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MASS & WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:30PM

SUNDAY MASSES: 7:30, 9, 11:30 AM; Spanish 1:30PM;

Youth Mass 6PM

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 6:30 & 8 AM; SATURDAY 8AM

RECONCILIATION: Thursdays 7-8 PM; Saturday 4-5 PM or by

Appointment

ADORATION: Thursdays 8:30 AM -8 PM; Saturdays 4-5 PM

CLERGY

REV. STEVEN J. ALBERO, O. PRAEM., PASTOR REV. ARUL AMALRAJ, O. PRAEM., PAROCHIAL VICAR DEACON JOHN P. LOZANO **DEACON STEVE MARTINO** DEACON WILLIAM M. MASAPOLLO (RETIRED)

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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.

BAPTIZED WITH THE SPIRIT

In today's Gospel according to Luke, when John the Baptist clarified that he was not the expected Messiah, the Christ, he distinguished his baptism with water from the baptism – with the Holy Spirit and fire – that would be offered by Jesus.

John's baptism with water signified the surrender of one's own agenda and the opening of one's heart to God. The baptism with

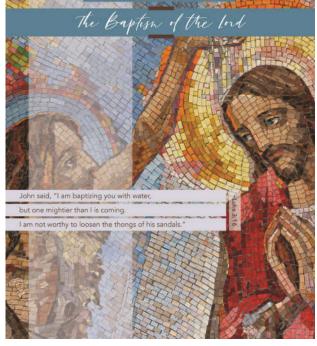
fire and Spirit describes God's power entering and transforming the human heart. When Jesus was baptized in water, he publicly displayed his own full commitment to following God's path for him. When the Spirit descended upon Jesus, he was empowered to begin his work. In effect, Jesus received both kinds of baptism described by John. He would go on to "baptize" those whose hearts were open through his ministry, death, and resurrection. Later, at Pentecost, the new community received a "baptism" of Spirit with tongues of fire.

Trinity And Baptism

This week's Gospel not only tells of Jesus' baptism, but dramatically describes God as the Holy Trinity: Jesus in prayer, the Holy Spirit descending, and the Father's voice from heaven. The nascent church linked its earliest understanding of God as Trinity to Baptism as the initiation into Christian life and community. New Christians were baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Spirit.

Jesus was proclaimed Beloved by his Father, and empowered by the Holy Spirit to begin his mission. Mission is a sending; to accept a mission is to be sent. After his ministry, death, resurrection, and ascension, Jesus' mission continued through the Spirit beginning at Pentecost. The Father sent the Son and Spirit, who together now send the church into the world. Baptism, then, is the sending of the newly baptized to join the Trinity in this mission. We the baptized are empowered to proclaim that all are God's beloved. Our triune God is already ahead of us in the world, inviting our participation.

TODAY'S READINGS: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 © J. S. Paluch Company



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BAPTISM OF THE LORD

"He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit." – Titus 3:5

Sunday, January 13

†John G. Bravacos, Jr. 5:30 7:30 †Michele Lilly 9:00 †Frank Castaldi **Parishioners** 11:30

1:30 PM †Olga Castellano De

Quintero

6 PM †Richard Poletunow

Monday, January 14

6:30 AM †Deceased Members of The Misetic Family

†Bobby Hoban 8:00

Tuesday, January 15

†Kathleen Cushmore 6:30 †Marion Pettit 8:00

Wednesday, January 16

6:30 †Karl Dodge †Vincent Severino 8:00

Thursday, January 17

†Anthony Hayden, Sr. 6:30 8:00 †Edna Fisher

Friday, January 18

†James Costello 6:30 8:00 For an end to Abortion

Saturday, January 19

Blessings upon Stephen 8:00

Curatolo

Sunday, January 20

Living and deceased 5:30

members of the Young & O'Donnell Family

Parishioners 7:30

†Paul Nguyen & Family 9:00 †Anna Grace Freda 11:30 Pastor's Intention 1:30 PM †Edward Cain 6 PM

HELP WANTED

Fulltime experienced custodian needed at St. Norbert Parish. Experience with a wide range of trades along with routine cleaning and maintenance tasks. Ability to organize, administer and personally perform all work necessary to provide a safe, clean and well maintained environment for our parish campus, buildings, grounds and equipment.

