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January 13, 2019, The Baptism of the Lord



Weekly Words from The Rock

Baptism

On this, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, I want to look at the question, "Why do Catholics baptize infants?"

"Infant baptism has remained an area of concern for some non-Catholics and Catholics alike. Some say, "Shouldn't we wait for a child to grow up and then make his/her own decision to be baptized and become a Christian?" Along those same lines, we could ask such questions as, "Shouldn't we wait for a child to grow up before we teach him/her a certain language? After all, he or she might not like English."

Children obviously do not choose things such as who their parents are going to be, what country they are going to live in, where they are going to school, what they are going to eat in order to grow up healthy and strong. Parents make these decisions with the child's best interest in mind. They want what is best for their children and what will be of the most value for them as they mature and grow into adolescence and eventually adulthood. In a similar manner, bringing a child into God's family and raising him or her in the ways of the faith of Jesus Christ is simply a good thing to do. Just as a mother would not withhold milk from her baby, so too we should not withhold the grace of God from a child either. As Jesus himself said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God"(Matthew 19:14)."

(The above excerpt was taken from Meat and Potatoes Catholicism, pages 75-76, written by Father Joseph Classen.)

Pop Quiz

On February 20, 1997, *The Catholic Spirit* came up with a religious competency test. This test encompasses all articles of the Catholic faith. Here are the questions I posed for you last week and I now provide the answers.

Question 1: Name two of the seven last (words/phrases) of

Christ. (Some are multiple words.) Or, what were the last words/phrases Christ said before he died?

Answer:

- A. It is finished.
- B. Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.
- C. I thirst.
- D. Today you will be with me in paradise.
- E. Behold your son. Behold your mother.
- F. My God, my God, why have you abandoned/forsaken me.
- G. Father into your hands I commend my spirit.

Question 2: What is the title of the Bishop of Rome, who is first among equals, the visible head of the Catholic Church, and the successor of St. Peter?

Answer: Holy Father/Pope

Here are the next questions for the coming week.

Question 1: The sign/matter/element of this sacrament is bread and wine?

Question 2: The sign/matter/element of this sacrament is water?

Question 3: The sign/matter/element of this sacrament is oil? (3 possible answers) *Name one.*

Good luck with these questions. I'll provide the answers next week along with the next series of questions.

God's blessings! Fr. Peter Schuster, Pastor
pastor@rescathroch.org Sunday homilies are on our website:
wwwrescathroch.org

Baptism Humor



Ministry Enrichment and Training Day Saturday, January 19th, from 9am-12pm for all current and new liturgical ministers.

Each area of ministry will partake in an interactive and/or immersive experience for their particular ministry. Lectors are particularly encouraged to attend. This is different from the fall workshop, so please do your best to attend. RSVP on the website TODAY!

If you cannot register through our website, call the office at 288-5528.



Attention youth—anyone from 3rd grade and up (must have received the Sacrament of the Eucharist) are wanted!

If you are not a current altar server, please consider this liturgical ministry role. There will be several training sessions; if you are interested to learn more about this role, come to one of times below:

Tuesday, January 15th: 4:00 pm;
Wednesday, January 16th: 4:00 pm;
Saturday, January 19th: 1:00 pm

Parish News and Events

Knights of Columbus breakfast next weekend.

Please plan to stay following the Sunday Masses to enjoy a great breakfast of pancakes, eggs and sausages.



Proceeds will benefit the Ann Loomis Fund which supports schools and the aging in India.



Food for Friends Update For the month of January we will be collecting pasta and pasta sauces (no glass). The donations of all foods have been very appreciative. Once we collect the pasta and sauces, we let the students shop and add the extra items to their food bags from Channel One.

Franklin now has close to 100 participants in the program.

Quilt/Blanket Update: We will be distributing in February during "I love to Read Month" at the school. If you have elementary age books that your children are finished with and would like to donate, we would gladly take them. Leave them near the tub where the food is donated.

Needed: New or gently used winter boots, snowpants, winter boots, and warm gloves. All sizes.



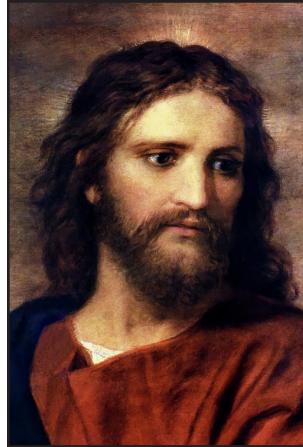
Operation Hometown Gratitude 2019

Looking ahead ... we will be hosting our 2019 packing party for Operation Hometown Gratitude on Sunday, February 10th in the afternoon.

