## **Solemnity Baptism of the Lord**

#### Sunday - January 11, 2014

**9:30–High Mass** in memory Mary Anthony by Joseph Binczewski -Following Mass: **Catechism for Children and Fellowship Hour** at the Parish Hall with refreshments provided

### Sunday – January 18, 2015 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time B

**9:30 – High Mass** in memory Helen Paluskiewicz by Christine, Scott, Sean & Ashley Barr

-Following Mass: **Catechism for Children and Fellowship Hour** at the Parish Hall with refreshments provided

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#### Bible Readings for Baptism of the Lord - Year B

#### 1<sup>st</sup> reading: Book of Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Thus says the LORD: Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations, not crying out, not shouting, not making his voice heard in the street. a bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench, until he establishes justice on the earth; the coastlands will wait for his teaching. I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness

#### **Responsorial Psalm 29**

#### R. (11b) The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Give to the LORD, you sons of God, give to the LORD glory and praise, Give to the LORD the glory due his name; adore the LORD in holy attire.

#### R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

The voice of the LORD is over the waters, the LORD, over vast waters. The voice of the LORD is mighty; the voice of the LORD is majestic.

#### R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

The God of glory thunders, and in his temple all say, "Glory!" The LORD is enthroned above the flood; the LORD is enthroned as king forever.

#### $R. \label{eq:R.decomp}$ The Lord will bless his people with peace

#### 2nd reading from the Acts of the Apostles 10: 34-38

Peter proceeded to speak to those gathered in the house of Cornelius, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the

baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

#### Alleluia verse from Gospel St Mark 9:7

The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

#### **Holy Gospel according to St Mark 1:7-11**

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." 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."

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#### **Adult Bible Study for this week:**

About Faith in GOD: from 1<sup>st</sup> Letter of St John 3:22 "Beloved: We receive from (God) him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit whom he gave us."

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# ATTEND HOLY MASS ON SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS PARTICIPATE IN LIFE OF YOUR CHURCH AND WORSHIP DAILY

Liturgy is "the participation of the People of God in 'the work of God"; It is the "exercise of the priestly office of Jesus" in which God is worshiped and adored and people are made holy. God begins the work of sanctifying people in time and space and brings that work to completion. Those who respond to God in worship and in service are given the privilege of becoming co-workers in the divine plan. Please come and join us as Community of faith for Sunday Holy Mass weekly! Feel always welcomed and at home in our Church!

For those with gluten allergy Gluten free Communion is available

#### PRAYER CIRCLE AND HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Let us remember in our personal prayers about our sick and older parishioners and friends. If you would like to have special intentions mentioned during Mass or you would like Holy Mass celebrated for your intention, please let Father know.

<u>CATECHISM FOR CHILDREN</u> Catechism Classes for children are scheduled after Holy Mass on Sunday please bring your children and notify Fr Andrew.

#### **BLESSING OF HOMES**

Please let Fr Andrew know if you would like your house blessed this year.

**PARISH DONATIONS** We would like to share heartfelt Thanks to all who donate and help at the Parish. May God bless your for your much needed help!

Total roof donations to date is \$2,255.00

New Fence at Polaski Park completed: cost \$15,000.00

Collections

January 4, 2015 \$362.00

December 28, 2014 \$387.50

Thank you one and all for you concern and generous contributions. God Bless You.

#### Blessing for the beginning of the New Year.

Every good gift comes from the Father of light.

May He grant you His peace and every blessing, and keep you safe throughout the coming year. R. Amen

May He grant you unwavering faith, constant hope, and love that endures to the end. R. Amen

May he order your days and work in his peace, hear your every prayer, and lead you to everlasting life and joy. R. Amen May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. R. Amen.

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After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." St Matthew 3:13

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