

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano

Deacon Robert Kruse

The Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2021

Our Mission Statement: St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Community strives to be an instrument of peace and love in Amherst County through fellowship in the Eucharist and service to the poor, the youth, the stranger and the un-churched, in cooperation with other Christian churches.

Readings

Reading I: Isaiah 55:1-11

Psalm: Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6

Response: "You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation."

Reading II: 1 John 5:1-9

Gospel: Mark 1:7-11



Mass Intentions

Sat., Jan. 9 Marie Camper—Thanksgiving for Blessings req. Marie Camper

Prayer List

WE PRAY TO THE LORD...Becky Baudaillier, Maria Brabo, Cindy Burns, Jean Camm, Honey Furfaro, Jennifer Furfaro, Carolyn Greaves, Christine Horwege, Tom Hunnicutt, Shirley Kanthack, Brian Miles, Danielle Onestinghel, Gene Onestinghel, Parker Onestinghel, Pat Onestinghel, Lori Ann Pompie, Marti Sanita, Rick Shoman, Cochise Suarez, Claudia Szarnicki, Angus Topfer, Kevin Williams, and Tillie & George Winfield. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS.**

Stewardship: Jan. 2 & 3: \$1003

Parish Partnership: \$115

Solemnity of Mary: \$95

Gospel Message: Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes. Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolical of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin. — Excerpted from Msgr. Rudolph G. Bandas

St. Francis News and Notes

- ♥ Blessings for Joshua Michael Baxter who is being baptized after our Sat. Mass. His parents are Sam and Cindy Baxter, family of Karen. Godparents are Sarah Baxter Wright and Ryan Nudi.
- ♥ January 13—after Mass is the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. No confession that day.

Rite of Benediction

Exposition While the celebrant is bringing the Eucharist to the altar the following or other suitable hymn may be sung by the congregation: O Salutáris Hóstia Quæ cœli pandis óstium. Bella prémunt hostília; Da róbur, fer auxiliúm. Uni trinoque Domino Sit sempitérna gloria: Qui vítam sine término, Nobis donet in pátria. Amen.

O saving Victim, open wide The gate of heaven to us below. Our foes press on from every side; Your aid supply, your strength bestow. To your great name be endless praise, Immortal Godhead, One in Three; O grant us endless length of days In our true native land to be. Amen.

Adoration During this period there should be appropriate prayers, songs, readings from scripture, and a brief homily to help the congregation focus its attention to the worship of the Lord. It is important to remember that the Eucharist is the "Real Presence" of Jesus Christ.

Benediction After a period of meditation and reflection the celebrant goes to the altar, genuflects, and kneels. The following or another suitable eucharistic hymn is sung: Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui, Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui; Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui. Genitori Genitoque Laus et jubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio; Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

Down in adoration falling, This great Sacrament we hail; Over ancient forms of worship Newer rites of grace prevail; Faith will tell us Christ is present, When our human senses fail. To the everlasting Father, And the Son who made us free, And the Spirit, God proceeding From them Each eternally, Be salvation, honor, blessing, Might and endless majesty. Amen. Priest/Deacon: You have given them Bread from heaven (P.T. Alleluia) ALL: Having all sweetness with it (P.T. Alleluia) Priest/Deacon: Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood, help us to experience the salvation won for us and the peace of the kingdom, where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ALL: Amen. Reposition When the priest or deacon has blessed everyone he then replaces the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle and genuflects.

The following acclamation may be said at this time: This acclamation is called the Divine Praises. Blessed be God. Blessed be his holy name. Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man. Blessed be the name of Jesus. Blessed be his most Sacred Heart. Blessed be his most Precious Blood. Blessed be Jesus in the most holy sacrament of the altar. Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete. Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy. Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception. Blessed be her glorious Assumption. Blessed be the name of Mary, virgin and Mother. Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse. Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints. Amen.

Holy God, we praise thy name; Lord of all, we bow before thee; All on earth thy scepter claim; All in heaven above adore thee. Infinite thy vast domain, Everlasting is thy reign! Hark, the loud celestial hymn; Angel choirs above are raising; Cherubim and Seraphim, In unceasing chorus praising, Fill the heavens with sweet accord: Holy, holy, holy, Lord!

January Birthdays

Jim Clarke	7
Austin Luther	7
Emma Luther	7
Kaelynn Smith	8
Richard Mundy	18
John Pelissier	19
Pam Gouldthorpe	19
Fiora Grey	21
Michelle Douthat	22
Shirley Kanthack	23
Jacob Alger	29
Margaret Golightly	30



Ministry Schedule

1/9 Saturday

Altar Server-Patti Highley

Camera-Karen Baxter

Lector-Marilyn Gilbert

1/10 Sunday

Altar Server-Marlene Swift/Matt Pietsch

Camera-Patti Highley

Lector-Sandy Brown