#### **BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

It is somewhat ironic, that for most of us as Catholics, the day of our baptism, is not something that we remember. Most of us were infants when we were baptized. Our parents brought us to church. Usually we were dressed up in some special, white baptismal garments. We may not remember the actual event. The pictures make the event that much more real for us, who can't remember that far back. course, as we just heard, at Jesus' Baptism, they didn't need to take any pictures to make the event memorable. St. Matthew tells us today that at Jesus' Baptism the heavens opened up for Him. And He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon Him. And then of course, there's that loud voice from the heavens, booming across the sky, "This is my Beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." You talk about the dramatics of it all! It is interesting that for a baby born in a simple stable, on a quiet night, a silent night. That same baby, all these years later, has a pretty dramatic Baptism in the Jordan River. Christmas begins with a Silent Night. But the Christmas season ends with God's voice echoing across the sky, telling the world how pleased He is with His Son!

Baptism is our way of beginning our walk with Jesus Christ. It all starts with water, and oils, and fire, and promises. That is the way that we begin the walk that eventually will lead all of us to Heaven. It all starts with Baptism. Just like for Jesus, following His Baptism, it was time for Him to go to work. So too for us, following this Feast Day, we are reminded that it is time for all of us to go to work, building the Kingdom of God, and bringing His Gospel to every person that we come in contact with. This is a great day. On this Feast Day, we are sent out to a world that so desperately needs us, just like Jesus was, two-thousand years ago!

May we bear witness to our Baptisms with our lives, not just with our words. May we live out our Faith every day. And may we put into action, Jesus' good news, by the way that we care and get involved!

(Fr. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.)



Monday, January 13

9:00 a.m.

St. Hillary

Healing for Christine Legg req Barbara Legg

Tuesday, January 14

9:00 a.m.

Jerry Creedon Thanksgiving req Tony and JoAnne Tigani

req Fe Barrientos

Wednesday, January 15

9:00 a.m.

Frank Kunkel

req Anna Gustin

Thursday, January 16

9:00 a.m.

Intentions of Franco and Riya Thomas

reg Lukose Suja Mathew

Healing for Kenny Troke

req Barbara

Friday, January 17

9:00 a.m.

St. Anthony

Frank Kunkel

req Anna Gustin

Saturday, January 18

5:00 p.m.

Nunziata Livoti

req Tony Tigani

Pedro Navarro and Teresita deNavarro, req Gisela, German and Gabriela Navarro

Sunday, January 19 10:00 a.m St. Charles Garnier Parish Community



## For the Weekend of Dec 28/29 2019

Regular Sunday collection Christmas Offering Loose

\$ 2,813.50 2,695.00 981.50

Thank you for your continued financial and spiritual support to St. Charles

**Garnier Parish** 

Please pick up your envelopes for the year 2020. If you do not have envelopes and would like to have a set, please call the office and talk to Flo.



OUR SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK FOR THE INTENTIONS OF CACCIATO

### **Sanctuary Lamp Intentions**

Our Sanctuary Lamp burns continually in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in our Church. You may dedicate our Sanctuary Lamp for a deceased loved one or for a special intention. We will publish the **Sanctuary Lamp Intentions** in the bulletin each week. Suggested donation for the Sanctuary Lamp is as follows:

One Week - \$25 One Month - \$100

Please call or see Flo in the parish office to request an intention or for more information.

"The light shines in the darkness and the darkness does not overcome it."

**John 1:5** 

## **JANUARY COFFEE TIME**

Sunday January 26th following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Please bring a refreshment to share. Volunteers are needed to help set up and clean up. Please see the sign-up sheet at the back of the church.



January 12, 2020

CONGRATULATIONS
to our newly-baptized member of our FaithNATHAN PANAVELIL

May God grant him all the blessings of His gentle love.

"Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed."

HEALING MASS WEDNESDAY JANUARY 29TH



6:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:00 p.m. Healing Mass, †Anointing with Holy Oil

ALL ARE WELCOME. PLEASE INVITE FAMILY AND FRIENDS



#### **EXTENDED ADORATION**

Please remember you are invited to spend time in Adoration Monday to Friday following the 9:00 Mass until 1:00 p.m.. We would like to ensure that there is

always someone in the church with the Blessed Sacrament. Ideally, it is hoped that parishioners can commit to the same day and time each week. Please sign the volunteer book at the back of the church indicating the day and time you can come. We are blessed to have this opportunity for prayer. Please come and encourage others to join you. For prayer request and thanksgiving Email us at <a href="mailto:saintcharlesadoration@gmail.com">saintcharlesadoration@gmail.com</a>

# THURSDAY JANUARY 23RD "A LITURGICAL MINISTERS' EVENING"

A workshop will be given by Deacon John Moss, Coordinator of Liturgy for the Diocese. The session will take place at 7:00 here in our church. The session is intended for all Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors. We would also like to extend the invitation to anyone interested in serving these Ministries in the future. If you are interested, please see Donna Marcaccio before Jan. 23 and you are welcome to come to the session to learn about serving your Parish through these Ministries.