

**January 9, 2022**

## The Baptism Of The Lord

### Reflection question: 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.

—Harriet Beecher Stowe

### Today's Readings

**First Reading** — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) *or* Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11.

**Psalm** — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) *or* Psalm 104.

**Second Reading** — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) *or* Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7.

**Gospel** — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

### Please pray for our parishioners & extended family:

#### Rest in Peace:

Judy Laxen, Dorle & Paul Gross, Josephine Small, Martha Araj Ayoub, David Desch, Pat Hoffman, Charlie & Dodie Vaszko, Dolores McGill, Tina Reinke, Jane Sacher, Former parishioner Lynn Gagan, Father Ken Westray of St. Vincent De Paul –SF, & Father P. Gerard O'Rourke

**For Healing:** Edith Bucoy, Tom Johnson, Maureen Francis, Joe Humphreys, Mike Marty, Patrick Lee, Teresa Hyatt, Estela Becerra, Lynette Castiglione, Muriel Scala, Mary Chris Vallario, Bob Gajewski & **all our parishioners that are sick...and a special reminder to pray for those we know now living in care facilities.**

## Mass Intentions

January 7, 2022– January 13, 2022 (Fri. thru Thurs.)

Fri.		(RIP+) 12:10 p.m.
Sat.		(RIP+) 4:15 p.m.
Sun.	<b>ROBERTA McLAUGHLIN</b>	(Healing) 9:30 a.m.
Sun.		(RIP+) 11:30 a.m.
Mon.	CLAIRE WILSON MABANG	(RIP+) 12:10 p.m.
Tues.	DR. SHIRLYN HENRY BROWN	(RIP+) 12:10 p.m.
Weds.	FRANK DUFFY	(RIP+) 12:10 p.m.
Thurs:	<b>MARY DONNELLY</b>	(RIP+) 12:10 p.m.

*Give the gift of a Mass Intention. Intention for Birth*

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord  
Monday: First Week in Ordinary Time  
Thursday: St. Hilary  
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

### BAPTISMAL DEATH AND RESURRECTION

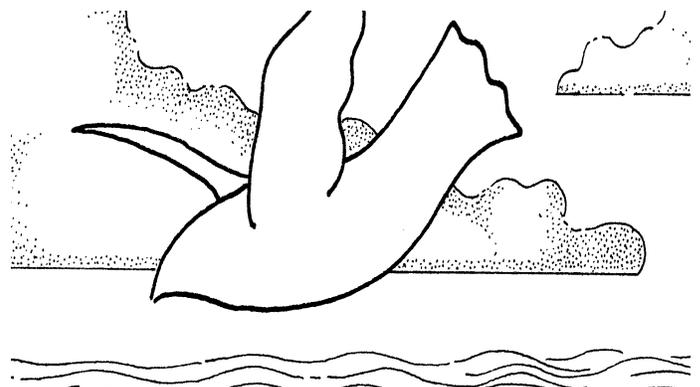
As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, we also honor our own baptism as our initiation into the Christian life and community. In the Gospel, the baptism of Jesus, with his immersion and then emergence from the water, points to his later submission to God at his death, and his emergence from the grave 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.

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He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. Titus 3:5



### COVID-19 SYMPTOMS:

Symptoms including fever, chills, cough, congestion, sore throat, difficulty breathing, headache, fatigue, vomiting, diarrhea, or new loss of taste or smell.

### The Little Things

Sometimes we think the little things  
Don't accomplish much in life.  
The things we do seem so futile,  
Everywhere we look there is strife.  
Little things don't stand alone,  
But total more than we can say.  
They're never sold or put on loan,  
Just freely given day by day.  
A flower we may take someone,  
Or a card sent in the mail,  
A smile when someone's dejected,  
Means more than words can tell.  
A task done for the elderly,  
A sick child we give a toy,  
A handshake with a stranger,  
Can fill the heart with joy.  
No deed is ever to little,  
When we do it from the heart;  
And when God is in the center,  
It becomes a work of art.

Frances Culp Wolfe.

### SEARCH FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Catholic Charities is one of the largest, oldest, and most comprehensive non profit human services organizations in Northern California, annually reaching up to 60,000 individuals of all faiths in San Francisco, San Mateo, and Marin Counties. Due to the resignation of Jilma Meneses, CC is searching for a CEO to replace Jilma as she moves to a position with the Washington State Governor. The new CEO will have a personal history of deep commitment to Catholic practice and social teachings of service to people in need, a passion for community service and possess exceptional leadership, fundraising and institution building abilities. For more information, please go to [www.catholiccharitiessf.org](http://www.catholiccharitiessf.org)

### The Saint John of God Prayer

Dear God, through the intercession of St. John of God, patron of the poor and the sick, grant me the grace this day to greet every person that I meet with understanding and compassion. Reveal to me their needs and give me the means to inspire in my heart the humility and generosity of St. John so that I might be to them a revelation of God's Love.  
Amen.- Rev. Fr. Thomas L. Seagrave

### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

#### 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.

### AUDITIONS FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO BOYS CHORUS

The San Francisco Boys Chorus offers a choral experience for boys throughout the Bay Area. The Chorus inspires young leaders, enhances focus, builds teamwork, strengthens community and creates lasting friendships through first rate vocal training and performance opportunities.

#### WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Boys aged 5-14 are eligible. No experience required. Boys in K-or Pre-K are automatically accepted into the Junior Chorus and do not need to audition. Boys accepted into the Chorus will be placed in an appropriate group based on age and skill.

SIGN UP FOR THE JANUARY 8 AUDITION or for more information: [www.sfbc.org/auditions](http://www.sfbc.org/auditions).

### THE CHOIR AT SAINT JOHN OF GOD

St. John of God invites you to join the choir for the winter season. Try and find your hidden talent by joining in with our Music Liturgy Group. The Choir will be having practice January 10, 2022. Covid Safety practices will be followed. We look forward to hearing you and seeing you! For more information, please contact Paul Riefski at (415) 517-4647. All are welcomed!

### Coordinator of Religious Education

St. John of God is still looking for Religious Educators who would be willing to lead classes from K thru 8th grade. This is a volunteer position. Classes would start as soon as possible. If you love to work with the youth of the our parish and willing to share your faith and knowledge, then this would be a great volunteer experience for you.

Please contact our office here at St. John of God (415)-566-5610 or email us at [stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net). We look forward to hearing from you.

### TEMPER AND PRIDE

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

—Anonymous