

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 11, 2009



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY - JANUARY 10

5:00PM **Alice McCarthy** r/b Family
Kate Toolan r/b Mary Tucker
Helen Patton r/b Bette Valecce

SUNDAY - JANUARY 11

7:30AM **Mimi D'Auria Gehring**
r/b her children
9:00AM **People of the Parish**
11:00AM **Francis X. Barnum** r/b Jean Brogan

MONDAY - JANUARY 12

8:00AM **Virginia H. Cappello**
r/b Nicholas Cappello
Anna Tamburro r/b John Karustis
and Michael Simonini

TUESDAY - JANUARY 13

8:00AM **Rosamond Walters** r/b her daughter

WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 14

8:00AM **Alice McCarthy** r/b Family

THURSDAY - JANUARY 15

8:00AM **Ann T. Davy**
r/b Elizabeth E. Rochford

FRIDAY - JANUARY 16


8:00AM **Kelly Foley** r/b Anne Foley

SATURDAY - JANUARY 17

8:00AM **Juanita David** - r/b Eriberto T. David
5:00PM **Dr. A. Joseph & Margaret Hughes**
r/b Margaret P. Hughes
Michael Lafferty r/b Connie Nelson
Ralph Crispo r/b cousin, Marie

SUNDAY - JANUARY 18

7:30AM **People of the Parish**
9:00AM **Alice McCarthy** r/b Family
11:00AM **Ann Murphy**
r/b Anton & Tina Kemps



Please pray for repose of the souls of
Robert G. Kiessling
Carole M. Roloff
Elizabeth "Lib" Hansen



Elaine Celenza · Tom Cetrone · Dick Colle · Tom Darragh · Katherine Decell · Maryclaire Edgette · Phyllis Edwards · William Fessler · Doris Forebaugh · Marian Garrison · Elizabeth Hansen · Catherine Koenig · Barbara Lane · Stanley Maslowski · Janet Montegna · Theodore Munkacsy · Frank Panzone · John Plunkett · Paul & Eleanor Raake · Renee Rogers · Stephanie Rogers · Marge Smith · Evie Treganowan · Ella Tulini · Mary Walsh · Margaret Williams · Candy & Jim Yurkonis

If you wish to add someone to the bulletin prayer list, please call the Parish office 856-429-1600.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE What Our Heavenly Father said to Jesus in today's gospel, "You are my beloved. My favor rests on you" is said to each of us. We don't earn this love; it is given freely. The unconditional love we experience in our families is sacramental for it gives us a glimpse of God's freely given, all accepting, love.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS Before God and spouse we stand naked. There is no use hiding or pretending that we are something that we are not. Is there any pretense or baggage that I bring to my marriage that I need to let go of?

PARENTING POINTERS It's bowl season. Rather than just watching bowl games why not do something more active. Have a family bowling party. Kids too young for real bowling can have a ball with bubbles or clay.

INTERCESSIONS FOR LIFE For every little child: that as we celebrate the Baptism of Christ in the Jordan, they might be led through the waters of Baptism to a life of holiness and love through him. We pray to the Lord.

ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES



One candle in loving memory of
Kelly Foley
requested by Anne Foley



One candle in loving memory of
Angela Strampella

requested by daughter, Bettie Creidler



"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen."

PARISH HAPPENINGS

HOSPITALITY

Join us today after 9:00AM Mass
- Morgan Hall -

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES MEETING

Tuesday, January 12TH
1:00-2:30PM - MORGAN HALL-SOFA ROOM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Monday, January 12TH, 19TH & 26TH
3:30-4:30PM & 7:00-8:00PM - School

CKRS FOUNDATION MEETING

Tuesday, January 13TH - 7:00PM - Morgan Hall

CKRS PTA MEETING

Wednesday, January 14TH - 7:00PM - Morgan Hall

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES GATHERING

Wednesday, January 21ST - 7:00-9:00PM-MORGAN HALL

PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR/PARENTS GROUP

Friday, January 23RD - 10:00-11:00AM - Morgan Hall

ALTAR SERVERS



All young adults in Grades 4 and 5, who are interested in becoming Altar Servers, please contact the Parish Office at 856-429-1600.

We will provide you with training dates and other important information.

HAVE YOU UPDATED YOUR PARISH INFORMATION?

