Saint Patrick Catholic Church

January 11-12-5, 2019
The Feast of the Baptism
of the Lord



Mass Times:

Saturdays at 5:30pm & Sundays at 10:45am

Nursery is available during 10:45 mass.

Rosary: Sunday at 10:10am

Confession:

Saturdays at 4:30 pm or by appointment.



Message from our Pastor:

Today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord.
Christ Himself was baptized, not that He
needed to be as we do, but because He
wanted to share everything with us including
this great event which God desires to be part
of every person's life. Additionally, Christ
blessed the water to be used for all baptisms
from that day forth when He was plunged
into the water by St John the Baptist.

Baptism has the following effects.

First, it forgives sin. All are born with original sin, that is why there is dysfunction in all people (have you ever met a perfect person? Probably not). Original sin is inherited and is manifest as disorder between emotions, reason and the will. That is why people do what they do not want to do or what they know they should not do. Baptism washes away that sin. It removes original sin. That said, there is still a wound from the sin, which is why even baptized Christians still sin and have disorder in their emotions, feelings, reason and will.

Second, it makes you an adopted son or daughter of God. The baptized can call God "Father." Christians are all part of God's family, and with that comes all the special care, love, concern, blessings, gifts and graces that come with having God as a Father. A good father gives his children all they need to be happy, healthy and holy.

God the Father does that for all who have become His children in baptism.

Third, it makes the person a member of Christ's body which is the Church. The baptized become part of the Church and enjoy all the privileges of being part of the Church. There is no club, organization, group or entity that provides benefits to its members as much as the Church does to her members. Most important, in the Sacraments of the Church, the baptized find immeasurable graces through confession and forgiveness of their sins, through marriage, through the anointing of the Holy Spirit, through healing of sickness, through holy orders and most importantly through the reception of the Real Presence of Christ.

These are a few of the main blessings that come to those who have been baptized.

The only question is: why would someone not be baptized? Why would someone deprive themselves or their children of the forgiveness of their sins, of being an adopted child of God, or of being a member of His Church?

Fr Rossi

News & Announcements:

Clearing out Clothing this New Year:

The Saint Peter's clothes closet I in need of clothing. Especially men's clothing – long pants, belts, t-shirts, and sweaters. Also, Men and Women's warms socks and coats. Your donations may be dropped off at the St. Peter's Church basement.

Resource: To keep up to date with the daily readings in the often-fast paced world, go to this URL www.usccb.org/bible/readings-audio.cfm on your computer or phone and you can listen to the daily readings each day. Enjoy.

Thank you: Thanks to all of you who participate in the Kroger Community Rewards Program for St. Patrick. We have received another check for \$95.45. Remember to renew your membership for this program each year. St. Patrick's # is 89764. If you aren't signed up for such an easy thing to do for us to benefit, please consider it.

Baptisms - Baptisms are held during the Mass on the first Sunday of each month. Baptism class is required prior to baptizing your first child. Classes for 2020 are 4/7, 7/7, 10/6. If you are interested in attending a class or scheduling your child's Baptism, contact Kathy Buttner. Please note you may attend class prior to the birth of your baby

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If someone is dying or has died & you would like to talk with a priest, please call.

NEXT Sharing Sunday:

Mark your calendars the next Sharing Sunday is February 2nd. Please give if you can these next coming months the need tends to rise! Drop non-perishable food items at the table in basement. Thank you.



THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!

We wanted to give an extra special thank you to all who made our church look beautiful during advent and Christmas.
Thank you Enza McCauley who headed up the efforts. Also, thanks to special helpers Sharon Moffat, Karen Kuhn, Frank Gulla, and Tony, Joseph, Marianna, and Olivia Wolpert. A special thank you to Tobie Treadwell who donated our new advent wreath to celebrate the life of her late husband, Mike, and his years of service to Saint Patrick.