Operation Hometown Gratitude is a Rochester Public School program that supports our local troops who have been deployed. Supplies are collected and sent to our troops, along with letters and thank-you cards. The group is primarily led by student volunteers.

Some items we can start collecting during the month of January are recent magazines, gently used books, cd's, (we welcome books and magazine for both men and women). For teachers, consider writing letters as a class projects from pre-school to high school age students.

More information to follow in a few weeks. If you have any questions or need more information, contact Karen Reopelle at karenreopelle1221@aol.com or call the church office at 288-5528.



**Join us CEO Rochester February 8th, 7:00pm.
At Resurrection in the church
Light refreshments will follow in Zenk Hall.
Childcare will be provided.
No cost, no registration, and all are welcome.
"Real people sharing real stories."**

God Does Not Abandon Us

From not caring about God to the desire to be a man of God, Scott Schwalbe's conversion has been gradual. Scott now realizes that God was always there and when he was open, God rushed towards him. "Faith is a grace from God which we can accept or ignore. Listen for His quiet voice.



Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00 am- 5:00pm

Mass Schedule

Saturday 8:00 pm

Sunday 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am

Daily Mass Mon-Fri 8:30 am

Rosary Mon-Fri 8:10 am; Sat. 7:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 6:45-7:45 pm

Marriage Please call the office at 288-5528 to make arrangements with the parish at least six months prior.

Baptism Pre-Jordan class is held the second Tuesday of the month. Contact the Parish Office to register for the class or schedule a baptism.

Communion for Homebound Call the office for assistance.

Hospital/Homebound Please call the parish office for a visit from a priest.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

For those considering becoming Catholic, contact Sheila Pelowski, 288-5528, or spelowski@rescathroch.org.

Calvary Cemetery

Steve Flynn, 507-273-0140, or email director@gmail.com.

St. Francis Catholic School

Grades Pre-K-8th Grade

Lourdes High School

Contact RCS 507-289-1702 or go to their website rcsmn.org. to learn more about the Catholic schools.

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Teresa Goodrich, 507 280-0349 or email tgoodrich@rcsmn.org

St. Francis School News

NWEA Testing this week. Please refer to the teacher communication for days and times of testing.

The weekly all school Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, January 15th at 9:15 am.

Thursday, January 17th is the end of second quarter/1st semester. There will be no school on Friday, January 18th. It is a Professional Development Day for staff.

Community News

Weekly Bulletin deadline is Friday, 5pm; email correspondence to officemgr@rescathroch.org.

Rochester Pax Christi Peace Group have been meeting since the mid 1980's. They are a Catholic peace and justice movement grounded in the Gospel and Catholic social teaching. If you are interested in learning more about this group, you are invited to attend their monthly meetings which are held from 6:30 - 8 p.m. each third Tuesday at Assisi Heights. For additional information contact Ed Rowley at 507-287-0153.

Living out Christmas in the New Year How do we live out the message of Christmas in the New Year, rather than pack it away with the ornaments? Each year the Octave Day of Christmas falls on the first day of the New Year, on which we also celebrate the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. Her open heart and courageous "yes" to God show us how to live year-round—with hearts open to the Lord, following where He leads. We are called to place our trust in Him, to enter compassionately into the suffering of others, and to love one another as Christ loves us. Like Our Blessed Mother welcomed Jesus, we are called to cherish and protect the gift of human life, at every stage and in every circumstance. One way to live out the message of Christmas and follow Our Lady's example is to join 9 Days for Life, a novena for the respect of all human life. Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in prayer Monday, January 14 – Tuesday, January 22. Sign up today at [www.9daysforlife.com!](http://www.9daysforlife.com)

DivorceCare If you or someone you know is hurting from the effects of a marital separation or divorce, we are now accepting registrations for a **DivorceCare** program. The first of thirteen sessions begins Thursday January 24th and meets weekly from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at Pax Christi Catholic Church in Rochester. Cost of the program workbook is \$15. You may register with Dick Frost by email at: finehire2@gmail.com. For an overview of the program, visit www.divorcecare.org

Do you provide care for a loved one? Call now to sign-up for a **FREE POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS** workshop. Participants learn practical skills proven to reduce stress, communicate more effectively, improve self-care, make effective decisions and access community resources for caregivers. A **FREE** workshop sponsored by Catholic Charities of Southern MN, will meet six Wednesdays, from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. beginning Jan. 16th – Feb. 20th at 125 Live, 125 Elton Hills Drive NW, Rochester. You do not need to be a member of 125 Live to participate. Contact Sue at Catholic Charities, 507-450-0287, or sdegallier@ccsomn.org Register by Jan. 14th as class size is limited.

