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Sunday,

Jan 10,

2021

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+The Baptism of the Lord+

Scripture Insights The verses from Isaiah culminate the poetic proclamation of the prophet who preached about 550 years before the birth of Christ, in the dark days after Jerusalem's destruction and the exile to Babylon.

The prophet announces that these events were not the end; they were an astonishing new beginning in the story of salvation. "I am doing something new!" declares the Lord (43:19). This prophet revels in the riches of a new version of the Davidic covenant. As David's royal line was lost during the exile, the prophet announced that the spectacular "sure love for David" was now the property of the entire people of God. He imitated the vendors' cries in the marketplace of Babylon as they sold necessities like water and bread and luxuries like wine and milk. But this vendor was offering—for free—the blessings of the God of Israel!

Five hundred years later, a man like the ancient prophets came proclaiming God's impending judgment. John preached that his baptism would prepare people for God's rending of the heavens to mete out justice. But his word was fulfilled in a way he did not expect. The one mightier than John did indeed appear when he "was baptized in the Jordan by John." The heavens were indeed "torn apart"; Mark's use of the Greek word schizo, "splitting," carries a threatening apocalyptic image of judgment (Mark 1:10). But what emerged from the opening in the heavens was a dove, the Spirit of God in the form of the ancient symbol of God's peace following divine judgment (Genesis 8:8-12). The Gospel changed the template of salvation. Now salvation is offered before rather than after judgment. This remarkable change marks the "beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God" (1:1). "By the water and blood" (1 John 5:6) links Jesus' baptism with his death. Jesus himself likened his death to a baptism (Mark 10:38-39). How is death like a baptism?

Mass Schedule: Jan 11 - Jan 17, 2021



Mon.	Jan	11	8:30 am	(V) Mary Knight+
			9-10 am	(V) one hour of adoration
Tues.	Jan	12	5:00 pm	(B) Frank & Sylvia VanErsvelde+
Wed.	Jan	13	5:00 pm	(V) Don & Catherine Nowotny+
Thurs.	Jan	14	8:30 am	(B) Samantha Kriegel+
Fri.	Jan	15	11:30 am	(V) Latin Mass- Vocations
Sat.	Jan	16	4:00 pm	(V) Shirley Noyes+
Sun.	Jan	17	8:00 am	(B) Mollie Tibbetts+
Sun.	Jan	17	10:00 am	(V) The People of the Parish

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.....

Lex Ann Alig
Bob Murtha
Diane Davidson
Vivian Kalamaheti
Rose Refer

Bev Wood
Marvin Lynn
Kyle McWilliams
Wilfred Suchy
Dawson Klein
Jim McGrory

Joanna Green
Sharon Petersen
Marjorie VanHamme
Ray Gensley
John Doud

Janice Bringmann
Rev. Philip Ryan
Ruth DeMeulenaere
Mary Bernhart
Chuck Baetsle

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Ushers & Greeters: The Ministers of Hospitality

4:00 PM	Sat	Jan	16	None
10:00 AM	Sun	Jan	17	None

Altar Servers: The Ministers of God's Altar

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Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

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Eucharistic Ministers: Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

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Funeral Committee: Jan Dixie Wentland (525-3075) Diane DeGeeter (319-930-1966)
Money Counters: Jan 17 Dan & Julie Cavin, Jeannine Scandridge

- **Poinsettia Memorials**- PICK UP AFTER MASS. THANK YOU to everyone that donated a poinsettia in memory of a deceased loved one. These plants make the church look beautiful for the Christmas season. Thank You!
- **KC Meeting**- the next KC meeting will be Tues., Jan 12. There will be pulled pork, chips, etc at 6:30pm and the meeting will start at 7pm at the KC Hall.
- **Altar & Rosary Dues**- Ladies just a reminder that your A & R dues are due. They are \$10.00 per member and they will be collecting them Jan 9 & 10 and Jan. 16 & 17. Every woman of the parish is automatically a member of A & R. Altar and Rosary pays for all our altar supplies and provides many services to the parish. Please pay your dues. Thank You.
 - **Latin Mass**- Starting on Friday, January 15 there will be a 'Latin Mass' at 11:30am being said in Victor at St Bridget's.
 - **Confessions** Will be heard on Saturdays from 3:15-3:45pm at the Parish where the Mass is held.

