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The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2025

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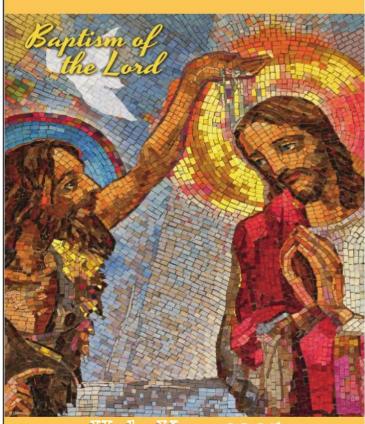
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HOLY SPIRIT PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are called to embrace faith in the Son of God as Lord and Savior. In our Roman Catholic tradition, through the cleansing waters of Baptism, we die to self and rise as children of the Father.

Confirmed, empowered and guided by His Spirit, we become the church when we gather in His name, are taught with His living Word, and are nourished with His living presence.

So that, we might be sent to witness the Good News of the Paschal Mystery in loving service to the human family; and be united with Him and His Saints in Heaven forever.



Holy Year 2025

Masses

Monday - Friday Saturday Saturday Vigil Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
4:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. Polish Mass
7:30, 9:00,10:30 a.m. and Noon
2:00 p.m. Latin Mass
4:30 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

Confessions in Church Saturday 2:30 p.m.

Members of the Parish Council

Dr. Thomas Ermolovich, *Chairman*, Nancy Jutba, *Secretary*, Ruth Ann McVeigh, James Kintz, William Bond, Julie Vianale and Lazara Hurd

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Stewardship of Treasure PARISH COLLECTIONS

Weekly Offering - Sunday, January 5, 2025	
Envelopes Received	218
Cash	\$ 5,763.00
Coins	\$ 6.22
Check	\$ 7,05300
Total	\$12,822.22
Second Collection - Parish Maintenance	
Envelopes Received	90
Cash	\$ 1,340.00
Check	\$ 531.00
Total	\$ 1,871.00
Weekley Offering - Sunday, December 29, 202	4
Envelopes Received	164
Cash	\$3,821.00
Coins	\$ 9.24
Check	\$4,399.00
Total	\$8,229.24
Second Collection - Parish St. Vincent de Paul	
Envelopes Received	74
Cash	\$ 971.00
Check	<u>\$ 510.00</u>
Total	\$1,481.00
Wednesday, January 1st, 2025-Solemnity of M	<u>Aary</u>
Envelopes Received	33
Cash	\$2,102.00
Checks	<u>\$1,370.00</u>
Total	\$3,472.00

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Mass Schedule

9:00a.m.	, Jan. 11, 2024 Caroline Fuentes - Healing by her sister, Mercedes
4:00p.m.	 †Mary & James Pratt by their Family †Louise Fraser by Jackie & Lucille Fraser †Robert Parker Fritts by the McNamara Family
Sunday, J	January 12, 2025 - The Feast Baptism of the Lord
	Living Benefactors of the Poor Clare Nuns †Souls In Purgatory by the Lewis Family †Bill Tramontana by the McCreery Family
9:00a.m.	People of the Parish
10:30a.m.	 †Celia Cicalese-Birthday by her husband, Michael †Matthew Narcisse by Scott & Patrice Althouse †Selby Mills by Thomas Mills
12:00N	*Steven Schiraldi by his Wife & Children
	Divine Guidance for Nathalia Kosidlo by her Dad Thanksgiving by Sr. Limeteze Pierre-Gilles
2:00p.m.	[†] Frank Cicalse by his son, Michael
	†Jean & Alberto Clarke by their daughter, Dr. Diane Clarke
	†Wayne Clarke by Dr. Diane Clarke
Monday.	Jan. 13, 2025 - First Week In Ordinary Time,
•	St. Hilary
	Maria Editha Asuncion - Birthday by Fe Edjan †Maria Del Carmen Hernandez by Mercedes F.
	Jan. 14, 2025
	Jaclyn Badillo - Birthday by her Mom & Dad
9:00a.m.	†William F. Fitzgerald by his Wife
	ay, Jan. 15, 2025
	For Peace & Love by Jean Bazela
	†Jeremiah Kiley by Margaret Daubert 7 , Jan. 16 , 2025
	People of Palm Bay Condo by Jean Bazela
9:00a.m.	†Alicia Sotillo by Ileana Gonzalez
Friday, J	an. 17, 2025 - <i>St. Anthony Abbot</i>
7:30a.m.	Thanksgiving for Rodel & Jhoana Edjan by their Family
9:00a.m.	[†] Souls In Purgatory by the Charles Family
	, Jan. 18, 2024 - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
9:00a.m.	†Maria Silva 7th Anniversary by Fe Edjan
4:00p.m.	Father Eli St. Fort - Intentions by Deisy Panarella
	†Eileen & John Cashman by their Family
	†Bill Morris by Tammy Farr - FCCW
Sunday, January 19, 2025 - <i>Second Sunday In Ordinary</i> <i>Time</i>	
7:30a.m.	†Souls In Purgatory by the Charles Family
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	†Richard Warren Tolbert by Ellen & John
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9:00a.m.	[†] Marcella Melendez Lazich by Class of 1992
10.30a m	[†] Marie Maud Brezault by Marie Berreth People of the Parish
10.30a.m. 12:00N	†Joseph Uruciouli by Mary Ann Krause
	†Rosemary Cippola by Rosalia Oliveri

