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### **Mass Schedule**

Saturday: 4pm

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12 noon

Tues, Wed, and Fri: 8am

Thurs: 5:30pm

### **Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:00—3:45pm

Sunday 7:00-7:45am

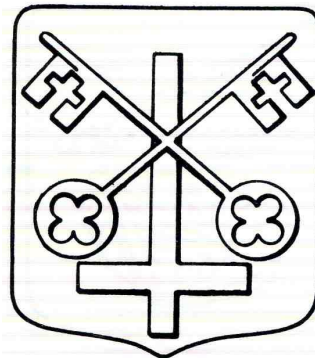
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## **Save the Date!**

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Sat-Sun, January 11-12	Donuts and Wine and Cheese	After Masses, Fr Kottas Social Hall
Sunday, January 26th	Catholic Schools Week Breakfast	After Masses, Fr Kottas Social Hall
Saturday, February 22nd	Feed the Children	9am—2pm, Fr Kottas Social Hall

12 JANUARY, 2025

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

## From Father Jacob

### The Baptism of the Lord

Why did Jesus go to be baptized by John in the Jordan? Why did all these things happen?

Did Jesus need forgiveness of his sins? He is the perfect Holy One of God.

Did Jesus need Heaven opened? He is the one who came down from Heaven.

Did Jesus need to receive the Holy Spirit? He is the source of the Spirit, always filled with the Spirit.

Did Jesus need to hear the Father say “You are beloved Son”? He is the Son begotten before all ages, always dwelling with the Father.

No. Jesus didn’t need any of these things. All these things happened when Jesus was baptized so that, when *you* were baptized, maybe as a young child, maybe at the Easter vigil Mass a few years ago, these things would be accomplished in *you*.

*You* needed your sins washed away (and might need them wiped away again). *You* needed Heaven opened. *You* needed to receive the Holy Spirit. *You* needed to be called by God his beloved son or daughter.

Jesus did all these things to “hallow the waters” so that, when you were joined to Him in your baptism however many years ago, all these things would be true of you. You were cleansed (and can be cleansed again if need be). You were made a citizen of heaven. You were filled with the Holy Spirit (and later strengthened by the same Spirit in Confirmation). You became a beloved son or daughter of the Father.

Give thanks to God for your baptism today, the day when He shared His life with you and brought you into His family, making you a beloved son or daughter who can call Him Father.

### Lenten plans

This year Lent will run from Ash Wednesday on March 5th until Palm Sunday on April 13th (or Easter Sunday on April 20th, depending on how you count). I have heard a lot about our **Tuesday night soup suppers, Friday night stations and adoration**, and of course the **Shrimp Boils!** I am excited about the chance to participate!

We want to have the best opportunities for prayer for everybody this Lenten season, so we are going to have a brief survey at all of our Masses next weekend asking a few questions about Lenten schedules and plans. Come prepared to fill yours out!



Christmas began the 2025 Jubilee, celebrating 2025 years since the Incarnation of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We have a “Jubilee” every 25 years based on the Old Testament prophetic concept of a Jubilee every 50 years, but doubled so that every Christian can reasonably expect to live through one in their adult life.

Jubilees are special times of forgiveness and mercy.

Jubilees are special times of pilgrimage.

This Jubilee is specially dedicated to Hope.

You can expect to hear more about all those themes in the next few months as we celebrate our special Jubilee year.

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READINGS FOR: January 19, 2025  
1ST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5  
2ND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11  
GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

MASS SCHEDULE

Tue	1/14	8:00 am	Kirlin Family
Wed	1/15	8:00 am	Bill & Ione Spitznagle-RIP
Thurs	1/16	5:30 pm	Palma Kirlin
Fri	1/17	8:00 am	Pat Hudek-RIP
Sat	1/18	4:00 pm	Shirley McConnell-RIP & Rita Scichilone-RIP
Sun	1/19	8:00 am	Frank & Ruth Holzer-RIP
		10:00 am	Janell Allen
		Noon	Matthew Dickerson & St. Peter's Parish

