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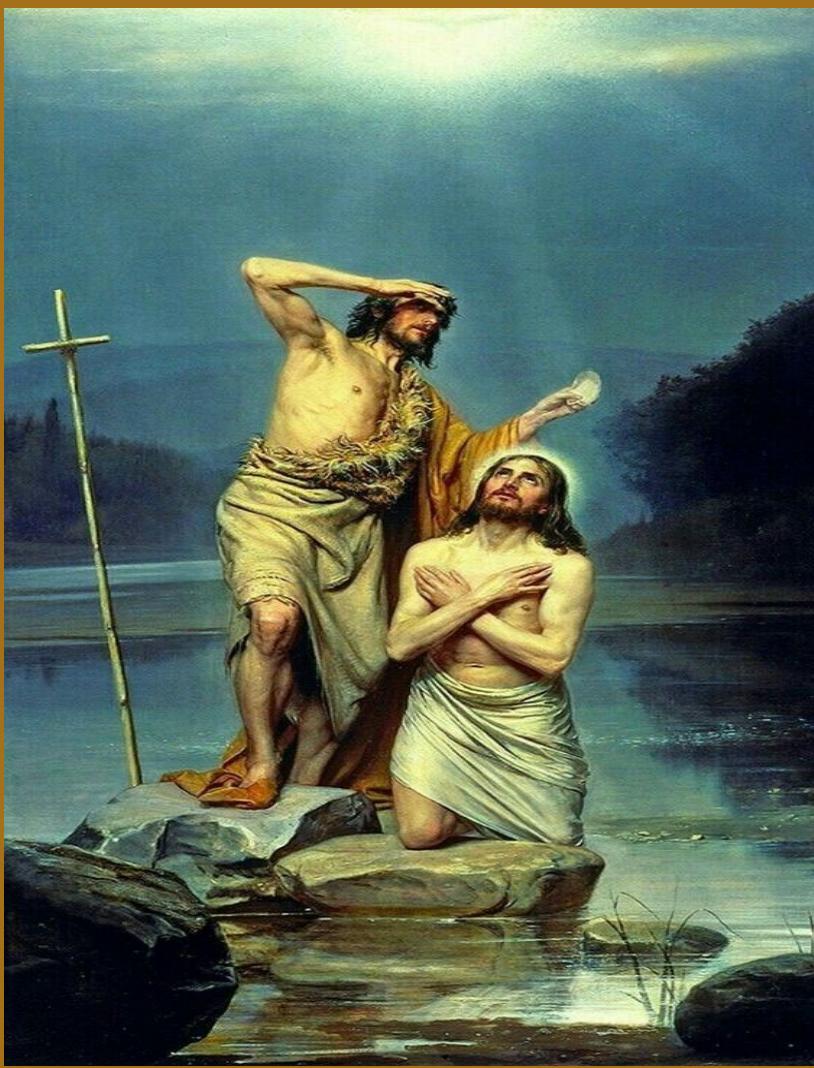


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**THE FEAST OF THE
BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

**Jan.
12,
2020**



**A voice came from the heavens,
saying, “This is my beloved
Son, with whom I am well
pleased.”**

– Matthew 3:17

HELP NEEDED

We will take down Christmas decorations today after the 9:30 am Mass. Your help is needed. Also, if you would like a poinsettia, please feel free to take a plant home.



Activities This Week

Sun., Jan. 12 ~ Parent Formation Mtg.: Catholic Sacraments in Parish Center; 10:45 am
~ Appreciation Dinner in Gym; 3:30 ~ 6:30 pm
Tues., Jan. 14 ~ Liturgy Mtg.; 6:30 pm
Wed., Jan 15 ~ School Board Mtg.; 6:00 pm in Lower Hall

news and events

Chinese New Year Mass: The Chinese New Year Mass will take place at St. Therese Church on Sunday, February 2nd, at 10:00 am.

Lunar New Year Gala: The Lunar New Year Gala (St. Therese's main fundraiser) will take place on Saturday, February 22, 2020. More details will follow shortly.

