am well pleased.”*

Mark 1:11



— Mass Times —

Saturday (Vigil): 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am & 11:00 am
1st Saturday of Month: 8:00 am

— Reconciliation —

Monday: 6:00-6:30 pm
Saturday: 3:30-4:00 pm
Anytime by Appointment



This week's intentions:

Saturday, January 9
4:30pm For Mary Jo Peck

Sunday, January 10
8:30am For St. Cecilia Parish Community
11:00am For Robert Sedlacek

Monday, January 11
6:30pm For The Reform of the Clergy

Tuesday, January 12
8:00am For Phil Conreaux

Wednesday, January 13
8:00am For Alfred Kula

Thursday, January 14
8:00am For Bill Kaman

Friday, January 15
8:00am For Theresa Rader

Saturday, January 16
4:30pm For St. Cecilia Parish Community

Sunday, January 17
8:30am For Deacon Jerry Cato
11:00am For Joe Masek

To schedule an intention, call or email the Parish 288.3200
office@stcparish.org

After hours or end of life emergencies, call Fr. Gibbons at 618.946.4518



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Monday — Thursday 8:30 am—4:00 pm (office closed at this time)

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JOHN THE BAPTIST PROCLAIMED:

**"ONE MIGHTIER THAN I
IS COMING AFTER ME ...**

**I HAVE BAPTIZED YOU WITH WATER;
HE WILL BAPTIZE YOU
WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT."**

MARK 1:7,8

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WATER

It may seem obvious that the theme for the Baptism of the Lord is "water," but when one spends time with the readings today, one can see many different connotations for that water and its power. Isaiah calls the poor who are thirsty and tired to come to the water and take the spiritual food and drink that will be provided if we but seek the Lord. Here, God is both destination and consolation. The responsorial psalm follows suit with the image of drawing water from the springs of salvation. 1 John takes us to the reality of Christ as eucharist: not only Jesus' birth and baptism, but his death, as we hear that Jesus came "by water and by blood." The Gospel depicts John baptizing Jesus with water, and the Spirit baptizing Jesus. We experience both the humanity and the divinity of Christ. Indeed, water has much power to save us.

BEING THE MESSENGER

When we go to a pop music concert, there is often an opening act. Usually they are a young group on their way up, or older musicians who are past their prime and still hanging on in the business. This is indeed a hard job. In the comedy world it is the same thing. You have to warm up the crowd. You are not who they are coming to see, and audiences may be unresponsive, come in late, or not pay a lot of attention. Yet John had no problem being the opening act, the messenger, the harbinger of faith for Jesus. He was very devout in his faith and knew what his role was. Many Jews were actively seeking a messiah, and he was quick to let them know that he was not the one for whom they were waiting. "I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." Yet he conducted his ministry with faith and hope.

BEING THE MESSAGE

As John humbly carried out his mission and Jesus accepted this simple baptism by John, the Holy Spirit indeed came down upon Jesus, and God proclaimed for the first time, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Thus Jesus began his formal ministry. There must have been much that he already knew, but also much that he uncovered each day in his encounters with the disciples and the crowds. As he responded "yes" to the Father over and over, his thirst was quenched and his spirit strengthened.

How many times do we witness baptisms in the parish? The priest ministers with simple elements of water and oil, but the Spirit is called down each time. Every time we participate, we are experiencing the message, experiencing the call again. How many times have we blessed ourselves with holy water, or participated in a sprinkling rite? Yet in these days, when church fonts are empty due to safety precautions, we need to remember those other times, trust in God, and sing the prayer of Isaiah in our hearts about drawing the water joyfully. We must trust in the message. We must become the message of God's saving action through our baptism and our lives.

TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 55:1-11
 Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6
 1 John 5:1-9
 Mark 1:7-11



Faith Formation



Life-long catechetical formation is needed to prepare us to be disciples of our Lord and stewards of His creation. We offer programs for all ages—please join us!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
9:35 am PSR Adult Study		10:30 am Adult Study	10:00 am RENEW	
1:00 pm 1st Reconciliation Class				
3:00 pm Confirm/1st Eucharist Class				
7:00 pm Adult Study ZOOM	7:00 pm Adult Study			7:00 pm Prayer & Action

Faith Formation Focus

The Baptism of the Lord

Jan. 10, 2021

GOSPEL – The Baptism of the Lord.

