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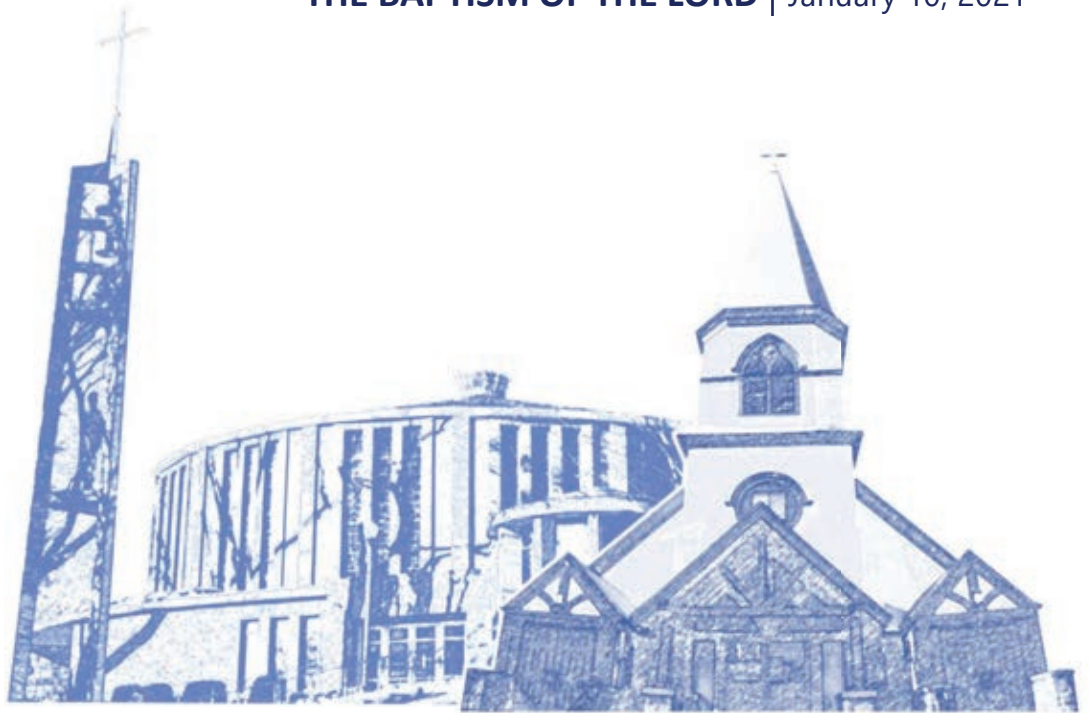
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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD | January 10, 2021



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Saturday 4 PM (*St. Catharine*)
5 PM (*OLPH*)

Sunday 8 AM (*OLPH*)
10 AM (*OLPH*)
10 AM (*St. Catharine*)
12 PM (*OLPH*)

WEEKDAY MASS

Mon–Fri 8 AM (*OLPH*)
9 AM (*OLPH*)
9 AM (*St. Catharine*)

Saturday 8 AM (*OLPH*)
9 AM (*St. Catharine*)

CONFESSION

Saturday 3–3:45 PM (*St. Catharine*)
4–4:45 PM (*OLPH*)
And by appointment

BAPTISM

2nd & 4th Sunday 1:00 PM (*OLPH*)
Please call office to schedule

1st Saturday 12 PM (*St. Catharine*)
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MARRIAGE

*6 Month Planning Period Please
Call office to schedule*

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners:

One of the characteristics of today's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is the fact that Jesus was baptized as an adult not as an infant. In the early church, and for a long time following, adult baptism was the norm for an interesting reason. People understood that Baptism is a powerful sacrament that radically changes our life and they believed and took seriously the responsibility to live in a way that modeled themselves on Jesus. For most of them, that change of life pattern was something that they may have wanted to do but they knew it would be very difficult. So, in order not to have to change so much in their life they would often put off baptism until later in life, sometimes even until right before death so that they would not have a long opportunity to fall back into 'sinful' ways. Some Christian denominations continue to use adult Baptism as the norm.


The Roman Catholic Church has over a period of time moved from adult Baptism to infant Baptism. This is based on several things: First, the understanding that the sacrament frees us from original sin and bestows upon us sacramental grace. Second, we must be baptized in order to receive the other sacraments of the church which are valuable spiritual supports during our life. Third, the desire for us to be incorporated into the life of the Church, so that our lives may be used to exemplify Christian life by using our ability to model them in light of the Gospel.

As the tradition for infant Baptism began to grow, the Church instructed that it should be done as soon as possible after birth. In this way, children would be incorporated into the life of the Church early on and would develop their identity as Catholic Christians acknowledging the benefits and responsibilities that were involved. In many areas it became a custom that the child was not really taken out of the house until the day of Baptism; and because it was done so soon after birth, mothers were not usually able or expected to attend.

