

# Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

## January 13, 2019



# The Baptism OF THE LORD

“I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.” - Lk 3:16bc

Welcome to our *Little Church on the Hill*

### Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday: 7:30 AM  
Saturday: 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Vigil  
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:45 AM, 11:30 AM

*Holy Days: as posted in the Bulletin*

### Eucharistic Adoration

First Tuesday 7:00 PM-8:00 PM  
Every Thursday 7:00 PM-8:00 PM  
Every Friday 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:00 PM - 3:45 PM  
Thursdays: 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
Every Day: 15 minutes before all Masses

### Baptism & Marriage Preparation

Please contact Parish Office (203) 748-9029

### Anointing of the Sick

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**-CHURCH IS HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE-**

## Liturgical Schedule

- MONDAY 01/14/19 -

7:30 AM Derek Znosko | Fr. Peter  
Rdgs: Heb 1: 1-6 | Mk 1:14-20

- TUESDAY 01/15/19 -

7:30 AM †Mildred Mancuso | Godson  
Rdgs: Heb 2:5-12 | Mk 1:21-28

- WEDNESDAY 01/16/19 -

7:30 AM Patrick Tully | Billy and Teresa Tully  
B&W †John B. Scalzo | Son  
Rdgs: Heb 2:14-18 | Mk 1:29-39

- THURSDAY 01/17/19

St. Anthony, Abbot

7:30 AM †Leon Wayman | Kunicki Family  
Rdgs: Heb 3:7-14 | Mk 1:40-45  
7:00 PM Confessions and Exposition

- FRIDAY 01/18/19 -

7:30 AM †Patricia Gulliver | Suzanne Najman  
B&W †Thomas Charles Pepin | Family  
Rdgs: Heb 4:1-5, 11 | Mk 2:1-12

- SATURDAY 01/19/19 -

8:00 AM †John Albini | Janice McNamara  
Rdgs: Heb 4:12-16 | Mk 2:13-17



## Liturgical Schedule continued

- SATURDAY 01/19/19 -

4:00 PM †Irene Kowalski | Daughter, Cathy  
Lectors - ML. Strano, B. Miazga  
Ministers of the Blood - P. Schulze, K. Sghia  
Minister of the Body - R. Strano  
Altar Servers - J.P. Miranda  
Music Ministry - St. Cecilia Choir

- SUNDAY 01/20/19 -

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Parishioners Living and Deceased  
Lectors - D. Coelho, R. Doran  
Ministers of the Blood - D. Kozlowski, D. Hamm  
Minister of the Body - J. Freitas  
Altar Servers - K. Kozlowski, R. Posca  
Music Ministry - Cantor

9:45 AM †Peter Sr., †Anna, and †Peter Kieras |  
Fran and Sonia Kieras

B&W †Irene Kowalski | Anthony

Lector - R. Volpe  
Ministers of the Blood - S. Schirmer, C. Stanley  
Minister of the Body - A. Scalzo  
Altar Servers - Suesses, Hanleys  
Music Ministry - Children's Choir

11:30 AM †John B. Scalzo | Son

Lector - P. Nero  
Ministers of the Blood - J. Peters, R. Lamontagne  
Minister of the Body - J. McNamara  
Altar Servers - N. Solano, B. Goodman  
Music Ministry - Contemporary Choir

Rdgs: Is 62:1-5 | 1 Cor 12:4-11 | Jn 2:1-11



**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR OUR  
HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND  
FRIENDS WHO ARE BEARING THE CROSS OF SUFFERING:**

**FRAN WILKES, BOB & PAT EXTANCE,  
HERMINIA GENAO, THERESE SLESINSKY,  
EMILY DONOFRIO, LUCY ROZANSKI,  
THE MOROSKY FAMILY, MILLIE MIETELSKI,  
RITA (LUKAS) MCGOFF, JOHN AND JOHNNY,  
AND OUR HOMEBOUND.**

**PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR THOSE SUFFERING  
SENSELESS VIOLENCE AND RACIAL TENSIONS.**

Stewardship | Our Financial View  
Weekend of December 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>  
\$ 3,229.00

Solemnity of Mary  
\$ 1,600.00

Weekend of January 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>  
\$4,021.10

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Thank You for your continued generosity!