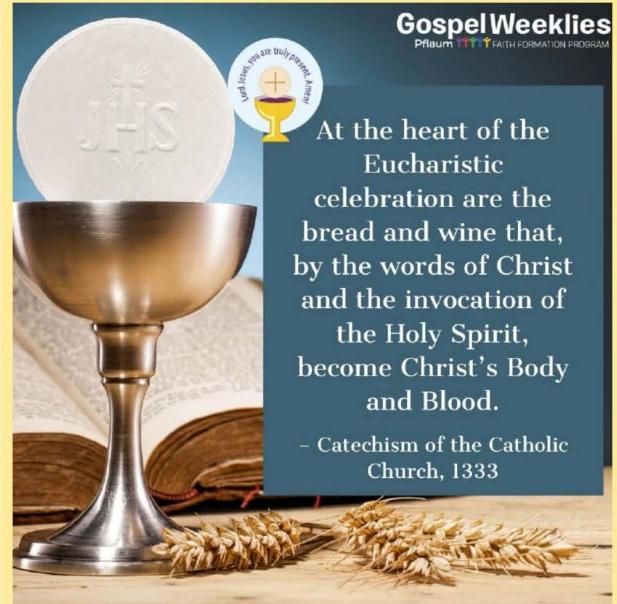
SAINT – St. Sebastian (Jan. 20)

DOCTRINE – Gifts of the Holy Spirit

SERVICE – Souper Bowl

Spend some time during your week learning about these items.

Articles, videos, online links & activity pages on these topics can be found on STCPARISH.org



Life Question

What leadership do you offer in your faith community?

John the Baptist was so compelling that, even when he pointed to Jesus, some folks preferred John. When have modern preachers become more popular than their message?

Gospel Question

How do you live out the baptism claim on you for service in the Church and world?

Adult Study - Watch & discuss [episode 8 of SYMBOLON](#) this week on FORMED.org.

Baptisms & Weddings & RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Contact

Fr. Patrick Gibbons 288-3200

Youth Ministry Grades 5-12

(5-7 pm on 2nd & 4th Sun.)

Contact

Joseph Zagorski 288-3200

Continuing Religious Education

(PSR, Bible Studies, Renew,
1st Reconciliation, Confirmation, 1st Eucharist)

Contact

Paula Raffaelle: 288-5523

St. Cecilia is dedicated to sharing the Catholic faith to the next generation & community!



ST. JOHN NEUMANN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Wishing you peace and joy in 2021.

Happy New Year!

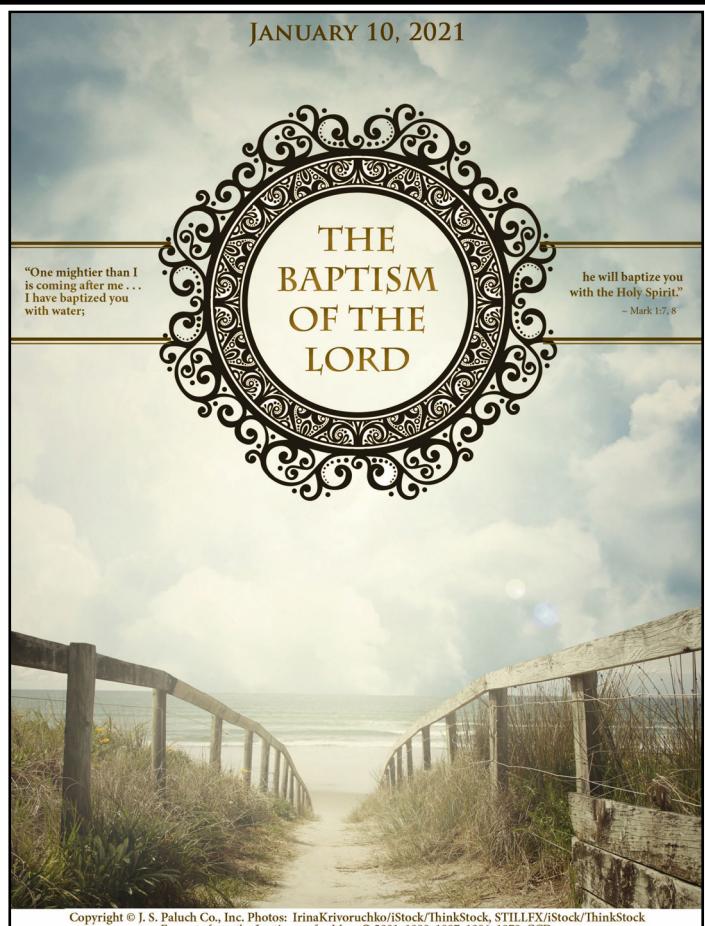
Open House!