Konrad Kosidlo - Divine Protection by his Father 2:00p.m. †Souls In Purgatory by Dr. Diane Clarke



Scripture Readings & Saints & Special Observances For the Week of January 12, 2025

Sunday *The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord* Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29-1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30; Acts 10:34-38 or 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; Mk 1:14-20

- **Tuesday** Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6, 7, 8-9; Mk 1:21-28
- Wednesday Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:29-39
- **Thursday** Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11; Mk 1:40-45

Friday *Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot* Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time* Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

The Holy Spirit

decended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Luke 3:22



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Almighty everliving God, who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon Him. solemnly declared Him your beloved Son, grant that *your children by* adoption, reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, may always be well pleasing to You. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



Father in heaven,

may the faith You have given us in Your Son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May Your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, Your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.



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2025 Daily Mass Intentions Book

Our parish Mass book for year 2025 is available to schedule your Masses Please visit the parish office during office hours to schedule your Mass/es.



JOIN THE CROCHET / KNITTING GUILD

Come and join the ladies every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Angelus Room (main church). If you do not know to crochet or knit, the ladies will be more than happy to teach you. The ladies knit or crochet baby blankets as

parish gift to babies who are baptized in our parish.





Thank you, Lonnie Keyloun for the beautiful photos.

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Faith Formation Department



It is with great joy and happiness that we announce classes in the parish hall has resumed on <u>Tuesday, January 7th, 2025</u>.

First Session: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Levels 1 through 4, Levels P1 and P2 Second Session: 7:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. Levels 5 through 9 (Confirmation)

We will have our first parents meeting for those students making their First Communion and Confirmation on <u>Tuesday, January 28th</u> during classes.

If you have not yet picked up your child's book(s) for their class, or if you have any questions, please contact Miss Patrice so the



students will be ready to return to classes.





The beauty of our parish Nativity is admired by everyone. We will always remember +Eleanor Martin who donated the whole set, in Loving Memory of her husband, +Joseph Martin who died on Christmas Day in 1988. The late Bishop Daily blessed the Holy Family set. He was visiting our parish when the

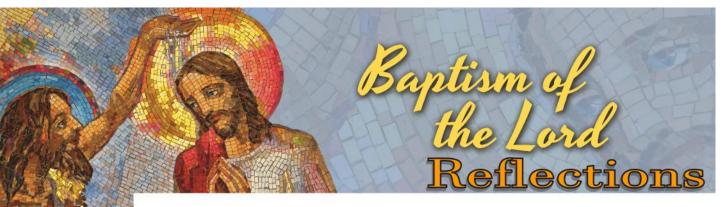


figures arrived. Eleanor was a devoted member of Holy Spirit. She volunteered in the building fund, DSA Appeal, Eucharistic Minister, member of the Women's Guild and the Legion of Mary. She died on June 3, 2024 at the age of 97. Please remember +Eleanor Martin in your prayers. She had left us a lasting remembrance.

