# Holy Apostless Catholic Church Bulletin

January 12, 2025

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## **WELCOME TO HOLY APOSTLES**

We the members of  $\overline{N}$  oly Apostles Catholic Church as disciples of Jesus seek to build an active and welcoming community dedicated to faith and justice. Through the Roman Catholic traditions of worship, Christian education service and prayers. We are called to worship God and be his instruments in transforming our community so that the love and mercy of God are present to all.

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### MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 9:00 AM ENGLISH MASS

TUESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 6:00 PM SPANISH VIGIL MASS

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM ENGLISH VIGIL MASS

7:00 PM SPANISH VIGIL MASS SUNDAY / DOMINGO 9:00 AM ENGLISH 12:00 PM SPANISH 5:00 PM SPANISH

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MONDAY-FRIDAY 9:30AM - 12:00PM 1:00P-5:00PM

WEDNESDAY CLOSED

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**RECONCILIATION:** 

SATURDAY 2:45 PM = 3:45 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IN THE CHURCH:

THURSDAYS AFTER 9:00AM MASS UNTIL 6:00 PM.

LAST SATURDAY OF THE MON-TH FROM 8:00 PM. UNTIL 7:00 AM SUNDAY.

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IST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH! PRIMER VIERNES 9:00A.M.

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### Dear Padre,

We are told that we are baptized into Jesus' death and resurrection, and that baptism is necessary for our salvation. But why was Jesus baptized?

Jesus was baptized, not because he needed saving, but so that others might be saved. By accepting baptism, he established this act as the normative path for salvation. Saint John Chrysostom addressed this question: "Though [Christ] needed not baptism for his own sake, yet carnal nature in others had need thereof." Or as St. Gregory



Nazianzen said more poetically: "Christ was baptized that he might plunge the old Adam entirely in the water."

Another reason Jesus accepted baptism is suggested by St. Augustine. He said our Lord was baptized "because he wished to do what he had commanded all to do." This is true servant leadership—not asking of others what one is not willing to do oneself. Or as St. Ambrose said, "This is justice, to do first thyself that which thou wishest another to do, and so encourage others by thy example."

Perhaps as we launch into a new year, we might try to remember our baptismal promise to "put on Christ" and imitate Jesus in this way: to not ask of anyone-our children or parents; employers or employees; teachers or students; principals or pastors; or even presidents-what we do not ask of ourselves, especially when it comes to honesty, dedication, civility, and charity.

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

### Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
January 13	January 14	January 15	January 16	January 17	January 18	January 19
Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	St. Anthony,	Weekday	Second Sunday
Heb 1:1-6	Heb 2:5-12	Heb 2:14-18	Heb 3:7-14	Abbot	Heb 4:12-16	in Ordinary
Mk 1:14-20	Mk 1:21-28	Mk 1:29-39	Mk 1:40-45	Heb 4:1-5, 11	Mk 2:13-17	Time
				Mk 2:1-12		Is 62:1-5
						1 Cor 12:4-11
						Jn 2:1-11



### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

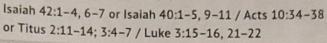
Let us thank the Lord for baptism. Let us also thank him for the parents who brought us to the font, for those who administered the sacrament...for the community in which we received him.... Do I acknowledge, in my life, the light of the presence of God, who sees me as his beloved son, his beloved daughter?

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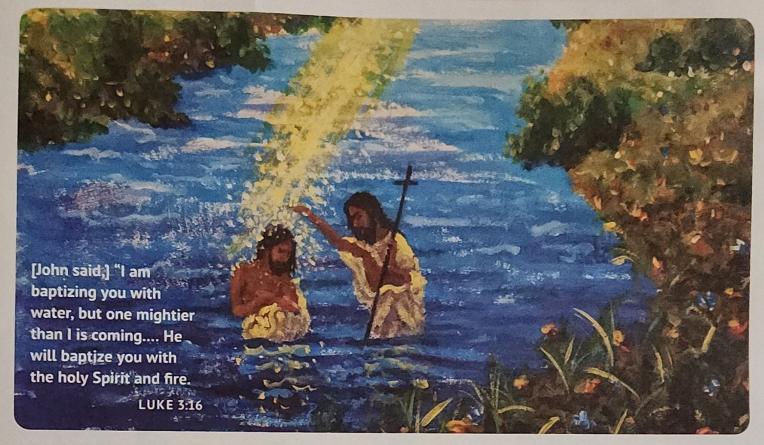
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# Our Parish