We will be hosting our Open House from

11:10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on

Sunday, January 31st.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, only new families interested in enrolling/seeing SJN will be allowed to enter the building. Masks are required for all visitors. New families enrolling at the Open House will receive one month free tuition, up to \$500!



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The Knights of Columbus are inviting you to join thousands of Catholics nationwide in prayer for the respect of human life during a special novena called *9 Days for Life*.

More information can be found on our website www.stcparish.org

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we actively participate in worship, faith formation, and community outreach.

SAVE THE DATE
JANUARY 30TH & 31ST, 2021



Team 1



Team 2



Team 5?



Team 3



Team 4



Is it I Lord?



Christ Renews His Parish Men's Retreat

Please Join Us

January 30th & 31st, 2021

CHRIST
RENEWS
HIS
PARISH

FOR A WEEKEND OF
SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

Frequently asked questions about CRHP retreats

What can I expect on a CRHP weekend retreat?

The substance of the weekend is the presentation of personal stories in which individuals share their faith with you. Group discussion and response are invited following each presentation. It includes opportunities for Scripture reading, Reconciliation, Eucharist and more.

Who conducts the weekend retreat?

The CRHP team is comprised of team of local Catholics who have attended previous weekend retreats.

What are the start and end times?

The weekend begins at 8:00 am Saturday morning and concludes at 4:00 pm Sunday.

Who may attend?

Any parish member, 21 or older, may attend a CRHP weekend.

Where will I sleep?

Sleeping accommodations are in the St. Cecilia Parish offices. You are asked to bring your pillow, blankets or sleeping bag and any toiletries you may require.

What about meals?

Meals and snacks are provided by the CRHP team. If you have a special diet, please let us know when you register so we may prepare for your needs.

What should I wear?

Casual and comfortable clothing is appropriate for the entire weekend.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Emergency Contact

Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Any special food needs?

Yes _____ No _____ (Indicate below)

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George Schaefer
georgevor@yahoo.com
Mobile – 216-650-5780



ST. CECILIA CHURCH—SEASON OF STEWARDSHIP TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

As a Diocese, we are committed to discipleship & stewardship. We recognize that everything we have comes from God and that He has given us gifts not just to use for ourselves but also to share with others!

GOOD DEEDS HERE!

ST. CECILIA FOOD PANTRY

As a Parish family we provide direct service to those who are less fortunate. We continue to help families with groceries & utilities each week!



ITEMS NEEDED:

Canned fruit: Peaches, Pears, Mandarin oranges, Apple sauce

Canned vegetables: Baked Beans, Corn, Green Beans, Peas, Carrots

Other: Vegetable Oil, Laundry Soap, Dish Detergent, Shampoo, Conditioner, Tissues, Toilet Paper

Your Generosity is Appreciated!

If you would like to be a Pantry Volunteer, please contact Bernie Guy-Marshall at 618.344.9950 or guymarshall60@yahoo.com

PARISH GENEROSITY REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 (July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021)

Weekly Generosity	Weekly Totals	Fiscal YTD
December 14-20, 2020	\$ 5,227.00	\$ 150,502.57
Online Giving	<u>3,047.00</u>	<u>66,795.87</u>
Total	\$ 8,274.00	\$ 217,298.44
Budget Goal	<u>9,800.00</u>	<u>245,000.00</u>
Difference	\$ (1,526.00)	\$ (27,701.56)

Add'l \$610 contributed to Haiti, Dioc Special & Restricted

ST. CECILIA MASS COUNTS

January 2/3: 4:30=44; 8:30=53; 11=66; Total=163

December 26/27: Numbers not available

Christmas: 4pm=87; 8pm=85; 12am=60; 10am=63; Total=295

December 19/20: 4:30=75; 8:30=57; 11=60; Total=192

Go GREEN—Give online @ <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1030>

We are so grateful for your continued support.



