

St. William

January 9, 2021

<https://superiorcatholics.org>



Saturday, January 9th 6:00 pm

+Doug Loomis
by Jon Bristol

Saturday, January 16th 6:00 pm

+Jim Sackett
by Joannie Thompson



Weekly Contributions January 2, 2021

Adult Envelopes.....	\$ 2300.00
Loose.....	\$ 4.00
Online Giving.....	\$ 10.00
Christmas.....	\$ 40.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	\$ 250.00

Thank you to all of our parishioners who have continued to support our parish at Mass, online or by mail.



Saturday, January 16th 6:00 pm

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MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are available for anyone who would like to remember a loved one who has passed, the health and welfare of someone in need, or your own private special intention. Please call the office at 715-394-7919 or place an envelope in the collection basket with your intention included. Mass intentions are \$10.

If you are new to our parish and would like to register as a member, please call the office at **715-394-7919** or go to <https://superiorcatholics.org> and click on **Our Parishes, Become a Member & Parish Census**, and fill out the form for **St. William**.

If you would like to sign up for OnlineGiving, go to our website <https://superiorcatholics.org> scroll down, click "Giving" and then click on St. William and fill out the form for our parish.

DONATE ONLINE

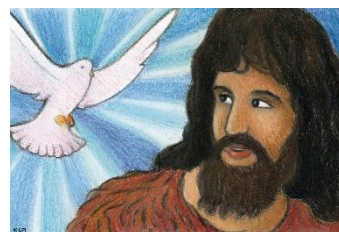
Pray for Their Health and Welfare

Krista Hudacek Lambert	Mary Kuntz
Julia Dalbec	Patricia Lindquist
Fr. Ron Olson	Erma Harty
Judy Ross	Wendy Johnson
Bill Ross	Carolyn Ward
Jon Bristol	Carl Schulz
Maryann Grymala	



Pray for Those in the Armed Forces

Nathaniel Grymala	Joe Austin
Nathan Blair	Brandon Anderson



The 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

CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL

Together in Mission, Alive in Hope	January 3, 2021
	2020-2021 Goal \$ 5,454.00
	Payments and Pledges 2,874.00
	Remaining to Raise \$ 2,580.00

Thank you for your continued support of the Catholic Service Appeal.

WEEKLY MEDITATION

A few years ago I was having lunch when I ran into Fr. Bob Koszarek, a retired priest from our diocese. When I asked him what brought him out for lunch he said, "I am celebrating the anniversary of my baptism." The comment struck me, especially when he followed it up with, "Do you know the day of your baptism?"

The answer is no. Yet as I prepare for Mass this week I have made a commitment to find out. We claim (rightly so) that baptism is a crucial sacrament in the Church - the gateway to all other sacraments whereby we are configured to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Most people know *if* they have been baptized; my sense is that very few know the *actual date*.

Our faith is a precious gift - worth fighting for, worth dying for. Perhaps today we pause to recall just how precious it truly is...Jesus Christ poured out his blood on the Cross for us that we might have eternal life. His baptism was the revelation of the Trinity, where we hear the Father's voice from heaven as the Spirit descends upon the Son in the form of a dove. Our baptism allows us to participate fully in God's presence for the grace and guidance we need.

I invite us today to claim our baptism. Some simple steps:

- Thank the Lord for the gift of faith to know Jesus and live as a Christian disciple
- Embrace your faith through study and prayer
- Serve others in the name of Jesus Christ (and with his help and strength)
- Allow your life to bring Good News to the World

Our baptism is not a one time event. Rather, it is an ongoing expression of Christ working through us. May the Baptism of the Lord inspire us to live our faith with joy as we engage our lives with his power.

Fr. Andrew

Question for Children: Why does Baptism make you special?

Question for Youth: You were baptized as a member of the Christian community. What does it mean to you to belong to this community? How is it a support in your life?

Question for Adults: What meaning does your Baptism have for your everyday life?

