

Friday

Confessions:

Saturdays Sundays

Baptism:

Call to make arrangements

11:00 am

4:30 - 4:55 pm

8:30 - 8:55 am & 11 - 11:25 am

MARRIAGE

Twelve months notice and Marriage Course usually required

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OFFICE HOURS

9:30 am to 4:00 pm closed for lunch from 11:30-12:30 pm For parishioners to get mass intentions and other items. Please call 705-526-6313 ext 1 and we will be happy to assist you with your other needs.

		PARIS	H LIFE			
Parish Secretary				Sandy D'Alessandro		
Custodian		Jim La	Jim Lamers			
Choirs	Saturday	5:00 pm	Adele	Adele Heins		
	Sunday	9:00 am	Adele	Heins		
	Sunday	11:30 am	Diana	Swift		
Finance Co	uncil		Paulin	Pauline Brabant		
Floral Deco			Katie (Goulbourne &	Ruth Dusome	
Greeters &	Ushers		Shelle	Shelley LeBoeuf		
Rectory Housekeeper			Katie (Goulbourne		
		GRO	UPS			
Catholic Women'	s League	Sandra Mo	rson		705-527-637	
Knights of Colum	bus	Robert Syk	es		705-529-6718	
Legion of Mary		Lillian Lata	nville			
Marian Prayer Gr	oup	Carmelina	Farrugia		705-549-4448	
St. Vincent de Pau	ul	Food Bank	, donations, a	ll inquiries	705-526-7585	
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Burials, Plots, Nic	hes. Monume	ents. Cleanings a	nd all other se	ervices		
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Youth & Family N		ard Patricia	Stenton		705-956-0632	
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Sacred Heart School 705-526-0107						
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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD & SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Shelley Smith; Nadine Adams; Stephen Roach; Bernie Gemmell; Peter Pattenaude; Bob Kokron; Brenda Bylow; Shirley Dower; Gina Grech; Franca D'Alessandro; Liz Gaudet; John Jerome; Lila Bates; Please pray for recently deceased:

Fr.

The Pope's Prayer Intention For January 2022

For true human fraternity ~

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family. **Sunday Missals** Available at the side entrance to the church for \$6 each

2021 Tax Receipts

Tax receipts will be mailed out at the end of January.

Thank you for your generosity and support of the parish.

USHERS.

St. Margaret's needs more ushers for all the weekend masses. If you are able to spare some time before and after mass to offer hospitality to guests and fellow parishioners we need your help.

Contact Shelley 705-515-0113, email: sleboeuf@rogers.com



Heaven on Earth (Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22)

One expression that my priest-friends and I often say when we gather together is: 'The world has a Savior. His name is not Roselle' (or John or Luis). This may sound trite, but in fact, it is profound. It is important to know where one stands in life. A person may excel in something in life, but that does not mean that one is already the totality of perfection. John the Baptist was fully aware of this fact. He gained respect and popularity as he called people to direct their focus on God. He also was clear and quick to say that he is not the Messiah.

Do my achievements in life give me a sense of fulfillment? Do they also help me more aware that I am an instrument of God to further build his kingdom?

John the Baptist perked up the people's expectations for the coming of the Messiah. Consequently, new hope and enthusiasm was awakened among the people. This scenario helps me understand the meaning of my own Baptism. The graces I received in Baptism help me go beyond my present struggles and inspire me to believe that the efforts I exert in the present will result to, as St. Mother Theresa said and lived, 'something beautiful for God'. My Baptism empowers me to work out a future. Do I know the date of my Baptism? Do I value this great Sacrament? What can help me appreciate and live better the Sacrament of Baptism I had received?

At the Jordan, Jesus continued to pray after his Baptism by john. It was during that moment of prayer that He realized the proximity and presence of the Divine: heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended in the form of a dove, and a voice from heaven confirmed his identity.

When heaven opens to someone who prays, two things happen: awareness of the divine presence in what exists around (Luke 3: 22a) and awareness of the divine presence within oneself (Luke 3: 22b). The alternate Old Testament Reading for this Feast from Isaiah 42 already pointed out to this. The person who becomes aware of the divine presence within oneself discovers one's inner capacity only to manifest this: dignified in word (Isaiah 42:2) and deed (Isaiah 42 3) and considerate in his/her dealings (Isaiah 42: 4).

As we celebrate the Feast of our Lord's Baptism by John at the Jordan, let us continue to be fervent in our prayers. Let us allow the Holy Spirit to work in and through us. In this way, we will bring about the realization of the will of God in our time and world (Isaiah 42: 7). Indeed, Jesus is our Savior. And he commissioned us at our baptisms to be his instruments of charity and mercy.

Fr. Roselle