MINISTRIES

Calling Parishioners and Friends to Ministries

In the *Decree on the Apostolate of the Laity*, the Church tells us that all Christians have a vocation to "share in the mission of the whole people of God in the Church and in the world." (2)

"Our own times require of the laity no less zeal: in fact, modern conditions demand that their apostolate be broadened and intensified. With a constantly increasing population, continual progress in science and technology, and closer interpersonal relationships, the areas for the lay apostolate have been immensely widened particularly in fields that have been for the most part open to the laity alone."

Is the Spirit calling you to be part of the following ministries in our parish?

- a. Liturgical Ministry (Lector, Choir Member, Greeter, Server, Translator....)
- b. Educational Ministry (Catechist, Formation, Evangelizer....)
- c. Service Ministry (Outreach, Church Cleaning, Gardening, IT....)
- d. Parish Life Ministry (Youth, Young Adult, Senior Ministry, Holy Name, St. Vincent Society, St. Barbara Knights, Committee Members....)

If you are ready to be more involved with any Committees, and/or Ministries, please speak with or email Fr. Francis or Fr. Lukas.

RESPECT IN CHURCH

As a sign of respect, please turn your cell phones to silent upon entering church. Also, please remove your hats during Mass and consider to dress appropriately for Mass.

HOLY NAME NEWS

The Holy Name Society, along with the Ninth District Police, would like to thank all those who donated toys to the toy drive to benefit the Ronald McDonald House. The 9th District was especially pleased to receive such a variety of toys. Again, thank you to all who contributed.



COFFEE WITH FR. FRANCIS

Do you have questions about the life of our new parish? Would you like to be involved with our ministries and organizations? What are your concerns and hopes for our new parish?



If you would like to share your hopes and suggestions for our parish with me, please email me at fisttherese@gmail.com, call our parish offices at 312-842-7979 or 312-842-6777 to schedule a coffee time. I want to listen to you and to hear from you.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

THANKS

Thanks to all who have offered a generous Christmas gift to our parish and to those who helped with our Christmas celebration. The children's pageant went very well with many participants; our combined choirs sang beautifully for our midnight mass; and our decoration teams did an amazing job. Thank God for a fruitful Christmas and for your participation and faith.

Thanks to members of our Young Adults for painting one of our Religious Education classrooms. It looks great now and our students and catechist really appreciate it too.

Members of the St. Barbara Knights met before Christmas. We thank them for their faith and involvement in our parish. They are open to welcome new members.



THE GIFT OF BAPTISM

Last weekend, we celebrated the Epiphany of the Lord, which reminds us that God's salvific plan and God's love is for all people. Today we have another important feast—the Baptism of the Lord. Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist, not for forgiveness of sins, but to "fulfill all righteousness." His baptism reminds us that the mission of John the Baptist was not only valid, but essential. John's baptism was for the forgiveness of sins, but Jesus baptized with water and the Holy Spirit, not only for forgiveness of sins, but for reception of God's grace and new life.

The celebration of the Baptism of the Lord reminds us of our own baptism. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "**Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit (*vitae spiritualis ianua*), and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission: "Baptism is the sacrament of regeneration through water in the word."**"

It is clear that through our baptism, we are reborn and sent on a mission to transform others and the world. We are not alone on this mission; we have other members of Christ to accompany us; we always have the Holy Spirit to guide us and empower us to be faithful to our common mission.

Speaking of baptism, what a blessing for our community to have 10 candidates in our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) programs this year! They are searching, discerning, and looking forward to be baptized at Easter Vigil. We also have a few school students who are being prepared for baptism this year. The Spirit is working in and through them and us. Let's keep all candidates for baptism in our prayers.

Let's renew our own baptism promises and be consciously attentive to the fact that we are God's beloved sons and daughters now.

