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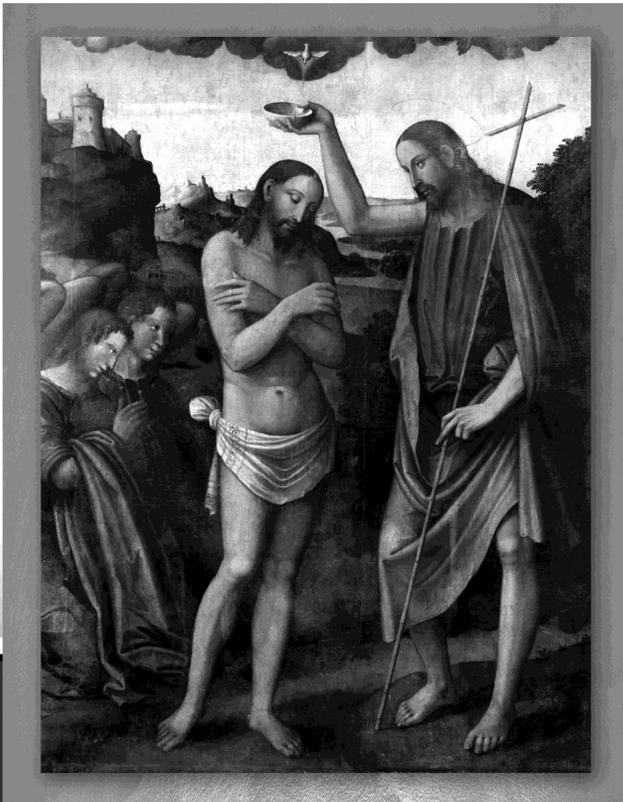
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Pat Poehling
Volunteer Coordinator / Outreach

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Director of Development & Communications

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Receptionist

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Saturday Receptionist

Bobby Trampier
Kitchen Manager

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**Jacqueline Cooperwood &
Ty Slaughter**
Janitorial

The Baptism

OF THE LORD

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We, the people of Saint Vincent DePaul Parish in the Archdiocese of Saint Louis, Missouri, are committed to following Jesus Christ, Evangelizer of the poor. We do this through:

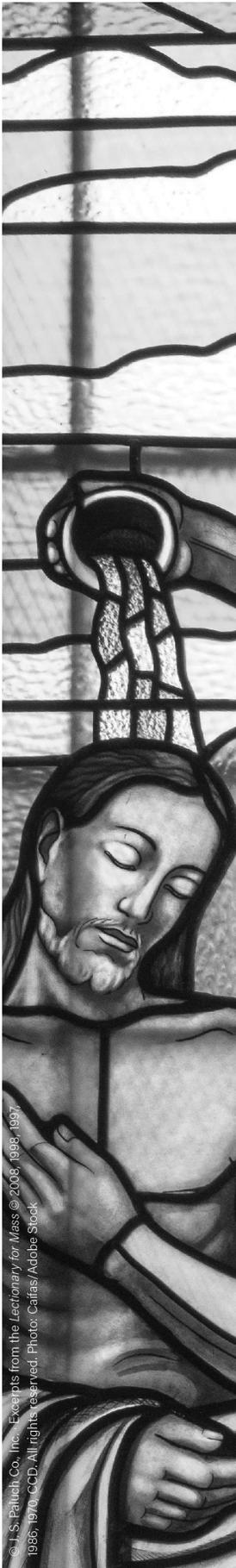
- ◆ Eucharistic centered worship and continued spiritual formation.
- ◆ Service to the poor and oppressed.
- ◆ Preaching the Gospel by word and action in an ecumenical spirit.

Organizations / Activities

Vincent's Community Outreach (VCO)
Teresa Corby — After School Program

Paul Freeman — Liturgy Committee

Let's Start: 314-241-2324



A VOICE CAME
FROM HEAVEN,
“YOU ARE MY
BELOVED SON;
WITH YOU I AM
WELL PLEASED.”

LUKE 3:22

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 9, 2022

A MODEL FOR OUR PRAYER LIFE

The Advent/Christmas cycle that began on November 28 ends with the Baptism of the Lord. We likely have an image in our minds (based on details from the Gospels and works of art) of what that scene looked like. We might wonder, “Who else was there and who wasn’t?” No disciples were present because Jesus had not yet begun his ministry. They would have to wait until the Transfiguration to hear a similar message. However, the three persons of the Blessed Trinity are accounted for: the Father (the voice from heaven), the Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. Interestingly, Luke alone notes that it was after Jesus had been baptized and while he was praying that the voice was heard. All of the Gospels show Jesus praying at turning points in his ministry; this is but the first example of Jesus’ need to root himself in prayer throughout his life—a model for us to follow.

