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Január - Januar - January 2019

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Monday-Friday: 9:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm – 7:30pm
Saturday : 9:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm – 3:30pm
Sunday: 9:00am – 1:30pm

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January 22 - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer.

Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium Vitae, no. 100

The over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a “throwaway culture.” However, we have great trust in God’s providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord’s help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children”: “In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.”

As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or giving alms. Another way to take part is through participating in special events to observe the anniversary of Roe v. Wade.

O God, our Creator, all life is in your hands from conception until death. Help us to cherish our children and to reverence the awesome privilege of our share in creation. May all people live and die in dignity and love. Bless all those who defend the rights of the unborn, the handicapped and the aged. Enlighten and be merciful toward those who fail to love, and give them peace. Let freedom be tempered by responsibility, integrity and morality.

Please contact Monika Mohos before or after Sunday Mass for any Mass intentions you would like to request.

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The bulletins are sent to the printing company at least one month in advance. Mass intentions received after the printing deadline may not appear in the bulletin, but are offered all the same.

Parish Calendar for January 2019

January 6, Sunday – The Epiphany of the Lord – white

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe – *Erscheinung des Herrn*

Lauren Lanterman (deceased) A Friend
Bud Corfield (deceased) A Friend

10:45 AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise – *Vízkereszt*

István Vörös (deceased) Anna Vörös & Family

January 13, Sunday – The Baptism of the Lord – white

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe – *Taufe des Herrn*

Josef & Grete and Stefan & Julianna Boehm The Boehm & Friedrich Children
Nikolaus & Franziska and & Grandchildren
Nikolaus & Eva Friedrich and
Johann & Elisabetha Hepp (all deceased)

10:45 AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise – *Urunk megkeresztelkedése*

Father Benedict Horváth, O. Praem. on the 21st anniversary of his death

January 20, Sunday – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – green

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe – *Zweiter Sonntag im Jahreskreis*

Patricia Sherman (deceased) A Friend
Anne Tallman (deceased) A Friend

10:45 AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise – *Évközi második vasárnap*

Ágnes Tamás (deceased) Éva Kulczycki
Erzsébet Gasztonyi (deceased) The Gasztonyi Family

January 27, Sunday – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – green

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe – *Dritter Sonntag im Jahreskreis*

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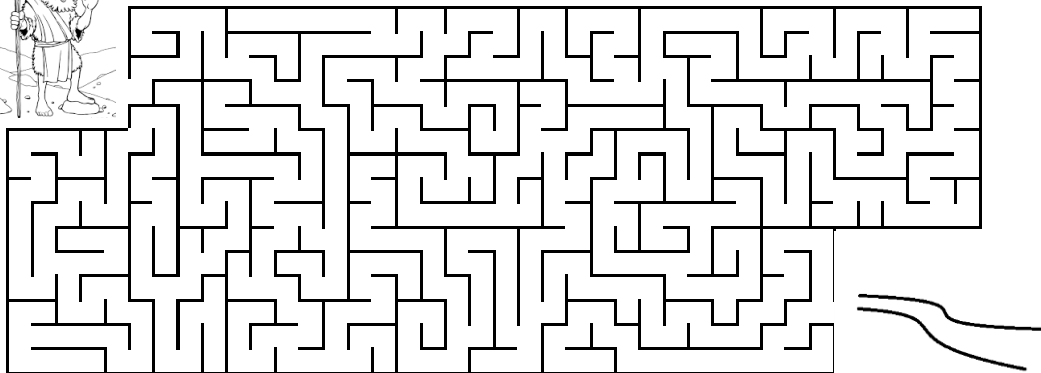
10:45 AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise – *Évközi harmadik vasárnap*

István Prihisztál (deceased) The Prihisztál Family

The Baptism of the Lord



Find the path down to the Jordan River.



The Baptism of the Lord

"Today's feast of the Baptism of the Lord ends the Christmas season and invites us to think of our Baptism. Jesus willed to receive the baptism preached and administered by John the Baptist in the river Jordan. It was a baptism of penance: all those who approached it expressed the desire to be purified from sin and, with God's help, committed themselves to begin a new life.

