

SUNDAY JANUARY 11, 2026

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

<u>SATURDAY, JANUARY 10</u> 5:30PM † Efrem Sprencel		<i>by Wilfred &amp; Dianne Dziuk</i>
<b>SUNDAY, JANUARY 11 The Baptism of the Lord</b> 7:30AM † Ben C. & Betty Pawelek		<i>by Keith &amp; JoAnn Jarzombek</i>
9:00AM Our Parish Family		<i>by Fr. Andrzej</i>
<u>MONDAY, JANUARY 12</u> 6:30PM † Rudy & Wilma Dziuk		<i>by Family</i>
<u>TUESDAY, JANUARY 13</u> 6:30PM † Tim Braniff		<i>by Clarence &amp; Janice Bordovsky</i>
<u>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14</u> 7:30AM Living & Deceased members of the Palitza Family		<i>by Gene &amp; Mary Moczygemba</i>
<u>THURSDAY, JANUARY 15</u> No Mass		
<u>FRIDAY JANUARY 16</u> 7:00AM † Tim Sturm		<i>by Daniel Swize Family</i>
<u>SATURDAY, JANUARY 17</u> 5:30PM † Otto Waclawczyk & Forrest & Maryjo Balser		<i>by Chuck &amp; Kathy Balser</i>
<b>SUNDAY, JANUARY 18 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 7:30AM † Thelma Zunker		<i>by Clarence &amp; Ellen Pruski</i>
9:00AM † Patsy Bordovsky		<i>by Chris &amp; Kathy Jendrusch, Kristen &amp; Conner</i>

Serving The Lord ~ January 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>

<b>Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion:</b>		<b>Lectors:</b>	
Saturday	5:30PM Mary Wiatrek	Saturday	5:30PM Mary Wiatrek
Sunday	7:30AM Carl Hosek	Sunday	7:30AM Kathy Zunker
	9:00AM Dickie Dziuk		9:00AM Lanelle Pollok
<b>Altar Servers:</b>		Sunday 7:30AM Seth L, Kenna L, Alberto G	
Saturday Cayson M & Volunteer		9:00AM Claire L, Cameron L, Haleigh H, Keller H	

<b>Money Counters</b>	
Jan 11 Pat & Karissa Jarzombek	Jan 25 James & Sophie Dziuk
Jan 18 Wilfred & Dianne Dziuk	Feb 01 Shirley Palitza, Lanelle Pollok & Lillian Moy

Mary Mother of God \$1,824. ~~ Sunday Church Support \$4,726.

2025 Archbishop’s Appeal results are in. We achieved 104% of the goal amount with Gifts & Pledges of \$10,505. We had 43 donors out of the goal of 52.  
Thank you & may God bless you for your generosity!

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The Baptism of the Lord

Written by the Faithful Disciple

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

We hear in today's Gospel that at the moment of Jesus' baptism, "a voice came from the heavens, saying, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.'" We can hear these words as a simple proclamation of who Jesus is - the beloved Son of God -

but also as a proclamation of who we are called to be: the beloved adopted sons and daughters of God. I sometimes forget that I am also called beloved. I mistakenly think that my value depends on my accomplishments or on my faithfulness, but the truth is that my status as beloved is due to being made in the image of my Creator. If I allow myself to absorb the full meaning of that, it will not only affect how I view myself but also how I relate to others. But Christ didn't come only to show us the truth about who we are. His coming also invites us to see one another as beloved. As Peter reminds us in our second reading, "God shows no partiality." May we strive to see the belovedness that God bestows on us and on all people.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER. INVITATION. WITNESS. ACCOMPANIMENT Jesus entered fully into our humanity, including entering into communion with each of us through our common baptism, to allow for us to one day share in the perfect exchange of love of the Trinity. Our call is to take on Christ's mission of love here on earth - to speak and act in a way that proclaims the truth of who God is and who he has made us to be. How can we remind our families, our neighbors, and even our enemies of their nature as beloved children of God? And by recognizing our own nature as beloved, we allow God's grace to flow through us. We then trust that God will make himself known as the source of love itself.

REFLECT

Take time this week to reflect on what it means to be a beloved son or daughter of God. What would it be like to hear, "You are my beloved child, with whom I am well pleased"? Once we root ourselves in this truth we can ask ourselves, "What act of kindness, what consoling word might I offer, what goodness might I do for others around me to help them experience a glimpse of their own belovedness?" Then, do it!

Friday of the First Week in Ordinary Time

It is not you they reject; they are rejecting me as their king. (1 Samuel 8:7)  
By the time the elders of Israel asked Samuel to appoint a king for them, Israel had been ruled for hundreds of years by judges. These judges weren’t permanent rulers; they were appointed by God to lead his people when they faced an enemy. But the people wanted more than occasional defenders. They wanted a king, “as other nations have” (1 Samuel 8:5).  
Samuel, who was both a judge and a prophet, might have felt rejected by the people’s demands. But the Lord cut through to the heart of the matter. In asking for a king in order to be like the other nations, the people were not rejecting Samuel but God himself. They were ignoring their call to be a unique people belonging to the Lord. God had called and formed them so that they could reveal a different way to be a nation—attentive to the Lord and walking in his ways. But even when Samuel warned them of the pitfalls of having a king, the people refused to listen.  
Although the people were rejecting the Lord, he never rejected them. He gave them a king as they wanted. And in his mercy, he walked with them through all the lessons they would have to learn from having a king and trying to be like the surrounding nations. Time and again, he would draw them back to

