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### Mass Schedule

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:00 PM

**Sunday:** 7:30 AM & 9:00 AM, 5:30 PM

**Traditional Latin High Mass:** 10:30 AM

**Weekdays:** Mon.-Tues., Thurs.-Fri. 7:30 AM

**Traditional Latin Mass :** Mon-Wed-Fri: 12:30  
PM; Thu: 5:30 PM; Sat: 9:00 AM.

**Holy Days:** if Mon-Fri., 7:30 AM., 12:30, 5:30 &  
7:30 PM.; if on Saturday, 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

**Christmas Eve:** 4:00 PM & 12 Midnight

**Christmas Day:** 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

**January 1st:** 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

### SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Upon request. Please contact Father Higgins.

#### **Penance (Confession):**

Saturday 8:30-9:00 A.M. and 3:30-4:00 PM

Sunday, before and after the 10:30 a.m. AM Mass,  
Weekdays, before and after the Latin daily Masses

#### **Matrimony:**

Engaged couples should make arrangements with the  
parish church so as to allow for adequate sacramental  
preparation (six months), including a Pre-Cana program.

#### **Pastoral Care of the Sick**

**Anointing of the Sick** (for those who are gravely ill or  
facing serious surgery); **Communion of the Sick for  
the Homebound:** Please contact Father Higgins.



**David Allen**

***BAPTISM OF OUR LORD:  
PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS***

(*Missale Romanum* 1970)

*“Accept, O Lord, the offerings we have brought to honor the revealing of Your beloved Son, so that the oblation of Your faithful may be transformed into the sacrifice of Him who willed in His compassion to wash away the sins of the world. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.”*

Epiphany-tide celebrates not only Jesus’ manifestation to the Gentiles, but likewise the beginning of His public ministry, with His Baptism and His first sign (the turning of water into wine in Cana). In fact, Jesus’ Baptism is properly called a *theophany*, because God Himself is revealed in His inner Trinitarian life in this event. As we hear in the *troparion* hymn in the Byzantine Church for this feast, “at Your Baptism in the Jordan, O Lord, worship of the Trinity was revealed.” Prior to the Incarnation, it simply could not be known that the One God was a Trinity of Persons. Christ, the divine Son, graciously and wondrously reveals this to His beloved Church. In fact, in Christ, God reveals fully to man both who He is and *how He wants to be worshipped*, and this latter item is the one we will treat today.

The revealed worship of the Bible centers around sacrifice. In His sacrifice on the cross, Jesus “brings to perfection all human attempts to offer sacrifice,” because His sacrifice “completes and surpasses” them (*Catechism of the Catholic Church* nos. 1350, 614). As the divine Son, Christ’s obedience is the perfect sacrifice that infinitely atones for human sin and disobedience (*Catechism* nos. 614-16). How do we get in on something so good? How do we participate in this supreme sacrifice?

Upon being baptized, and thereby being incorporated into Christ’s Mystical Body the

Church, each Christian is *divinely equipped* to worship God in and through Christ’s Sacrifice of the Eucharist (this is the seal or character of Baptism, to which I often refer in this column, and which we read about in *Catechism* nos. 1272-4). The character of Baptism capacitates one both to participate in and receive benefit from Christ’s self-offering, which is renewed and re-presented in the Mass.

In our Prayer over the Offerings above, we see that our sacrifice is sufficient only insofar as it is joined to and transformed by Christ’s oblation of Himself on the Cross, which is foreshadowed in His own Baptism, which we celebrate today. How joyful, then, should we be as Catholics to have such an inestimable gift! We have been endowed, for no merits of our own, with a supernatural capacity to worship God as He desires, and thereby, to merit grace for ourselves and others in union with the risen Lord.

For many American mainline Christians, one’s experience of Church on Sunday is often evaluated along the lines of “what do I get out of it?” For the Catholic or the Eastern Orthodox who are properly instructed in the purpose of divine worship, the paradigm is entirely different. It is not about what we get out of it. Rather, it is about what *God is owed* in justice as our Creator and Redeemer, what He has commanded, and, further, how we can properly fulfill this joyful and life-giving obligation *in and through Christ alone*. This is why the Canon ends with the very telling doxology: “Through Him, and with Him, and in Him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, for ever and ever.” As the late great Byzantine Jesuit liturgist, Archimandrite Robert Taft, once said, “Liturgy is *for* us, but it is not *about* us.” In other words, it’s about our Lord Jesus, and what He has done and continues to do for us and with us, His Bride the Church.

## LATIN MASS PROPERS: FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

**INTROIT:** Proverbs 23: 24, 25 The father of the just rejoiceth greatly, let Thy father and Thy mother be joyful, and let her rejoice that bore Thee. Psalm 83: 2-3 How lovely are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts! My soul longeth and fainteth for the courts of the Lord. V. Glory be to the Father.