Liturgical Ministries

NOTE: Please remember to find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled. Thank you.

Jan 19th/20th

Altar Servers

8:00 pm	Joseph Palen, Adam Sellner
8:30 am	Ari Jones, Carolyn Jones, Beli Jones, Stefan Jones
10:00 am	Avery Davis, Lilly Davis
11:30 am	Ana Rubio-Calvillo, Sabrina Schroeder

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 pm	Bread: Jane & Rick Haeflinger, Cup: Debbie Olson, Judith Pelowski, Theresa Root, Steven Gronseth, Walter Max, NOT FILLED
8:30 am	Bread: Daniel McCormick, Eugene Nolan, Charlotte Robinet, Deb Rowekamp, Kathryn Fitzgerald, Cup: John-Howard Carroll, Julie Galkowski, Ellen Harford, Nancy Hass, George Klann, Jerry Krantz
10:00 am	Bread: Mary Stettler, John Wurst, Esther Connelly, Regina Boehmke, Christiane Lund, Cup: Claire Creighton, Elaine & Jerome Garry, Douglas & Melody Hudson, Brett Maronde
11:30 am	Bread: Karen Reopelle, Lynette Lenoch, Cup: Jackie O'Connell, Rebecca Woodcock, Marianne Aksamit, Janet Helgren, NOT FILLED (2x)

Lectors

8:00 pm	Kim Shimak-Hansen
8:30am	Michael Lose, Patricia Rossman
10:00 am	John Beiswanger, Bryan Pierskalla
11:30 am	Allen Aksamit

Greeters

8:00 pm	Kirt & Diane Grantner, Eileen King
8:30 am	Ladin Family, Gretchen Cutshall
10:00 am	Jim Sinn family, Shannon & Tom Knoepke
11:30 am	Jennifer Gehling, NOT FILLED

Ushers

8:00 pm	Jeff Schoenfelder, Tyler Schoenfelder, Joel Schoenfelder
8:30 am	Kenneth Mueller, Chuck Radloff, Clara Radloff, Albert Weber
10:00 am	Aaron Davis, Jacob Maronde, Bob Voss, Scott Walston
11:30 am	Jeffrey Schotzko, Kilian Schotzko, McKaid Schotzko
7:30 pm	Rosary

Weekly Calendar

Monday, January 14th

Prayer Shawl 1:00 pm
4th Grade Learning Centers 4-7:00pm
Faith Formation Classes; Gr 1,2,3 & 5,
4:30/6:00pm
Heart of Trinity Prayer Group
7:00 pm
Tuesday, January 15th
Altar Server Training 4:00pm

Pre Jordan Class 6:30pm

Liturgy Committee 7:00 pm

Wednesday, January 16th

Food for Friends
Altar Server Training 4:00 pm
Faith Formation Classes Grs 6-10
6:30 pm
St. Cecelia Singers Practice 7:00 pm
Thursday, January 17th

Children Choir Practice 6:00 pm

RCIA 6:15 pm

Adult Choir Practice 7:00 pm

Friday, January 18th

Serran Board Meeting 9:15 am
Saturday, January 19th
Society of Divine Mercy Monastery
Prayer Group 6:30 am
Ministry Enrichment & Training Day
9:00 am
Altar Server Training 1:00 pm

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

"When you look at the Crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now." Mother Teresa



Hours of Need call Tim Fague at 507-288-6578 to sign up. * 2nd adorer hours.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 am*	12 am*	12 am*	12 am*	11 am	3 am*	12 am*
3 pm*	3 am*	1 am*	7 am*	1 pm	10 am	5 am*
	4 am	3 am	10 am	3 pm*	12 pm*	11 am*
	10 am*	4 am	11 am*	7 pm*	1 pm	1 pm*
	10 pm*	5 am*	1 pm	11 pm*	2 pm*	3 pm
		6 am*	3 pm*		11 pm*	4 pm*
		3 pm				9 pm*



Baptism

Born to a new life in Christ and joined to our faith community through the Waters of Baptism, we welcome:

Lyla Elizabeth Alger
Baptized on December 9th
Child of Matthew and Kaley

SINNWELL RENOVATIONS

Property Maintenance | Preventative Solutions

Thank you to the businesses that support our parish through advertising on the back of our bulletin. This

week we feature **Sinnwell Renovations**. Contact Matt Sinnwell, owner and handyman, at 507-358-9267 if you need some remodeling or preventive solutions for your home.