Peace

Fr. Francis

Convening at the Intersection of Trauma, Faith and Resilience to Connect, Learn, Heal, and Serve

Save the Date: Thursday, January 30

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Chicago Teacher's Union Foundation
1901 W. Carroll Ave., Chicago**

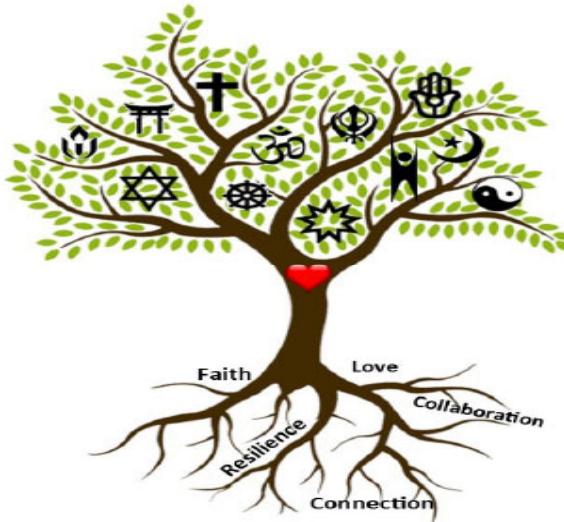
Over three years, we have been learning about the intersection of faith, trauma and resilience. Come and celebrate the blossoming and blooming of our movement.

Connect with each other,

Learn together about concrete actions we can take to create trauma-responsive and healing-engaged congregations and communities,

Heal and nourish our own spirits, and

Prepare ourselves to model and guide transformation across our communities.



Keynote speaker: Dr. Iva Carruthers, a founding trustee and General Secretary of the Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference, an interdenominational organization within the African American faith tradition focused on social justice issues.

To register for this event, visit <https://faithandresilience.eventbrite.com>.
Registration fee: \$30; Students: \$15. Scholarships available.
Questions? Contact Octavia Tyson at octavia.tyson@cityofchicago.org.

God's Will By Sister Caritas

St Francis De Sales is known for the saying, "You can catch more flies with a little honey than you can with a gallon of vinegar." When I am teaching I might say, "Look how nice Johnny is sitting." Suddenly, all the children try to copy that student so they can be praised too. Praise or complimenting people at times, if sincere, can make a big difference.

Today we are celebrating the Baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. When Jesus comes up out of the Jordan River, a voice is heard. The voice says. "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." As God, Jesus knew that God the Father was pleased with Him. As man, Jesus, perhaps, was happy that His Father was pleased with Him. God knew Jesus was doing what He wanted Jesus to do on earth. One thing we can say about all of Jesus' life is that He always wanted to do what pleased His Father. Jesus always did what God, the Father, wanted Him to do. That was a focus of His life. Jesus often spoke of seeking to do the will of His Father. "I always do the will of Him who sent me."

We are called to holiness. We are called to be like Jesus. One can make holiness a very complicated thing. In reality, holiness is simple. Jesus gives us the example, as does St. Therese and all the saints. All the saints imitated Jesus. All the saints, in one way or another, did the will of God. They tried, each day of their lives, to love God. If you love someone, you do what they want. We only have to do the will of God with great love. If we do that each day of our lives, we will be holy. We will be like Jesus. With consistent response to God's grace and call we, too, will be holy.

SCHOOL NEWS



During the holiday break, our students pulled up their sleeves and volunteered their time for a "Decoration Party" to add decor to both sanctuaries for Christmas Masses, along with Youth Ministry and St. Mother Teresa Parish RE students. Over fifty students were in attendance for this year's Decoration Party.



The eighth-grade students at St. Barbara Campus have been working very hard to utilize more inflection as they read. To put their new skills to the test, the eighth graders read Christmas stories with the first graders. The students did an excellent job keeping the first graders engaged in the story!