himself, urging them to repent and follow him more closely. Ultimately, he sent them the King who would be the embodiment of God's own kingship over his people. We are called to be God's people, too. And like the Israelites, we can face temptations to pursue the ways of the world. We may define success by the standards of the people around us or try to bolster our confidence by seeking worldly validation. But the truth is that we have the living God dwelling in us. And while worldly security or acclaim might be appealing, God's plan for us is much greater. You have been set apart for God! He has called you to be his child, and he holds you in the palm of his hand. He loves you and has filled you with his life. Your life can be a great adventure as you listen to his Spirit and follow his ways. You can show the world a completely different way of living. "Lord, thank you for calling me to be your own. I choose you as my King. Come and shine through me." Reprinted with permission of The Word Among Us, 7115 Guilford Dr #100, Frederick, MD 21704 January 2026 wau.org, 301-874-1700

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CCD – No Class January 14<sup>th</sup>.

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**Parish Council Meeting Monday January 12<sup>th</sup> after the 6:30pm Mass.**

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Anyone interested in becoming a member is asked to attend.  
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***Give of your time this year.*** We are looking for volunteers to blow the leaves off of the BBQ/Diner Pavilion during Feb, March & April twice a month or as needed. We have a blower that can be used. Please consider if this is a way you can support the church.  
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**CDA News:** St. Genevieve court will have their monthly meeting on **Tuesday, January 13** at the Sisters' Convent in Falls City after 6:30 mass-around 7:00PM. We will be discussing plans for Lenten Retreat and Valentine party. Please come-your input is important.  
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**Tabernacle Floral Arrangements 2026** - Please contact Patsy Sekula at 830-623-1404 to schedule donations for Tabernacle Floral Arrangements for the new year. The poinsettias will probably last two more weeks or so. Also, we have run into situations where two anniversaries or birthdays, etc. have fallen on the same weekend. In such cases, 4 arrangements can be donated - 2 at the tabernacle and 2 on the side altars. Please remember that we do not have floral arrangements in the church during Lent and Advent. Please limit floral scheduling to 2 weekends per family for now. You will be notified in the bulletin when more dates are available. Sincerest thanks to all for helping to make our church even more beautiful. Thank you, Patsy, for all the time you offer in scheduling, ordering and placing flowers in the church.  
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**Altar Society needs your help!** The interior church Christmas decorations will be removed, boxed up, and stored on **Sunday, January 11th immediately after the 9am Mass.** Some of the Junior and Senior CCD students will be available; however, additional parishioners will be needed as well. The decorations will be placed in the new storage building behind the CCD building. So please make plans to help relocate and store the boxes.  
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**Holy Water Receptacle** in the Candle Room is leaking. Thank you to Pat & Karissa Jarzombek and Charlie and Margie Zunker who have offered to donate a new one. Thanks to Patsy Sekula for searching for the best buy and ordering!

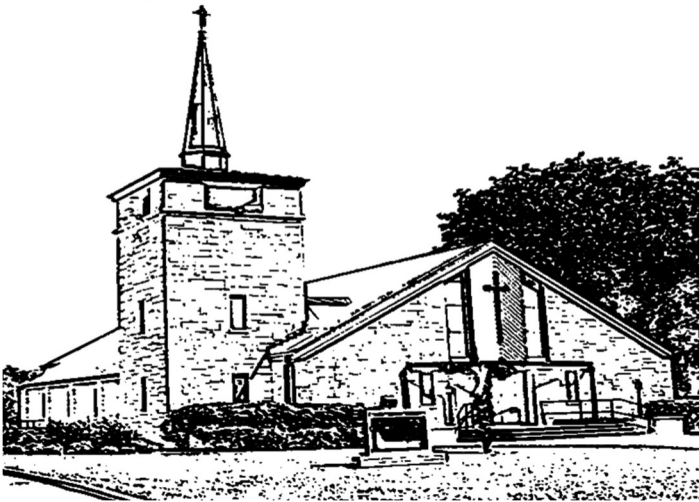
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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 8AM-2PM  
Closed Thursdays

**SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday 5:30PM  
Sunday 7:30AM & 9:00AM

**DAILY MASSES & HOLY DAYS**

As scheduled.

**RECITATION OF THE ROSARY**

30 minutes before every Mass

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION**

Monday after Mass

**SACRED HEART DEVOTIONS**

First Friday: Exposition & Benediction after Mass  
Except during Lent

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Fridays of Lent at 6:30pm, followed by mass

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

Please make arrangements with the Pastor  
at least six months in advance.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Call Rectory to schedule at least two weeks in  
in advance. **A birth certificate must be shown.**  
Godparents shall request letter from their Parish.

**SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING**

Please call the priest when sick or before  
going to the hospital, if possible.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

30 Minutes before every Mass

**VISITING OF THE SICK & ELDERLY**

First Fridays & upon request.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Wednesday 6:00PM.

**LAMENTATIONS**

Saturdays of Lent after 5:30 Mass