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TODAY’S READINGS

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Psalm 104:1b–2, 3–4, 24–25,
27–28, 29–30
Titus 2:11–14; 3:4–7
Luke 3:15–16, 21–22

“I will always welcome joyfully any opportunity that comes my way to be of service to you.”



— *St. Vincent De Paul*



For more information on our Outreach Services, please visit our non-profit, Vincent's Community Outreach (VCO):

VCO-STL.ORG

Mass Schedule:

Mon-Fri: 12:05pm
Saturday: 4:30pm
Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am
Holidays: 9:00am

Masks are required before entering the Church
We will continue live-streaming of the 9:00a Mass available on our website for your convenience, should you choose to stay home:



WWW.STVSTL.ORG

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

8:30AM - 4:30PM
Monday - Friday, Sat (9a-4p)

BAPTISMAL DEATH AND RESURRECTION

As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, we also honor our own baptism as our initiation into the Christian life and community. In the Gospel, the baptism of Jesus, with his immersion and then emergence from the water, points to his later submission to God at his death, and his emergence from the grave at his resurrection. This pattern of death and resurrection is our path too, as followers of Jesus. Throughout life, often in small ways, we learn to surrender our limited and self-centered agendas. This surrender often feels like death. The sacrament of Baptism ritually enacts this pattern to remind us of Jesus' death and resurrection, so that we too might embrace the deaths and resurrections of our own lives. As Jesus emerged from the water, he encountered his Father and the Holy Spirit. Like Jesus, we can know we are God's beloved, empowered by the Spirit.

The Baptism of the Lord

Almighty ever-living God,
who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, solemnly declared him your beloved Son,
grant that your children by adoption,
reborn of water and the Holy Spirit,
may always be well pleasing to you.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

What can I do this week to be well pleasing to God?

TURNING THE TIDE

When everything goes against you, till it seems as though you could not hold on a minute longer, never give up then, for that is just the place and time that the tide will turn.

HURTFUL SIN

Sin is not hurtful because it is forbidden, but it is forbidden because it is hurtful.

TEMPER AND PRIDE

Temper is what gets most of us into trouble. Pride is what keeps us there.

**He saved us through the bath of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit.**

— *Titus 3:5*

**PRAY FOR
THE SICK**



**We pray for all
who are sick and
their caregivers:**

Tom Murphy
Robert Flick
Sharon Ryan
Marian Junge
Dianna Wozniak
Bob Rauscher, Jr.
Charles Sims
Elisabeth Boone
Belinda Milton
Barb Thomas
Deidre Cason
Dan Murphy
Dave Frei
Jane Lammers
Karen Howard

Beth Karp
Mary Horridge
Miguel Quesada
Pat Brennan
Josie Carter
Nathaniel Harris
Parker Jackson & Family
John Edler
John Pearcy
Kathy Klinge
Chris Kerlick
Tom McCleery
Ronnie Williams
Don Karp

****NEW GUIDELINES RE. PRAYER LIST:****

Pursuant to new guidelines set forth by the Archdiocese in accordance with HIPPA, we may only honor requests by parishioners or immediate family for the Bulletin Prayer List. Names will only appear for a 30 day period. Thank you.