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Thursday
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Lolita and Barbara
\$500 Coverall Split



Russ
\$500 Coverall Split



Juanita
6 Months Free Bingo



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' WEEK

Catholic Schools' Week will begin on Sunday, January 27th. Watch for highlights of activities to be held that week.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 11 - Vigil of The Baptism of the Lord

5:00 p.m. + Ed Glabicki (Dolores Lenicky)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

Sunday, January 12 - The Baptism Of The Lord

6:00 a.m. Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
9:30 a.m. 5th Grade Family Mass
+ Ed Glabicki (Michael & Dorene Hurkes)
+ Jean Dimitri (B. Glabicki)
+ Gail Helma (B. Glabicki)
+ Bernice Glabicki (B. Glabicki)
Health Blessings: Barbara Rekar (Diane Ramos)

Monday, January 13 - Weekday St. Hilary

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church

Tuesday, January 14 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Chuck Hong Oi (Phil & Cathy Whitehouse)

Wednesday, January 15 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church

Thursday, January 16 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Theodore and Stanley Piorecki

Friday, January 17 - St. Anthony

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church

Saturday, January 18 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mother's Day Remembrance

Saturday, January 18 - Vigil of the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. + Robert Maziarka (Diann Bak)
+ Ed Glabicki (Karen & Adrian Goetz)
+ Margaret Gray (Arlene & Cliff Whitehouse)

Sunday, January 19 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 a.m. Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)
9:30 a.m. + Ed Glabicki (Gary Leverence)
+ Laura Bocian (B. Glabicki)
+ Ed Helma (B. Glabicki)
+ Mary Diaz DeLeon (Family)
Health Blessings: Irene Zima (Diane Ramos)



The Lighting Sponsor for the week:

In Memory of: Birthday Remembrance
Cecile "Cis" Krok

Requested by: Krzyzanski Sisters

**For those unable to attend Mass due to illness,
please be sure to watch the Mass on television:**

**Mercy Home - Sunday Mass
WGN- TV Channel 9 - Chicago**

Sunday Mass: 9:30 AM

Weekly Collection - January 4th - 5th

Sunday Envelopes (68)	\$ 1,289.50
Children's Envelopes (1)	\$ 2.00
Sunday Loose	\$ 630.00
Maintenance Fund (36)	\$ 706.00
Total Collection	\$ 2,627.50

	YTD	Weekly
Actual	\$ 62,902.62	\$ 2,627.50
Goal	\$160,000.00	\$ 6,400.00
% of Goal	39%	41%
Votives & Vigil Lights:	\$ 134.00	
November Give Central: 1st	\$ 1,524.00	
2nd	\$ 300.00	



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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18TH

5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Andrew Moon, Autumn Moon, A. Chan
Eucharistic Ministers: J. Lukwinski, R. Carden
A. Skokal

Lectors: E. Kroner, L. Saletta

Greeters: J. Lukwinski, Y. Bobadilla

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19TH

6:00 a.m.

Altar Server: G. Vanderford
Eucharistic Ministers: J. Balasa, G. Vanderford,
S. Guest

Lector: J. Bertucci

9:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: G. Parcon, Emma Cabrera,
Ellie Cabrera, R. Cabrera
Eucharistic Ministers: A. Alonzo, H. Alonzo, D. Ramos
Lectors: Sr. K. McNulty, P. Saletta
Greeters: H. Alonzo, A. Alonzo

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. The office is closed on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.

Baptisms: Parents must be registered practicing parishioners and attend a baptismal preparation session before a baptism will be scheduled. Call the rectory office for further information.

Communion Calls: Please contact the Rectory when someone who is homebound or in the hospital wishes a visit to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Anointing of the Sick is for anyone seriously sick and not only for those near death.

Ministry of Care: Eucharistic Ministers are available to visit, pray with, and bring Holy Communion to those who are sick and unable to attend Mass. Notify the Parish Office when this service is needed.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for anyone inquiring and seeking information about entering the Catholic faith.

Weddings: Weddings need to be scheduled at least six months in advance. Couples are reminded to secure the Church date before the reception hall.