**As a Parish community, we continue to lift every  
family individually up in our daily prayers;  
praying for the spiritual, physical, and emotional  
health of each member of the family.**

**Please include them in your daily prayers.**

**Sunday:** Marinos and Helen Paxinos & Family  
**Monday:** Thomas and Margareta Pepin & Family  
**Tuesday:** Antonio and Otilia Pereira & Family  
**Wednesday:** Jorge and Elizabeth Pereira & Family  
**Thursday:** Elise Perez & Family  
**Friday:** Alice Perrotte & Family  
**Saturday:** Joan Peters & Family  
**Sunday:** Elsie Pettit & Family

**Do you know someone who is sick, or  
otherwise unable to join us regularly for  
Mass and think they would appreciate a  
visit, Holy Communion, or even just  
a phone call?**

**PLEASE LET US KNOW!  
Call or email the Parish Office.**

## Parish Staff

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### Adorers' Corner Scheduled for January 18<sup>th</sup>

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM | VOLUNTEERS NEEDED  
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM | Janice McNamara  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Geraldine Lancey  
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Joan Peters  
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM | Tom DiGiovanni  
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM | Ginger Wohlfarth  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM | Fran and Sonia Kieras  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM | Larry Martin  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Peggy Dyer, Deb Isaacson  
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM | Mary Cronin  
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM | A. Zocolotti, Contemporary Choir  
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM | Leoneidia Sousa

Please contact the Parish Office to become an adorer.  
203-748-9029 or [office@sacredheartdanbury.org](mailto:office@sacredheartdanbury.org)

If you can not make your assigned time please find a substitute.  
Jesus must never be left unattended. Thank you!

**Secular Franciscans**  
**Holy Hour and Prayer for Priests**  
Saturday January 19; 9:00 AM  
in the Church.  
ALL are welcome and encouraged to  
join and pray for all Priests.

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

- MONDAY 01/14/19 -

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Church  Rehearsal

7:15 PM - 8:30 PM Rectory  Meeting

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Parish Center  Meeting

- TUESDAY 01/15/19 -

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Café  Diocesan Formation Meeting

- WEDNESDAY 01/16/19 -

- THURSDAY 01/17/19 -

6:45 PM - 8:00 PM Café  Rehearsal

- FRIDAY 01/18/19 -

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Church  Rehearsal

- SATURDAY 01/19/19 -

Following 5:00 PM Mass Church  Meeting

- SUNDAY 01/20/19 -

Following All Masses Church  Meeting

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Parish Center  Meeting

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events...

Jan 22: **Lectio Divina** returns 7:15 PM - 8:15 PM

Jan 15: Diocesan Formation meeting for ALL  
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion  
and Lectors 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

 **ZUMBA** Will return in February

## Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursdays**

**7:00 PM- 8:00 PM**  
*with confessions*

**Fridays**

**8:30 AM - 8:00 PM**

**First Tuesday Holy Hour**

**7:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

**Spend an hour with Jesus!**



## March for Life Friday, January 18, 2019

**Bus Pilgrimage to Washington, DC  
for the 46th March for Life**

### Schedule

5:00 AM | Depart The Cathedral Parish, Bridgeport  
5:30 AM | Pick up at St. Thomas Apostle in Norwalk  
6:00 AM | Pick up at Basilica of St. John the Evangelist, Stamford  
11:30 AM | Arrive at March for Life  
4:00 PM | Depart for Connecticut

### Register at

[www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation](http://www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation)  
by January 11, 2019

**\$75.00 per person**

You are welcome to bring your own food and drink on the bus.

For more information, email  
[officeoffaithformation@diobpt.org](mailto:officeoffaithformation@diobpt.org)  
or call 203-416-1670



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### Upcoming Admissions Events at Regina Caeli January 21<sup>st</sup>!

Looking for an amazing resource center devoted to a classical education and the Catholic faith? Regina Caeli meets in Wilton serving Pre-K 3's - 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Students attend Socratic and hands-on classrooms two days per week and are homeschooled the remaining days.

**\*Touring Event:** Presentation begins at 10:30 AM and includes a tour, classroom observation, Q&A. Refreshments served; children welcome!

