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Weekday Masses:
Monday - Saturday: 7:30 AM
Saturday evening Mass: 5:00 PM
Sunday Mass: 9:00 AM
Holy Day Masses:
7:30 AM | 12:00 PM | 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday
9 AM—12 PM
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JANUARY 9, 2022

The Baptism of the Lord



John said, "I am baptizing you with water,
but one mightier than I is coming.
I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals."

~Luke 3:16

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PARISH REGISTRATION

All are Welcome! New parishioners are welcome and encouraged to register at our parish. Registration forms are available at the Rectory office. When moving, please notify the Rectory office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is held the third Sunday of the month after the 9:00 AM Mass. Arrangements for Baptism should be made at least one month in advance. There are no Baptisms during Lent.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please notify the Rectory or priest in the event of a serious illness. Visits to the home-bound and those in hospitals are made by Priests, Deacons and Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Congratulations to our engaged couples! Arrangements should be made one year in advance of the proposed marriage.

RELIGIOUS VOCATION

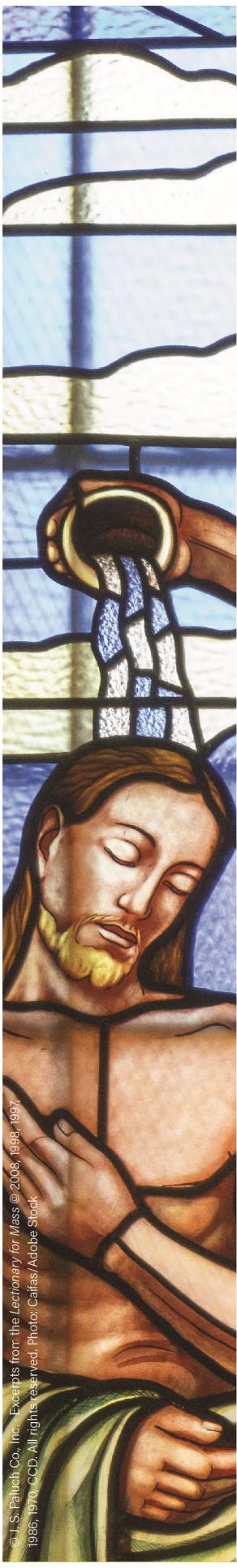
Women and men who feel called to the Religious Life and men called to the Holy Orders should contact the Vocation Office 973-497-4365 or speak with a parish priest.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (R.C.I.A.)

If you have not received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, or Confirmation, and are over 18 years of age, and are interested in membership in the Catholic Church, please call the Rectory office.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS MISSION STATEMENT

We are Catholic Christians of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish who are conscious of the plan of God for the salvation of all. We praise the Lord in our everyday lives by sharing our faith and talents with each other for the continued growth of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Community. We wish to live the Beatitudes of Jesus and put them into practice in our daily lives as we answer His call to evangelization.



A VOICE CAME
FROM HEAVEN,
“YOU ARE MY
beloved SON;
WITH YOU I AM
well pleased.”

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THE BAPTISM of THE LORD

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A MODEL FOR OUR PRAYER LIFE

The Advent/Christmas cycle that began on November 28 ends with the Baptism of the Lord. We likely have an image in our minds (based on details from the Gospels and works of art) of what that scene looked like. We might wonder, “Who else was there and who wasn’t?” No disciples were present because Jesus had not yet begun his ministry. They would have to wait until the Transfiguration to hear a similar message. However, the three persons of the Blessed Trinity are accounted for: the Father (the voice from heaven), the Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. Interestingly, Luke alone notes that it was after Jesus had been baptized and while he was praying that the voice was heard. All of the Gospels show Jesus praying at turning points in his ministry; this is but the first example of Jesus’ need to root himself in prayer throughout his life—a model for us to follow.

ON THE CUSP OF A NEW CREATION

It was on the Fourth Sunday of Advent this past December that we first heard of the two cousins, John and Jesus, meeting. Then it was in the womb of their mothers, Elizabeth and Mary. Now the cousins meet again on the shore of the Jordan River. John is already well known—so much so that people had begun to wonder if he was the long-awaited Messiah. Jesus, on the other hand, is about to begin his ministry. One could say that Jesus entered the waters of the Jordan as a private person and came out of them as a public one. The voice from heaven left no doubt about that. As we come to the end of the Christmas season our readings echo Isaiah and Titus (see Advent and Christmas Day readings) and together with today’s Psalm 104 they point us to Pentecost. We are on the cusp of a new creation.

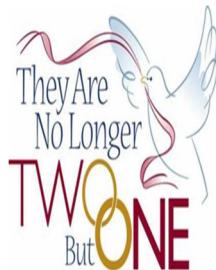
JOHN THE BAPTIST: PATRON SAINT OF LITURGICAL MINISTERS?