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND LITURGIES

St. Barbara: Saturday: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 6:00am, 9:30 am

St. Therese: Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am; and Mandarin

Mass on the 4th Sunday of each month at 12:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

St. Barbara: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday: 8:00 am

St. Therese: Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation

St. Barbara: Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm; Holy Day Masses: 6:00 am, 8:00 am

St. Therese: 8:00 am, 7:00 pm

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR: St. Therese - 7:00 pm

FIRST SATURDAY HEALING MASS: St. Barbara Chapel - 8:00 am

CONFESION

St. Barbara: Saturday 4:15–4:45 pm or by appointment

St. Therese: By appointment

THE ROSARY

St. Barbara: The Rosary is prayed on Sunday at 5:30 a.m. before 6:00 am Mass.

Please pray for those homebound, hospitalized and in need of continued prayers:

Amalia Agins, Austin Agins, Bernadette Agins, Joyce Agins, Stephen Agins, Mary Aguirre, Debbie Annerino, Walter Annerino, Amy Averet, Kimberly Babe, Geraldine Baldwin, Tony Baressi, Judith Beaudry, Christine Bertucci, Joseph 'Joey' Bertucci, Lonnie & Theresa Bertucci-Falls, Jennifer Bond, Fr. Michael Bowler, Jeff Bowman, Andrea Brongiel, David Brost, Mary Camarda, Anthony Capone Sr., Adele Castro, Laverne Connolly, Tim Consola, Joe Cruz, Patti Cuchetto, Paul DeGrazia, Henry Diaz DeLeon, Jacqueline Dybas, Kathy Egle, Nenita Feliciano, Jerry Felske, Minnie Ford, Natalia Francone, Bill Frank, Darlene Frost, Harold Frost, Paul Gadowski, Ray Gadowski, Lily Ann Galloway, John Gasca, Cheryl Lynn Gilhooly, Bernadette Glabicki, Ed Glos, Pat Grieco, Koen Guest, Jose P. Gutierrez, Kellar Harris, Lynette Heidemann, Jasmine Henson, Teresita Holcomb, Denise Holland, Gwen Holub, Morris Humphrey, Michaeline Hunter, Ted Hunter, Suzanne Ivester, Jennifer Janson, Chester Jendryczka, Dr. Joe, John Kaput, Dorothy Kawalerski, Rose Kisielowski, Stanley Kiwala, Anna Kolendo, Janice Kutansky, Craig Labudda, Ken Labudda, Sunny Labudda, Baby Kinsley Paige Leschinsky, Kiera Litwin, Lenny Loretto, Richard Lyznicki, Nancy Mallory, John Mangan, Kayle Marth, Paul Martinez, Bill Marczuk, Zena Masi, Maria Mawgwi, Lil' Joe Michalak, Cindy Moore, Dr. Mike, Cydney Muti, Stephanie Nicks, Deacon Jack O'Leary, Theresa Oleszkiewicz, Allison Pakula, Virginia Pakula, Eva Castillion Parcon, Josie Petkus, Michael Petrucci, Dolores Pienta, Mitchell Pienta, Virginia Pienta, Ellen Pietrzak, Beverly Pirelli, Ray Polakowski, Robert Potter, Barbara Rekar, Josephine Richardson, Sandra Rios, Joel Rivera, Jose Rodriguez, Jose C. Rodriguez, Mila Rolon, Dolly Roti, Ellen Ryan, Therese Ryndak, Dorothy Rzasa, Maria Saludo, Laverne Scianna, Kennedy Shepski, Adeline Skokal, Raymond Smolinski, Gary Solverson, Sharon Solverson, Jeff Spaargaren, Jr., Rosalie Spalla, Diane Spata, Joanne Stewart, Lauren Stronczek, Rose Stronczek, Robert Synal, Baby Zachary Synal, Emily Rose Thomas, Norbert Trojanowski, Bill Ufferman, Dolores Ufferman, Dave Ulczycki, George Vanderford Sr., George Vanderford Jr., Juan Vargas, Ava Walczak, Sadie Walker, Barbara Webb, Bill Webb, Sylvia Wiertel, Madison Young, Eugene & John Zabek, Virginia Zawacki, Irene Zima



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