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Eternal Rest Grant Unto the Soul of +Eleanor Martin, O Lord and let Perpetual Light Shine upon her. May she Rest in Peace!





The Baptism of the Lord Fear Not

Did the first reading from Isaiah sound familiar? We also hear it on the first Sunday of Advent every few years. I suppose it could be a reminder that John the Baptist appears at the beginning of the Advent/Christmas season and at the end. In Advent we were preparing for Jesus' coming at Christmas. Now we are preparing for His coming at any time.

The reading from Isaiah talks about the Lord coming in mercy to the people whose "guilt is expiated" (Isaiah 40:2). The mountains and hills will be leveled, symbolic of making an easy way to the Lord. In other words, the Lord is approachable. With our sins forgiven we need not fear asking God for help: "Fear not to cry out" (Isaiah 40:9). The Lord comes in power, not to strike sinners down but to shepherd them and lead them.

In the second reading, St. Paul has a similar theme. Jesus gave His life for us on the cross so that we could be free from sin and able to reject evil desires. We are free to give ourselves in love as He did. And He does this, not because we did anything to deserve it, but from His own love and mercy for us. Think about that. No matter how bad I was in the past, the Lord loves me enough to forgive it all, and even better, to give the Spirit to help me stay close to God.

How do we prepare for this? We can start by hearing the words of the readings today, letting them sink into our hearts and minds. Read them again at home, and remind yourself that you have been forgiven, that you can live as a person "eager to do what is good" (Titus 2:14). Ask the Spirit to help you see what things are keeping You from being like Jesus and to give you the strength to say no to them. And look for ways you can be more loving with your family, then with your friends, and eventually with anyone who needs your help. When we let that Spirit guide us, we become like Jesus in that we can listen for God to say, "You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased" (see Luke 3:22).

- Tom Schmidt

The Baptism of the Lord TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Merry Christmas! Share that cheerful greeting with some folks today. They may wonder if you have had any Elvis sightings lately, attended Star Trekkie conventions, or were Cleopatra in a previous lifetime. Despite the skeptics, today is solidly within the Christmas season. In fact, in some strands of the Christian tradition it represents the clearest manifestation of the mystery of the Incarnation. On Christmas Day, for example, the Gospel reading is the Prologue of John's Gospel, which reveals the glory of Christ shining through our humanity precisely in His baptism.

At any rate, this is an ancient feast, celebrated first in Egypt sixteen centuries ago. More than most other ancient people, the Egyptians understood the life-giving properties of water. On this day, they drew water from the Nile, so central in the history of their people, and reserved it in honor. Many other places copied the custom, so that St. John Chrysostom wrote of people in Antioch gathering at midnight to collect flowing water into vessels they brought from home since "today there is a blessing on the water." At home for dinner tonight, decorate the table with beautiful bowls of water and white candles, toast one another with goblets of sparkling water, and light a Christmas candle in the window one last time.

I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the holy Spirit. Mark 1:8



"For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly."

Titus 2:11-12



The light of the Gospel shines upon all and it is up to each of us to receive the light or to block it. The Divine light, Jesus Himself, showed us the way we need to tread. In His time, He rebuked and corrected every impious and worldly way. Jesus' way may be rocky but secure

and leads to eternal hope. Renouncing worldly ways does not happen in a day but rather with constant perseverance to endure every obstacle in our lives. The above quotation is a direct message to all of us to avoid being carried away and distracted by the impious ways of the world but rather stay put in the teachings of Jesus.