Communion Ministers are needed for Hospital patients. We are looking for people to commit to be Communion ministers once per month for about two hours each time for patients at either Saint Marys or Methodist Hospital Campuses. Receiving the Eucharist, especially when a person is ill, brings a beautiful sense of hope and comfort. For more information contact Fr. Evans, Mayo Clinic Chaplain Services, at 255-5780 or evans.john@mayo.edu. Thank you.



THE NEST
EARLY LEARNING ACADEMY

RCS Preschool at The Nest - Now Enrolling!

The Nest: Early Learning Academy at Rochester Catholic Schools is located at each of our grade schools; Holy Spirit Catholic School, St. Francis of Assisi School, and St. Pius X School.

Offering preschool for children ages 3-5, The Nest has a variety of programming to accommodate most families' busy schedules. We offer half-day programming 2-days per week, 3-days per week, or 5-days per week, as well as full-day programming from three to five days per week, including an all-day, everyday Prekindergarten program. Additionally, the Holy Spirit site will be offering Enrichment classes in the afternoon if your preschooler is ready for full days. Please visit rcsmn.org/thenest for a full listing of the 2019-2020 options! For any additional questions please contact our Admissions Coordinator at admissions@rcsmn.org or call (507) 424-1817.



Musings from Joy

Music and Choral Director &
Coordinator of Liturgy
choirdirector@rescathroch.org.

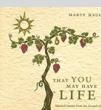
We have officially worked our way through the Christmas Liturgical Season. Today, let us celebrate the Baptism of the Lord! Typically, this day is celebrated the first Sunday after Epiphany. Once again, because Epiphany fell on its "correct" day, this makes the Baptism of the Lord the latest date it possibly can be – January 13th. This will not happen again until 2030, and has not happened since 2013.

Did you know that the Baptism of the Lord used to be celebrated with Epiphany? It was not its own celebration until 1955, when Pope Pius XII installed it as such. During his tenure, Saint Pope John Paul II instituted the custom of baptizing babies in the Sistine Chapel on this Feast Day. Due to the way our minds try to make sense of things, I know I personally have a hard time jumping from the arrival of the Three Kings to thirty years later when Jesus is baptized by John in the Jordan River. What happened over those thirty years? What was Jesus' childhood like? We get a few glimpses, (where his family moved to and from, his time at the Temple, etc.,) but not much. As Father Schuster mentioned in an earlier homily last year, we can presume that Jesus' earthly father, Joseph, passed away at some stage. He would have also been schooled (in some way) in the Jewish belief system.

Really, though, we have few accounts of the time between his birth and his adult baptism, which is likely the reason why we mark the end of the Christmas season with it. We cannot help but wonder, though, what the child Jesus may really have been like!

Ministry Enrichment & Training Day 2.0. A friendly reminder that next **Saturday, January 19th, from 9am-12pm**, we will hold a Ministry Enrichment & Training Day for all current and new liturgical ministers. Each area of ministry will partake in an interactive and/or immersive experience for their particular ministry. Lectors are particularly encouraged to attend. This is different from the fall workshop, so please do your best to attend. RSVP on the website **TODAY!**

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New Song Sunday Another new song first introduced last year that we have been using more frequently this year is "For God So Loved the World," by Marty Haugen. This is part of his larger work, "That You May Have Life," based on the Gospel of John. This song accompanies the story of Nicodemus. Listen to it here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lhkAcsOkM-M> (Listen all the way to the end to hear the song!)

