

January 9, 2022

The Baptism of the Lord

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5. 9-11

Responsorial Psalm: 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30

"O bless the Lord, my soul."

Second Reading: The Letter of St. Paul to Titus 2:11-14;

3:4-7

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

Events for this week

- Sun: 10:00am Mass - The Baptism of Our Lord
K-8th RE after Mass
11:15am-Estudio Bíblico
- Mon: **No Mass**
9:00am-6:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00om-Young Adults RE-Conference Room
- Tue: **No Mass**
- Wed: **No Mass**
9th-12th RE Class-Hall
- Thurs: **No Mass**
- Fri: 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayers
- Sat: 3:00pm-Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayers
4:00 - 4:30pm-Confessions
5:30pm -Vigil Mass †ROS the Deceased Members
of the Wimer Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THOSE THAT NEED YOUR PRAYERS:

Bird Dobbins, Merrill & Kathy Gorham, Dave Fischer, Bob Hazlett, Betty & Ken Gannon, Penny Lane Forrest, Jody Schlieski Hanson, Phil Hansen, Lorini Morehead, Bryan Lund, Carmen Lopez Sotelo, Andy, Jeremy & Keller Younggren, Deacon Caleb Cunningham, Parker McCauley, and ROS Virginia Wimer. **To update this list, call or email the office.**



Welcome to Our Church

We extend a special welcome to those that are passing through, those that have made this their home and those still searching for their parish family. We are glad you are here celebrating God's word and presence with us in today's Eucharistic Feast.

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Prayer Request Line

Please contact Kathy McGee 541-663-1255
or Theresa Beery 541-963-2372.

Baptism

Preparation is required for parents. Please call the office for further information.

Marriage

Preparation and instruction classes at least 6 months before the wedding. Contact Fr. Saji at the parish office.

Communion to the Sick

If you know of anyone who is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office at 541-963-7341.

Website

www.olvcatholic.org

FORMED

Online resources to build your faith, register for free at olvcatholic.formed.org

Reconciliations—Confessions

Saturday 4:00 PM —4:30 PM

or by appointment.

If you would like to schedule an appointment, please call or email our Parish Office.



No Weekday Masses this Week

Fr. Saji will be out of town January 10th - 14th, so there will be no 8:00am Masses Monday through Thursday this week.

Estudio Bíblico en Español para Adultos



Bible Study for Adults in Spanish

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El estudio bíblico en español para adultos está disponible después de la Misa a las 11:15 en la sala de conferencias, empezando esta semana. Este invierno, el tema del estudio será en las invitaciones y promesas de Dios, y también cómo la gente ha respondido a lo largo del tiempo.

Para más información, comuníquese con Amanda Villagómez.

Bible Study for Adults in Spanish

Bible study in Spanish for adults is available after Mass at 11:15 in the conference room, starting this week. This winter the study will focus on God's invitations and promises, as well as how people have responded over time. For more information, contact Amanda Villagómez.



Snow Removal

Thank-you to all those who have been working so hard to make sure the walkways and steps have been cleared of snow. You are greatly appreciated!

We Could Use More Help!

If any of our youth are available to help on weekends or after school it would be a wonderful service to our church. Thank-you!

Cathedral Conservation Collection

The St. Francis de Sales Cathedral Conservation Collection will take place the weekend of January 22-23 and will focus on the much needed repairs of "the Mother Church of our Diocese".



RETRouvaille

A LIFE LINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Retrouvaille at Mt. Angel

Retrouvaille, a life line for married couples, will hold a weekend program for couples struggling in their marriages on January 21-23, 2022 at Mount Angel Abbey Retreat House in Mount Angel, Oregon. For more information please contact the community at portland@retrouvaille.org.

Why did Jesus submit to John's Baptism?

John's baptism was the baptism of repentance (Matthew 3:11), but Jesus was sinless and had no need of repentance – so why was he baptized? Even John was taken aback at Jesus coming to him. John recognized his own sin and was aware that he, a sinful man in need of repentance himself, was unfit to baptize the spotless Lamb of God: "I need to be baptized by you and yet you are coming to me?" (Matthew 3:14) Jesus replied "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." (Matthew 3:15)

There are several reasons why it was fitting for John to baptize Jesus:

- To mark the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus.
- To be publicly heralded and recognized by his forerunner, John, the "voice crying in the wilderness" prophesied by Isaiah, calling people to repentance in preparation for their Messiah (Isaiah 40:3).
- By baptizing Jesus, John was declaring to all that here was the One they had been waiting for, the Son of God, the One he had predicted would baptize "with the Holy Spirit and fire." (Matthew 3:11)
- The Lukan description of the opening of the heavens show that the Reign of God is beginning to break into human history in the person of Jesus – the mercy and power of God about to be unleashed.
- Blessings of God in the person of the Holy Spirit, anointing Jesus for his earthly ministry, showing that indeed this was the Son of God.

Weekend of January 15th & 16th, 2022

Saturday, January 15th at 5:30PM

Acolyte: TJ Yiftheg

Reader: Clare Espinola

Server: Michael & Joseph Yiftheg

Sunday, January 16th at 10:00 AM

Acolyte: Jimmy Zamora

Reader: Jenell Zamora

Server: Justin Zamora & Jacob Reynolds

Weekend of January 22nd & 23rd, 2022

Saturday, January 22nd at 5:00 PM

Acolyte: Jerry Mesa

Reader: Nancy Allen

Server: Clinton Tarvin & Michael Yiftheg

Sunday, January 23rd at 10:00 AM

Acolyte: Jason Kehr

Reader: Meldy Lim

Server: Ridge Kehr & Kris Lim

ONLINE GIVING:

Our Lady of the Valley is offering parishioners a simple, dependable way to make their donations through a secure on-line site called Parish Soft. Parish Soft is a program that we have used for many years in this parish. The process is simple and safe. Go to our webpage at www.olvcatholic.org, click on the link that will direct you to the site that allows you to make a one time or recurring contribution for any amount you wish.

Thank-you for Your Kindness

Thank-you for your kindness, generosity and help in the cleaning and care of the church flowers, candles, and altars, the clearing of the steps and walkways and the beautiful luncheon for the funeral of Dr. Brian Spencer.

Your time and loving service is greatly appreciated.

Altar Society News

The next meeting of the Catholic Women of Our Lady of the Valley will be on Tuesday, January 18th at 6:00pm in the Conference Room. Bring a friend!

Thank-you!

A big thank-you to everyone who braved the wind and snow to come down to church to help take down and put away all of the Christmas decorations!

WEEKLY COLLECTION
NEEDED TO MEET BUDGET: \$3,400.00

Collection for Jan. 1, 10:00am and Jan. 1, 5:30pm
and Jan. 2, 10:00am will be posted next week.