**COLLECT** O Lord Jesus Christ, who when Thou wast subject to Mary and Joseph didst sanctify the home life with ineffable virtues: grant that by their assistance, we may be instructed by the example of Thy Holy Family and become partakers of their eternal happiness: Who livest and reignest.

**EPISTLE:** Colossians 3: 12-17 Brethren: Put ye on therefore, as the elect of God, holy, and beloved, the depths of mercy, benignity, humility, modesty, patience: bearing with one another and forgiving one another if any have a complaint against another. Even as the Lord hath forgiven you, so do you also. But above all these things have charity, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ rejoice in your hearts, wherein also you are called in one body: and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you abundantly, in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, hymns, and spiritual canticles, singing in grace in your hearts to God. All whatsoever you do in word or in work, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him.

**GRADUAL:** Psalm 26: 4; 83: 5 One thing I have asked of the Lord, this will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. V. Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house, O Lord, they shall praise Thee for ever and ever. **ALLELUIA:** Isaias 45: 15 Alleluia, alleluia. V. Verily Thou art a hidden God, the God of Israel, the Saviour. Alleluia.

**GOSPEL:** Luke 2: 42-52 **W**hen Jesus was twelve years old, they going up into Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast, and having fulfilled the days, when they returned, the Child Jesus remained in Jerusalem, and His parents knew it not. And thinking that He was in the company, they came a day's journey, and sought Him among His kinfolks and acquaintance. And not finding Him, they returned into Jerusalem, seeking Him. And it came to pass that after three days they found Him in the Temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, hearing them and asking them questions. And all that heard Him were astonished at his wisdom and His answers. And seeing Him they wondered. And His mother said to Him: Son, why hast Thou done so to us? Behold Thy father and I have sought Thee sorrowing. And He said to them: How is it that you sought Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business? And they understood not the word that He spoke unto them. And He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them. And His mother kept all these words in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and grace with God and men.

**OFFERTORY:** Luke 2: 22 The parents of Jesus carried Him to Jerusalem, to present Him to the Lord.

**SECRET** We offer to Thee, O Lord, this sacrifice of propitiation, humbly entreating that through the intercession of the Virgin Mother of God and blessed Joseph, Thou wouldst firmly establish our families in Thy peace and grace. Through the same our Lord.

### Preface of the Epiphany

**COMMUNION:** Luke 2: 51 Jesus went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them.

**POSTCOMMUNION** Make us, O Lord Jesus, whom Thou dost refresh with Thy heavenly sacraments, ever to follow the example of Thy holy Family, that at the hour of our death Thy glorious Virgin Mother and blessed Joseph may be near us, and we may be found worthy to be received by Thee into Thy eternal dwellings. Who livest and reignest.

# Music Programs for this Sunday's Mass

Mass of Pope Paul VI (1970 Missal)

4:00 PM (*Vigil*), 7:30 & 9:00 AM, 5:30 PM

## Baptism of Our Lord

**Prelude:** I Heard The Voice of Jesus  
(Worship II Hymnal, No.130)

**Entrance Antiphon: Matthew 3:16-17**  
(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 15)

*After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon Him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.*

## Ordinary Prayers: Mass II "Kyrie Fons Bonitatis"

(Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus-Benedictus and Agnus Dei)  
Parish Book of Chant, nos. 34-39/pp. 63-66

**Credo I** (Laminated long-sheet in pews)

**Offertory Antiphon: Matthew 3:16-17**  
(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 15)

*After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon Him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.*

**Communion: John 1:32, 34**

(SAINT MEINRAD booklet, page 15)

*Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.*

## Communion Meditation:

Of The Father's Love Begotten  
(Worship II Hymnal, No.216)

## Recessional Hymn:

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise  
(Worship II Hymnal, No.255)



Mass of St. Gregory the Great (1962 Missal)

10:30 AM

## Feast of the Holy Family

**Prelude:** Reges Tharsis Et Insulae  
(Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, Published 1593)

*Asperges me* (Parish Book of Chant, pg. 34)

**Processional:** Resonet in Laudibus  
Parish Book of Chant, no.236/pg. 245

**Introit: Proverbs 23:24,25** *Exsultat gaudio pater Justi, gaudeat pater tuus et mater tua, et exsultet quae genuit te. (Psalm) Quam dilecta tabernacula tua, Domine virtutum: concupiscit et deficit anima mea in atria Domini.*

## Ordinary Prayers: Mass II "Kyrie Fons Bonitatis"

(Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus-Benedictus and Agnus Dei)  
Parish Book of Chant, nos. 34-39/pp. 63-66

**Credo IV:** Parish Book of Chant, no. 120/pp. 117-119

**Gradual: Psalm 24:4, 83:5** *Unam petii a Domino, hanc requiram: ut inhabitem in domo Domini omnibus diebus vitae meae. Beati qui habitant in domo tua, Domine, in saecula saeculorum laudabunt te. Alleluia: Psalm 84:8* *Alleluia, alleluia. Vere tu es Rex absconditus, Deus Israel Salvator. Alleluia.*

