



Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2025

SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*We are the welcoming community of Saint Teresa of Calcutta
living our faith by endeavoring to follow her example
to see, share and be the light of Christ's love and compassion.*

PARISH INFORMATION: January 12, 2025

Welcome to Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish!

We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a parish home we invite you to become part of our parish family and become fully involved in our life of prayer, education, service and community.

Registration: We invite all parishioners to register with the Parish. Registration helps us to serve you when issuing letters in connection with sponsorship of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony, and for letters of reference. Kindly notify the office if your address changes.

Anointing of the Sick: In case of serious illness or advanced age please call the parish office. For hospital cases, contact the hospital Chaplain.

Pastoral Care: Please call the parish office to have Communion brought to an ill or homebound family member.

PARISH STAFF

Mass and Sacrament Schedule

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Hal Schwalm Director of Safe Environment

Leo Howitz Permanent Deacon

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PARISH OFFICE

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Website: www.stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

Facebook Name: Teresa Calcutta

Faith Formation Office: 856-858-0298, Ext. 19

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Friday: 9:00am - 3:00pm

The Office closes from 12 noon to 1PM for lunch.

Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage in the parish must contact the parish office to meet with a priest to begin the marriage preparation process. This first step in planning your wedding is best begun one year before the date of the wedding.

Baptisms: To arrange a Baptism, contact the Parish Office at least two weeks before the desired date of Baptism to make arrangements. Parents are required to attend a preparation class before the Baptism. Classes will be held at 7PM (Date

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DATES

Submit announcements to be published in the bulletin to tbest@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org or to the Parish Office by the end of day Monday of the week prior to the weekend bulletin issue requested.

Please submit **flyers** to be copied and inserted into the bulletins to the Parish Office by Wednesday at 12 noon, 11 days ahead of the desired bulletin date.

MASS & SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

ST. JOHN CHURCH: 809 Park Ave., Collingswood

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH: 50 Emerald Ave.,
Haddon Township

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM—HS

Sunday: 8:00 AM—HS

Sunday: 9:30 AM - SJ **Live streamed (YouTube)**

11:00 AM—SJ

Sunday: 11:00 AM— HS American Sign Language
and Voice Interpreted for the hearing

No Special Needs Mass in January

Daily Masses:

Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri.: 9:00 AM St. John Church

Thursday: 9AM Holy Saviour Church

Adoration: Thursdays: After 9:00am Mass— 8pm (HS)

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 Holy Saviour Church

BAPTISMS: Call the Parish Office to schedule.

OCIA: Tuesdays at 7PM in Parish Office

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SANCTUARY CANDLE

Contact the office if you would like to dedicate a Sanctuary Candle to illuminate the Tabernacle for a week with your intention for a loved one.

ADORATION

Thursday at Holy Saviour Church 9:30am - 8pm
Silent Adoration 9:30am - 5pm
Rosary. Benediction 7PM — 8PM

Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology at Seton Hall University is now on Instagram!

Here is the link to our Instagram account for your easy viewing: https://www.instagram.com/setonhall_icsst/
ICSST at Seton Hall University **trains men for the priesthood**. In addition, they **offer degrees for lay people looking to grow their faith and intellectual lives**. The Center for Diaconal Formation is located at our seminary as well! **No matter what your vocation, you can explore it here at ICSST.**

Pray for Our Parishioners:

Lorraine Alexander	Heather Frisoli	Julia Nigro Slater
Arline Barski	Emma Grace	Laz Orosze
Nancy Barone	Violet Harden	Elise Principato
Charlie Bates	Steve Hardseski	Eric Roseboro
Helen Berger	Sarah Jacob	Susan Ratajski
James Beierschmitt	Teresa Jermyrn	Joseph Sandone
Michael Cavallo	Evan Kendendine	Pat Schoenborn
Nancy Caruso	William Kinee	Richard Schoenborn
Ed Charlton, Sr.	Ali Kite	Linda Simpkins
Anthony Corrado	Baby Violet	Michael Skabla
Joseph DeShayes	Kozuhowski	Dennis Siwak
Walt Eife	Nina Lopes	Constance
Adam Forziati	Eliane Loumeau	Steinhagen
Cathie Fleming	John Macauley	Kathy Smith
David Ford	Annie Martella	John Tomik
Charlene French	Nicholas Matyas	Michael Travis
Adam Frisoli	Michael McAdoo	Barbara Vollrath
	Matthew McCann	Craig Wilke
	Erin DeVoe Moran	Myra Worrell
	Natale Mullen	Margaret Zimmerman