If you are a registered member of the parish and there has been a change in family status, name, address or phone number, or if you are moving, please call the Parish Office at 856-429-1600.

Parish registration forms for New Families are available in the vestibule of the church and at the Parish Center.

THANK YOU!

We would like to thank all of our parishioners who played Santa and sent us tasty treats of Christmas cookies, cakes, candies and cards. Your kindness and thoughtfulness not only touched our hearts - but most especially our taste-buds!!



CTK Clergy,
Religious and Staff

CKRS GROCERY SCRIP SALES

Grocery Scrip may be purchased at the School
- MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY -
9:00AM TO 2:00PM



ATTENTION TEENS!

Senior High and Junior High Youth Group meets this Wednesday, January 14TH at 6:30PM in the Faculty Lounge of Christ the King School. *Please note the location.* If you'd like, bring a friend.

CHOIR NOTES



Lift up your voice in Song!
New members are always welcome.

Adult Choir rehearses every Thursday from 7:00-9:00PM in the church balcony.

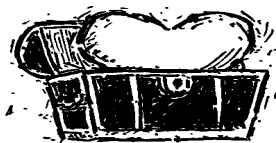
Children's Choir rehearses every Thursday from 6:00-6:45PM in the church balcony.

For more information, please contact Bill and Maureen Walton at the Parish Center, 856-429-1600.

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES

All parishioners are invited to join us on Wednesday, evening, January 21ST, in Morgan Hall at 7:00PM.

Our guest speaker will be Msgr. Thomas Morgan. Light refreshments will be served following our meeting.



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Stewardship is Pleasing

"Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased," (Isaiah 42:1a)

At our Baptism, we become a servant of the Lord. God has chosen us and equipped us to do special work for Him. Everything that we accomplish in life is a direct result of God's gifts to us. Are we acting in gratitude? Is God pleased with the way we are fulfilling His special plan for us?

GRACE CHURCH LECTURE SERIES

"Hope for the Future: Medical Outreach in Camden."

These are exciting times for the Community Health Practice, as Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center seeks to partner with St. Wilfrid's Episcopal Church in Camden, along with Grace Church in Haddonfield and the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey, to bring a medical clinic to St. Wilfrid's site.

We invite you to come and hear about Community Health Practice's history, current work and plans for the future. Please join us Friday, January 16TH, 7:30pm in Grace Church Parish Hall, 19 Kings Highway East.

Speakers for the evening will be Dr. Vincent McDermott, Medical Director for Community Health Practice, Peggy McDermott, Nursing Coordinator for Community Health Practice and Michael Dixon, Coordinator of Community Health Practice.

For more information, please contact Grace Church at 856-429-0007. A free-will offering will be taken for the benefit of Community Health Practice. Refreshments will be served.

MARRIAGE HELP

Retrouvaille is a Catholic-based program to help marriages that are stressed or in trouble. *Retrouvaille* has helped countless married couples in all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. *Retrouvaille* can help your marriage too.

The next program will be held at St. Joseph in the Hills Malvern Retreat Center, Malvern, PA, on February 13TH-15TH.

For more information please call 1-800-470-2230 or 302-832-8044 or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com. All calls are confidential.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER



The Marian Council will be distributing baby bottles after each Mass on January 17TH and 18TH. This coincides with the Sanctity of Life weekend. The proceeds benefit the Options for Women Pregnancy Center in Cherry Hill. Their number is 856-795-0166 if you would like more information on how you can further help in their mission in preserving human life. The bottles will be picked up at a time and date to be announced, most likely in a week or two. Please look for the Knights as you exit Mass and be as generous as you can. Many thanks. Norm Glenn, Grand Knight Marian Council 3784, Cherry Hill. **Vivat Jesus!**

CAP SESSIONS

The following sessions will be offered in January:

Monday, January 12TH 7:00PM

St. Peter, Merchantville, Lower Church;

Monday, January 12TH, 7:00PM

St. John Bosco, Millville, Rectory Basement;

Wednesday, January 21ST, 7:00PM

Notre Dame School, Landisville Campus;

Wednesday, January 28TH, 7:00PM

St. Rose of Lima, Newfield, Church Basement

To attend one of these classes, please call the CAP registration line in the Office of Safe Environment for Children, Youth and Adults at 856-583-6165 or email ddiggons@camdendiocese.org to register. In case of inclement weather please call the location of the CAP session you are attending.