Mass Intentions

Mon.,	Jan. 14th	8:30 am	Reparation of Sins
Tues.,	Jan. 15th	8:30 am	†Ivica Milicevic
Wed.,	Jan. 16th	8:30 am	†John Dubé
Thurs.,	Jan. 17th	8:30 am	†Patricia Kieffer
Fri.,	Jan. 18th	8:30 am	†Eldon Oppe
Sat.,	Jan. 19th	8:00 pm	For the Parish
Sun.,	Jan. 20th	8:30 am	†Patricia Kieffer
		10:00 am	†Jerry Johnson
		11:30 am	†James Overkamp

Financial Blessings

December 30th

Church Support.....	\$9,826
Capital Projects.....	\$730
Children's Collection.....	\$99
EFT Church Support.....	\$370
EFT Capital Projects	\$20
On Line Giving Church	\$470
Solemnity of Mary	\$1,320
St Vincent de Paul.....	\$7,319

Rest In Peace

May the eternal Light shine upon them



Richard Neumann
November 18th
Survived by his
Wife, Patricia



Mary Boyum
December 18th
Survived by her
Daughter, Libby
Martens



Marianne Reier
January 3rd
Mother of Joann Reier

Readings for the week of January 13, 2019

Sunday:	Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
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

Faith Formation



News from Sheila, Birth-KG, Children's Ministry, RCIA, dresscm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 101

Today we hear how Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist in the River Jordan. This was part of God's plan. The story reminds us of our own baptism, when God's spirit became a living spring in each one of us. At our baptism we are given the light of Christ, which burns in our hearts and lights up our lives each day. Let us pray: Begin by making the sign of cross and remembering it is a prayer in itself without words. Dear Jesus, accept our sign of the cross as our prayer to you. It reminds us that through our baptism we belong to you, and are children of God. Let all who are baptized walk together in the light of Christ. Amen. St. Cecilia pray for us. Amen.



News from Stacey, Grades 1-5, Family Ministry, dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 108

Grades 1-5: We have Faith Formation classes on Monday, January 14th at 4:30 and 6:00pm for grades 1, 2, 3, and 5. The 5th graders will meet in Room D this week. The 4th graders will have Parent/child learning centers on the 10 Commandments in South Fr. Zenk Hall. The centers will be open 4:00-7:00pm.

Reminder: We will not have Faith Formation classes on Monday, January 21st due to MKJ Jr Day.

First Communion: We will have a Parent Meeting (only one parent needs to attend) on Monday, January 21st at 6:30pm in Fr. Zenk Hall.

Virtues in Practice: Our January virtue is fidelity and St. Cecilia is the saint for first and second graders. We define fidelity as keeping our promises. It can be simplified even more: let your 'yes' mean 'yes' and your 'no' mean 'no.' As adults and parents, we can help teach others the virtue of keeping our promises. We are very often wishy-washy, or we flip flop on our decisions. Children and youth are the first ones to sense infidelity, and good for them! Be mindful of the commitments you make and fulfill them. Ask for St. Cecilia to help you with fidelity. St. Cecilia, please help me to give God first place in my life. Help me to be like you, and sing joyful songs to God in my heart, knowing that He always keeps His promises and helps those who hope in Him. St. Cecilia, pray for us! Amen.



News from Ryan, Grades 6-12, Youth Ministry, youth@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 104

Finals Study Hours at St James Coffee. Students are invited to St. James Coffee January 14-16th from 6:00-10:00 pm. Study breaks every hour on the hour, free brain food and coffee until 10:00 pm. Sponsored by Unite Ministries and St. James Coffee. St. James located at 4156 18th Ave NW, Rochester.

SEEK Winter Chill 2019 Registration all youth in grades 6-8 are invited to attend Winter Chill, our annual Rochester and area-wide middle school event, on Saturday, January 26. This year's theme is SEEK. We'll seek the Kingdom of God through growing our relationship with Him in prayer, service to others, and building community. The event will be held at the Pax Christi Church and Youth Center. Bring your friends and get to know others as you play games, do service projects, experience prayer in a new way, dance to a DJ, race through the inflatable obstacle course, play video games and more! Register by January 24, 201 by contacting Ryan at 507-288-5528, ext. 104 or email youth@rescathroch.org.

Sheila's Shout-Out:

*The heavens declare the glory of God; the firmament proclaims the works of his hands. Day unto day pours forth speech; night unto night whispers knowledge. There is no speech, no words; their voice is not heard; report goes forth through all the earth, their messages, to the ends of the world. He has pitched in them a tent for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom from his canopy, and like a hero joyfully runs its course. From one end of the heavens it comes forth; its course runs through to the other; nothing escapes its heat. **Psalm 19: 1-7***

