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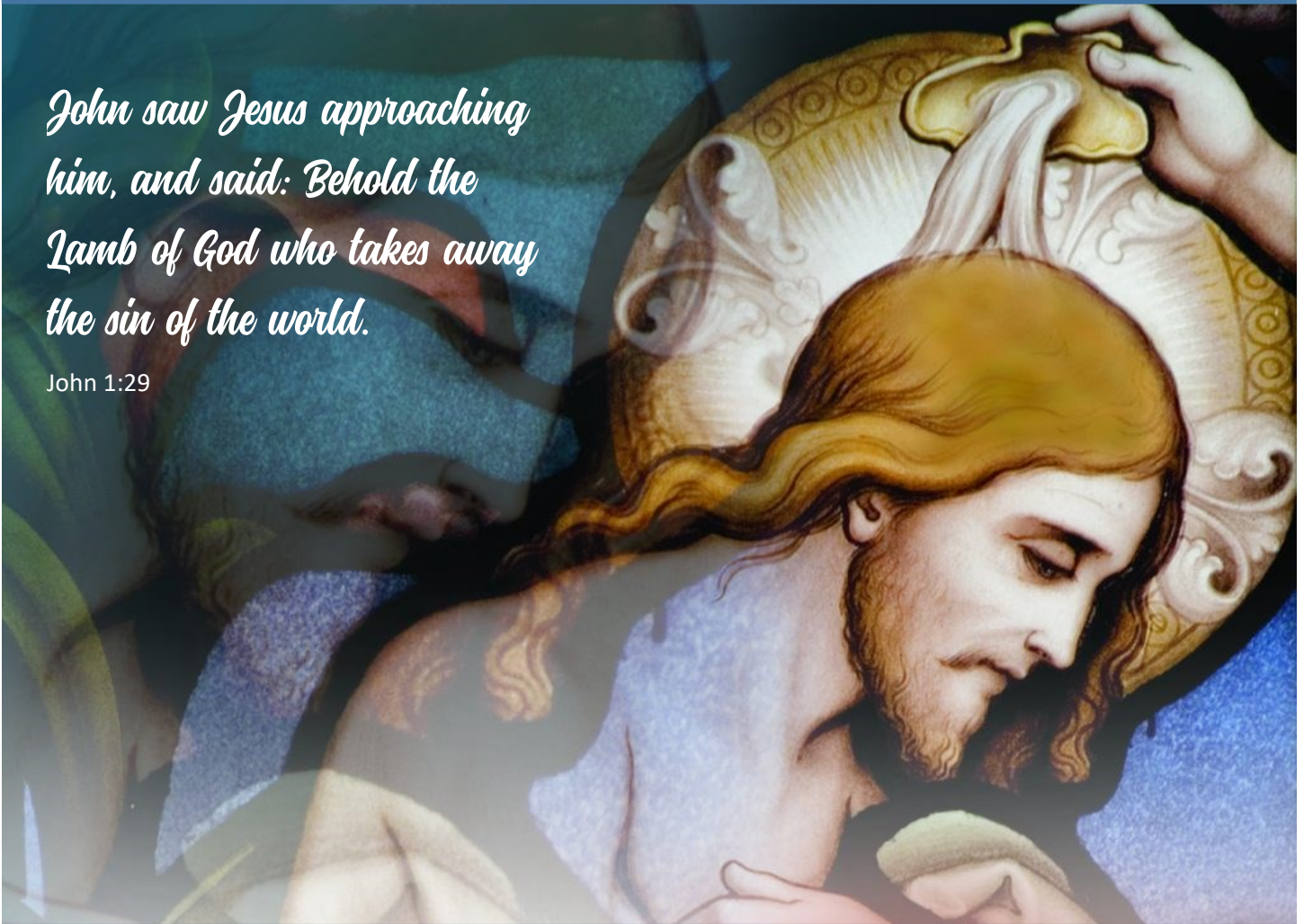
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Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2021

*John saw Jesus approaching
him, and said: Behold the
Lamb of God who takes away
the sin of the world.*

John 1:29



May You Find Christ Here...May You Bring Christ to the World!

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, 12 noon

Friday, 9:00 a.m.

*Registration suggested
for weekend Masses.*

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Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection – The Baptism of the Lord

Why did Jesus, the Sinless One, submit himself to John's baptism? In this humble submission we see a foreshadowing of the "baptism" of his bloody death upon the cross. Jesus' baptism is the acceptance and the beginning of his mission as God's suffering Servant. He allowed himself to be numbered among sinners. Jesus submitted himself entirely to his Father's will. Out of love he consented to this baptism of death for the remission of our sins. The Father proclaimed his entire delight in his Son and spoke audibly for all to hear. The Holy Spirit, too, was present as he anointed Jesus for his ministry which began that day as he rose from the waters of the Jordan river. Jesus will be the source of the Spirit for all who come to believe in him. At his baptism the heavens were opened and the waters were sanctified by the descent of the Holy Spirit, signifying the beginning of a new creation.

How can we enter into the mystery of Jesus' humble self-abasement and baptism? Gregory of Nazianzus (329-389 AD), an early church father tells us: "Let us be buried with Christ by Baptism to rise with him; let us go down with him to be raised with him; and let us rise with him to be glorified with him." Do we want to see our life transformed in the likeness of Christ? And do we want to become a more effective instrument of the Gospel? Examine Jesus' humility and ask the Holy Spirit to forge this same attitude in our heart. As we do, heaven will open for us as well. Jesus is ever ready to renew and refashion us in his likeness through the gift and working of the Holy Spirit. The Lord Jesus wants his love and truth to shine through us that many others may find new life, freedom, and joy in the Holy Spirit. Ask the Lord Jesus to fill us with his Holy Spirit that we may radiate the joy of the Gospel to those around us.