SUPPORT GROUPS

FOR SEPARATED AND/OR DIVORCED

The Family Life Office needs people like YOU to join a team that facilitates these groups in a parish near your home. Training is provided. The ministry to the separated and divorced is a caring ministry designed to provide a greater sense of belonging to the Church.

Aspects of support offered include coping with grief of separation and divorce, single parent challenges, and spiritual, social and educational opportunities. For more information call Carol or Deacon Tom Jennings at 856-663-8166 or email them at cdmofcamdencounty@yahoo.com



RESPECT FOR LIFE CORNER

"Parental notification and informed consent precautions would be outlawed [under FOCA], as would be laws banning procedures such as partial-birth abortion and protecting infants born alive after a failed abortion. Abortion clinics would be deregulated. The Hyde Amendment restricting the federal funding of abortions would be abrogated. FOCA would have lethal consequences for prenatal human life."

Statement by USCCB President
Cardinal Francis George
on behalf of the USCCB
November 12, 2008

**INTERFAITH CAREGIVERS
VOLUNTEER TRAINING SESSION SCHEDULED**

We are having a one-day training session, on January 21ST, from 9:00-11:30AM at the United Methodist Church of Haddonfield. **BABYSITTING WILL BE PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE!**

Volunteer drivers are needed to take Interfaith Caregivers' clients in Haddon Heights and Haddonfield to their doctors' appointments, to the grocery store, and to other places for which they need transportation.

We need all types of volunteers, and we encourage parents of young children to consider how volunteering with IFC can fit into your busy day. Even if you only have twenty minutes a week, you can drop someone off at a local appointment or help make a meal for someone while teaching your children the value and importance of helping others.

After the holidays are over, and the New Year has begun, please consider making volunteering a part of your family's values.

For reservations, please call the our office-354-0298. We are confident that you and your family will find volunteering with IFC rewarding. Please call Lea Jacovini at 856-354-2020 with any questions.

TASTE OF WINTER

Save the date for the Second Annual Taste of Winter on Thursday, February 26TH. Small plates of fabulous appetizers, entrees and desserts along with wines from Italy, France and Germany..... entertainment by Neena.

Please join us at The Camden County Boathouse along Cooper River. Generously sponsored by SJHotChefs, with wine underwritten by Moore Brothers Wine Company. Proceeds for this event benefit Interfaith Caregivers of Haddonfield and Haddon Heights. Truly a night to remember! For more information, please contact Carolyn Brickner at 856-429-5545.

FUNDRAISER

Camden Catholic High School will host a "Teams for Turf" Fundraiser on Sunday, January 18TH, from 5:00-10:00PM at Pinsetters Bar & Bowl, located at 711 Maple Avenue, Pensauken.

All proceeds benefit the school's recently announced Fields for the Future Campaign, which consists of installation of a turf field at the school and re-grading of existing playing fields.

Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased by calling the school at 856-663-2247 or contacting Linda Talarico Xerri at sxerri@aol.com. Must be 21 or older to attend.



**MARCH FOR LIFE
JANUARY 22, 2009**

Look for upcoming ad in the Catholic Star Herald listing pick-up locations and times of buses scheduled to make this trip.

LEGISLATIVE ALERTS

You can make a difference! As a pro-life/pro-family parishioner, you have a say where legislative action is taken. Let your voice be heard. Go online to www.AFA.net and sign up to receive action alerts. Stand up and take action!

FREEDOM OF CHOICE ACT

The Catholic bishops of the United States have unanimously called us to prayer and action to prevent passage of the radical "Freedom of Choice Act" (FOCA) and to oppose other attempts to overturn existing pro-life laws and policies.

This year, our voices are needed more than ever. Pro-abortion groups and their allies in Congress are promoting a radical bill called the "Freedom of Choice Act." If this extreme measure is enacted, widely supported and constitutionally sound abortion regulations will be knocked down nationwide. If passed into law, FOCA will impose upon the entire country an abortion regime far worse than anything brought on by Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion. And the current level of 1.1 million abortions a year will go up, not down.

Call the U.S. Capitol switchboard at 202-224-3121 to contact the offices of your Representative and two Senators. Urge them to oppose FOCA. For more resources, see www.nchla.org.