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Office of the Bishop

January, 2021

My dear friends in Christ,

Over the past year, the coronavirus pandemic has magnified the importance of communication. Whether it was announcing the closing and then reopening of the public celebration of Mass, updates on Confirmations, how our schools would reopen safely and responsibly, and how we should respond spiritually to the fear and stress of the pandemic, *Catholic Times* was consistently in your mailbox conveying these critical messages to you and the faithful of our diocese. In fact, I have heard numerous people say that despite all the uncertainty, *Catholic Times* was a consistent beacon of normalcy, something people deeply appreciated.

It is all these reasons why I believe that *Catholic Times* should be available to every household in our diocese, either online (ct.dio.org) or by mail. Your \$15 annual subscription will help ensure that it remains an inexpensive source of information on the vital issues I have noted. Please renew your subscription in your *Catholic Times* parish envelope during the weekend of January 9-10.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois
Publisher, *Catholic Times*

St. Cecilia is a fervent community of intentional and dedicated missionary disciples of the Risen Lord.
We serve, especially those in need, with prayer, participation, and charity.

Prayer Requests:

Patricia Aleman, Marissa Banovz, Betty Barton, Brian & Jan Brogan, Maria Carroll, Linda Cato & Family, Sara Cleary, Charles Cook, Teresa Donnay Family, Lisa Frew's friend Rick, Ted Fuehne, Edwin Gajewski, Sandy Gill, Angie & Adalyn Hardesty, Mary Ann Hobbs, Mike Hogan, Cynthia Ann Hunter, Mary Karcher, Mary Rose Kobler, Marion Konkel, Joseph Martin, Connor McAleenan, Tom Miller, Mary Mucho, Irene Potthoff, Luke Raffaelle, Sheila Ridenbark, Doris Robinson, Nathan Rozycski, Luke Ryterski, Weiss Family, Allison Winkler, JD Wynn, Bob Zellerman, St. Cecilia Parish & Anonymous Prayers

If you like to add yourself or a loved one to the bulletin Prayer List, contact LeAnne 618.288.3200 office@stcparish.org



ST. CECILIA HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!

We are so excited that many St. Cecilia activities and groups are able to once again meet in person (safely social distancing) or online when necessary.

Sunday, January 10

8:30 am Mass
9:30 am PSR
9:30 am Adult Study
11:00 am Mass
1:00 pm 1st Reconciliaton Class
3:00 pm Confirmation/1st Eucharist Class
7:00 pm Adult Study ZOOM

Monday, January 11

6:00 pm Reconciliation
6:30 pm Mass
7:00 pm Adult Study

Tuesday, January 12

8:00 am Mass
10:30 am Adult Study
6:30 pm SJN School Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 13

8:00 am Mass
9:00 am Food Pantry
10:00 am RENEW
7:00 pm Choir

Thursday, January 14

8:00 am Mass
7:00 pm Prayer & Action

Friday, January 15

8:00 am Mass

Saturday, January 16

3:30 pm Reconciliation
4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, January 17

8:30 am Mass
9:30 am PSR
9:30 am Adult Study
11:00 am Mass
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7:00 pm Adult Study ZOOM

AD ORIENTEM

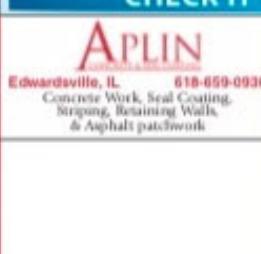
As the Bishop has recommended, beginning in January 2020, Fr. Gibbons will celebrate every 11:00 Mass *ad orientem*, that is, facing the same direction as the people in the pews – instead of facing towards them.

For more information about this, please read Bishop Thomas John Paprocki's article in the December 13, 2020 edition of the Catholic Times.

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