John the Baptist was what we might call today a “social influencer.” People paid attention to what he had to say. And what he said affected the choices people made. Yet today’s Gospel reminds us of John the Baptist’s ultimate goal: “One mightier than I is coming.” The Baptizer walks the fine line between drawing attention to himself with his fiery preaching and then re-directing that attention to Jesus, the “beloved Son.” John the Baptist could be considered the “patron saint” of those who minister as lectors, extraordinary ministers of the eucharist, cantors, greeters, acolytes, and musicians. Isn’t John’s teaching a good goal for a liturgical (or any!) minister? Rooted in the graces of their own baptism, ministers must be skilled and confident enough to draw people’s attention (or, at least, not turn them off!) and then gradually re-focus that attention on Jesus. It is a dynamic and awesome responsibility.

TODAY’S READINGS

Isaiah 40:1–5, 9–11
Psalm 104:1b–2, 3–4, 24–25,
27–28, 29–30
Titus 2:11–14; 3:4–7
Luke 3:15–16, 21–22

CONGRATULATIONS



We congratulate and rejoice with
Lindsey Muldoon
and
Anthony Boyle
of our Parish Community who
united in marriage on
December 10, 2021.

GIVE THE GIFT OF A MASS

One of the greatest gifts a person can receive is the celebration of a Mass for their intentions. For this reason it is a custom for many people to give the gift of a Mass intention to relatives or friends, living or deceased. We have many open Masses for next year. Kindly call the Rectory office to reserve your Mass intentions for 2022.

COMMITMENT TO TRANSPARENCY & HEALING

The Archdiocese of Newark, along with Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, regard the safety and protection of all God's people in any Church service, activity or event as a high priority. Any person who wishes to report an incident of sexual misconduct by a member of the clergy, religious or lay staff of the Archdiocese of Newark, should contact the Archdiocese by calling (201) 407-3256.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Christmas Collection	12/25/2021	\$9755.00
Collections:	12/26/2021	\$991.00

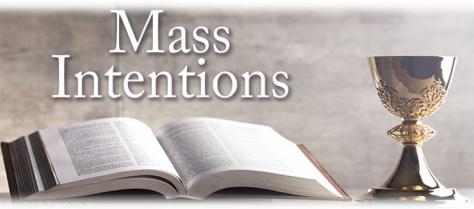
The second collection for the weekend of January 15/16th is for the Continuing Support of the Parish.

Thank you for your generosity!!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Through the centuries, artists and craftspeople have depicted Jesus' baptism in the Jordan River by John. At first in mosaics and frescoes, and later in tapestries, stained glass, and paintings, the scene is familiar. Jesus is standing waist high in flowing water. Above him, standing on dry land, John the Baptist pours water over Jesus. The first artists to depict this were sketching from memory. This is exactly how most people were baptized in the early days: as adults, standing or kneeling in the water, with water poured over their heads.

This method of baptizing, called immersion, is the favored way today. An adult enters a font, or an infant is lowered a bit into the water supported by a parent's hand, and water is poured or splashed over them. The treasures of baptismal art attest that submersion, or plunging beneath the water's surface, is not really in our tradition, and that "infusion," the mere pouring of a few drops of water, yields too narrow an understanding of what it means to be plunged into Christ's life. Jesus Christ has gone before us into the water, and waits for us there with abundant gifts. No wonder the tradition calls for abundant symbols!



Saturday	January 8
5:00 PM	Mary Calabrese Req. Armand Calabrese
Sunday	January 9
9:00 AM	Susan Wolenski Req. Loretta Wolenski
Monday	January 10
7:30 AM	Hazel Faulk and Deceased Members of FOSS Req. FOSS
Tuesday	January 11
7:30 AM	Gerald Vernice Req. Patty Martinez
Wednesday	January 12
7:30 AM	Don Moulton Req. Lore Family
Thursday	January 13
7:30 AM	Fr. Charlie McTague and Deceased Members of FOSS Req. FOSS
Friday	January 14
7:30 AM	People of the Parish
Saturday	January 15
7:30 AM	Galo Flores and Deceased Members of FOSS Req. FOSS

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	January 15
5:00 PM	Walter and Helen Mackalonis Req. Ray and Linda Mackalonis
Sunday	January 16
9:00 AM	People of the Parish

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

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Altar Bread & Wine...
People of the Parish / OLS
Sanctuary Lamp...
People of the Parish / OLS
Altar Candles...
People of the Parish / OLS



Let us remember all our family members, loved ones, and fellow parishioners who have died, especially **Kathleen Podlaski**, may God reward them for their good deeds done in faith. Let us also pray for those who are sick at home or in a hospital, especially **Joseph Colamedici, Maria Cunha, Kathleen Fudali, Gary Davitt, Ted Hirschi, Jaxson Rivera, June Struzienski, Irene Zarbetski, and all those whose names appear in our "Parish Book of Prayers for the Sick".**

May God grant them healing.

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