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Thank you,

Msgr. Stan Carson

Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

Our Lady of Fatima Parish
2010 12th Avenue
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Rectory Office Hours:
Tuesdays and Thursdays
11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.
Parish Office: 814-942-0371
or call the Cathedral Office at 944-4603.

Our Lady of Fatima Parish
Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson, Administrator

Parish Secretary
Paula Hall

Director of Music Ministry
Cathy McFee

Eucharist for the home bound - weekly:
Patty Flanagan 942-0371 for arrangements.

Our Lady of Fatima Church is open
Sunday through Saturday: 7:30 AM - 5PM
for visits before the Blessed Sacrament.

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals will be
held at Our Lady of Fatima.

Preparation for Baptism, and Weddings will be
held at the Cathedral. 944-4603

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick
Parishioners wishing to receive the sacrament of healing may call the Cathedral Parish Office to make arrangements. 814-944-4603

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH IS A RESULT OF THE MERGER BETWEEN THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF SS. PETER & PAUL AND ST. LEO THE GREAT IN 1995.

Cathedral Church Office: 814-944-4603

One Cathedral Square

Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak, Bishop

Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson, Administrator
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HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Altoona Campus (Pre-K thru Grade 4) - 381-7011
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Reconciliation @ Cathedral: 7:00 PM Wednesday
12:30 PM Saturday

Religious Education @ Cathedral: Pre-K through 11
Sacramental Formation @ Cathedral: First Reconciliation
First Communion
Confirmation

Sacramental Formation @ the Cathedral: Baptismal Prep
Marriage Prep
Christian Initiation

Hospital Visitation: Call the Cathedral: 944-4603

Cathedral Eucharist:

Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil)	Holy Days: 5:30 PM (Vigil)	Weekdays: 6:45 AM
8:00 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 Noon
10:00 AM	12:00 Noon	
12:00 Noon	5:30 PM	Saturday: 8:00 AM
5:00 PM		12:00 Noon

THE FATIMA TOWERS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

11:30 AM

This Sunday, January 9, Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Duane Eichenlaub (Bryan and Eileen Starr)

Next Sunday, January 16, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catherine "Kate" Starr, Anniv. (Bryan and Eileen Starr)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

January 9, Sunday, Baptism of the Lord

8:00 AM +Patty Wiedemer, Anniv. (Family)

10:00 AM +Herbert Kutruff, Birth. (Family)

5:00 PM +Pro Popolo/For the People

January 10, Monday, Weekday

6:45 AM +Paul Weible (Wife)

12:00 PM +Ann Diehl (Family)

January 11, Tuesday, Weekday

6:45 AM +Patty Seidel & Dave Weaver (Jim & Elaine Weaver)

12:00 PM +Dave Berger, Sr. (Dave & Karen Pleva)

January 12, Wednesday, Weekday

6:45 AM +To End Abortion (Chris McNelis)

12:00 PM +Helen (Lindy) Adams (Nancy & Skip)

January 13, Thursday, Weekday

6:45 AM All Priests (Anonymous)

12:00 AM +Joseph Knott, Jr. (Joe & Dan Angeski and Marcy Yurinko)

January 14, Friday, Weekday

6:45 AM +Nancy Moffa Jenaway (Estate)

12:00 PM +John Gority (Jim & Steph Kilkoyne)

January 15, Saturday, Weekday

8:00 AM +Carrie Kibler Detwiler (Mom & Dad)

Noon PM +Alice Winkler, Anniv. (Family)

Vigil: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM +Robert Beck (Pat Rhoa)

January 16, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM +Jane Davidson (Gene & Lorraine Adams)

10:00 AM +Donna Pagliara (Family)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For The People



SANCTUARY CANDLE

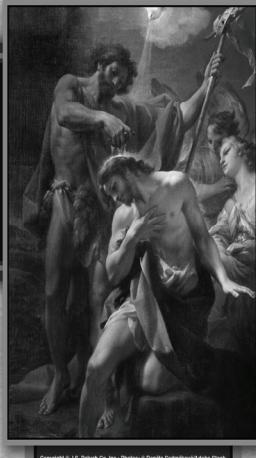
The sanctuary candle for the month of January has been donated in memory of Joseph and Helen Carson by Msgr. Stan Carson. Months are available in 2022.

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 9, 2022

A voice came from heaven,
"You are my beloved Son;
with you I am well pleased."

Luke 3:22



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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

Thank You Very Much

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for Sunday, January 2, were \$2,789.



**Say the
Rosary
every day
to obtain
peace for
the world.**

Our Lady Of Fatima

ON THE CUSP OF A NEW CREATION

It was on the Fourth Sunday of Advent this past December that we first heard of the two cousins, John and Jesus, meeting. Then it was in the womb of their mothers, Elizabeth and Mary. Now the cousins meet again on the shore of the Jordan River. John is already well known—so much so that people had begun to wonder if he was the long-awaited Messiah. Jesus, on the other hand, is about to begin his ministry. One could say that Jesus entered the waters of the Jordan as a private person and came out of them as a public one. The voice from heaven left no doubt about that. As we come to the end of the Christmas season our readings echo Isaiah and Titus (see Advent and Christmas Day readings) and together with today's Psalm 104 they point us to Pentecost. We are on the cusp of a new creation.

John the Baptist was what we might call today a "social influencer." People paid attention to what he had to say. And what he said affected the choices people made. Yet today's Gospel reminds us of John the Baptist's ultimate goal: "One mightier than I is coming." The Baptizer walks the fine line between drawing attention to himself with his fiery preaching and then re-directing that attention to Jesus, the "beloved Son." John the Baptist could be considered the "patron saint" of those who minister as lectors, extraordinary ministers of the eucharist, cantors, greeters, acolytes, and musicians. Isn't John's teaching a good goal for a liturgical (or any!) minister? Rooted in the graces of their own baptism, ministers must be skilled and confident enough to draw people's attention (or, at least, not turn them off!) and then gradually re-focus that attention on Jesus. It is a dynamic and awesome responsibility.

Today's Readings: Is 40:1–5, 9–11; Ps 104:1b–2, 3–4, 24–25, 27–28, 29–30; Ti 2:11–14; 3:4–7; Lk 3:15–16, 21–22

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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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First Communion Preparation Sessions will be held in the Cathedral basement on Tuesday, February 8, and Tuesday, March 8, from 6-8 P.M. A parent/adult must accompany your child to each of the meetings. Please contact Chris Laraia if you cannot attend a session at 814-312-7317 or claraia@dioceseaj.org. First Communion at the cathedral will be celebrated on Sunday, April 24, at 10:00 A.M. and on Saturday, April 30, at 5:00 P.M. The date for Our Lady of Fatima Parish has yet to be decided.

FEAST OF FAITH

The Sign of Peace

"Greet one another with a holy kiss," wrote Saint Paul to the Corinthians (1 Corinthians 16:20), and he said the same thing to other communities as well. The holy kiss, the sign of peace, has been a hallmark of Christians from the very beginning. In giving and receiving the sign of peace, we are not giving something of our own, but something that Christ has given to us. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you," Jesus told his disciples (John 14:27). Jesus comes to us when we gather together in community. We celebrate the Eucharist not just to receive spiritual nourishment to help us on our solitary way to salvation, but to be transformed into one body, the Body of Christ in the world. As we receive the Eucharist, we are not only united to Christ; we are united to each other. It is never easy to live in community, and we hurt each other on the way. So we need to turn to each other in a sign of reconciliation and forgiveness, to look into each other's eyes, and give and receive the peace that is not ours, but Christ's.

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