



For the One who carved the islands / has come to live among us,
And this is the house He has chosen, / St. Mary Star of the Sea. — Anne Porter

SACRAMENTS / SACRAMENTOS

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION /

SACRAMENTO DE RECONCILIACIÓN:

**NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT /

EXPOSICIÓN DEL SAGRARIO:

Friday Noon to 4:00 pm

EUCCHARIST TO SHUT-INS & THE ILL /

EUARISTÍA PARA DESCAPACITADOS:

**NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME

PRAYER CHAIN / CADENA DE ORACIONES:

Pat White 360-385-3063

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM / SACRAMENTO

DEL BAUTISMO:

Required prep. classes, please call 360-385-3700

Clases de preparación—360-385-3700

FUNERAL / CHRISTIAN BURIAL / ENTIERRO:

Contact Parish Office before setting date. Contactar

al sacerdote antes de apartar la fecha. 360-385-3700

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE / SACRAMENTO

DEL MATRIMONIO:

Six month notice and preparation classes required, call 360-385-3700. Clases de preparación requeridas 6 meses antes—

In the event of sacramental emergencies during Parish Office hours M-Thurs. 10:00 am - 4:00 pm and Friday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm please call 360-385-3700. After hours please call 360-385-3700 ext. "1" to leave a message.



ALL HANDS ON DECK....

Winter weeds are blooming! and spring weeds are just around the corner. All gardeners and non-gardeners are invited to participate in tending God's gardens around the church in the coming weeks. More to follow in coming bulletins...

ADMINISTRATION / ADMINISTRACIÓN

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RETURNING CATHOLICS / CATÓLICOS REGRESAN:

Please call the Parish Office - 368-385-3700

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL / SAN VICENTE DE PABLO:

Contact Tel: 360-379-1325

<https://svdpejc.org/>

COVID REMINDER

If your answer is "Yes" to any of these questions, please stay home! Note the new requirements below? **In the last 14 days, have you?**

- * Traveled internationally?
- * Been exposed to a person with suspected or confirmed COVID19?
- * Had a temperature of at least 100.0° F?
- * Had new or increased shortness of breath or difficulty breathing?
- * Had a new cough?
- * Had at least two of the following symptoms together: Chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of smell or taste, diarrhea, vomiting, runny nose/congestion or fatigue?

For further information contact the Jefferson County Health District 360-385-9400. If severely ill or unable to reach a public health nurse, please call your personal health care provider. For more information and COVID-19 information in other languages, please visit www.jeffersoncountypublichealth.org.

Readings for the Week...

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Hebrews 1:1-6	Hebrews 2:5-12	Hebrews 2:14-18	Hebrews 3:7-14	Hebrews 4:1-5, 11	Hebrews 4:12-16	1 Samuel 3:3-10,
Psalms 97:1-2, 6-7, 9	Psalms 8:2, 5-9	Psalms 105:1-4, 6-9	Psalms 95:6-11	Psalms 78:3, 4, 6-8	Psalms 19:8-10, 15	19
Mark 1:14-20	Mark 1:21-28	Mark 1:29-39	Mark 1:40-45	Mark 2:1-12	Mark 2:13-17	Psalms 40:2, 4, 7-10
						1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20
						John 1:35-42



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(The Parish Office is temporarily closed.)

Please call for an appointment during office hours)

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Fridays 10:00 am - 2:00 pm



The Baptism of the Lord, January 9/10, 2021



VISITING PRIEST SCHEDULE

We are very fortunate to have **Father Tom Picton, CSsR**, to celebrate all of our weekend Masses for

the month of January. This is the first time that Father Picton will be with us so welcome him warmly and keep him in your prayers as he helps to uplift our COVID weary parish.

- January 9/10: Fr. Tom Picton, CSsR
- January 16/17: Fr. Tom Picton, CSsR
- January 23/24: Fr. Tom Picton, CSsR
- January 30/31: Fr. Tom Picton, CSsR
- February 6/7: Fr. Tim McKenna
- February 13/14: Fr. Tim McKenna



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE UPDATE

We have received back Stewardship of Treasure pledge cards with a heart full of gratitude from 96 of the 214 parish families. Thank you to all of the 45% who have generously pledged prayers and funds to our parish so far. We look forward with hope to see the remaining 55% of pledge's made. The funds are what keeps our parish running throughout the whole year. Please return your pledge card today.



2021 CALENDARS

2021 calendars will be available in the narthex after all Masses this weekend. Please take only one copy per family so there will be enough for all.



FIRST OF THE MONTH ST. VINCENT de Paul COLLECTION

Please remember our Parish St. Vincent de Paul Society generously this weekend Your donations can also be made on line at: <https://svdpejc.org/>.



THANK YOU!

Many thanks to all of those who very generously contributed towards the beautification of our church for the holiday season. It is greatly appreciated by all.

"OUR MISSION IS TO..."

CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR MIDST BY MASS, SACRAMENTS, AND PRAYER;
LIVE CHRIST'S LOVE BY SERVING OTHERS, ESPECIALLY THE POOR, NEGLECTED, AND SUFFERING;
GROW IN THE TRUTHS AND VALUES OF OUR CATHOLIC TRADITION, TEACH THEM TO OUR CHILDREN,
AND PROCLAIM THEM TO THOSE WHO DO NOT KNOW THEM."





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WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Please remember - The Archbishop's dispensation from Mass attendance will remain in effect until further notice.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

12:00-4:00 pm: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

(Fr. Tom Picton, CSsR, will be our celebrant)

3:00-3:30 pm: Confessions (Parish Center)

4:00 pm: Early Vigil Mass

5:30 pm: Vigil Mass

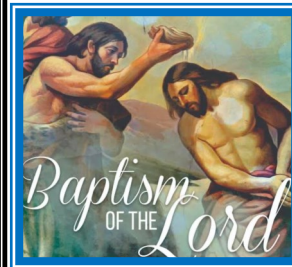
SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

(Fr. Tom Picton, CSsR, will be our celebrant)

8:30 am: English Mass

9:45-10:30 pm: Confessions (Parish Center)

11:00 am: English Mass (live streamed on our website)



Why was Jesus baptized by John?

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 shows 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.
- Jesus' baptism also showed that He identified with sinners and the faithful remnant of Israel.
- Perhaps most importantly, the occasion of the public baptism recorded for all generations to come the perfect embodiment of the triune God revealed in glory from heaven. Jesus is sent to save the lost and draw believers to the Father through the Son. All the glorious truth of the mercy of God through Jesus Christ is on display at His baptism.



CONFESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE

Throughout the month of January through the kindness and generosity of our visiting priest **Fr. Tom Picton, CSsR**, confessions will be available in the Parish Center on:

SATURDAYS:

3:00-3:30 pm: Confessions (Parish Center)

SUNDAYS:

9:45-10:30 pm: Confessions (Parish Center)

Parish Stewardship Week 1/3/2021 Week #28

Actual / Colecta Real	\$9,781.00
Budgeted / Presupuesto	\$6,902.15
	\$2,878.85

Year-To-Date / Año Corrido	
Actual Collection / Colecta Real	\$142,417.71
Budgeted Collection / Presupuesto	\$186,358.05
	<\$ 43,940.34>



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has resumed - Fridays 12:00-4:00 pm. Time with the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth.



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MASS VOLUNTEERS FOR MASSES JANUARY 16/17

January 16:

4:00 pm

Sacristan	Ed Carder
Sign In	Rita Beebe
Usher	Lamont Thornton
Lector	Nancy Thornton
Sanitizer	Lamont and Nancy Thornton

5:30 pm

Sacristan	Judy Atkinson
Sign In	Marlene O'Keefe
Usher	Kim Hammers
Lector	Pat O'Keefe
Sanitizers	Pat and Marlene O'Keefe

January 17:

8:30 am

Sacristan	Natalia Guevara
Sign In	Ignacio Hernandez
Usher	Rosa Hernandez
Lector	Lucero Figureoa
Sanitizer	Rosario and Sergio Lopez

11:00 am:

Sacristan	Nancy Bluhn
Sign In	LaTrecia Arthur
Usher	Tim Arthur
Lector	Nonette Gepitulan
Camera	Marcus Bufford



IS YOUR MARRIAGE IN TROUBLE?

If you are struggling in your marriage, please know that **Retrouvaille Seattle** will have a virtual weekend February 25-28. As much as an in person weekend would be preferable it cannot be offered at this time. For further information go to <https://www.helpourmarriage.org> to learn more, or call Mark and Ronnie at 206-706-2608. Spanish speakers can call Santiago and Luz at 509-845-4880. Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples save their marriages helping couples in crisis reconnect and start on the path toward healing.

A REALLY BIG THANK YOU

We couldn't do it without your support. With heartfelt gratitude.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU!

A special THANK YOU is deserved by all of those whose names appear regularly on the volunteer lists published each week who assist with the various Mass duties. The reality is that given the COVID restrictions for religious participation we would simply not be able to have Mass without their generous help. A new thanks is owed to Marcus Bufford who assists with the video camera that makes live streaming of our 11:00 am Sunday Masses possible. Please consider offering your help to these very special services to our church.



O Mary, mystic rose, whose lovable heart, burning with the living fire of love, adopted us as thy children at the foot of the Cross, becoming thus our most tender Mother, help me experience the sweetness of thy motherly heart and the power of thine intercession with Jesus, in all the dangers that beset me during life.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 4:00 PM: **For the repose of the soul of Clifton Rick and comfort for his family**, as requested by the Bereavement Support Ministry.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 5:30 PM: **For the repose of the soul of Iola Hansen**, as requested by the Ortmeier Family.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 8:30 AM: **Para la comunidad hispana de St. Maria Estrella del Mar.**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 11:00 AM: **For the repose of the soul of Herman Voss on the tenth anniversary of his passing**, as requested by his wife Carolyn.