CONTACT: Dan D'Auria, ddauria@parish.stnorbert.o Please: No phone calls

Abbot Domenic Rossi will be preaching at all Masses Jan 26 & 27. There will be a 2nd collection for Bethesda Project

Gratitude.

In Jesus' Footsteps

As we celebrate this feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we can study His actions at the Jordan River as a powerful example of servant leadership.

We see in Jesus a type of leadership that is characterized by humility and leading by example.

Certainly the sinless Savior did not need a baptism of repentance! But Jesus humbly made Himself one with his people to draw us to Him and create a relationship with us so that we would be open to His teachings and influence.

As a servant leader, we also see that Jesus leads by example. He doesn't just tell the people they need to be baptized. He shows them how and does it Himself to teach them.

To lead like Jesus, we, too, must "walk the walk" and not just "talk the talk." If we want those we lead to be generous and hard-working, then we must show them how to do this by

Prayers & Readings

PRAY FOR HEALING: Corinne Kerrigan, Greg Kleckner, Maria Palfy, Julian

D'Orazio, Maria Morales, Michael Fullam, Mary Corcoran, Tim Dippel, Alice Bowman, Dorothy Wilson, Ed Rofi, Guillermo Maldonado, Helen Gelstine, Peter

Lim, Ann Sassaman, Clare Rossmeisl, Diana Reyes, Frank Henriquez, Patricia Boyce, Louanne Armstrong, Ruth Chavez, John F. Erickson, Debra Ulicny, Roberto Barajas, Joseph Mongiello, Mary Alice Spina, Sue Birmingham, Todd Monastero, Dan Petrella, Kate Fullam, Marion Fries, Isabelle Oravecz, Midge Malloy, Bob Denney, Mary Pyne, William R. Ewing, Jackson Kahn, Marc Palfy, Mary Ann Gallagher, Missy Schwartz, Joseph Morelli, Gerry Hughes, James Buroker, Layne McHugh, Deborah Nagle, J.D. Sobota, McKenzie Mahers, Ana Maria Bertsch **REST IN PEACE:** Patricia McGurkin

PRAYERS FOR OUR TROOPS:

Pvt. Matthew Cress, USA; Pvt. Jessica Flowers USA; Pvt. Michael Flowers, USA; Capt. Rob Kersey, USN; Capt. Spencer Lahiff, USMC; Sgt. Justin Lansford, USA; Pvt. Bryan McCormick, USA; Lt. Col. James Merenda, USAF; Lt. Nicholas Prestipino, USA; Sgt. R. J. Paski, USA; Sgt. Matthew Paski, USAF; Maj. Brian Wallin, DO, USA, Lt. Col. Keith Benedict, USA

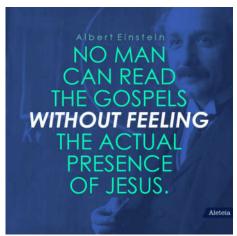


demonstrating generosity and hard work ourselves.

Immediately after His baptism, we learn of the powerful affirmation of the Father who opens the heavens, sends the Holy Spirit up-

on Jesus in bodily form and says audibly, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased." Let us be filled with gratitude for our amazing God and be reminded that when we are grateful followers of Jesus and servant-leaders in imitation of Him, the Father will be wellpleased with us, too.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6

-9; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1

-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11;

Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc,

6c-8; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10,

15; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10;

1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

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From Fr. Steve

ARE YOU A...

FAN OR A FOLLOWER?

I'm sure if you were like me, you were amazed by the Eagles' "miraculous" come from behind victory over the

Chicago Bears last Sunday.

Talk radio, TV news, and sport shows all featured the reactions of the fans as the kick bounced off the goal post. The fans went C-R-A-Z-Y!

Jesus too had many fans and a high approval rating, but as Dr. Edward Sri says in his book "Into His Likeness: Be Transformed as a Disciple of Christ,"

Jesus was looking for more than fans. He is looking for followers:

"There are many of us who wear various Catholic 'badges' – perhaps we attend Catholic conferences, show up at parish events, say certain prayers, enjoy fellowship with other like-minded believers, listen to Catholic radio, and vote for the 'right' political candidate. From all outward appearances, we seem to be very interested in Catholic things. But inside, are we truly committed to the Lord? Have we surrendered our lives to Christ, seeking to fulfill his plan for our lives and not our own?

