

## BAPTISM OF THE LORD



### MASSES OF THE WEEK

† - For the repose of the soul / in memory of the person(s) indicated

#### Sunday, January 12

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish.  
10:30 a.m. † Sister Jeanne Cyr by Serafina Sebastyan.  
† Manuel Miramon Jr. by his friends.  
For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

#### Monday, January 13

9:00 a.m. † Gloria Pereira by her family.

#### Tuesday, January 14

9:00 a.m. † Ralph Mitchell by his brother Don Mitchell.

#### Wednesday, January 15

9:00 a.m. † Souls in Purgatory.

#### Thursday, January 16

9:00 a.m. † Howard and Bernadette McVean.

#### Friday, January 17

*Feast of St. Anthony*

9:00 a.m. † Gracia Ranger by her family.

#### Saturday, January 18

9:00 a.m. -----

4:30 p.m. † Dr. Pierre and Mrs. Antoinette Prud'homme  
by their children.

#### **PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Baby Raechal McIntyre, Richard Robinson, Michelle Boyer, Alice Hilchie, Gordon F. Hilchie, Catherine Bedard, Lisa Rey, Christina Addison, Monique Beaudry, Erin Burnett, Sara Arias Hernandez, Marcelo Pimentel, Franco Azua Arias, Moli Coletti, Zygmunt Wysocki, Marcelle Makropoulos.



### Lectors & Commentators

#### Saturday, January 18

4:30 p.m. Lyn Fong  
*Commentator: Marie Comisso*

#### Sunday, January 19

9:00 a.m. Ellen Dulay  
10:30 a.m. Paul O'Leary  
*Commentator: Peter Landry*

#### **Diocesan Theme for Pastoral Year 2019-2020:**

Christ is everything for us. "Lord, to whom can we go?  
You have the words of eternal life". (John 6.68).

### **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

#### Saturday, January 18

4:30 p.m. Sheila McGlynn

#### Sunday, January 19

9:00 a.m. Adrian Manlagnit  
10:30 a.m. Peter Landry  
*Chalice: Joan Texeira & Juanita de Ocampo*

#### **HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION**

**Evangelization:** We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

#### **BAPTISM OF THE LORD (Year A)**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7  
*Here is my chosen servant in whom my soul delights.*

**Second Reading:** Acts 10.34-38  
*The Lord anointed him with the Holy Spirit.*

**Gospel:** Matthew 3.13-17  
*When Jesus had been baptized,  
he saw the Spirit of God coming upon him.*

### **PARISH NEWS**

#### **2020 PARISH ENVELOPES**

2020 parish envelopes are available in the parish office.  
Please write your full name, address and telephone number on the first few envelopes you use in 2020 and **always indicate the amount** of your donation on each envelope. It is important for income tax purposes.

#### **PARISH CALENDARS**

Parish calendars for 2020 are available in the parish office. Cost: \$3.00 each or two for \$5.00.

### THANK YOU

Fr. Vincent expresses his sincere thanks to each of you for the thoughtful gifts, greetings and kindness that you have extended during the Christmas Season. He wishes everyone a happy, healthy and blessed 2020.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will hold their Monthly General meeting on **Monday, January 20, 2020, 7:30 p.m.**

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast has been rescheduled to **Sunday, February 2, 2020** after each Mass. The Knights will be fundraising for Vocations - to sponsor a seminarian.

### SPAGHETTI & KARAOKE FUNDRAISER DINNER

The Knights of Columbus are hosting this very popular event in the parish hall on **Sat., Feb. 29, 2020, 5 p.m. – 10 p.m.** Info & tickets: Roger Richard (613-277-5423) and George McKenna (613-745-6953).

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

St. Theresa Parish will host a Marriage Preparation Course on **Friday evening, March 13, 2020** and **all day Saturday, March 14, 2020.** Info: (613-235-5119).

### COMMUNITY EVENTS & INTERESTS

#### OREMUS: A Guide to Catholic Prayer

Is prayer an integral part of your day? Do you hear God's voice in your daily life, and know how to respond accordingly? The St. Jerome Study Group at St. Patrick Basilica will begin the Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer study program on **Tuesdays, Jan 21 - Mar 17, 2020, 7:00 - 9:00 pm** in the Scavi. Info. & registration: Lyn Fong [stjeromestudygroup@gmail.com](mailto:stjeromestudygroup@gmail.com).

### A WONDERFUL CONVERSION STORY

Former Harvard business Professor Roy Schoeman revealed how a series of mystical encounters led him to Catholicism, including an intimate experience with the Blessed Virgin Mary. He explains that he became an atheist in college after leaving the Jewish faith. He explained however, that atheism's emptiness led his heart to desire more. "I went to sleep and I thought I was awoken by a hand gently on my shoulder, and led to a room and left alone with the most beautiful young woman I could ever imagine. I knew without being told that it was the Blessed Virgin Mary. When I found myself in her presence, all I wanted to do was honour her overtly. In fact, the first thought that crossed my mind was 'Oh my gosh. I wish I at least knew the Hail Mary.' But I didn't."

Schoeman said Mary then offered to answer his questions. He said, "My first thought was to ask her to teach me the Hail Mary...but I was too proud to admit that I didn't know it. So as a kind of indirect way of teaching me the Hail Mary, I asked her, her favourite prayer. She was a bit coy, but her first response was, 'I love all prayers.'

"But I was a bit pushy and said, 'There must be prayers you love more than others.'" Schoeman said Mary told him her favorite prayer is 'O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.' (Our Lady originally presented this prayer to St. Catherine Labouré.) "When I went to sleep that night, I knew virtually nothing about the Blessed Virgin Mary...I knew none of what she revealed to me in this experience. When she spoke, and when the beauty of her voice flowed through me, carrying with it her love, it lifted me up into a state of ecstasy greater than I ever imagined could exist."

Schoeman added that as soon as he woke up, he was completely in love with the Blessed Virgin Mary and he "wanted to be as fully and completely as Christian as possible," which eventually led him to Catholicism. "During that experience of her, I saw how all of the graces that flow from divinity into humanity flow through the Blessed Virgin Mary."

*"To maintain a joyful family requires much from both the parents and the children. Each member of the family has to become, in a special way, the servant of the others."*

– St. John Paul II.