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## **OFFICE HOURS (window service)**

**Monday –Thursday 8:30 am to 12:00 pm**  
**1 pm to 4:30 pm**      **CLOSED FRIDAY**

## **CELEBRATION of the EUCHARIST**

### **DAILY MASS (upper church)**

**Monday 10:00 am at Senior Living Centers**

*Suspended until further notice*

**Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 am,**

**Wednesday 6 pm**

**Friday,** Liturgy of the Word, with Communion

*Suspended until further notice*

### **WEEKEND MASSES**

**Sunday: 8:15 & 10:30 am**

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Sunday 9:45 -10:15 am**

**Every Wednesday, 7:00-8:00 pm**

*or by appointment*

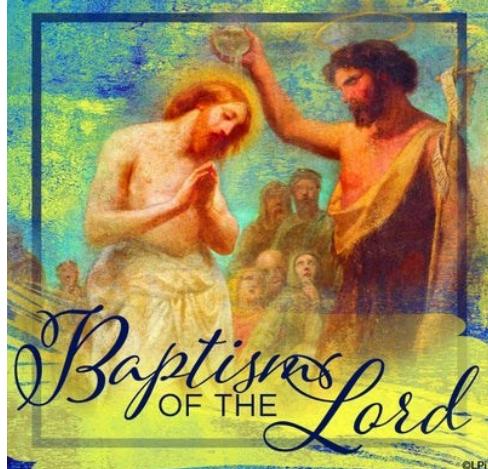
### **HOLY HOUR**

**Wednesday, 6:45-7:45 pm**

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Please check the bulletin for updates**

# 2021



## **Fr. Mike's Message...**

### **Baptism of the Lord**

My guess is that, by now, most of you have already taken down the tree and put away the Christmas decorations. After all, Christmas day was over two weeks ago. But I hope that people didn't start taking down everything on December 26. As I'm sure most of you are aware, today's feast, the Baptism of the Lord, is what actually ends the Christmas season. It's unfortunate that our society starts celebrating Christmas so early that by the day after Christmas, most people are tired of the holiday, so they stop celebrating just as we as a Church begin to celebrate the season.

During the Christmas season, we hear in the Gospel about the infancy narrative of Jesus in Matthew and Luke. This includes the Angel announcing the birth of Jesus to both Joseph and Mary, the birth of John the Baptist, the birth of Jesus, the visit of the shepherds, the coming of the three Wise Men, the flight of Jesus into Egypt, and the presentation of Jesus in the Temple. So, you might be wondering why the Lord's baptism by John in the Jordan River is part of the Christmas season? After all, Jesus is baptized when he is an adult.

The reason for this is simple: even though he is baptized when he is an adult, Jesus' baptism marks the beginning of his public ministry. With the exception of one story in Luke that describes Jesus getting lost in the Temple at the age of 12, we don't know anything about Jesus' life from the time he was an infant until the beginning of his Ministry after his baptism. We use his baptism as a way to demarcate the end of his hidden life and beginning of his public life.

Just like with Jesus' baptism, our baptism also signifies a turning point in our lives. Even though most of us are baptized as infants rather than adults, our baptism in Christ marks the moment that we become new creations, adopted children of God the Father. It also marks the moment that we all begin our lives as Christian disciples. Of course, as infants we are not ready to actually go out in mission. It is up to our parents and the Church to guide us during our formative years. That way, when the time is right, when we are ready, we can go out into the world and begin to preach the Gospel, to spread the Good News, and to serve both the Lord and our brothers and sisters, bringing greater glory to God.

We are limited to the number of people at each Mass, with social distancing. You are not obligated to go to Sunday Mass at this time. The Bishop encourages people to go to daily Mass to help with the overflow of Sunday Masses. Please do not sit where there is tape across a pew. Also, please remember to practice these few guidelines, below, when coming to Mass. These are for the safety of you and others.

- ⇒ If you don't feel well, please stay home.
- ⇒ Please wear a mask in church at all times. This protects all, especially our elderly.
- ⇒ Wash your hands with sanitizer when you enter & when leaving the church.
- ⇒ Please remain 6 feet apart from each other. Please sit in open pews.

*The church will be cleaned after each Mass for everyone's protection.*

# MASS SCHEDULE



Please don't forget to wear your masks!