**JOIN THE ROSARY GROUP TO PRAY THE ROSARY
AFTER THE 9AM MASS DAILY TO PRAY FOR YOUR
INTENTIONS AND TO PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Intentions for this week's Masses

Saturday, January 11

4 (HS) Joseph & Carrole Fearon r/b family

Brenda Jarger r/b Eileen & Pablo

Barbara Madden r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish

Colleen McCloskey r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish

Bernadette Hoban r/b the Family

Sunday, January 12

8(HS) For the People of the Parish

9:30(SJ) Teresa Naddeo r/b Dominic Pucci

11(SJ) In Thanksgiving for 55 yrs of love & commitment r/b
Jim & Mickey Steinitz

Margaret Frank r/b her daughters

Olive Osler r/b Fr. Bertonazzi and STC Parish

Dorothy Hochstuhl r/b her family

11(HS) Deceased members of the Bradley Family r/b the
Family

Monday, January 13

9(SJ) For the People of the Parish

Tuesday, January 14

9(SJ) For the People of the Parish

Wednesday, January 15

9 Margie Frank r/b Sherban Family

Thursday, January 16

9 (HS) Sigmond & Leona Kubiak r/b their daughters

Friday, January 17

9 For the People of the Parish

Saturday, January 18

4 (HS) Barbara Madden r/b the Bentz Family

Kathleen Leimkuhler by Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish

Sunday, January 19

8(HS) For the People of the Parish

9:30(SJ) Rosario Como r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish

Kathleen Leimkuhler r/b Tom & Loretta Hauber

11(SJ) For the People of the Parish

11(HS) Deceased members of the Almeida Family

Pray for Our Military

SGT Alex Coutinho, US Space Force	Johnny A. Santiago, Sgt. 1st Class
Michael Gregg, USMC	1st Lieut. Kayleigh Migaletti, RN, SAF
Ensign Alex Licorish, RN, USN	Salena Silvaria, NAC/AW,
Miguel Ingram, Pvt. 1st Class US Army	Nathan Tiefenthaler L. Corp
Ensign Margaret McKernan USN	
LT Patrick J. McKernan, USN	

**Also Pray for the
Families of our Military.**

Reflection for January 12, 2025

Today's reflection comes from the Second Reading from the Acts of the Apostles. I chose this reading because at first glance I did not understand it. This is the opening line of the Second Reading, and it is right in the middle of the story of the baptism of the Roman Centurion named Cornelius, he was a Gentile.

And Peter opened his mouth and said: Truly I perceive that God shows no partiality, but in every nation any one who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

Let's look at this story to understand the situation. At the time of this story **Peter was baptizing many people but all of them were Jewish**. Also, Saint Paul, was not yet Paul, this was before his conversion he was Saul, and **he was persecuting the believers in Jesus**. This was **all before the call of God to the Gentiles was understood**.

Cornelius and his family were not Jewish, but they worshipped the God of Israel. Even though they were outside the Jewish people, they believed in their God. **An angel of the Lord appeared to him and told him to find Peter**. So, he sent some men to find Peter.

At the same time **Peter had a vision** of a large sheet, like a big tablecloth and within it were **all the animals** of the world. He heard a voice telling him to **get up, kill and eat**. When Peter saw this, he responded, "but some of these animals are not clean, I cannot eat them." **A voice spoke to him and told him**, "What God has made clean, you are not to call profane."

What did this mean? He was not sure, but the men who were sent by Cornelius arrived and asked him to go with them to see Cornelius. Peter went back with them and Cornelius called his whole family and all his friends. **While Peter was there the Holy Spirit came upon all the Gentiles present and they started to speak in tongues**.

Peter was in shock, **the same spirit that had come upon him at Pentecost was also upon these Gentiles**. Now **Peter understood the vision**. When Jesus died on the cross, **he did not just die for the Jewish people but for all people**, Gentiles included.