Readings for Sunday, January 17, 2021

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19
1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20
John 1:35-42



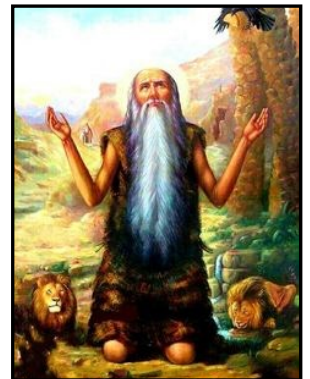
Saint of the Week St. Paul the Hermit

Paul, also known as Paul of Thebes, was reportedly born in Egypt, where he was orphaned by age 15. He was also a learned and devout young man. During the persecution of Decius in Egypt in the year 250, Paul was forced to hide in the home of a friend. Fearing a brother-in-law would betray him, he fled in a cave in the desert. His plan was to return once the persecution ended, but the sweetness of solitude and heavenly contemplation convinced him to stay.

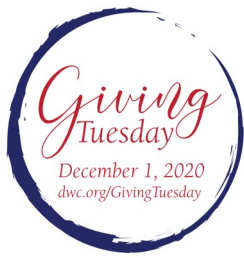
He went on to live in that cave for the next 90 years. A nearby spring gave him drink, a palm tree furnished him clothing and nourishment. After 21 years of solitude, a raven began bringing him half of a loaf of bread each day.

Saint Anthony of Egypt attests to Paul's holy life and death. Tempted by the thought that no one had served God in the wilderness longer than he, Anthony was led by God to find Paul and acknowledge him as a man more perfect than himself. The bird that day brought a whole loaf of bread instead of the usual half. Anthony returned to the desert to bury Paul, supposedly wrapping him in a cloak that had been given to Anthony by St. Athanasius. According to legend, two lions assisted Anthony in digging the grave.

Thought to have been about 112 when he died, Paul is known as the "First Hermit." He is commonly shown with a palm tree, two lions and a raven.



Feast Day: January 15



Incredible! Amazing! Unbelievable!

These are just some of the words we could use to describe the results of our Giving Tuesday campaign.

Because of your very generous donations, we not only met our \$12,000 goal...we crushed it! **Total amount raised: \$19,740!**



This will enable us to fund the projects that would have been supported through the Catholic Sharing Appeal which was not held this year due to the pandemic. As you know, our projects are to install a security system for all church properties and to install new carpeting in St. Mary's Hall.

Again, thank you for your overwhelming generosity in the care of our wonderful church! We are so very blessed.

thank you!

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, January 9	4:00 p.m.	Deceased Members of the Marsh, Roach & Cessna families	Linda Marsh
Sunday, January 10	8:30 a.m.	Tim & Ginny Newlin †	Joanne & Mike Stickley
Monday, January 11	No Mass		
Tuesday, January 12	No Mass		
Wednesday, January 13	6:00 p.m.	Brian Dorsey † Donald Walsh †	Tammy Dorsey-Dale Mary Lambert
Thursday, January 14	12 noon	Larry Miller & family	Mitch & Carol Durst
Friday, January 15	9:00 a.m.	James DeMasi †	Mary Shannon
Saturday, January 16	4:00 p.m.	Mick Greco †	Kelli & Harry Wittman
Sunday, January 17	8:30 a.m.	Susie Maynard †	Kelley & Jeff Kuhn

You will draw water

joyfully

from the springs of salvation.

Collections & Attendance: Week Ending January 3, 2021

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$2,475
Loose Donations.....	\$324
Solemnity of Mary.....	\$542
Votive Candles.....	\$103
Poor Box.....	\$254
Total.....	\$3,698

Diocesan Collections..... \$70

Attendance

Solemnity of Mary (12/31).....	37
Solemnity of Mary (1/1).....	17
Total.....	54

Saturday Attendance.....38

Sunday Attendance.....32

Total.....70

December 2020 Balance Sheet

December Income.....	\$36,987
December Expenses.....	\$14,671
Balance.....	\$22,316

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, January 16 ... Alan Taylor (L)
Anita Tetreault (C)
Tom & Kathy Finnell (U)

Sunday, January 17 Alan Taylor (L)
Linda Marsh (C)
Jane & Doug Placka (U)

Saturday, January 23 ... Celia Cole (L)
Linda Marsh (C)
Dena Turner (U)
Mary Shannon (U)

Sunday, January 24 Kelley Kuhn (L)
Julie Alt (C)
Michael & Sonja
Stanislawczyk (U)

*If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled date,
please arrange for a replacement.*



Wanda Bruno

Born into Life

August 28, 1931

Born into Eternal Life

December 27, 2020

*Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord,
and let the perpetual light shine upon her.
May Wanda's soul and all the souls of the
faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.*

*A memorial service was held on January 9 at the
Smith Funeral Home.*

Diocese Announces Reopening of Summer Youth Camp

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston has announced the reopening of its summer youth camping ministry in Huttonsville with a new name and new leadership.



CAMP CARLO

With Him on the mountain

Blessed Carlo
Acutis Youth
Camp, or Camp
Carlo for short,
is named for
the recently
beatified Italian
teen who died

in 2006. Bearing the motto, "With Him on the Mountain," Camp Carlo will open this summer led by Director Riley Keaton.

The Diocese sees the camping ministry as an important part of the formation of Catholic youth. Camping ministry, Keaton said, offers unique opportunities for young people to deepen their faith, adventure through God's creation, and build lasting relationships with Catholic peers from across the state.

For more information about Camp Carlo, contact Riley Keaton at rkeaton@dwc.org.