"In other words, are we merely fans of Jesus or true followers? As in his own day, Jesus now is looking for souls who are willing to do more than the crowds who are fascinated by all things Catholic. He's looking for those who are willing to do what he wants them to do, say what he wants them to say, go where he wants them to go, and give up whatever he wants them to give up. That's a lot more than being a fan. In other words, Jesus is looking for souls

willing to give a total commitment to him as disciples."

Think about that. Are you just as "fanatical" a follower of Jesus as you are of the Eagles...Flyers...golf... movies...hobbies...you name it? Just to be clear, there is nothing wrong with supporting ourselves, family, friends or our favorite sports team(s) or hobbies or avocations, but

a follower of Christ imitates Jesus.

"Jesus doesn't just want to be a part of our lives; he wants to be at the very center," says Dr. Sri.

This week, answer this question: "Are You Happy?" Reading pages 13 to 21 of Dr. Sri's book may help you in more ways than one to move from being a fan into a follower of Jesus.

- Fr. Steve

NEXT WEEK: What does following Jesus look like? Read pages 23-31 in "Into His Likeness" as we continue on our journey of walking in Jesus' steps.

If you haven't received a copy of this Christmas book, pick one up in the Narthex for you and a friend.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION LIVING WATER

Merry Christmas! Share that cheerful greeting with some folks today. They may wonder if you have had any Elvis

sightings lately, attended Star Trekkie conventions, or were Cleopatra in a previous lifetime.

Despite the skeptics, today is solidly within the Christmas season. In fact, in some strands of the Christian tradition it represents the clearest manifestation of the mystery of the Incarnation. On Christmas Day, for example, the Gospel reading is the Prologue of John's Gospel, which reveals the glory of Christ shining through our humanity precisely in his baptism.

At any rate, this is an ancient

feast, celebrated first in Egypt 16 centuries ago. More than most other ancient people, the Egyptians under-

stood the life-giving properties of water. On this day, they drew water from the Nile, so central in the history of their people, and reserved it in honor. Many other places copied the custom, so that St. John Chrysostom wrote of people in Antioch gathering at midnight to collect flow-

ing water into vessels they brought from home since "today there is a blessing on the water."

For many Catholics, the Christmas season ends today with the Baptism of Christ. Others say tradition officially ended 40 days after Christmas on February 2 when Our Lord was presented in the temple or the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary commonly called Candlemas.

At home for dinner tonight, decorate the table with beautiful bowls of water and white can-

dles, toast one another with goblets of sparkling water, and light a Christmas candle in the window one last time. – Adapted from James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.



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Vews & Events



ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS . . .

BECOMING A DISCIPLE

This January our young adults are exploring what it takes to be a disciple (aka a saint). Each **Tuesday** at **7 PM** in our Parish Office, a different saint is encountered. All young adults are invited. Nothing needed in advance. Just come and bring a friend. Our recent survey said you wanted to hear more about Blessed Chiara Luce Badano, St. Padre Pio. St. Faustina, and St. Maximilian Kolbe. (NOTE: No discussion of New Orleans Saints!) As an aside, the Christmas Hot Chocolate Party was a great hit with nearly 30 participants feasting from the chocolate bar, snacks and holiday music provided by our impromptu Christmas band of Claire, Derek and Stephen. Looking forward to more displays of talent all around. Finally, the parish Christmas book Into His Likeness, by Dr. Edward Sri, will be handed out. I'm hooked after just the introduction. The book nicely ties into our saint study. Here's a line from the intro: "When our Catholic Tradition talks about growing in holiness, pursuing sanctity, and becoming saints, it's basically describing this process of a Christian disciple being conformed to the image of Christ (see Romans 8:29)." So come join us this month!