With this Peter baptized Cornelius and all those with him. **This was the institution of the baptizing of all people not just the Jewish people**. Now **salvation was known that Jesus had died for all people**.

Now think about the Old Testament and the prophets. The **prophets came to warn the Jewish people** to turn from their evil ways, but they also did something else, after prophesying the need for repentance they would always conclude with a glimmer of **hope**.

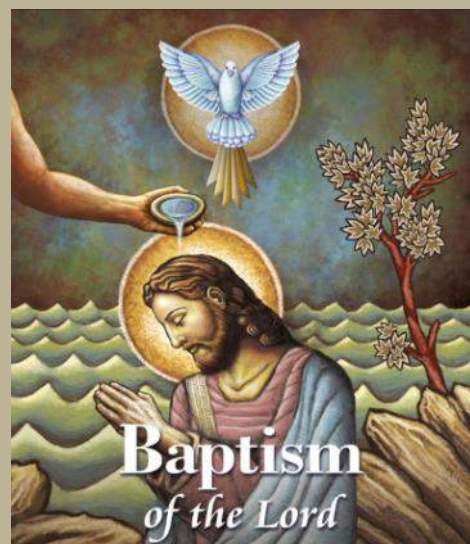
This **hope was the promise God made** to David, that **one day a great King of his lineage would come** into the world uniting all nations and this kingdom would have no end.

Jesus is this King and just like the prophets proclaimed that He would **write His Law not on stone tablets but on our hearts**. I believe this is done **through our Baptisms** and is the greatest gift we could ever receive.

We are all one, united to each other through the gift of our Baptism, united not just by the Trinity but united **within** the Trinity. When we pray to Jesus, we do not just pray to Jesus, we pray with Him in union with the Holy Father by the power of the Holy Spirit.

They do not call it the Mystical Body of Christ for nothing! It defies all understanding, but we are all part of it. Today when you receive Communion, realize that through our Baptism, through the Eucharist we are also **one with each other united through the Holy Spirit**.

Reflection by Deacon Leo Howitz



PARISH AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Baptized Stewards

"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...' - Luke 3:16

The Catholic Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics Stewards, there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

Joseph House November Donations

NOTE: No Sandwich Making in January.

MORE USHERS ARE NEEDED TO SERVE AT MASS

Are you a parishioner looking for a way to meaningfully participate in the Mass at St. Teresa of Calcutta? Please consider becoming a Greeter/Usher at your Mass. In this role, you'd help to distribute parish bulletins at the start of Mass, help gather the collections, and assist in the flow for the Eucharist and you can be a friendly person welcoming parishioners. Please contact Jim Ely at jsely@verizon.net.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

We continue to support the Ronald McDonald House by collecting soda and beer tabs as well as Campbell soup lids/tabs and cat can lids/tabs. Anything with a Tab on it we can use. Drop your tabs off now because I will be making a drop off soon. No later than Jan. 3rd. Drop your "collections" at our Council Hall (front or back doors).



We also collect new or used stamps to buy children's books/coloring books for children in South America. A senior home in FL does the book donations, we simply provide the stamps.

These too can be dropped off at our Council Hall or at 5 Brittin Ave, Audubon, NJ 08106.

SAVE THE DATES or SEE THE FLYERS in the Vestibules for more information:

- **Men's Club Meeting**—Jan. 13, 2025
- **Hygiene Kit Drive**—Jan 23, 2025
- **Extraordinary minister of Holy Communion Training** 1/25
- **Vitality Calls of Joy** available anytime
- **Parish Health Ministry Survey**—Scan QR Code on Flyer in Vestibule

EVENTS AROUND US—See Flyers

- * Sanctity of Life Mass- 1/22, 12:15 Cherry Hill
- * Franciscan Day of Service—1/25
- * Walk for Life—Washington DC
- *Joe Conklin Comedy Show—2/8, 7pm

NEW PARISH NEWSLETTER

As part of an ongoing mission to inform parishioners of events and special occasions that have occurred at St. Teresa of Calcutta we issued a Parish newsletter. Copies of this newsletter can be found in the back of both churches, as well as through the QR code found here.



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

For help in times of emergency on our parish number **856-858-1444**.