DAY	MASS INTENTION	EVENTS
Sunday, January 10 Baptism Of The Lord	8:15 am ~ Netta Colacino—Camblin Family 10:30 am ~ Alicemarie Bresnihan—Kathy & Bob Zappia	
Monday, January 11 Weekday	<i>Masses suspended at Nursing Homes</i>	
Tuesday, January 12 Weekday	8:00 am ~ Mona Rynearson—Pat Murphy	
Wednesday, January 13 Weekday	8:00 am ~ Brian Bouwens—family 6:00 pm ~ Anna M. Cinelli—Joanne Palmer	6:45-7:45 pm ~Holy Hour
Thursday, January 14 Weekday	8:00 am ~ Eleanor Brown—legecy	
Friday, January 15 Weekday	<i>No Communion Service</i>	
Saturday, January 16 Weekday	<i>No Mass</i>	
Sunday, January 17 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:15 am ~ Conrado Espada Morales—Hartman family 10:30 am ~ Margaret Tedesche—Kehoe family	



Many thanks for your support of St. Michael's	Actual YTD As of 11/30/20	Budget YTD	YTD Overage shortage
Total Collections	<b>\$125,034.00</b>	\$140,165.00	(\$15,131.00)
Total Operating Income	<b>\$156,386.00</b>	\$153,843.00	\$2,543.00
Total Operating Expenses	<b>\$152,200.00</b>	\$161,321.00	\$9,121.00
Deficit/Surplus	<b>\$4,186.00</b>	(\$7,478.00)	

ST. MICHAEL'S FINANCIAL GIVING		
<b>Weekly Offertory</b>		
<b>December 28</b>	<b>\$6052.00</b>	
<b>Christmas (additional)</b>	<b>\$4955.00</b>	
Thank you for your support & generosity.		

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL			
Goal: \$44,851.00	Actual: \$24,695.00	Donors: 149	
We are half way to our goal. We thank those who have given generously and ask all who have not yet given to prayerfully consider doing so. The CMA helps our Church and our parish in so many ways. Please consider all the ways that God has blessed you and your family and think how the Church has brought goodness into your lives. Join our appeal and give back what you can so that we remain strong and able to do God's great work! .			

**ELECTRONIC GIVING PROGRAM** St. Michael's is pleased to offer this safe and convenient option for you to contribute your Sunday offerings to the Church automatically through your checking, savings account or credit card. Please check our website, click on to Financial Giving.

*Christ, Our Light*

### 2021 New Year's Resolutions for you...

- 1) Trust God more.
- 2) Pray every day in some way.
- 3) Pray to Our Lady often.
- 4) Never miss Sunday Mass or a Holy Day of Obligation unless legitimately prevented from attending.
- 5) Go to Confession more often or come back to the Sacrament if it's been a long time.
- 6) Identify your biggest obstacle which keeps you from a deeper relationship with Jesus.
- 7) Spend less time cutting people down with words, and more time building them up, encouraging them.
- 8) Recognize the power of each Holy Communion you receive, it is Jesus Himself.
- 9) Actively do something to learn more about your Catholic Faith.
- 10) Be generous in a realistic way with helping the poor, the suffering, and the lonely.
- 11) Be grateful for what God is constantly giving you.
- 12) Desire heaven.

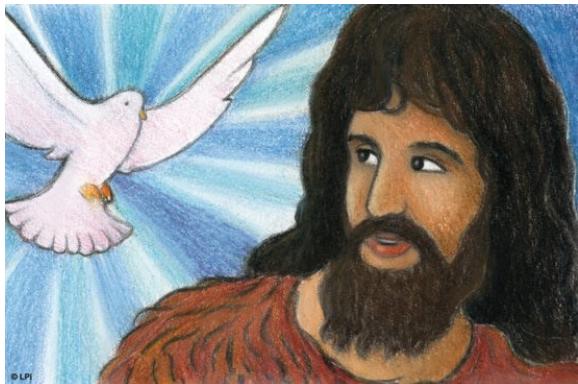
*Let's start today!*

**WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 7th IS SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY**  
June will be collecting monetary donations & cans of soup for our local Food Closet  
**Thank you.**



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## BAPTISM OF THE LORD



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."