SATURDAY, 4PM January 18, 2025  
ALTAR SERVERS: Bianca & Ellianna Cihacek, Nicholas Moses  
LECTORS: Christina Beck, Jim Beck  
EUCH MINISTERS: Rod Nuss, Cathy Assman, Jacque Liston  
USHERS: Jack Gross, Linda Bonham, Fred Schaben, William Stosahl

SUNDAY, 8 AM, January 19, 2025  
ALTAR SERVERS: Connor, Elle, Addie McGrath  
LECTORS: Nicole Juranek, Genette Wirtz  
EUCH MINISTERS: Hunter Venteiter, Debbie Foote, Joan Von Tersch-Wege  
USHERS: Andy Juranek, Gary Juranek, Keith Wirtz, George Garst

SUNDAY, 10 AM January 19, 2025  
ALTAR SERVERS: Aiden Gaul, Carter Rossbund, Sarah Lighthipe  
LECTORS: Jon & Maureen Garrigan  
EUCH MINISTERS: Sandy Fritzsche, Mary Brockelsby, Jeromy Brockelsby  
USHERS: Zachary Clevenger, Nate Noon, Olivia Ausdemore, Mike Nielsen

SUNDAY, NOON January 19, 2025  
ALTAR SERVERS: Keegan McCaffery, Emma Thompson, 1 Altar Server needed  
LECTORS: Mikayla Yanovich, Mary Bratton  
EUCH MINISTERS: Cindy Bussey  
USHERS: Rob Peters, Trevor Yanovich, Chris Olson, Meg Busch

FATHER'S THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Do you know when you were baptized? Your baptism is when you entered the family of God, when you received the life of God in you. It's a big deal!

Check your baptism certificate at home, ask your parents, or call the parish of your baptism and ask when you were baptized. Mark it on your calendar, thank the Lord on that day for His goodness, and celebrate!

FEED THE CHILDREN-We will be preparing packed meals for FEED THE CHILDREN on Saturday, February 22 from approximately 9:00 am-2:00pm. We will need a minimum of 100 people to help with this worthwhile program. There will be sign up sheets in the church. If you have any questions please contact Debbie Foote at 402-669-5258.

Women's Prayer Group will meet in the Father Kottas Social Hall on Tuesday, January 14 at 7pm.

1st Communion Parent meeting Saturday, January 18 at 8:30am in the Father Kottas Social Hall.

Sunday January 19 Fully Alive Youth Group at ST PATRICK'S 7-9pm. This a change from original meeting place.

LIFE ACCORDING TO JEAN.....

- Somebody left a grocery list in a cart that read, "Coffee and stuff to eat with coffee." So, I'm pretty sure my soulmate is out there.
- Don't worry about getting older. You're still gonna do dumb stuff, only slower.
- Shopping-the exercise I need.
- How many roads must a man walk down before he admits he's lost?
- On Mercury a day lasts 1,408 hours. Just like Monday does on Earth.
- Sometimes I'm, grateful that thoughts don't appear as bubbles over our heads.
- I love ordering things online. When they arrive it's like a present from me to me.
- If you had to choose between eating tacos every day or being skinny for life would you choose hard or soft tacos?
- You know you're getting old when a recliner and a heating pad is your idea of a hot date.
- Sometimes I drink coffee and get lots of things done. Other days I drink coffee and get nothing done. It's all about balance.
- My needs are simple. Chocolate, a vacation, and a bag of money.
- People who take naps are the real heroes. It takes courage to wake up twice in one day.
- Spring is only 82 days, 7 hours, and 23 seconds away. Not that I'm counting.
- New Year's Resolutions: 1. Chocolate 2. Chocolate 3. Chocolate.
- The only blizzard conditions I am interested in are from Dairy Queen.

HAVE A GREAT WEEK, STAY SAFE, BE NICE TO EACH OTHER

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, January 20-Knights of Columbus Meeting 6pm  
Tuesday, January 21-NCYC parent meeting 6:30 hallo  
Sunday, January 26-Knights of Columbus Catholic School Week breakfast

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