Food Pantry: Hours: Mon.— Wed. 10AM – 12 noon

Volunteers—No meeting in January. Future discussion meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month in McDaid meeting room. **After January**, please join our sandwich making on the 3rd Monday of each month.

Thank you for your donations of food for the homeless!

Gift card donations for Aldi are greatly appreciated.

PARISH NEWS AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION



Beautiful Thing:

Proclaiming the Gospel through Art

presented by
Jim Dessicino

Jim Dessicino is the Parish Catechetical Leader at the Parish of Saint Monica, Atlantic City. He focuses on beauty as a source of catechesis in his work at the church and in his art. A revert to the faith after 20 years away as a cultural materialist, he has taken to restoring religious statuary and creating new public monuments and memorials.

In this talk, Jim will speak about a side altar at St. Nicholas of Tolentine in Atlantic City with sculptures by Joseph Sibbel, and explore the evangelizing power of beauty.

All are welcome. RSVP not required, but appreciated to 856-767-0719 or Laurie.Power@christthereedeemer.us

Thursday, Jan 30, 2025

6:30pm

Christ the Redeemer
Pastoral Center
318 Carl Hasselhan Dr.
Atco, NJ 08004



For more information, visit:
www.christthereedeemer.us/jubilee2025



What is a Jubilee?

presented by
Fr. Joseph Wallace

As the universal Church begins the Jubilee Year of 2025, Fr. Wallace will offer an introduction to the celebration of jubilee including its biblical background and history. Come learn the origin of jubilee and how you can enter more fully into this year's sacred celebrations.

All are welcome. RSVP not required, but appreciated to 856-767-0719 or Laurie.Power@christthereedeemer.us

Thursday, Jan 9, 2025

6:30pm

Christ the Redeemer
Pastoral Center
318 Carl Hasselhan Dr.
Atco, NJ 08004



For more information, visit:
www.christthereedeemer.us/jubilee2025

Tax Contribution Statement

I would like a report of 2020 contributions to Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish.

This year's tax contribution statement can be picked up at the Parish Office or mailed to you, if requested.

Please allow 10 days for this to be completed.

Name _____

Address _____

Town & Zip _____

Phone _____

_____ I will pick it up in the dropbox outside the parish office.

_____ Please mail.

YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES (POST CANA) Fall Event Schedule

If you're a young married couple, we'd love to see you at our upcoming events this fall/winter! If you have kids, they are welcome to all events:

- Sunday, Jan. 26, after the 9:30 Mass: **Coffee & donuts social** in McLaughlin Hall

Use the QR Code to join our email list. We host some events at home, so we'll share address information with those who join the email list.

Host: Post Cana Young Married Couples



RETRouvaille: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille. If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held February 14 - 16, 2025 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

PARISH AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministers are available to assist parishioners through difficult times. Please pray for our Stephen Ministers and those to whom they minister. You may either contact the office for an appointment or for more information email Jack Callaghan or Pat O'Connor: stephenministry@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

MEN'S CLUB MEETING

In December, the Men's Club took an active role helping to prepare the churches for the Advent and Christmas seasons. The **altar Christmas trees** were put up early this year to add a nice back drop for the Tri-County Symphonic Band performance. We **put up the outdoor creches at each church site, and teamed up with the decorating committee to decorate both churches and put up the altar Christmas trees at Holy Saviour.**

The most rewarding activity was our annual **Adopt-A-Family** project where we adopted 5 families for the holidays, which included 15 children. Through the **generosity of our membership**, we were able to **bless each family with presents and gift cards.** In addition, thanks to the **donations of the St. Vincent de Paul Society**, we gave each family a frozen turkey and other food items for a turkey dinner.

Our next meeting will be **Monday, January 13th**, at 8pm, McLaughlin Hall. Come and see how you can be a part of our ministry.

stteresamensclub@yahoo.com or call/text Josh Wiener at 609-502-3539.

Joseph House December Donations

STC Parishioners donated the following items in addition to the support of those needing hot meals and a warm place to sleep.

Thank you for your continued donations of:

Men's Gloves: 26 pairs, Women's Gloves: 29 pairs, Men's Socks: 34 pairs, Women's Socks: 14 pairs, Cloth Hats: 48, Popcorn: 28 Packets, Powdered Creamer: 7 lbs., Sugar: 20 lbs.