— Mk 1:7-8

### "La Cultura del Cuidado como Camino de la Paz"—Mensaje del Papa para 2021

Cada año los papas han escrito mensajes para las jornadas mundiales de la paz. **Papa Francisco escribió su mensaje para esta 54º Jornada de la Paz** con el título de arriba. En medio de la pandemia de Covid-19, practicar y educar para cuidar, escribe Papa Francisco, es la manera de "erradicar la cultura de la indiferencia, el descarte y la confrontación, que a menudo prevalece hoy en día." La **cultura del cuidado**, como "compromiso común, solidario y participativo para proteger y promover la dignidad y el bien de todos", y "disposición a interesarse, a la atención, a la compasión, a la reconciliación y a la curación, al respeto mutuo y a la acogida recíproca", constituye un medio para construir la paz, a fin de "erradicar la cultura de la indiferencia, el descarte y el enfrentamiento, que a menudo prevalece hoy en día."

El recuerda los muchos testimonios de caridad y solidaridad, pero a la vez existen formas de racismo, nacionalismo, xenofobia, guerras y conflictos. El vuelve a la doctrina social de la Iglesia diciendo que esa es el fundamento de la cultura del cuidado. **El cuidado debe promover la dignidad y derechos de la persona.** Que demos un no al individualismo, a la vez afirmando inclusión y no exclusión y la dignidad y no la explotación. Hay un **cuidado del bien común**. La vida social, política y económica se realiza cuando está al servicio del bien común. Cada miembro del grupo debe poder conseguir más plena y fácilmente su propia perfección. Con la pandemia nos damos cuenta "**que todos estamos en la misma barca, todos frágiles.**" Pero tenemos que remar juntos; nadie se salva solo.

El **cuidado mediante la solidaridad** expresa concretamente el amor por el otro. Hay que tener una **determinación firme de empeñarse por el bien común—por todos y cada uno.** Hay que ver las otras naciones, pueblos como nuestro prójimo, compañero de camino, llamado a participar como nosotros en el banquete de la vida.

El **cuidado y la protección de la creación**: hay una necesidad de escuchar el clamor de los necesitados y de la creación. De esta escucha atenta y constante puede surgir un **cuidado de nuestra casa común y de los pobres**. Hay que tener en el corazón ternura, compasión y preocupación por los seres humanos para poder tener un sentimiento de íntima unión.

El papa invita líderes de naciones y organizaciones usar estas ideas como una brújula para un rumbo común. Si no viven todo esto, no habrá paz, por eso **es necesario educar a la cultura del cuidado, empezando en la familia y las otras instituciones de educación** en colaboración con la familia. Los líderes religiosos deben ayudar **por transmitir los valores de la solidaridad, el respeto a las diferencias, la acogida y el cuidado de los hermanos y hermanas más frágiles.**

"**La cultura del cuidado**, como compromiso común, solidario y participativo para proteger y promover la dignidad y el bien de todos, como una disposición al cuidado, a la atención, la compasión, la reconciliación y la recuperación, al respeto y la aceptación mutuos es **la manera de construir la paz.**" Tenemos que trabajar "todos juntos para avanzar hacia un nuevo horizonte de amor y paz, de fraternidad y solidaridad, de apoyo mutuo y acogida."

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Este es un mensaje dirigido a cada individuo, familia, líder, nación y organización para pensar y actuar por el bien de todos y cada uno. ¿Cómo vas a ponerlo en acción en tu propia vida?  
Hermana Kay



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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**2020/2021 YEAR**  
**The beginning of our Religious Education program will be delayed until early Winter.**

We will have our Sacramental Preparation Program for any child who is of age to make their First Communion.

## Family Ministry

### Gospel Reading Mark 1:7-11

*Jesus is baptized by John the Baptist*

In the story of Jesus' baptism, we hear the report of a significant moment in Jesus' life. By accepting baptism from John the Baptist, Jesus shows himself to accept solidarity with sinners. In the voice from heaven and the descent of the Holy Spirit, we know that God received this offering from Jesus and found it pleasing. In the passages that follow in Mark's Gospel, we learn that Jesus' baptism marks the beginning of his public ministry. Although many of us may have already taken down our Christmas decorations, liturgically speaking, the Christmas season hasn't ended yet; today is the last day. Holidays like Christmas are highlights of our year, moments of great grace. This grace renews us and prepares us for our return to the season of Ordinary Time, to the continuing work of discipleship.