The Office of Family Life/Respect Life will be supporting a major parish postcard campaign that is being planned by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops during the weekend of January 24TH-25TH. Look for more details to follow.

CLOTHING DRIVE

St. Vincent DePaul Society of St. Margaret's Parish in Woodbury Heights is running a clothing drive the weekend of January 17TH & 18TH. We will be collecting all wearable clothing, shoes, accessories, and household items made of cloth.

All donations may be dropped off at our Ministry Center on Saturday, January 17TH, 8:00AM-6:00PM and Sunday, January 18TH, 8:00AM -2:00PM.

The Ministry Center is located in the rear of our parking lot, between the school and the church located on Third & Beech Streets.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS
HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly
BAPTISM OF THE LORD

“IT HAPPENED IN THOSE DAYS THAT JESUS CAME FROM NAZARETH OF GALILEE AND WAS BAPTIZED IN THE JORDAN BY JOHN. ON COMING UP OUT OF THE WATER HE SAW THE HEAVENS BEING TORN OPEN, AND THE SPIRIT, LIKE A DOVE, DESCENDING UPON HIM. AND A VOICE CAME FROM THE HEAVENS. ‘YOU ARE MY BELOVED SON, WITH YOU I AM WELL PLEASED.’ ... NOW THE TESTIMONY OF GOD IS THIS, THAT HE HAS TESTIFIED ON BEHALF OF HIS SON.”

The gospel of Mark locates both the persons and the place of this special event. The baptism of Jesus manifests His total identity with humankind. He became one with us by becoming flesh. He showed His oneness with us, accepting even as a sinless person, the baptism of John.

In these days of identity theft, when we are warned to be cautious with credit cards and computer activities, our Savior does not have difficulty in calling attention to Himself, as human and divine. Through His divinity He made us one with the Father. Through His humanity He brought us from where we were to where we should be.

The water, the Spirit's presence and the heavenly voice tell us how extraordinary this event was. The same special signs surrounded us at our baptism as God became one with us, the Spirit filled us and we became the actual dwelling place of God. The baptism of John was not the sacrament we have experienced, but the presence and indwelling of God's Spirit which continues in our lives today. We identify with the same loving God who called us to life in Him. We remember our meeting with Christ as John did, and say with Paul “I live, now not I, but Christ lives in me.”

I guess we could say that we stole Christ's identity!

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Isaiah tells of the Lord's Servant, who will be inconspicuous, but will not rest until justice is established. The Lord then tells his servant that he was formed to be “a light for the nations.”

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38

Peter speaks to a group of pagans for the first time. He explains to them that any person who follows God's will is acceptable to God, regardless of nationality.

Gospel: Mark 1:7-11

John the Baptist had claimed one would come far more powerful than himself, one who would baptize with the Holy Spirit rather than water. When Jesus came to John and was baptized, the Spirit descended on him and a voice said, “You are my beloved Son. On you my favor rests.”

A NEW YEAR PRAYER

*May the love of the Father enfold us,
the wisdom of the Son enlighten us,
the fire of the Spirit enflame us;
and may the blessing of the triune God
rest upon us,
and abide with us, now and ever more.*

**NEW YEAR'S PLEDGE
FOR CHARITY, JUSTICE & PEACE**

I/WE pledge to:

PRAY regularly for greater justice and peace

LEARN more about Catholic social teaching and its call to protect human life, stand with the poor, and care for creation.

REACH across boundaries of religion, race, ethnicity, gender, and disabling conditions.

LIVE justly in family life, school, work, the marketplace, and the political arena.

SERVE those who are poor and vulnerable, sharing more time and talent.

GIVE more generously to those in need at home and abroad.

ADVOCATE for public policies that protect human life, promote human dignity, preserve God's creation, and build peace.

ENCOURAGE others to work for greater charity, justice, and peace. This year let us act with an urgency and sincerity that acknowledges that Jesus is still hungry, thirsty, foreign, naked, ill and imprisoned in our midst. Let us do what God calls us to do to eradicate poverty and injustice in our communities.

Adapted from Advent 2000
by Catholic Campaign for Human Development

DEVOTION

“So the Twelve called a meeting of all the believers. They said, “We apostles should spend our time teaching the word of God, not running a food program. And so, brothers, select seven men who are well respected and are full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will give them this responsibility. Then we apostles can spend our time in prayer and teaching.”

Acts 6:2-4