Readings for the week of January 10, 2021

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/
Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3])/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY, January 13th

Religious Education

Grades 5-10: (Virtual) Students will log in for class from **7:00-8:00pm**.

Confirmation Students will meet with Fr. Andrew in the upper Church from **7:00-8:00pm**

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

With the help of Leah Brown, Kennedy Robelia and Griffin Anderson - UWS students working on a school project, Claire Jarman who volunteered and earned a scouting badge, and middle school students John Robbins and Maxwell Carey and their families who delivered gifts - we were able to provide gifts for 52 children and provide families with twelve hams and food gift cards for Christmas.

The gifts were donated by families from Cathedral School and other generous donors. The hams and gift cards were purchased from monies remaining from a food collection at Thanksgiving which was coordinated by our member Sandy Peterson. Thank you to all our other volunteers involved in helping to offer these special gifts to our neighbors this Christmas.



RCIA

Adults are drawn to the Catholic Church for many reasons and in many ways. They come to the Church with varying levels of knowledge and understanding but the one constant is that each has many questions. RCIA – the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - is the process that allows adults to explore Catholicism, increase their understanding and get answers to their questions in an environment that is welcoming and responsive.

All RCIA meetings will be held virtually. If you are interested in participating – or know someone who is – please contact Kathy Drinkwine at Kathy.RCIA@gmail.com or at 715 394 3005. If there is no answer, please be sure to leave a message.

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Substitute Teachers Needed

Have you considered Substitute Teaching? Do you love working with children of all ages? Does your busy schedule keep you from working full-time? Would you like to supplement your current income? Cathedral School is looking for qualified substitute teachers. If you answer yes to the question, we need you!! A 4 year degree is required but the degree does not need to be in education. If you are interested please contact Melissa in the main office for more information - 715-392-2976.



Box Tops for Education (Cathedral Home And School Association) participates in several programs, which generate money for our school. Box Tops for Education can be found on several products including food, household items, tableware, office supplies, and even bake ware. **No more clipping.** No more sending Box Tops to school. All you need is your phone. Download the ALL-NEW Box Tops app, shop as you normally would, then simply scan your store receipts to find participating products. Tap the scan button and snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase. The app will automatically credit your school's Box Tops earnings online. **(Twice a year, your school will receive a check and can use that cash to buy whatever it needs!)**

CLUSTER NEWS

ST. ANTHONY-SUPERIOR TAKE OUT MEATBALL SUPPER

Please join us at St. Anthony – Superior for our **“Take-out only”** Meatball Supper on Tuesday, January 12th from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Menu includes: Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Vegetable, and Dessert. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. Take-outs are all that will be available and we are handicapped accessible. Facemask and Social Distancing policies will be in place.

Home deliveries will be available, within the city limits. Please call **715-398-3261** on Monday, January 11th or Tuesday, January 12th between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and Noon to place your order.

You will draw water
joyfully from the
springs of salvation.



Moving the Movement (March for Life 2021)

Diaper Drive

Donate Diapers for Babies Served by the Lake Superior Life Care Center in Superior.



Our diocese and parish cluster will not be sponsoring a pilgrimage to the March for Life in Washington D.C. this January due to the pandemic. As a means to support families and raise awareness about the 48th anniversary of Roe v Wade (the landmark legal decision effectively legalizing abortion throughout the United States) Bishop Powers has invited parish clusters to support local pregnancy centers by collecting diapers. Prizes, through the generosity of the State Council of the Knights of Columbus (first place \$300 and second place \$200), will be awarded to the Pregnancy Resource Center sponsored by the cluster collecting the most diapers.

The organizers of Moving the Movement (info at: <https://marchforlifechicago.org/>) are hoping that 130,094 diapers will be collected - one for each child lost to the tragedy of abortion each year in the Midwest.

Please drop off diapers from Jan 7-17th after Masses at Cathedral of Christ the King, Holy Assumption, St. Anthony-Superior, St. Anthony-Lake Nebagamon or St. William. Diapers in larger sizes (3+) are often the most needed. God bless you for your generosity and support of life. For more information contact Lynn Tracy at 715-392-8511.