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### **Spirit-Trained**

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

he Spirit that descended upon Jesus is the same Spirit with which we have been baptized. In one way or another, it calls us out into the world, into the lives of others. At times, that call is a passionate desire that burns like fire "eager to do what is good," as Paul wrote to Titus (Titus 2:14). It shows itself as a call to the work we do in life—perhaps parenting, teaching, medical work, or creating jobs through business. The Spirit beckons us into making the world a better place in which to live.

Sometimes, however, the Spirit's voice echoes with calls made to us by others. Teachers are urged to become principals. Employees are recognized as potential managers and supervisors. People receive requests to volunteer in community or school projects. At other times, the Spirit calls us through the needs of life. A child may need to care for an aged parent. A family may have a child with special needs. One-sided relationships may call for a listening ear that saps our patience.

Saint Paul wrote to Titus that, in all of this, we are being trained by God's Spirit to live life as follows: temperately, with a sense of balance, perhaps between giving and receiving; justly, because life is not all about

us; and devoutly, for there is a power greater than ourselves (Titus 2:12). It may help to realize that those in training do not always perform their work perfectly. It is the nature of being trained. Trust the Spirit to train you well.

#### Reflect-

How is the Spirit training you to make the world a better place?

# The Baptism of the Lord

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is a liturgical bridge that connects the Christmas season to Ordinary Time. During the Christmas season we pondered the Incarnation, Nativity, Presentation in the Temple, and Epiphany. Today, we see Jesus manifesting Himself to the world as He began His three years of public ministry.

Jesus begins His ministry through an act of deep solidarity with the fallen human race. John the Baptist had been preaching in the desert and offering a baptism of repentance. John's baptism was not the same as our baptism today. Instead, it was only a sign of one's willingness to turn away from sin and turn toward God. Jesus, of course, had nothing to repent of. He was sinless in every way. But that didn't stop Him from freely choosing to receive the baptism of repentance. Why would He do that?

Simply put, Jesus chose to unite Himself with fallen humanity, taking upon Himself our own sins and suffering their consequences. He humbly allowed Himself to be identified as a sinner in need of repentance. This was done out of love for us and out of His longing to become one with us so that we could become one with Him.

By bowing His sacred head to receive the baptism of repentance, Jesus united Himself and His divinity to everyone who had already chosen to repent. And He gave power to every forthcoming act of repentance others would make, even until today. When we repent today, we meet Jesus in that same water of repentance.

It was not only the Eternal Son Who was present at that baptism of repentance, but the Father and the Holy Spirit as well. The Spirit descended upon Jesus in the form of a dove, and the Father's Voice spoke to acknowledge His oneness with His Son. Therefore, every time we make a humble act of repentance, such as when we combine the crucifixion, the Trinity, and holy water upon entering a church and blessing ourselves, we not only meet our Lord but also receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and share more fully in our adoption as sons and daughters of the Father in Heaven.

As we commemorate Jesus' baptism liturgically, we celebrate the fact that our Christian baptism was the beginning of this new unity with the Holy Trinity. But we also celebrate our oneness with God, which is renewed every time we make an interior act of repentance for our sins. If we fully understood what happens every time we acknowledge our sins and repent of them, we would never grow tired of repenting. Every time we acknowledge and repent of our sin, we meet Christ anew, receive a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and affirm and deepen our adoption by the Father in Heaven.

Prayer: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, You came to me in my baptism and united me in my fallenness with You in Your divinity. I pray that I will continuously be aware of all that divides us and will never grow weary of repenting of my sin. I do repent once again, dear Lord. I beg for Your mercy and forgiveness and open myself more fully to You, Your Father, and the Holy Spirit. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I trust in You.



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