**Offertory: Luke 2:22** *Tulerunt Jesum parentes ejus in Jerusalem, ut sisterent emu Domino.*

**Communion: Matthew 2:2** *Descendit Jesus cum eis, et venit Nazareth, et erat subditus illis.*

## Communion Meditation:

Surge, Illuminare Jerusalem  
(Francesco Corteccia, Published: 1571 in Cantorum liber primus)

## Recessional Hymn:

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise  
(Worship II Hymnal, No.255)

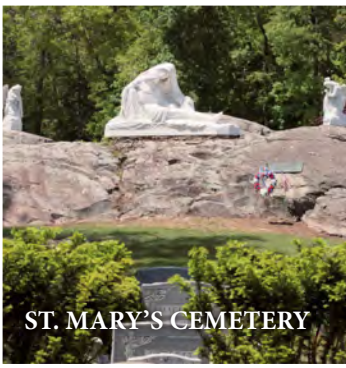
**Postlude:** Coventry Carol (Traditional)

*Angelus* (Chant)

## Calendar of Masses

(Intention of the Mass—Special Remarks—Requested by)

<b>SUNDAY</b>	4:00 PM	Virginia Teehan	Memorial	Mary Bennett
<b>January 12th</b>	(Vigil)			
<i>FEAST OF THE</i>	7:30 AM	Pro Populo		
<i>HOLY FAMILY</i>	9:00 AM	Eileen O'Malley	Memorial	Michael J. Wiseman
	10:30 AM	Marlan & Katharine Allen	Special Intention	David & Ellen Allen
<i>BAPTISM OF OUR</i>		Frs. Desiré Salako &		
<i>LORD</i>		Pierluigi Maccalli, S.M.A.	Special Intention	David & Ellen Allen
<i>(OBSERVED)</i>		William Provencher	Special Intention	Provencher Family
		John & Mary McCarthy	Memorial	McCarthy Family
<i>SUNDAY AFTER</i>		Donna Angelucci	Special Intention	Anthony & Victoria Angelucci
<i>EPIPHANY</i>		Kaitlin Sullivan	Special Intention	Anthony & Victoria Angelucci
		Erin Sullivan	Special Intention	Anthony & Victoria Angekucchi
		George Festa	Health of the Sick	Kathy Blake
		Sales Family	Special Intention	Edineusa Pinto
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		Maria Paula Frade	Birthday Intention	Erika da Silva
		Anne DeVendra	Memorial	Rebecca DeVendra
		Charles Beigel	Memorial	Rebecca DeVendra
		Wilfred Martin	Memorial	David & Ellen Allen
		V.F. Raymundo	Memorial	Lita O'Laoghaire
	5:30 PM	Intention of the Donor		
<b>MONDAY</b>	7:30 AM	Purgatorial Society of	Memorial	
<b>January 13th</b>		Mary Immaculate of		
<i>BAPTISM OF OUR</i>		Lourdes		
<i>LORD</i>	12:30 PM	Margaret & Michael Gavin		Stephen Pollard
<b>TUESDAY</b>	7:30 AM	Intention of the Donor		
<b>January 14th</b>				
<i>St. Hilary of Poitiers</i>				
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	12:30 PM	Tanguy du Halgouët	Health of the Sick	Kathy Blake
<b>January 15th</b>				
<i>St. Paul the First</i>				
<i>Hermit</i>				
<b>THURSDAY</b>	7:30 AM	Sandra & Arthur Lucia	Special Intention	Provencher Family
<b>January 16th</b>				
<i>Feria/</i>	5:30 PM	Susan Goeller	Special Intention	Catherine E. Dinon
<i>Pope St. Marcellus</i>				
<b>FRIDAY</b>	7:30 AM	Intention of the Donor		
<b>January 17th</b>	<i>Health of the Sick</i>			
<i>St. Anthony of Egypt</i>	12:30 PM	Erika da Silva	Health of the Sick	David & Ellen Allen
<b>SATURDAY</b>	9:00 AM	All Souls (8)	Memorial	Donor
<b>January 18th</b>		Intention of the Donor	Special Intention	
<i>St. Peter's Chair</i>		Margie Bibbo	Special Intention	Kathy Blake
<i>(Beginning of the</i>		Eugene Michael Booth	Special Intention	Laura Harvey
<i>Octave Week of</i>				
<i>Prayer for Christian</i>				
<i>Unity)</i>	4:00 PM	Intention of the Donor		



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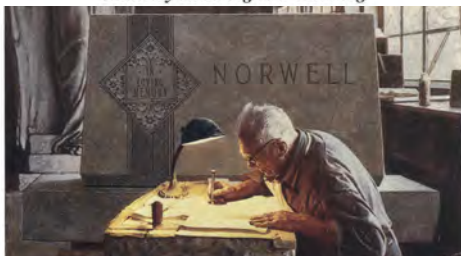
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