1st Way Baby Bottle Update

Our parish's new total collection through the Baby Bottle drive is up to \$4,674.48. Thank you all who contributed. If you have any more bottles you may have lying around, filled or not, please return them to the parish office.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE— JAN. 18-19

Mass	LECTOR	EM	SACRISTAN
4:00	S. White	D. Olsen	T. Howell
8:00	J. Sheehan	Deacon Rocks	To be determined
9:30	N. Bernardo	Deacon Leo	MA Mercer
11:00	K. Smith	Deacon Leo	T. Howitz

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING

The Diocese is offering training for everyone interested in becoming a **Eucharistic Minister.** It starts **January 25.** See the **Parish Office for the Registration form.**

An Invitation to join
NEW LIFE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP
Every Sunday Evening 6:30pm - 8:00pm we gather at St Rose of Lima Chapel on Green Street in Haddon Heights, NJ 08035
Do you desire to sing God's praises?
Do you want to thank God for his many blessings?
Would you like to be part of a Christian community centered in worship?
Do you wish to share what God is doing in your life?
Do you hear how He's working in lives of others?

DINNERS TO DOORSTEPS

We provide **meals** for people or families who are ill, disabled, living alone, parents of new babies, etc. We also provide meals for **individuals and families** who are struggling to put food on the table. Call Michele Santiago at: 609-598-1787 or grandmarose73@yahoo.com

SENIOR'S MINISTRY

This is a Parish outreach program to assist people who are **shut-in either at home or in a nursing home.** Our Mission is to **assist the parish's senior citizens who need companionship and support.** We contact family members of shut-ins, visit nursing homes and private residences to see where we can be of assistance. Contact **Ed Charlton by text at 215-284-1365** or echarlto53@gmail.com

Diocesan Employment Opportunities

Looking for a new job in the New Year:

Catholic Schools employment opportunities
<https://southjerseycatholicsschools.org/employment/>

Catholic Charities employment opportunities
<https://www.camdendiocese.org/category/catholic-charities-employment/>

Life-Long Faith Formation

Faith Formation

Daniela Perez
856-858-0298

dperez@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

Coffee & Faith Sharing

Co-led by Barry Steele & Daniela Perez



Wednesdays at 10AM in McLaughlin Hall

Join fellow Parishioners for a meaningful morning of faith, fellowship, and sharing on the Gospel

All ages are welcome

Bibles are not required

No Faith Sharing on the first Wednesdays of the month

"...you did it for me"
(Mt 25)

Day of service

Saturday January 25

9AM-2PM @ youth and young adults

FRANCISCAN MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE INFANT JESUS
1215 KRESSON ROAD
CHERRY HILL, NJ

Info & Registration
(856)-518-0184
fmijcomeandsee@yahoo.com

Family Mass:

- **January 26**— 4th Grade Family Mass
- **February 9**— 5th Grade Family Mass
- **March 9**— 6th Grade Family Mass
- **April 13**— 8th Grade Family Mass

All Family Masses are held at the 11 AM at St. John's

Join us for fellowship and refreshments after Mass in the cafeteria.

STC YOUTH GROUP 9TH-12TH GRADES

SCHEDULE

01/29 8PM-9PM
MCLAUGHLIN HALL

02/19 8PM-9PM
MCLAUGHLIN HALL

03/12 8PM-9PM
MCLAUGHLIN HALL

04/09 8-9PM
MCLAUGHLIN HALL

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
DPEREZ@STTERESAOFALCUTTANJ.ORG

Hygiene Kit Drive



The Sisters of Saint Joseph Refugee Housing Project and Neighborhood Center are in need of hygiene kits.

There are adult & children hygiene kits that are needed.

Please consider donating the any of the following items:

Adult Hygiene Kits:

- Individually wrapped toothbrush
- toothpaste
- deodorant
- bars of soap
- razors
- bottles of shampoo
- comb or brush
- menstrual pads



Child Hygiene Kits:

- Individually wrapped kids' sized toothbrush
- kid friendly toothpaste
- floss
- kid-friendly shampoo
- kid-friendly body wash
- comb or brush
- band-aids (preferably with color/pattern)

Hygiene kits will be made on Thursday, January 23 at 7 PM in the School Cafeteria

All are welcome to attend.

