



Sacred Heart of Jesus

Roman Catholic Church

The Baptism of the Lord January 10th, 2016

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10:00 AM to 4:00PM (M - F)

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MASSES

Monday to Saturday
9:00 AM in the Chapel

Saturday Vigil
5:00 PM in the Church

Sunday
English Mass
8:00 AM & 10:00 AM
Creole Mass 12:45 PM

Holy Days
English Mass 9:00 AM
Bilingual Mass 7:30 PM

Eucharistic Adoration
Saturdays at 4:00 pm in the Church
Every 1st Friday after the 9 AM Mass



Parish Mission Statement

Sacred Heart Church, Cambria Heights is a diverse, vibrant, family united in faith. Drawing from our rich cultural backgrounds, we proclaim Christ as Lord, celebrate His living presence in the Sacraments, and serve others in his name.



MANIFESTING THE SPIRIT

The Christmas season closes this Sunday with the Baptism of the Lord. This feast is a sister to last week’s feast of the Epiphany. Each of them celebrates an “epiphany,” or a manifestation of the Spirit of God in Jesus—first in his birth, and now at his baptism.

The divine Spirit is manifested in all of the scriptures for this feast. Psalm 104 highlights the Spirit of God creating and renewing the earth, while the reading from Isaiah describes God restoring Israel. In Luke’s account of the baptism of the Lord the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus. And the letter to Titus reminds us that the Holy Spirit was “richly poured out” on us also, through the “bath of rebirth” (Titus 3:5, 6).



“It is the faith of the Church. This is very important. Baptism inserts us into the body of the Church, into the holy people of God. And in this body, in this people who are walking, faith is transmitted from generation to generation: it is the faith of the Church. And the faith of Mary, our Mother, the faith of St. Joseph, of St. Peter, of St. Andrew, of St. John, the faith of the Apostles and the Martyrs, that has come to us, through Baptism: a chain of transmitting faith. This is very beautiful! It is a passing from hand to hand the candle of faith: the great paschal candle. This great candle represents the Risen Christ, alive in our midst. Families, take from Him

the light of faith to transmit to your children. You can take this light in the Church, in the body of Christ, in the people of God who walk in every time and in every place. Teach your children that there can be no Christian outside of the Church, you cannot follow Jesus Christ without the Church, because the Church is a mother, and makes us grow in love with Jesus Christ.

-Pope Francis

Weekly Readings

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mk 1:1-4-20

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

Pray For

Dominique Gustave, Mie Antoinette Ferere, Marguerite Etienne, Ms. Anglade, Christiane Bellot, Raymond Cleophat, Terry Gilbert, Katena Charles, Evelina Malebranche, Cecille Lingoard, Delreta Mason, Claudette Perrin, George L. Jordan, Elizabeth Kingston, Joane Zamy, Celine Duverger, Myrtha Manigat, Edrice Enayo, Nicole Crispin, Alice Anderson, Robert Gaetan, Wilford Shillingford, Sr Myrtha Polycarpe, Fabiola Emeus, Renaud Kersaint, Anne Marie Mathelier, Marguerita Johnson, Ina Johnson, Frederika Vaupen, Saintecil Joseph, Edward P. Johnson, Marie Clise Raymond Cadet, Isabelle Michel,

Facility

Wish to reserve a room for your next function?
Please call Fritz Kernizan at 718-406-5277.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 9th, 2016

5:00 pm No intention

Sunday, January 10th, 2016

8:00 am Rosalie Latoure (D)

10:00 am Father Christian Nicholas & Elicide Nicholas (D)

12:45 pm Muriel Jolivert (D)

Monday, January 11th, 2016

9:00 am Vely B. Louis (D)

Tuesday, January 12th, 2016

9:00 am Muriel Jolivert (D)

Wednesday, January 13th, 2016

9:00 am Tania Louis (B)

Thursday, January 14th, 2016

9:00 am Father Hilaire Belizaire (B)

Friday, January 15th, 2016

9:00 am Marie Edith Ulysse (B)
Tania Louis Matiuk

Saturday, January 16th, 2016

9:00 am Annette Toussaint (*In Thanksgiving*)