CONTACT: Natalie at <u>natalie.m.murray@gmail.com</u> and join us at facebook.com/groups/NorbsYA/

50+ GROUP EVENT

Pope Movie Night

Join the 50+ Group to view the acclaimed movie. Pope Francis: A Man of His **Word.** And enjoy pizza and refreshments prior to the movie!

Friday Feb 22

6 PM Narthex – pizza and refreshments **6:45 PM** Oratory – movie

\$10/person

CONTACT: Linda Schiavone linda@schiavone.com and Vince Schiavone vincent@schiavone.com

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY...

Experiencing Loss?



The Spring sessions start in early April and run till May. This series will be held on Tuesdays from 7-8:30 PM, at St. Norbert's. More info soon. CONTACT: Sharon at 301.775.5709 or sholea44@gmail.com

MAN OF HIS WORD

FROM YOUR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

RESPONSE TO CRISIS



On February 21-14, Pope Francis will convene a worldwide meeting of Bishops on the Abuse Crisis. Your Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) encourages you to go online to our St. Norbert website to review our response and letters to **Pope** Francis, Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, President of the United Stated Confrence of Catholic Bishops, and to our Arch-

bishop Charles Chaput along with his response.

We also encourage you to make your thoughts, concerns and suggestions known to the Pope and Bishops before their meeting. You might forward our letters and sign our online petition or send your own letters to one or all three church leaders.

Your PPC has also started a **Monthly Healing NIGHT** designed to provide a time for all to pray for those abused, our Church and St. Norbert parish. The last Thursday of every month, Fr. Arul is leading a Guided Meditation Holy Hour. These evenings are from **7-8 PM** in the St. Norbert Church with prayer, Confession, Adoration, and Benediction. The next evening will be Thursday, Jan 31 at 7 PM.

CONTACT: The PPC is continuing to discern, discuss, evaluate and develop additional initiatives on this subject. We also want to hear from you about your concerns, issues, thoughts, response to these initiatives and future efforts. Please contact or talk to:

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Please join us for **Walking with Purpose** (WWP) Tuesdays, at 9 AM in the St. Norbert School Dining Room

Two Options:
1) Opening Your Heart, the Starting Point 2) Keeping in Balance

CHILDCARE PROVIDED

Contact: Lisa McGowan at mcgowanlh@gmail.com

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LIVING OUR FAITH IN TODAY'S WORLD

CALLED TO MISSION

Make your plans now for a **50+Group** Spiritual Retreat at the Family Life Center at Malvern Retreat House on **Thursday**, **Jan 24**, from **9 AM-2:30 PM**. **Fr. James McGuinn** will direct our 2nd annual spiritual retreat focused on understanding what



Catholic evangelization is, and how we can help our parish and ourselves grow as evangelists. Fr. Jim will inspire you to become a fully devoted disciple of Christ. The day includes Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation, personal reflection time, and fellowship over breakfast and lunch. **Cost**: \$36 per person.

RSVP early to reserve your place! **DEADLINE:** Friday **Jan 18.** Drop off or mail the registration form below along with payment to the Parish Office. **CONTACT:** Barbara DiGuglielmo at bbarbdi@aol.com or 610.283.5548

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50+ Group Day of Recollection at Malvern Retreat House Thursday, Jan 24, 9 AM-2:30 PM

| Name(s): | |
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| Telephone: | |
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| Total Enclosed: | (\$36/person, cash or check |
| payable to St. Norbert 5 | o+ Group) |

DROP OFF OR MAIL completed form with payment to the Parish Office (50 Leopard Road, Paoli PA 19301) no later than Friday, January 18, 2019. If the Office is closed, just use the mail slot next to the front door.



THE CHURCH & SOCIAL COMMUNICATIONS

FROM ANGER TO RENEWAL

Kim Daniels, Associate Director of the Initiative on



Catholic Social Thought and Public Life at Georgetown University, will present the 2019 Cardinal Foley Lecture on "From Anger to Renewal: Communications and the Crisis in the Church" at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary on Monday, Jan 28 at 7 pm. Kim was appointed by Pope Francs as a Member of the Vatican Dicastery for Communications.

nication in 2016 and has been a lead advisor to the US bishops and Catholic organizations on issues where Church teachings intersect with public life, including immigration, human life and dignity, religious liberty, and care for creation. She also was a leader for the *Overcoming Polarization in a Divided Nation Through Catholic Social Thought* conference at Georgetown in June 2018. She is a graduate of Princeton University and the University of Chicago Law School. **RSVP:** Kim Daniels' lecture is free, but please register at https://goo.gl/forms/b9TSkf6sopuyxKgk1 St. Charles Seminary is at 100 East Wynnewood Road, Wynnewood, PA 19096

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO...