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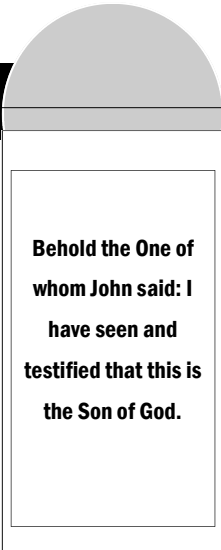
Financial Overview : Our tithing and stewardship for God and Church. If you wish to receive envelopes, please contact 647-2294. Thank you to all who support our parish.

Envelopes: \$2,679.00	Offertory: \$80.00	Total Online Giving for Jan: \$
Christmas: \$496.00	Solemnity of Mary: \$16.00	

Happy Birthday!
 Jan 11- Julie Cavin
 Jan 12- Don VanNevel
 Jan 13- Sophia Wille

Happy Anniversary!
 Jan 12- John & Darla Doud- 64 years

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Envelopes: \$ 575.00	Offertory: \$20.00	Total Online Giving for Jan: \$
Christmas: \$140.00	Improvement: \$55.00	

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Jan 13- Lynn Hammes

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Jan 11 - Jan 17

Important Information for Both Parishes:

Dear Parishioners:

I hope your New Year's celebrations have been good.

A few pieces of news: First, our Bible study on Tuesdays after Mass has resumed for any who would like to attend. Second, as Easter will be here soon enough, I am asking the community if you know of anyone who would like to join the faith or be confirmed. This either means they need to be confirmed (whether they were raised Catholic and never got it or were raised Protestant) or if you know of someone who needs to be baptized. Because things are still unique this year, I am happy to conduct the classes in whatever way serves you the best. In fact, I already have several people looking to receive these sacraments but because they are meeting me anyways for marriage preparation. I've just done their preparation one-on-one. So, in light of this, this year (and my part as I can meet any day/any time to accommodate those who are seeking the sacraments. Please contact me if you know of someone who would be interested.

Finally, I am currently learning and practicing the Extraordinary Form of the Mass, commonly called the 'Latin Mass.' This is the 'old' Mass from pre-1970 that some of you grew up with. I am helping to say this Mass in Iowa City on Sundays, and need the practice. Additionally, it is a beautiful Mass to learn and grow in our faith. I will be doing this Mass in Victor on Fridays at 11:30 am for any who would like to attend. No knowledge of the Mass is needed.

God Bless,

Fr. Corey

Domestic Violence- Silence does not help the ones we love find hope or safety. If someone you care about is being abused, call 319-351-1043 or 800-373-1043 www.dvpiowa.org

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend- is a catholic faith based marriage enrichment program. For information, dates and to register go to: iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305.

Child Sexual Abuse- Please contact Iowa Dept of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline at 800-362-2178. If the case involves clergy or church personnel, also notify Alicia Owens, Victim Assistance Coordinator at 563-349-5002, PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004 or vac@diodav.org

Website: stpatrick-stbridget.org please look at it, get up to date information and your bulletins!

Office Hours: The office will be open Monday through Thursday 2:30pm- 4:30pm. Any questions please, call Linda Gensley @ 319-647-2294 or call Father at the rectory @ 319-647-2220. Thank You.

Confessions: There will be confessions heard every Saturday at the parish where Mass is held.
They will be 45 minutes prior to the Mass.

Marriages: Please arrange with Fr. Close at least six months in advance. Engaged Encounter or Pre-Cana is required.

Baptisms: There is a preparation class required in order to have your child baptized. Please contact Father Close for more information.

Newcomers: You may register in the parish by picking up a registration form from Fr. Close or the parish secretary, Linda Gensley. Church line is 319-647-2294 or Rectory is 319-647-2220.

Hall Rental: Anyone interested in renting out the hall please leave a message at 647-2294. The fee is \$100.00 must fill out our parish policy and check on the availability of dates.

Bulletin: Any news for the bulletin needs to be in by Wednesday, or you may call it in or email to us at: stbridget@netins.net

Online giving allows you to make donations, payments and pledges via your mobile phone, smart device or computer to our church. Please visit our website and get started at: www.stpatrick-stbridget.org Thank-You!