Sexual Abuse

The Catholic Church is working diligently to prevent sexual abuse by parish employees, volunteers, deacons, and priests. If you have been sexually abused by someone associated with the Church and would like to report or discuss the experience, we urge you to contact:

Kathy Drinkwine 715-718-1110

The Diocese of Superior welcomes your call and understands how difficult it may be to reach out in this situation. The phone number provided is confidential and dedicated solely to these calls. Know that your call will be treated with respect, dignity, and compassion.

The Diocese of Superior is bound by civil and canon law to report sexual abuse of a minor to civil authorities. Anyone who believes that they have been sexually abused is strongly encouraged to report as well.

My Son, My Daughter

Who was not asked, at the dawn of young adulthood, “What do you want to be when you grow up?” Today there are so many options for girls and boys. How does one decide? Money and security are very tempting, as are fame and reputation. And then there is the other side of the story when, in the quiet of our thoughts, we wonder if we became everything we might have been. Did we choose the right path or the easy one? Did we rise to the occasion when life challenged us, or did we stay where it was comfortable? Did we really grow up, or did we just get older?

Today we cross the threshold of Christmastime and into Ordinary Time, when the readings focus on discipleship. What kind of disciple do we want to be? Regardless of the past, today we have a chance to start

anew. Today’s Gospel passage places Jesus before us as a model to follow. He is at the threshold of his ministry. Stepping out of the waters of the Jordan, he is told: “You are my beloved Son.” As Son, his role is to bring God’s goodness to the world. Through baptism and profession of faith, we too are filled with God’s spirit. We too are beloved sons and daughters of God, called to bring God’s goodness to the world. What does this mean for us? To what kind of lives does this call us? What do we want to be when we grow up?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- * What can you do to make your part of the world a better place?
- * Look deep within yourself. To what might God be calling you?



And a voice came from the heavens, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.” MARK 1:11

Dear Padre,

My fiancée was baptized in the Lutheran Church. If she becomes Catholic, will she be baptized again?

A person can be validly baptized only once, whether in or out of the Catholic Church. Catholics believe three things are necessary for a valid baptism: baptizing in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; flowing water; and the intention of the “minister” to baptize using the form (words of the Trinitarian formula) and matter (flowing water) needed for a valid baptism.

Orthodox and most Protestant baptisms are recognized by the Catholic Church. However, the Catholic Church does not recognize as valid baptisms performed by Christian communities that don’t believe in the Trinity—Jehovah’s Witnesses and Mormons, for example. These communities may use the same matter (flowing water), but they don’t have the same form (Trinitarian formula) or intention in their baptism.

If your fiancée decides to become Catholic, she will need to attend Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults sessions, make her first Communion and reconciliation, and be confirmed, but she has already been validly baptized and will not need to be baptized again.

Fr. Scott Katzenberger, CSSR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



SWEET MARSHMALLOW/SHUTTERSTOCK



A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

To baptize a child is an act of justice toward them. Why? Because at baptism we offer a treasure, at baptism we offer a pledge: the Holy Spirit. Baptism endows the child with the strength of the Holy Spirit: the Spirit that will defend and assist each of them throughout life.

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD, JANUARY 12, 2020

Calendar

Monday

JANUARY 11

Weekday

Heb 1:1–6

Mk 1:14–20

Tuesday

JANUARY 12

Weekday

Heb 2:5–12

Mk 1:21–28

Wednesday

JANUARY 13

Weekday

Heb 2:14–18

Mk 1:29–39

Thursday

JANUARY 14

Weekday

Heb 3:7–14

Mk 1:40–45

Friday

JANUARY 15

Weekday

Heb 4:1–5, 11

Mk 2:1–12

Saturday

JANUARY 16

Weekday

Heb 4:12–16

Mk 2:13–17

Sunday

JANUARY 17

Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time

1 Sm 3:3b–10, 19

1 Cor 6:13c–15a,
17–20

Jn 1:35–42