January 11, 2015

Monday

JANUARY 12 Weekday Heb 1:1–6 Mk 1:14–20

Tuesday

JANUARY 13 Weekday Heb 2:5–12 Mk 1:21–28

Wednesday

JANUARY 14 *Weekday* Heb 2:14–18 Mk 1:29–39

Thursday

JANUARY 15 Weekday Heb 3:7–14 Mk 1:40–45

Friday

JANUARY 16 Weekday Heb 4:1–5, 11 Mk 2:1–12

Saturday

JANUARY 17 St. Anthony, Abbot Heb 4:12–16 Mk 2:13–17

Sunday

JANUARY 18 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Sm 3:3b–10, 19 1 Cor 6:13c–15a, 17–20 Jn 1:35–42

Is baptism by immersion better?



Why do some churches baptize by pouring water on the forehead and others by immersion? Is one way better than the other?

In terms of what baptism means and accomplishes—escape from sin and death into the life of the Risen Jesus—immersion is no better than pouring. But in the dramatic power of the symbol of the water, immersion is better.

The power of the sacrament of baptism lies not in the method of bringing the water into play, but from the direction given to the pouring or the immersion by the words of Jesus, who commanded us to baptize "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19).

St. Paul said, "Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life" (Romans 6:3–4). Down into the death of Jesus, and up again into a new life.

Even on the level of symbol and drama, a trickle of water is still water. It still means and symbolizes life, as in drinking and cooling. It also symbolizes death, as in a hurricane or a drowning.

This union of words and water in the Church makes this action the sacrament of baptism.

FR. JOHN HAMROGUE, CSSR sundaybulletin@liguori.org



Experience the Holy Land from your kitchen!

Cook up a savory experience of food and faith with free recipes from *Around the Table With the Catholic Foodie: Middle Eastern Cuisine.* Visit Liguori.org/Catholicfoodie by February 28 to get your free recipes and a coupon for 30% off this full-color book of recipes and stories from the author's Holy Land pilgrimage. Enjoy!



The Baptism of the Lord

January 11th, 2015



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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Both Before Mass and by Appointment. Mass Schedule for this Week Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions Sat 4:00 pm Our Parish Family Sun 9:00am Our Parish Family Mon 8:00 am No Mass Tues 8:00 am +Fr Pete (spec int) Wed 6:00 pm +Fr Pete (spec int) Thu 9:00am +Fr Pete (spec int) Fri 8:00 am +Fr Pete (spec int)

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

This weekend we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord which officially concludes our Christmas season. Our celebration of Christmas does not end with the infant Jesus, but with the adult Jesus being baptized and beginning His saving mission.

Have you ever wondered why Christ was baptized? After all, if baptism washes away both original and actual sin, why would Jesus being sinless undergo John the Baptist's 'baptism of repentance'? The short answer is that it was for us. At his baptism, the water did nothing for him, He did something for water! His baptism forever sanctified the element of water and established a baptism of the New Covenant of grace. His baptism also opens to us the mystery of the Holy Trinity; the Son is baptized, the Holy Spirit descends in the form of a dove, and the Father speaks a word of love and blessing from heaven: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

As we celebrate this great mystery of the Faith, my prayer for each of you is that you may know how much our loving Father delights in you; that you may know in the depths of your heart how much he loves you. I pray that each of us may hear him whisper to our soul, "You are my beloved child. With you I am well pleased!" I hope that your New Year has begun well!

May God bless all of us!

...Fr. Khoa

Aged & Infirmed Priests

This weekend is the Special Diocesan Collection for the Aged & Infirm Priests. insurance costs and medical expenses of ailing and elderly Diocesan priests in long term care. **The amount collected remains in our parish.**

End of Year Statements

If you desire an end of year offering statement please email or call the Parish office and request one call 228-832-2560 or email (stanncatholic@bellsouth.net).

 ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:
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 Identifiable:

 \$3552.00; Loose:
 \$1,237.00; Total:
 \$4,789.00;

 Children:
 \$16.00.
 Building Fund:
 \$292.00,

 Retirement Fund:
 \$140.00.
 OUR LADY OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:

 Identifiable:
 \$245.00; Loose:
 \$52.75 Total:

Identifiable: **\$345.00**; Loose: **\$52.75** Total: **\$397.75**.

**Amount needed weekly <u>\$2,908.84.</u> Thank you for your generosity.

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES

Parish Council: meet Next Saturday January 18.

<u>Altar Society:</u> Meet after 9am Sunday mass. Thanks to Altar Society and volunteers who set up and clean up the decorations during this Christmas season. For more information, please contact **Lenell King**.

Lizana Light: Sherry Money will be in charge of the Lizana Light. Thanks to Sherry Money for this help. Thanks also Kathy for serving six years in this position.

<u>Church Cleaning</u>: Please contact Ellen West for more information.

| MASS | LECTOR | EUCHARISTIC MIN. | SERVERS | USHERS | GIFT B. |
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| Sat Jan 10 | Richard Dunlap | Doris Snowden, Sharon | Katelyn Casey | Doug Ladner | August & Ruth |
| 4:00pm | | Ladner, Henrietta Ladner | Boots Moran | Ira Necaise | Schonewitz |
| Jan 11 7:30 am | Sandra Ammons | Daniel Squillante | (OLC) | Terry Mitchell | (OLC) |
| Sun Jan 11 | Beverly Saucier | Chantel Crabtree, Derek | Conner | Robert | Gary Thomas |
| 9am | | Trosclair, Kim Wood | Nicholas | Pat Leimer | Family |
| Sat Jan 17 | Lisa Cuevas | Mike West, Mike Mays, | Katelyn Casey | Doug Ladner | Mike & Ellen |
| 4:00pm | | Diane Mays | Regan | Kermit | West |
| Jan 187:30 am | Sandra Ammons | Daniel Squillante | (OLC) | Terry Mitchell | (OLC) |
| Sun Jan 18 | Matthew Peleaz | Dale Rabin, Carolyn | James Rines | Robert | Danny & Kim |
| 9am | | Brewer, Robin Peterson | Nicholas | Tyler | Wood Family |

<u>Bible Study:</u> We study *Mary* beginning on Jan 8, 2015. Classes are on Wednesdays 6:30-8 pm, and on Thursday from 9-10:30am at CCD Building. For more information, please contact Ruth Schonewitz and Henrietta Ladner.

<u>**RCIA:</u>** RCIA classes are on Wednesdays 6:30pm from September to May at Parish Chapel. Please contact Tim Brogdon at 344-5449. Thank you.</u>

<u>CYO:</u> meet every other week on Sunday 6:00pm. You can visit St Ann CYO contact **Katelyn Moran** and **Danielle Ladner** or on the website **www.facebook.com/stannslizanacyo**.

<u>*Project Hope and Compassion:*</u> For more information, please contact the office.

<u>VISITATION OF THE SICK</u>: Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560 or in emergency, 234-6005.

MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS: You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive information: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding ceremony.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Betty Pierce, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Annette Moran, Darlene Billingsley, Janet Thompson, Victoria Moran, Michael Gilbert, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, and Julia Perronne.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.