

The Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2010

As we think of the Baptism of the Lord, let us remember our own Baptism. On that day we made a promise – or a promise was made for us by someone who loved us. That promise was to strive to be a disciple of Jesus. As we renew our baptismal promises, let us pray that someday we will hear the voice of God proclaim about us, “This is my beloved in whom I am well please.”

Masses Week

Beginning Jan 11, 2010

8:00 am Daily Mass

MON: Nicholas Rescigno Jean Ciletti (SI)

TUES: Joseph L. Hoke

WED: Vincent Czosnowski Robert Kelly

THURS: Ann R. Knott

FRI: Francis J. Fabiszak

SAT: Ann Marie Manz

Saturday Jan 16, 2010

4:30 PM. Marietta Gross

6:00 PM. People of the Parish

Sunday, Jan 17, 2010

7:30 AM Mary Butt

9:00 AM Margaret Marie Gugliano

10:30 AM Edwin J. Tress, Sr.

Noon: Catherine M. Lubinski

N.H. – indicates Nursing Home

S.I. – indicates Special Intention

SCRIPTURE READINGS for Jan. 17, 2010

First: Isaiah 62:1-5 As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so the Lord rejoices in you.

Second: 1 Cor 12:4-11 Different gifts, but one Spirit

Gospel: John 2:1-12 The wedding feast at Cana

PRAYER CHAIN If you have a PRAYER REQUEST call any member of the IHM **Prayer Chain:** Call Ann Connolly 410-661-6947, Mary Ann Thaler 410-668-7738, Corrine Kelly 410-665-8193

Please Remember God’s Poor by use of the Poor Boxes as you leave Mass each Weekend.

On Wednesday Morning, January 13th we will be taking down the Christmas Decorations in Church. Please join us! Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Collections for the Weekend of Jan. 3, 2010

Envelope Donations	\$ 9287.00
Loose	\$ 1315.67
Second Collection	\$ 2667.16
Solemnity	\$ 4300.25
Total	\$ 17,569.83
Less Cathedraicum	\$ 2635.47
Available for Parish	\$ 14934.36
Poor Box	\$ 165.28

The electronic Funds contribution for December 2009

Offertory	4,270.50
Maintenance	264.50
Youth	218.00
Extraordinary Needs	521.00
Poor Box	207.50
Capital Campaign	1,213.49
Christmas	1,450.00
Total	8,144.99

ELECTRONIC GIVING AT IHM. – Electric Giving is a direct payment program whereby your contribution is debited automatically from either your checking or saving account, or it can be charged to your credit card. Your contributions to the collection can be weekly, semi-monthly or monthly. Sign-up forms are available at the parish office and in the pamphlet rack in the back of Church.

RESPECT LIFE The Respect Life Committee of St. Joseph Parish in Fullerton extends an invitation to all to attend their monthly Respect Life Mass which is celebrated on the third Saturday of each month at 8:15 am. On Saturday, Jan. 16, after Mass we will pray the Rosary for Life on the sidewalk in front of the local abortion facility on Belair Road. At the same time the rosary will be prayed in the Chapel for those who prefer to stay indoors at this time of year. To join the parish Respect Life Committee call Betty Steinbacher at 410 665-8645.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to contribute to the church altar flowers on a particular weekend please call the parish office at 410-668-7935 and speak with Donna.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

WHEN I CALLED, YOU ANSWERED ME... (PSALM 138:3)

The Archbishop's Annual Appeal is now underway. Many of our parishioners have received a mailing from Archbishop O'Brien. He has asked that you make a pledge to the 2010 Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is, "When I called, you answered me." Our contributions to our parish and our Archdiocese serve as a sign of our gratitude not only for God's answers to our prayers but also as a sign of our recognition that all that we are and all that we have are gifts given to us by God.

Your gift will enable archdiocesan support of ministry, education, and service that touch thousands of lives not only in our Archdiocese but throughout the world.

Our parish receives 25% of each dollar contributed up to our goal of \$66,300. Then, we receive 50% of the additional funds received. This year, we will commit our parish rebates to helping our sister parish, St. Bridget and completing the capital improvement project for our school.

Please answer the Archbishop's request and make a generous pledge. All pledges can be billed in ten monthly installments. Thank you in advance for your support.

CONFIRMATION preparation will begin in January 2010 for any young person in Grade 8 and older during the 2009-10 school year. If you have not received information and are interested in participating in Confirmation please contact Mrs. Ryan at 410-661-3820 x230.

Middle Schoolers are invited to drop-in on 2nd & 4th Monday afternoons 3:15 – 5:15 in the Youth Room (basement, Rector) for prayer, scripture and fun. Snacks are served! We are resuming this afterschool activity on January 11th Come Join Us!!!

PLEASE OBSERVE THE DESIGNATED HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES AND THE FIRE LANE PARKING REGULATIONS POSTED ON THE PROPERTY. Thank You

THE HOLY NAME MEETING will be on Monday, January 11th at 7:30 PM in Cartwright Hall.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY MASS AND RECEPTION

All married couples and their families are invited to this annual Mass at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen with Archbishop O'Brien at 3:00 pm, followed by a reception in the Parish Center. No tickets are needed, but couples celebrating 25 or more years who plan to attend the **Feb. 14** Mass may register to receive special recognition at 410-987-8407. The Longest Married Couples from each parish will be honored. Co-sponsored by World Wide Marriage Encounter and the Archdiocese of Baltimore Division of Evangelization and Catechesis. If you think you might be the longest married couple in our parish and would like to be recognized at Mass please contact Donna in the parish office at 410-668-7935. ext. 205.

Advent Giving Program - 2009

Thanks to everyone from the parish, school, and community who supported our Advent Program this advent season. Thanks to your generous donations we were able to help 68 families with food and gifts. There are copies of the advent report in back of church in the racks.

STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS – 2009

In order to save on postage costs, no statements of offertory envelope contributions for 2009 will be mailed out unless requested. If you wish to receive your statement, please cut off the slip below, fill it out and drop it in the collection basket.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Zip: _____

Envelope #: _____

Note: Taxpayers who make multiple contributions of \$250.00 or more to the same charity during the year only need one acknowledgement reflecting the total amount for the year. Statements will be mailed by January 31, 2010.