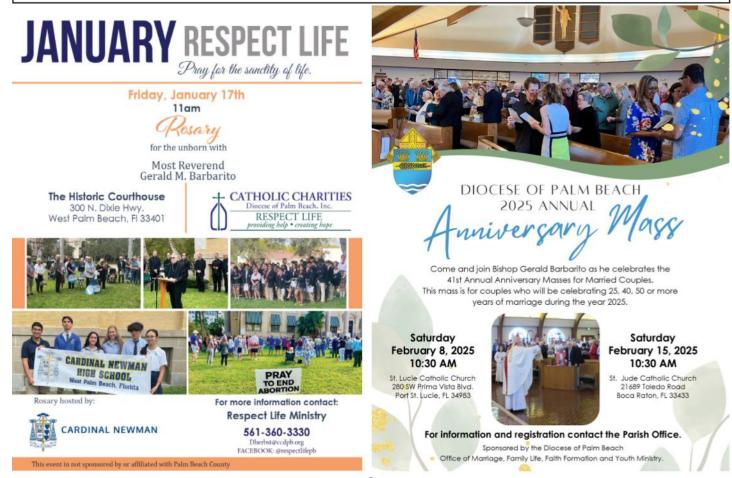
Charismatic Prayer Group

"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12

Let us pray that we may have the grace to always follow the Star of Christ so that our every step be well lit and guided by Divine Light.

Please contact us at 561-635-3869 for the weekly prayer gathering information.

God Bless AFCM Florida





Respiratory Syncytial Virus Infection (RSV)

The CDC, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, continues to warn us about contracting Respiratory Syncytial Virus Infection (RSV). According to the CDC, RSV is the most common cause of bronchiolitis (inflammation of the small airways in the lungs) and pneumonia in children under the age of one in the United States.

It's not just children we have to be concerned about contracting RSV. The CDC states that adults at highest risk for severe RSV infection include older adults, especially those 65 years of age and older, adults with asthma, chronic heart or lung disease, and adults with weakened immune systems.

RSV is a common respiratory virus that usually causes mild, cold-like symptoms. Most people recover in a week or two, but RSV can be serious, especially in infants and older adults. People with RSV usually show symptoms within 4 to 6 days after exposure to the virus. Runny nose, decrease in appetite, coughing, sneezing, fever, and wheezing are the usually symptoms that appear in stages, and not all at once. In young infants with RSV, the only symptoms may be irritability, decreased activity, and breathing difficulties.

Transmission of RSV is caused by an infected person coughing or sneezing. If you get virus droplets from the cough or sneeze in your eyes, nose or mouth, you may be infected. If you have direct contact with the virus, like kissing the face of a child with RSV or tough a surface that has the virus on it and then touch your face before washing your hands, you may become infected. People infected with RSV are usually contagious for 3 to 8 days and may become contagious a day or two before they start showing symptoms, for as long as 4 weeks.

A vaccine for RSV is now available at your local pharmacy or through your doctor. There is no specific treatment for RSV infection, but you can take steps to relieve symptoms. Manage fever and pain with over-the-counter fever reducers and pain relievers, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen. (Never give aspirin to children.) Drink enough fluids. It is important for people with RSV infection to drink enough fluids to prevent dehydration (loss of body fluids). Talk to your healthcare provider before giving your child nonprescription cold medicines. Some medicines contain ingredients that are not good for children.

Some older adults and infants younger than 6 months of age, may need to be hospitalized if they are having trouble breathing or are dehydrated. In the most severe cases, a patient may require humidified oxygen, and/or IV fluids.

If you experience any of the symptoms mentioned above, please see your healthcare provider for diagnosis.

would like to invite **8th to 12th Graders** to come join us for Adoration, topic nights, games, and more. For more information and dates of meetings, please contact Tinah Mejia at 561-329-7288 youthministry@holyspiritlantana.com



Did You Receive Your Church Offertory Envelopes?

Your Sunday Offertory is important. Using your envelope is the **only** way for us to record your contributions. If you did not receive your envelopes, please do not hesitate to call the parish office (561-585-5970) during office hours. You may also send us an email. We can always send replacement. Thank you.



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For additional information, please contact the parish office at **561-585-5970 or e-mail office@holyspiritlantana.com** or complete the form below and drop it in the offertory basket or bring it to the parish office and someone will contact you. Thank you for your generosity!

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