SERVE THE POOR

Our next mission to serve lunch at the St. Francis Inn in the Kensington area of Philadelphia will be on **Friday**, **Jan**



25. The Inn serves the daily needs of the poor and homeless with food, clothing, and hospitality. Our St. Norbert's ministry has served every month for many years. Volunteers must be 16 years of age or older. Help break the cycle of homelessness and poverty. **Contact**: Cal Fastuca at cal.fastuca@me.com



MARCH FOR LIFE SIGN UPS NOW...

JOIN THE BUS

Our Respect Life Ministry will sponsor the annual **March for Life** bus trip on Friday, **Jan 18** to Washington, DC, in support of "all lives matter." **CONTACT:** Joe Maxwell of the Respect for Life Ministry at 610.955. 5701 or jf.maxwell@verizon.net **COST:** Seat reservation \$15 per person for parishioners. **RSVP:** Send checks to Joe at 2310 Pine View Drive, Malvern, PA 19355. **TRANSPORTATION:** Bus leaves St. Norbert at 8:45 AM and returns at 7:15 PM. **REGISTER:** Narthex Jan 6-7 and 13-14 or https://www.kofcpaoli.org/respect-for-life/



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PRAY FOR OUR TEENS ... XANTEN RETREAT

This weekend Find our more about our Youth Group and how you can encounter Jesus every Sunday after the 6 рм Youth Mass

CONTACT: Clare Field at cfield@parish.stnorbert.org

ATTN PARENTS . . .

Altar Server Training



Parents: Start your children early serving God, helping your church grow and providing a special encounter with Jesus at every Mass for your children. Jesus came to serve. Let's teach all our children how to serve. Grade school boys and girls 4th Grade

and above from CaFFE, home school, St. Norbert School and children from private Catholic schools are needed as Altar Servers. Training 3 consecutive **Tuesdays Jan 15 & 22 at 6:30 PM. CONTACT:** Laura Peterson at 610.644.1655 ext 121 or lpeterson@parish.stnorbert.org

BATTLING ADDICTIONS?

SPIRITUAL TRIAGE

GETHSEMANI 12 STEP SPIRITUALITY NIGHT:

This **Sunday**, **Jan 13**, 7:**30-8:30 PM**, in the St. Norbert Oratory. Open to people in 12 Step programs (AA, Al-Anon, Gamblers Anonymous, etc.). Held the 2nd Sunday of the



month. Contact: Martin K 610.291.114



GETHSEMANI ADDICTIONS PRAYER NITE: The holidays are always a trying time for those battling addictions. Join us **Thursday, Jan 17, 7 PM** in the Oratory to pray for family members and loved ones suffering from addictions. Confessions and Adoration

available. **CONTACT**: Mark Christmyer at 610.644.1655 ext.131 or mchristmyer@stnorbert.org

GETHSEMANIWAY.COM



WHAT'S IN THIS FOR ME?

"We're prodigal sons come back to the Father. I'm humbled and grateful for the men in my group. It's been pretty amazing. It lifts us up knowing that others have been in the same place and have the same needs." – Tom M

> "For me, it is a weekly retreat from the chaos of daily life. It refocuses my energy on the things that truly matter to me: my faith and family." – Mike B

New Session Starts January 31 "THE WILL TO LOVE"

Want to go deeper in your spiritual life?
Rediscover the true desires of your heart?
Join other men Thursdays, Jan 31, at 6-7:30 AM in the
St. Norbert School Dining Hall. Learn a
structured approach to spirituality, make true progress in a
spiritual life, encounter Jesus and transform your life and

those around you. Featuring a hot breakfast.

CONTACT: Tom Cancelmo at
tcancelmo@btcmarketing.com

REGISTER: https://admin.paradisusdei.org/



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