Baptism of the Lord Prayer

God of grace and glory, through the sacrament of baptism you have called us with your voice of flame to be your people, grant us we beseech you, faithfulness and courage. As your beloved Son embraced his mission in the waters of baptism, inspire us with the fire of the Holy Spirit to join in His transforming work. Fill us with the Holy Spirit so that we may walk in the way of Christ, and grow in the knowledge of your love. Sanctify us by the same Spirit, that we may proclaim the healing power of the gospel by acts of love in your name. We ask this in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen

SUNDAY READINGS AND BACKGROUNDS THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

In response to Pope Francis' urgent call to the new evangelization and his challenge to families to love according to Gospel values, each week in the bulletin our parish will offer a great opportunity to involve the entire family. There will be a short explanation of the three readings with possible questions to help us reflect on and apply the Gospel message to our lives. There are suggested questions for children, the youth and adults. May this parish endeavor help all of us deepen our relationship with the Lord.

Reading 1 Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 God upholds his servant, a light for all nations.

Today's reading might be called Jesus' theme song, even though it was written long before his birth. Known as one of the four "suffering Servant Songs" in the Old Testament, this reading describes someone who sounds exactly like Jesus. And Jesus himself quotes some of these lines from the prophet, who was probably describing Israel itself. By accepting his own suffering and remaining faithful to God, Israel could be "a light for the nations." For us, the reading is an inspiring portrait of Jesus, the Suffering Servant, who humbly brings justice, freedom, and peace to God's people.

How do you think a servant of the Lord can contribute to justice and peace in gentle and nonviolent ways? How will you try to do so?

Reading 2 Acts 10:34-38 Jesus is the savior of all nations.

Today the Roman centurion Cornelius and his fellow converts to Christianity are delighted to hear the apostle say that "God shows no partiality." Some of the early Jewish Christians believed that the good news of Jesus was intended only for the Jews. But Peter insisted that Jesus' mission was to all nations. He pointed to the Baptism of Jesus as the beginning of his ministry, the day when he was "anointed with the Holy Spirit and power."

After his Baptism, Jesus went about doing good works and healing those who were enslaved by sin. Following his example, what good or healing work will you do this week?

Gospel Luke 3:15-16, 21-22 Jesus is baptized.

We all want to be recognized for who we really are. Today's gospel reading describes that memorable day when Jesus had the joy of being recognized by John the Baptist and approved by God as "God's beloved Son." Although Jesus did not need to be baptized (since he was without sin), he wanted to identify himself as closely as possible with God's people.

How often do you recognize times when you have experienced God's favor and love? What can help you become more conscious everyday of God acting in your life? What can you do to help others become more aware of God's love?

Take a few minutes today to be thankful for your Baptism. Ask Jesus to help you recognize yourself more deeply as a beloved daughter or son of God.

Questions of the Week

Theme: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Question for Children: What are some things you can do to please God?

Question for Youth: "With you I am well pleased." What are you doing right now that is pleasing to God? How does it feel to live that way?

Question for Adults: Name a time when you felt your actions were pleasing to God.

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR JANUARY 2016.



Universal Intention:
"That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice."

Intention for Evangelization:

"That by means of dialogue and fraternal charity and with the grace of the Holy Spirit, Christians may overcome divisions."

DO YOU KNOW YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH?

Try to answer the following questions.

Please find the answers in the bottom.

1. What was John the Baptist main message?
2. What did John say about the man who would come after him?
3. Who did the people think John was?
4. What is one of the primary purposes of baptism?
5. John said he baptized with water, and that Jesus Christ would baptize with:
6. Whose voice could be heard from heaven following Jesus' baptism?
7. How was John related to Jesus?
8. What form did the Spirit momentarily take following Jesus' baptism?
9. What did the voice from heaven say after Jesus was baptized?
10. Do you know or remember the date of your baptism?

Answers to today's Do you know your Catholic Faith?