"We understand then the great humility of Jesus, He who had not sinned, put himself in the queue with the penitents, mixing among them, to be baptized in the waters of the river. What humility Jesus has! And, by doing so, He manifested what we celebrated at Christmas: Jesus' willingness to immerse Himself in the river of humanity, to take upon himself the failures and weaknesses of men, to share their desire of liberation and to overcome all that distances one from God and renders brothers strangers. As at Bethlehem, along the banks of the Jordan God keeps His promise to take charge of the human being's fate, and Jesus is the tangible and definitive sign of it. He took charge of all of us, He takes charge of all of us, in life, in the days.

"Today's Gospel stresses that Jesus "when He came up out of the water, immediately He saw the Heavens opened and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove". The Holy Spirit, who had worked from the beginning of Creation and had guided Moses and the people in the desert, now descends in fullness upon Jesus to give Him the strength to carry out His mission in the world. The Spirit is the artifice of Jesus' Baptism and also of our Baptism. It's the Spirit that opens the eyes of our heart to truth, to the whole truth. He pushes our life on the path of charity. He is the gift that the Father gave to each one of us on the day of our Baptism. He, the Spirit, transmits to us the tenderness of divine forgiveness. And it is also He, the Holy Spirit, that makes the revealing Word of God resound: "Thou art my beloved Son".

"The feast of Jesus' Baptism invites every Christian to remember his own Baptism. I can't ask you the question if you remember the day of your Baptism, because the majority of you were babies, like me; we were baptized as babies. However, I can ask you another question? Do you know the date on which you were baptized? Do you know what day you were baptized? Each one of you think about it. And if you don't know the date or have forgotten it, when you go home ask your mother, your grandmother, your uncle, your aunt, your grandfather, your godfather, your godmother: what was the date? And we must always have that date in our memory, because it's a date of celebration, it's the date of our initial sanctification; it's the date in which the Father gave us the Holy Spirit who pushes us to walk; it's the date of the great forgiveness. Don't forget: what's the date of my Baptism?

"We invoke the maternal protection of Mary Most Holy so that all Christians can understand increasingly the gift of Baptism and commit themselves to live it with coherence, witnessing the love of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

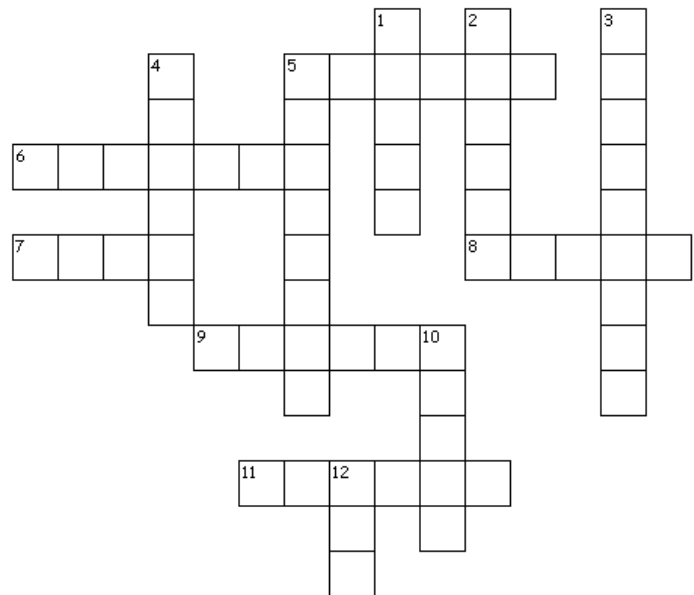
- Address by Pope Francis, January 7, 2018

Find this month's vocabulary words.

G X J E Y R E V I R I M H E F
 H F V Z X T H R N T N S T W A
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 D R G B N H J L E E U T R N H
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BAPTISM	CHRISTMAS	DESERT
DOVE	FATHER	GOPEL
HEAVEN	HUMILITY	MOTHER
RIVER	SON	TRUTH
WATER		

Fill in the vocabulary words using the German and Hungarian translations as clues.



Across

- 5. HIMMEL-MENNY
- 6. TAUFE-KERESZTSÉG
- 7. TAUBE-GALAMB
- 8. WAHRHEIT-IGAZSÁG
- 9. VATER-APA
- 11. EVANGELIUM-EVANGÉLIUM

Down

- 1. WASSER-VÍZ
- 2. WÜSTE-SIVATAG
- 3. WEIHNACHTEN-KARÁCSONY
- 4. MUTTER-ANYA
- 5. DEMUT-ALÁZATOSSÁG
- 10. FLUSS-FOLYÓ
- 12. SOHN-FIÚ