



The Baptism of the Lord
January 9, 2022

JANUARY 9TH, 2022 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Tues., Jan. 11th 9:00 am Weekday Mass
 6:00 pm R.C.I.A. - (POSTPONED)
 Wed., Jan. 12th 9:00 am Mass of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys
 Thurs., Jan. 13th 9:00 am Weekday Mass (St. Hilary, Doctor of the Church)
 Fri., Jan. 14th 9:00 am Weekday Mass
 Sat., Jan. 15th 5:00 pm Vigil Mass of the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Sun., Jan. 16th Masses of the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

DIRECTIVES: We are reminded by Bishop Colli that the new Covid Provincial protocols do not change our present Church capacity status of 50% but that, indoor meetings are now limited to 5 persons only.



BISHOP COLLI'S
SCHEDULE
Cathedral Masses
January 15/16, 2022

BORN AGAIN BY WATER AND THE HOLY SPIRIT IN 2021!

At all our Masses this weekend, our Parish will pray for the 24 who were baptized in our Cathedral from January 1 to December 31, 2021 as well as for their parents, grandparents and godparents. They are:

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| Leon MENDOZA-FRENCH | Regine CATALAN | Brooklyn DIGIUSEPPE |
| Bella MARGARIT | Sophie DEMEO | Jack JURCIC |
| Bennet TONEGUZZI | Landon WARD | Cianna GAZZOLA |
| Alessia MIRABELLI | Keanu CAHAIS | Oliver MCDUFF |
| Vincenzo VERERUZZO | Raylynn RISI | |
| Raya Marie BROOKS | Janeal THOMPSON | |
| Daxon BRAITHWAITE | Blake SNIDER | |
| William MARTIN | Sadie SCHOALES | |
| Samuel VAILLANT | Caden TEMPELMAN | |
| Dave Raj SINGH | Avalyn TAWNAWKSHER | |



R.C.I.A. SESSIONS POSTPONED

Due to the rising number of Covid cases in our community and in adherence to the most recent Ontario restrictions concerning indoor social gatherings, all our weekly RCIA sessions scheduled for January have been cancelled. If things are better in the next couple of weeks we will resume in the beginning of February. I will contact you regarding further changes to our schedule, as things progress.

Judy Stankus, RCIA Director.

LAST WEEK'S DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

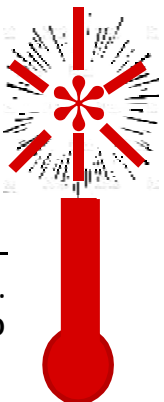
New Year's Collection	\$ 2, 370.00
Donations for Envelopes (Initial Off.)	990.00
January 2 nd Collection	3, 909.45
Online Donations (Dec. 27-Jan 2)	4, 195.00
Christmas Collection (more).....	2, 465.00
Monthly Renovations Collection (more) ..	665.00
Donations (Weddings/Funerals/Baptisms)...	270.00
Votive Candles	276.00
St. Anthony's Poor Fund.....	25.60
Missals/Calendar Sales	10.00
Donation (in Memory of Dick Bortolussi).....	10.00

**BISHOP'S MINISTRY CAMPAIGN
FINAL REPORT - January: 2022**

2021 Parish Goal \$ 34, 000.
 Last week's donations... 200.

 Total to date \$ 40, 470.
 % of Parish Goal 119 %

A HUGE THANKS TO ALL!



Q. A Baptist friend told me that the Bible teaches that a profession of one's faith and repentance are necessary for Baptism and this is why only adults are baptized in his Church. If this is true, why do Catholics baptize infants who are too young to profess their Faith or to repent of sins?

A. Not only Catholics but also the vast majority of other Christians (Orthodox, Anglicans, Lutherans, United) all baptize infants, too. While your friend is right in saying that the New Testament requires a profession of Faith and the repentance of sins for Baptism, the Bible passage sets this requirement for adult converts to Christianity but there is no specific Bible text which limits this Sacrament of Initiation to adults or which denies it to children.

Adult Baptisms
When adults are baptized in the Catholic Church and in other Christian Churches, these Bible directives followed, too. They



are also followed when the Church baptizes infants, but it requires the parents and godparents to fulfill these requirements of faith and repentance on the child's behalf. Why do we baptize infants at all? There are several references in the New Testament which indicate that baptizing entire families was commonplace in the ministry of St. Paul! For instance, in the Book of Acts (16:15), Paul baptizes a woman named Lydia "along with her household". In verses 32 & 33 of the same Chapter and Book, Paul and Silas preached the Word of God to their jailer "and to all his family", after which "he was baptized, with all his

household". Crispus, the synagogue official and "all his household" became baptized believers in Acts 18:8. Also, in his first letter to the Corinthians (1:16), Paul states that, "there was the family of Stephanus, that of course, I baptized, too". While these passages do not specifically mention children, it is difficult to imagine that these families or households were all childless. Other Reasons

A 1,700 year old controversy also contributed to making infant baptism the norm in the Church. At that time a British monk named Pelagius believed and taught that

God's grace and salvation had to be earned and that therefore, these spiritual benefits could only be given to adults who were capable of earning them. St. Augustine and the Church opposed this erroneous teaching and taught that the gift of grace is freely given to all individuals by God, including infants or psychologically challenged adults. Not a justification for hostility ... Remember that, even though we hold firm to our Catholic beliefs, we mustn't condemn those who have beliefs that differ from ours. Never let these "controversial issues" deter us from still following the command of Christ, to love one another!



PROVINCIAL NEWSLETTER

The most recent Provincial Newsletter for January 2022 and the Diocesan Newsletter for December 2021 can be accessed online by going to the Catholic Women's League page on our Parish Website.

JOINING THE LEAGUE

The C.W.L. is the united faith based voice of Catholic women across Canada.

Come and join us! New members are always welcome. An Information Brochure can be accessed online on the CWL Page of our Parish Site at:

www.stpatrickscathedral.ca



Knights of Columbus



CANCELLATIONS

1. Fr. Baxter Assembly Meeting for January;
2. Council 1447 Meeting scheduled for January 11th;
3. Friday Coffee at the Columbus Centre is discontinued;
4. The Columbus Centre Pool will be temporarily closed effective on Wednesday, January 5th, until further notice;
5. All Friday Buffets are discontinued for now.

K.C. EVENTS
STILL ON SCHEDULE

1. Spaghetti Take-Outs
January January 13th & 27th
2. Pickerel Fish Take-Out
Friday January 21st