1. repentance and baptism 2. John was unworthy of the man 3. The Christ 4. remission of sins 5. fire and the Holy Spirit 6. God the Father 7. Cousin 8. a dove 9. "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

Answers to the Do you know your Catholic Faith? January 3, 2016

1. Isaiah 2. St. Bernadette Soubirous 3. Incarnation 4. Liturgy of the Word 5. Gaudete Sunday 6. Manifestation or Revelation 7. gold, frankincense, & myrrh 8. Melchor, Gaspar & Baltazar 9. God saves 10. St. Joachim and St. Ann 11. Elizabeth and Zechariah 12. gold, frankincense, and myrrh 13. Egypt 14. Gabriel 15. Mary & Joseph 16. Jerusalem 17. Presentation of the Gifts 18. apostolic 19. Mary, when the Angel Gabriel brought God's message that she had been chosen to be the Mother of the Promised Savior. 20. Annunciation

Ministry of Consolation and Bereavement

The Ministry of Consolation is a group of caring and compassionate volunteers who assist you and your family in planning the funeral liturgy of your loved ones. If you have recently lost someone, we invite you and your family to join us for prayerful support on the last Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in Father Nolan's Unity Room. WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

Gwoup Konsolasyon

Gwoup Konsolasyon la pou sipòte w ak fanmi w lè nou gen lanmò. Nou ede w prepare litiji antèman an, e nou gide w pandan sèvis yo. Nou la tou pou sipòte w ak fanmi w menm apre antèman an. Nou rankontre chak dènye Jedi nan mwa a anba presbitè ya a 7è diswa. NOU PAP LAGE W!

Rituel de L'initiation Chrétienne Des Adultes

Si vous voulez devenir Catholique, ou si vous avez été baptisé et n'avez pas encore reçu les sacrements de la Sainte Communion et la Confirmation, inscrivez-vous au programme «RCIA ». Durant ce processus, les candidats et les catéchumènes se rapprochent du Seigneur et se joignent à la communauté chrétienne. Les cours sont offerts chaque mercredi soir à 7:00. Pour plus d'informations ou pour vous inscrire, appelez ou écrivez au presbytère et quelqu'un vous rappellera.

Celebration of the Sacraments

Reconciliation/Confession

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered on Saturdays at 4:00 PM in church, or by appointment in the rectory.

Matrimony

If you are planning to get married, please schedule an appointment with a priest or deacon at least six months before the anticipated wedding date. If you are not in a valid marriage (a marriage not celebrated in church by a priest or deacon), please call or write the rectory for an appointment to see a priest.

Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated in English on the 2nd Saturday at 1:00 PM, and in Creole on the 4th Saturday at 1:00 PM. If you are planning to have your child baptized in the parish, please call the rectory.

Communion for the Homebound

Anyone unable to attend Mass because of illness may receive Holy Communion at home on a regular basis. Please call the rectory.

As we begin the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, and continue to participate in the Diocesan Evangelization and Renewal Springboard Plan called The Joy of Encountering Christ: The Family's Hope. Take some time to attend the School of Evangelization's Third Annual Evangelization Congress 2016. Clergy, parents, catechists, catechetical leaders, parishioners, and others are urged to attend.

Saturday, January 30, 2016

8:00AM to 3:00PM

Check-in/Registration begins at 8:00AM

Immaculate Conception Center

7200 Douglaston Parkway, Douglaston

Cost: \$15.00 per person

This includes a light breakfast and lunch.

Vendors will be on site for the Congress.

Seven hours of Living and Leading by Faith credit will be granted, but you must attend the entire Congress.

To register, go to: www.bqonlineformation.org
or www.meetmein.church

The Jazzy 55+ group would like to thank all those who attended the Branson Christmas trip. A special thanks to the priests and staff in the rectory for their prayers and assistance.

Jazzy 55+ will also be hosting AeroYoZum Exercise in the upper level of Martin de Porres. It will be every second Monday of the month starting on January 11th, 2016 from 1-2 PM.

Please consult your doctor prior to attending and bring water. The classes are free but any contribution is much appreciated. For more information please call Suna Hunter at 718-468-5830 or Jo Lester 347-548-0063.

Be sure to come and get fit and bring a friend

Generations of Faith

If you have already submitted your pledge card for the Campaign, please send all future payments directly to the Generations of Faith office at : Generations of Faith: Diocese of Brooklyn

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