**Please pray for the following residents
In nursing homes:**

Mary Leimkuehler & Patricia Dannenberger



MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, Jan 08

10:00a Our Volunteers

Sunday, Jan 09

9:00a Ladies of Charity

11:00a Health & Prosperity in 2022

Monday, Jan 10

12:05p Covid Patients

Tuesday, Jan 11

12:05p Frontline Workers

Wednesday, Jan 12

12:05p Peace in Our World

Thursday, Jan 13

12:05p Daughters of Charity

Friday, Jan 14

12:05p World Peace

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

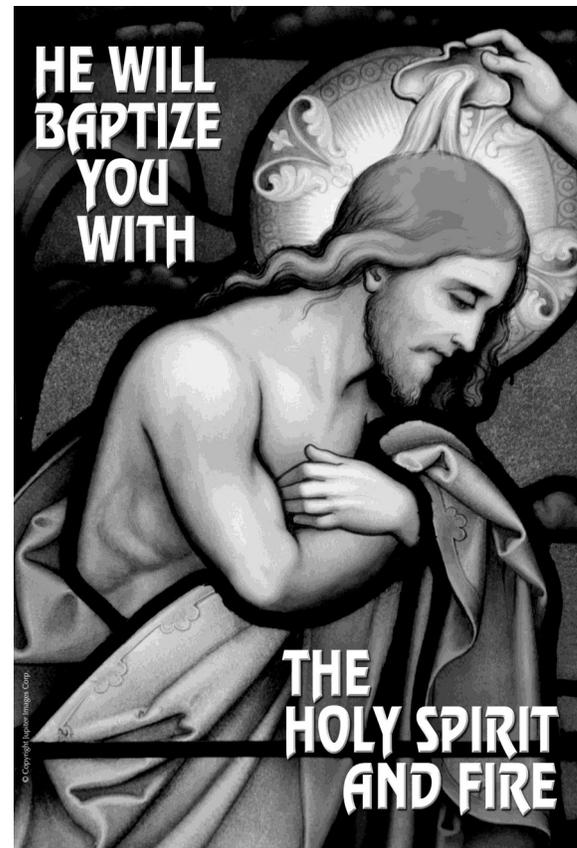
Jan 08	Olivia Olson
Jan 09	Jane Lammers
Jan 10	Joe Berry
Jan 10	Eli Moske
Jan 10	Andrew Mueller
Jan 10	William Mueller
Jan 11	Jack Leimkuehler
Jan 11	Diane Rademacher
Jan 11	Kyle Verhoff
Jan 12	Joan Gray
Jan 12	Forest Shipp
Jan 13	Mary Vetter

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Jan 10	Tony & Jan Leone	52 yrs
Jan 14	Bob & Cathy Gisi	33 yrs



*"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love.
But the greatest of these is love. 1 Corinthians 13:13."*





What did Pope Francis Say? Vatican City

When Jesus received the baptism of repentance from John the Baptism, showing solidarity with the repentant people — He without sin and with no need for conversion — God the Father made his voice heard from heaven: “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased” (v. 17). Jesus receives approval from the heavenly Father, who sent him precisely that he might accept to share our condition, our poverty. Sharing is the true way to love. Jesus does not dissociate himself from us, he considers us brothers and sisters and he shares with us. And so he makes us sons and daughters, together with him, of God the Father. This is the revelation and source of true love. And this is the great time of mercy!

Does it not seem to you that in our own time extra fraternal sharing and love is needed? Does it not seem to you that we all need extra charity? Not the sort that is content with extemporaneous help which does not involve or stake anything, but that charity that shares, that takes on the hardship and suffering of a brother. What flavour life acquires when we allow ourselves to be inundated by God’s love!

Let us ask the Holy Virgin to support us by her intercession in our commitment to follow Christ on the way of faith and charity, the path traced out by our Baptism.

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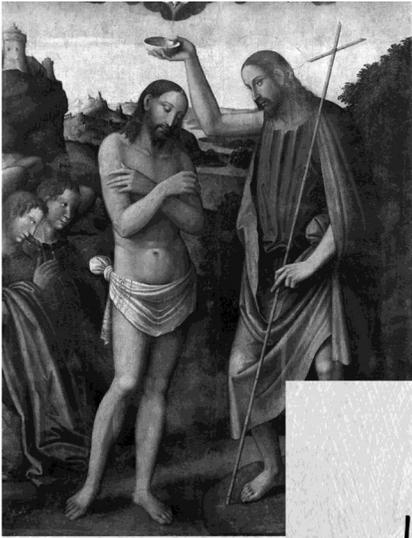
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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ⇒ **Coffee & Donuts:** is temporarily on hold until we can safely host people indoors without a mask again. Until then, we can not have anyone congregating in the Hall. We hope to resume this in early 2022.
- ⇒ **Rummage Sale:** We are temporarily holding off on re-starting our *Ladies of Charity* Rummage Sale until we can safely open our doors to the Public again. We will keep you posted as soon as we have information.
- ⇒ **Senior Bingo:** *The Ladies of Charity* will not be hosting Senior Bingo again until we can safely be together again. We will let us know as soon as we have a date.
- ⇒ **Volunteer Update:** If you would like to volunteer for our lunch window or Meals program, please contact Pat Poehling, (*Volunteer Coordinator*) with questions or to sign up.
Email: m spat@stvstl.org **Phone:** (314) 231-9328.

What's new in 2022?

- ⇒ Many of you have been asking when are things going to go back to “normal” at St. Vincent’s? We keep asking that ourselves....but your safety is still our number one priority. We are still following city guidelines and will continue to make decisions based on what is best for our Staff, volunteers, and guests that we serve. We realize this has been a long road and we are all anxious to have things return to normal again, but we are still on a “wait and see” basis. As we get updates from the CDC, we will make decisions based on that as well as local numbers in our area. We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience during this trying time, as so much is still unknown and up in the air. We promise to keep you posted as things progress. In the meantime, please let us know if you have any questions, concerns, or would like to hear from us or need special prayers or sacrament requests. You can email: mail@stvstl.org

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