Vatican II helped to reshape our understanding of Baptism and the importance of both parents being present to present their child. There is an acknowledgement during the ceremony of the importance of the role of the parents as the primary teachers in the ways of faith. This role carries with it a great responsibility to provide for the religious education and faith development by the parents as an ongoing part of life. The way the parents live their faith becomes for the child a living example of how they should seek to live. Religious education programs and Catholic schools build upon this foundation, but they do not take its place.

The Sacrament of Baptism is a joyous occasion, not only for the immediate family, but for the local parish community. That is why it is most fully symbolic when it is done in conjunction with other families as a sign of the child's incorporation into the parish faith community.

Sincerely,



Rev. Robert J. DeJulio,
Pastor

Mass Intentions

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

MONDAY, JANUARY 11

8 AM - Special Intention
9 AM - Rosemarie Radice

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

8 AM - Baby Elizabeth Theisen (Living)
9 AM - Charles Judice

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

8 AM - Mauro Magnani
9 AM - Ana Maria Pascarella Cudgma

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

8 AM - Richard Brown
9 AM - Jeanne Hertzog

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

8 AM - Rosa Rodriguez
9 AM - Anna Cudgma

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

8 AM - Frank Pfeiffer

ST. CATHARINE

MONDAY, JANUARY 11

9AM - Concetta Zeolla Levin (Living)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

9 AM - Robert J. Rios

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

9 AM - Carmela Pozzuto

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

9 AM - Isabel Moreira

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

9 AM - Pietro P. Zeolla

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

9 AM - Barbara Lavery

Parish Announcements

HOPE Soup Kitchen

St. Catharine's next HOPE meal is on Wednesday, January 20th. Food should be brought to the Parish Center by noon on that day. Our menu is sloppy joes and rolls, potatoes salad, green salad, and cookies for dessert.

OLPH next HOPE dinner is Friday, Jan 22nd. and the meal is hamburger cheese rolls, green salad, and cookies for dessert. Food should be brought to the Church lobby by 1PM on that day.

If you would like to help, but are unable to get to the store, DeCicco's in Pelham is helping us by preparing and delivering the food. Simply contact Brittany Arocho at brittanya@deciccos.com or 914-775-8880. Thank you for your support! Several people may go in on this.

Prayer Group

The Prayer Group will meet on Tuesday, Jan 19th @ 7:00PM. This year, the biweekly meeting will be held virtually-via phone. Simply call 1-720-740-9707 and enter the access code 2990487#. You will be asked to state your name, and then will be connected. All are welcome!

Virtual Bible Study

Our next Bible Study Program will start on Thursday, January 21st at 7:00PM on Zoom. The program will run bi-weekly and registration is required. Please call the office at 738-1449 to register. All are welcome!

Knit or Crochet?

Volunteers needed to make baby blankets for Needy Mothers - Archdiocese Lafayette Program. Yarn supplied. Please call Barbara at 738-0951.

Longest Married Couple Search

The search begins for the Longest Married Couple in the Archdiocese of New York! To enter: Couples must be sacramentally married for a minimum of 65 years and reside in the Archdiocese of New York.

The longest married couples will receive commemorative certificates signed by His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan. The winning couple will be interviewed and featured in an article in Catholic New York. Winners are determined by how long the couple has been married as of World Marriage Day, February 14th, 2021.

For further information, or to submit an entry, contact Kathleen Crayne at the Family Life Office at kathleen.crayne@archny.org (preferred method) or 646-794-3182.

For Your Records

Contribution statements for those who regularly use the parish envelope system will be mailed out in January so that you may have this information for tax purposes. Participants in ParishGiving.org can get their statements online.

Electronic Giving

Your donations can be made via credit card or through your bank, and you can pre-plan for the entire year. It is simple, secured and very convenient. To get started please log in to olph-pelhammanor.org and click on the ParishGiving logo and follow the easy registration steps or call 866-307-7140.



Are you new to the parish?

WELCOME!

Our Lady of Perpetual Help-St. Catharine is a Catholic Parish located in the town of Pelham, New York.

We invite you to make our parish your spiritual home.

Visit our webpage: olph-stcatharine.org for more information or to register, or simply call the parish office 914-738-1449.



**Through water and the Holy Spirit, the
following have been
welcomed into our church during 2020 in the**

Sacrament of Baptism

Charlotte Mogilner
Caroline Hays
Joseph Hays
Albert Charles Milano
Mairead Lazar
Allison Rose Taylor
Isabella Soliz
Augustus De Rham
Dean Michael Priaulx
Adeline John Maivolo
Mia Camardella
Alex Lekocaj
Sophia Diaz
Minos Vukadinovic
Milo Salcedo
Claire Thomas
Marissa Mary Bunyan
Ellis Reyes
Cristian Dang
Isabella Murphy
Miles Meehan
Edward Lantigua
Karoline Lantigua
Madison Acevedo
Ralph Acevedo Jr
Nicholas Croke

Jackson Paetzold
Brennan Warner
Gia Marie Ninivaggi
Sienna Sutorius
Paul Duffy
Benjamin Robinson
Zachary Robinson
Henry Wright
Hannah Englisch
Myles Kankam
Keegan Master
John Lee
Eric Cho
Liliana Berlingo
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