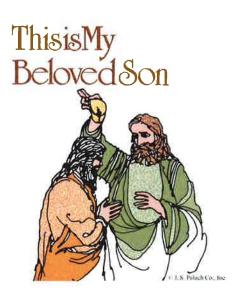


The Baptism of the Lord January 10, 2021 All you who are thirsty, come to the water! — Isaiah 55:1



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: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10;

1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

The parish club will begin distributing baby bottles for the Alpha Center on Sat. Jan. 16th. We request that they be returned by the 24th of January. This collection is to help the Center provide needed services to pregnant women and families of small children. Thank you for any assistance you can provide.

There will be a memorial Mass for Frank Riley who died December 18th. Date and time are yet to be decided.

SAINTS & SPECIAL **OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: The Baptism of the

Lord

Monday: First Week in Ordi-

nary Time begins

Wednesday: St. Hilary

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

He will baptize with the Holy Spirit



AN ANCIENT BAPTISTERY

One of the most ancient and enduring sites for baptism in Rome is the church of San Giovanni in Fonte. This church is in fact a baptistery, and houses the font for the Lateran Basilica, the cathedral of Rome. The Emperor Constantine sponsored its construction in the year 315, and it is therefore the oldest baptistery in the world. It is the model for nearly all later baptisteries, including perhaps the font in your own parish church. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Valentine's cards have appeared at the shopping mall, but in the Church it is still Christmas. Today's feast spun off from Epiphany. Originally, a blessing of holy water was an important feature of the Epiphany feast, and in the Greek Church, this was a day for leaping into the sea in grateful recollection of baptism. The gratitude may not be quite as profound among the Orthodox Christians who have to chop holes in the ice to plunge into the waters!

Still, there are few better days to celebrate a baptism, and to plunge our hands into the waters of the font. Jesus found the waters of the Jordan irresistible because of what had been done in those waters: people had confessed their sins, and had acknowledged their need to be forgiven and healed. Today, we are the people in the water, and Christ comes to be with us. You won't have to chop a hole in the ice to celebrate your baptism. A beautiful bowl of water on the table tonight, a toast with sparkling water at dinner, or even a leap into the shower with a sign of the cross and a prayer of thanksgiving will suffice!

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We are in need of non-perishable food item so that we are able to provide food baskets to families in need during the Easter season and those who come seeking food during the year.. What ever you can donate will be much appreciated.

Saturday Jan. 9th 4pm: Repose of the soul of Joseph Gavlik

Sunday Jan 10th 9:30am: Repose of the soul of Sal Gilardi

Tuesday Jan. 12th 9:30am: Repose of the soul of Florence Wyant

Wednesday Jan. 13th 9:30am: Intention of members of prayer group & prayer chain warriors

Saturday Jan. 16th 4pm: Repose of the soul of Frank Riley

Sunday Jan. 17th 9:30am: Repose of the soul of Will Fralix



Thank you for your continued suppport

Prayer Requests

Averi Antich Blaine Marvin Bordetsky Dawn Brenan Janice Cahill Danny Canzolino Mary Canzolino Catherine Coleman Diane DaSilva Eric Day Thelma Einboden Ruth Faulkner Lorraine Fitzkee Pamela Fitzkee Kevin Fitzpatrick Dawn Fraher Gene Loosemore **Mary Sutton** Samantha Houldson Mary Porter **Patsy Beam** Ruvia Doyle Peggy Dowd

Gail Garrett Martha Gartland Lisa Gibson Ben Hall Maggie Hall Lawrence Harris **Edward Hickey** Florence Humble Chris Keller Jeff Keller Rodney Keller Jennifer Kesse Caleb Knaggs Helen Kocijan Joan Langlie Laquttia Linquist Adam Linquist **Morris Lunn** Jim Mansfield Bob Benjamin Roger Soucey Christopher Cochran

Rick Muhlig Joan Nehiley Madeline Pynn Marie Sample Concetta Santangelo Woody Salisbury **Dennis Soucev** Kitty Thompson The Homebound Michael Vilt Margaret Wimberly-**Charles Young** Carolyn Ashe Chris Jones **Charles Dougherty** Francis Carrizzo Chris Ulrich Jack Cola Mike Carper