Items can be dropped off or amazon delivered to the parish office, dropped off during Faith Formation, or brought on 1/23

If you have any questions please contact dperez@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

Aides are needed for Tuesday Faith Formation. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Daniela Perez.

OFFICE OF THE MINISTRY WITH THE DEAF AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES & Community Information

Masses of Welcome and Inclusion

Every Sunday The Mass is signed in American Sign Language (ASL) for Deaf Members of the Church and voiced for hearing members of the Church. **11:00AM Mass at Holy Saviour Church**, (St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish), 50 Emerald Avenue, Westmont, NJ (GPS: use Haddon Township).

2nd Weekend of the Month

St. Andrew the Apostle, 27 Kresson-Gibbsboro Road. Gibbsboro, NJ. Mainstream Mass Saturday, 4:30pm Mass
Holy Eucharist Parish 344 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill, NJ Mainstream Mass Sunday (Oct. - Apr.) 9:45AM
For more information, please contact Fr. Hugh Bradley: hugh.bradley@camdendiocese.org.

HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT




JUBILEE 2025
PILGRIMS OF HOPE

JUBILEE 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE
DIOCESE OF CAMDEN INFORMATION GUIDE

<https://www.camdendiocese.org/wp-content/>

USCCB PILGRIMAGE TO
ITALY
ORVIETO—ASSISI—ROME
SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 02, 2025



CELEBRATE THE JUBILEE OF CATECHISTS WITH
ARCHBISHOP CHARLES THOMPSON
ARCHDIOCESE OF INDIANAPOLIS, IN



Special Encounters with Vatican officials:
Bishop Franz-Peter Tebartz Van Elst, Delegate for Catechesis
Msgr. Graham Bell, Undersecretary of the Dicastery for Evangelization

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION TEAM
Marilyn Santos, USCCB
Sr. Rosalia Meza, VDMF, Archdiocese of Los Angeles
Ela Milewska, Speaker & Consultant
travel.nativitypilgrimage.com/usccb-italy



2025 Jubilee of Justice ITALY PILGRIMAGE



This pilgrimage is recognized by the Dicastery For Evangelization, the official organizer of the 2025 Jubilee.

September 18 - 25, 2025 (8 Days) • 4-Day Extension to Greece



Joshua M. McCaig, J.D., M.S.
Delegate from the US to the Jubilee for the World of Justice



Michael J. Mazza, JD, JCD
Guest Lecturer



Fr. Ken Riley, JCL
Chaplain

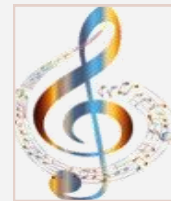


PRAYER FOR HOPE AMIDST DARK CLOUDS

May your light break through dark clouds, O Lord! May your hope grow in our hearts even when the skies feel ominous. Fear, isolation, individualism, conflict: these are the winds that blow gusts of racism and inequality in our "throw-away world." But we are saved together; not alone. So teach us, Lord, to hope. Show us the goodness you continue to sow. Show us the boldness of love to reject fear and embrace our neighbor. Make fertile the ground where seeds fall. Bring gentle rain and warm rays of sunlight. May we know your love shines bright. Through dark clouds, may your hope shine again. Amen. Inspired by Fratelli Tutti, nos. 30, 54-55



Call to Worship



January 12, 2025

ENTRANCE HYMN: "Baptized in Water" Breaking Bread: 633

BAPTIZED IN WATER

BUNESSAN

1. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Cleansed by the
2. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Dead in the
3. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Marked with the

1. blood of Christ our King: Heirs of sal - va - tion, Trust-ing his
2. tomb with Christ our King: One with his ris - ing, Freed and for -
3. sign of Christ our King: Born of one Fa - ther, We are his