**\*High School Info Session:** Presentation begins at 12:00 PM. You CAN home school High School! Bring your questions and get answers.

To RSVP, contact Lisa Frawley, Coordinator of Education, [lfrawley.fcc@rcahybrid.org](mailto:lfrawley.fcc@rcahybrid.org) or call (203) 701-9154

### St. Gregory the Great School Pre-K 3's - 8<sup>th</sup> grade

85 Great Plain Rd. Danbury

Open House:  
Sunday January 27

1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

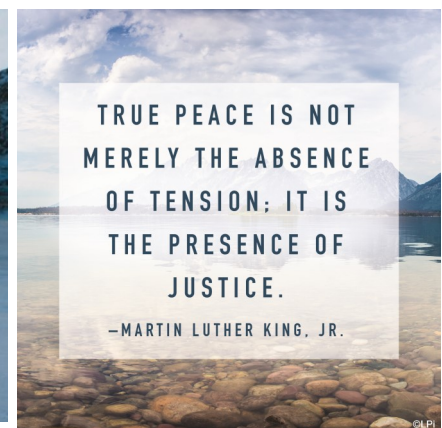
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—MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.



In the Man Cave  
Jan 14 7:15 PM - 8:30 PM

Friends of St. Joseph

# Pastor's Corner

## *The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord*

The mystery of Christ's baptism in the Jordan by St John, the Precursor, proposes the contemplation of an already adult Jesus. This mystery is infinitely linked to the Solemnities of the Lord's birth and the Epiphany that we have just celebrated, as in some ways it takes up and represents their significance to us.

At Christmas we contemplated the human birth of the Word incarnate by the Virgin Mary. In the 4<sup>th</sup> century, the Fathers of the Church deepened the understanding of the faith with regard to the Christmas mystery in the light of Jesus' Humanity. They spoke of the Incarnation of the Word already working like the 'Christification' of that humanity that he had assumed from His mother. Or put in simpler terms: Jesus is the Christ from the first instant of conception in Mary's spotless womb because He Himself, with His Divine Power, consecrated, anointed and 'Christified' that human nature with which He became incarnate.

In the mystery of the Epiphany, we then meditated on Christ's manifestation to all nations that was represented by the Magi, the wise men from the East, who came to adore the Child.

Now, in the mystery of Christ's Baptism in the Jordan River, we again encounter and represent the truth of the Lord's incarnation and His manifestation as the Christ. Jesus' Baptism is in fact His definitive manifestation as the Messiah or Christ to Israel, and as the Son of the Father to the entire world. Here we find the dimension of the Epiphany, which was His manifestation to all nations. The Father's voice from heaven shows that Jesus of Nazareth is the eternal Son. The descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove shows the Trinitarian nature of the Christian God. The true and unique God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, shows Himself in Christ, through Him, with Him and in Him.

The Baptism in the Jordan returns to the great Christmas theme of 'Christification'; Jesus of Nazareth's spiritual anointing, His presentation as the Anointed One par excellence, the Messiah or the One sent by the Father for the salvation of mankind. The Spirit that descended on Jesus shows and seals in an incontrovertible way the 'Christification' of Jesus' humanity that the Word had already fulfilled from the first moment of His miraculous conception by Mary. Jesus, from the very beginning, was always the Lord's Christ, He was always God. Yet, His one, true humanity, that which is perfect in every way, as the Gospel records, constantly grew in natural and supernatural perfection. 'And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favor with God and with men' (Lk2:52).

The same Spirit, that descended on the water of the River Jordan wafted over the waters during the first creation (Gen 1:2). Therefore, the Baptism in the Jordan presents yet another truth: that Jesus has started a new creation. He is the second man (1 Cor 15:47) or the last Adam (1 Cor 15:45), that comes to repair the first Adam's guilt. He does this as the Lamb of God that takes away our sins.

'Looking at the events in light of the Cross and Resurrection, the Christian people realized what happened: Jesus loaded the burden of all mankind's guilt upon His shoulders; he bore it down into the depths of the Jordan. He inaugurated his public activity by stepping into the place of sinners' (Joseph Ratzinger, Jesus of Nazareth, Bloomsbury 2007, p 18).

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