Gather as a family and discuss your feelings about the ending of the Christmas season. How does it feel to take down the Christmas decorations? Many of us experience a letdown after the excitement of Christmas; others may feel relieved that life is returning to normal. Liturgically, we end the Christmas season today by reflecting on the importance of Jesus' baptism. Read together today's Gospel, Mark 1:7-11. Jesus' baptism prepared him for his public ministry. What will we take from this Christmas season to carry us forward into Ordinary Time, to renew and strengthen our life of Christian discipleship? Conclude by praying together today's psalm response taken from the book of the prophet Isaiah, Isaiah 12:2-6, or pray the [Prayer to the Holy Spirit](#).



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### Cluster Mass Schedule

**St. Joseph the Worker** (*St. Michael Lyons, St. Patrick Savannah & St. John the Evangelist, Clyde*) & **Blessed Trinity** (*St. Thomas Red Creek, Winter, St Jude Fair Haven, Summer & St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott*)

### Weekend Schedule

4:00 pm ~ Saturday  
4:30 pm ~ Saturday  
8:00 am ~ Sunday  
8:00 am ~ Sunday  
10:30 am ~ Sunday  
4:00 pm ~ Sunday

St. Michael Lyons

St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott\* change

St. Thomas Red Creek (winter)

St. Jude Fair Haven (summer)

St. John the Evangelist Clyde\* change

St. Patrick's, Savannah \*change

### Daily Mass Schedule

8:30 am ~ Monday  
7:30 am ~ Tuesday  
6:00 pm ~ Wednesday  
7:30 am ~ Thursday  
7:30 am ~ Friday  
8:30 am ~ Friday

St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott

St. John the Evangelist Clyde

St. John the Evangelist, Clyde

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St. Michael Lyons

St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott

### Confessions

3:30 – 4:15 pm ~ Saturday St. Mary Magdalene, Wolcott  
3:15 – 3:45 pm ~ Saturday St. Michael. Lyons  
7:00 – 7:50 am ~ Sunday St. Jude, Fair Haven  
5:20 – 5:50 pm ~ Wednesday, St. John the Evangelist, Clyde

### St. Joseph the Worker

Phone: 315-902-4130

Webpage: [www.saintjoetheworker.org](http://www.saintjoetheworker.org)

Facebook page: St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Wayne County, New York

### The Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

Phone: 315-902-4130

Webpage: [www.ccblessedtrinity.org](http://www.ccblessedtrinity.org)

Facebook page: Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

## Newark Community Blood Drive

**MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2021**

**IN THE CHURCH HALL.**

**12 PM – 5 PM**

*Extra precautions will be taken for the safety of each donor.*

**Save a Life! Make a Difference!**

**Give blood. Help save lives.**



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**To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven**

**"... a time to be born..."**

**"...a time to love..."**

**"... a time to be healed..."**

Please pray for the sick of our Parish.

*Steven Sapp, Leigh Ann Henry, Nate Barnes, Claire Childs, Kim Zielinski, Michael Kowaleski, Gretchen Switzer Bouwens, Mary Santoro, Cathy Wilhelm, David Murphy, Darlene Fletcher, Marie Wemesfelder, ET Trunick, Donald Pieters, Marcia Palermo, Jerry Sielawa, Georgette Eagley, Mary Gilligan, Fran DeVelder, Mary Talbo, Ann Straight, Ivana Ernst, Gloria Viola, Michael George, Ada Lasken, Phillip Juliano, Sr. & Pearl Johnson*

And please pray for our Parish friends. *Scott Weber, Richard Schweitz, Jr., Bonnie Crane, Tracy Diaz-Cruz, Barb Gallant, Ann Maliborski, Sherry Caughell, Tom DeYoung & Michael Bauer, Jr*

**"... a time to die..."**

*Elizabeth Santelli, Paul Satta, Rachel Vito and William McGrath*

**"... and a time for peace."**

In our world and for all people, military and civilian, who are in the midst of war. ***Ecclesiastes 3:11***

You can still get a  
St. Michael Beanie Hat.  
They are available in the  
parish center.

**Only \$15 a hat.**

You will be nice and warm in your hat,  
but still looking COOL !

**FOOD CLOSET ITEMS ARE STILL NEEDED.**

The Newark Food Closet is still accepting donations of non-perishable food items. A few suggestions are found below.

Canned vegetables and fruit, Peanut butter and jams

Pasta and sauce, cereal, etc.

*Please leave in the gathering space. Thank you for your generosity.*

The Newark Food Closet at 301 E. Miller St., Newark, is open Monday-Friday from 10 till noon.