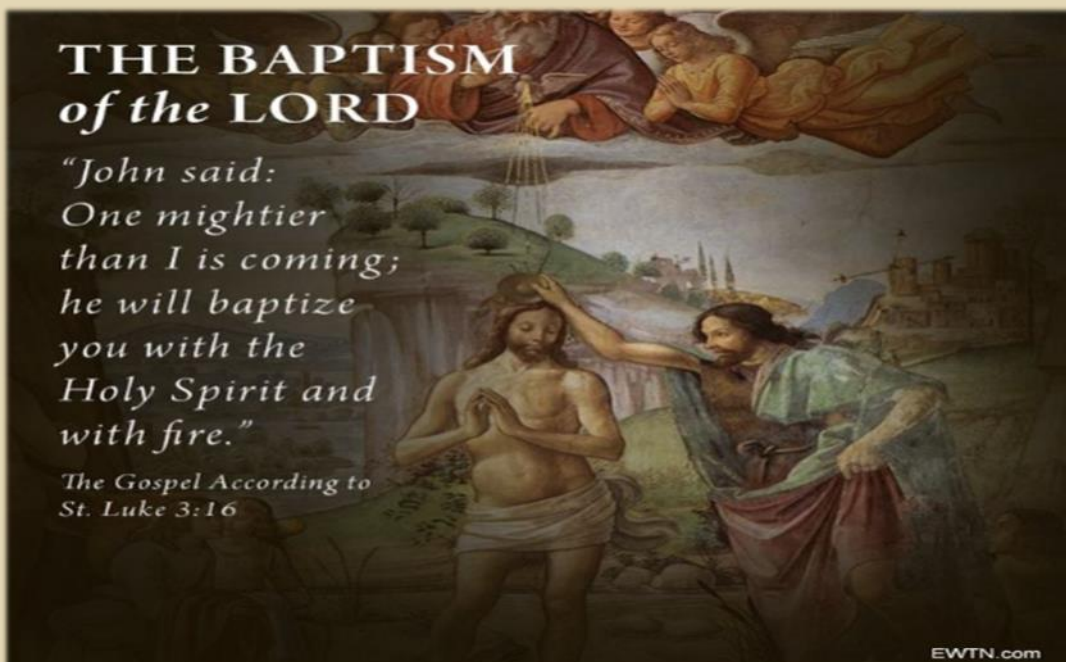
1. prom - ise, Faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
2. giv - en, Thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
3. chil - dren, Joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

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THE BAPTISM of the LORD

*"John said:
One mightier
than I is coming;
he will baptize
you with the
Holy Spirit and
with fire."*

*The Gospel According to
St. Luke 3:16*



EWTN.com

MASS READINGS—January 12, 2025
The Baptism of the Lord

FIRST READING :

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her service is at an end, her guilt is expiated; indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD double for all her sins. A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Go up on to a high mountain, Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news! Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord GOD, who rules by a strong arm; here is his reward with him, his recompense before him. Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: O bless the Lord, my soul.

Psalms 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30

SECOND READING:

Acts 10:34-38

Peter proceeded to speak to those gathered in the house of Cornelius, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

GOSPEL:

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

The people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

CREED: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father, through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation, he came down from heaven.

At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man", all bow.

And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

WHAT CHILD IS THIS

GREENSLEEVES

Verses



1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma-ry's lap is
2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are
3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, Come peas-ant, king, to



1. sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, While
2. feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for sin - ners here The
3. own him; The King of kings sal - va - tion brings, Let

Refrain



1. shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is Christ the
2. si - lent Word is plead - ing.
3. lov - ing hearts en-throne him.



King, Whom shep-herds guard and an - gels sing; Haste,



haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Ma - ry.

Text: 87 87 with refrain; William C. Dix, 1827-1898. Music: English melody, 16th cent.



HERE I AM, LORD

Dan Schutte

Verses



1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo-ple's pain.
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



1. All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save. I, who
2. I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
3. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin-est



1. made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
2. break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love a - lone.
3. bread I will pro - vide Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



1. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
2. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
3. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo-ple in my heart.

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Here I Am Lord



JOY TO THE WORLD

ANTIOCH



1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth re -
2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; Let us our
3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, Nor thorns in -
4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the



1. ceive her King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
2. songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and
3. fest the ground; He comes to make his bless - ings
4. na - tions prove The glo - ries of his righ - teous -



1. room, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
2. plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
3. flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
4. ness, And won - ders of his love, And won - ders of his



1. sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
2. joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
3. found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
4. love, And won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Text: CM with repeats: based on Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1764–1748, alt.

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