



# Baptism of the Lord

## January 12, 2025

- MASS SONGS AND READINGS**
- \*Processional—Wade in the Water #396
  - \*Readings-#804 Baptism of the Lord
  - \*Offertory—Peace is Flowing Like a River #675
  - \*Communion—Draw Near #486
  - \*Recessional—Holy God, We Praise Thy Name #721



## Mass Intentions

### **\*\*SUNDAY, January 12<sup>th</sup>— 4:30p.m.**

- ~Paul Jones by Angela Jones
- ~Jim Ratliff by Emilie Anderson
- ~Jerry LaFond by Marsha Willey
- ~Leland & Anita Lambert by Paula & Corky Miller

### **\*\*SUNDAY, January 19<sup>th</sup>— 4:30p.m.**

- ~Scott Bloomquist by Angela Jones
- ~Tim Savoie by Don & Phyllis Savoie
- ~Dolores Roberts by Michele & Jeff Webster

### **\*\*SUNDAY, January 26<sup>th</sup>— 4:30p.m.**

- ~Scott Savoie by Don & Phyllis Savoie
- ~Jim Ratliff by Marlis & Allyn Kleinert

## PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$1,443.00
Sunday Offering for January 5th:	-\$1,119.00
Online Giving:	-\$125.00
Deficit for the week:	-( \$199.00)

Restoration: \$200-collection; \$85-Preservation  
Solemnity of Mary Collection-\$499

~Sunday Offertory Budget Amount for Fiscal Year  
July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025 is \$75,000.

~Sunday Offertory Actual Money Donated as of  
January 5th- **\$42,880.93.**

*We need help after Mass TODAY  
taking down Christmas decorations*

### CO-MINISTERS FOR:

Sunday, January 19th @ 4:30p.m.

- READER: Ann
- E.M.: Chris B & Weber's
- Ushers: Tom & Drew
- Servers: Gwaltney's
- Money Counters: Diane & Andrea

**Please do not use  
old collection  
envelopes from  
previous years.  
Numbers change  
each year.**

### Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass said in memory of a loved one, please let the parish office know. Masses are \$10 each. You can pick what dates you would like the Mass to be given on. \*Please note that Masses are given for more than one person most of the time due to having only one Mass each week.

### Please Pray For:

**Intentions:** Debbie Mize Baker, Gabe Lareau, Willy VanWassenhove, Megan Markley, Don Savoie, John Bumbul, Cleona Datzman, Emmett Sutton & Family, Angie Clement, Web Bohn, Regina Penny, Nicholas, Sharon Hess, Kathy Wagner, Jewel Legan, Cindy Jamnik, Beverly & Ben Maurer, Shirley Guttman, Jerry Shortsleeve, Ray Arseneau, Janet Lambert, Sylvia Eddy, Betty Lambert, Elaine Arseneau, Judy Laurent, & Special Intentions

**Our Departed:** Bruce Martell & Cody Gregory

### Our Service Men & Women:

- \*SGT Colby Arseneau, Army Reserves, Grandson of Jerry & Joyce Arseneau;
- \*Maj. Todd Fatka, USAR, son of Angela Jones

**\*Please notify the Office at 815-644-6664 if a loved one is admitted to the hospital or would like to be on the prayer list or to have someone taken off the list if they are well.**



# St. Mary's News



**Preparing for Next Sunday's Gospel**  
 Second Sunday Ordinary Time "C"  
 John 2:1-11  
 "Do whatever he tells you!"

Have Jesus and Mary ever shown up at major events in my life-weddings, funerals, etc.?

Do I do whatever Jesus tells me to do?  
 Why? Why not?

How can I more fully join in the Wedding Banquet of the Lamb?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, you first manifested your divinity in the miracle of abundance at the wedding feast at Cana. Help me to co-operate with you in bringing about the fullness of your messianic ministry and al-

Now that we have completed our Christmas celebration, I wish to thank again all those who were so kind and generous to our parish and to me. Your thoughtfulness enables us to continue the work of our parish during this Holy Year of 2025. Yea Team!

~Fr. Mike

**The 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun!**

As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are humbly asking all parishioners to pledge their support for this important effort, as together we can make a profound difference.

This year's CMAA theme is *Open your heart to God's goodness*. Through our support, we ensure that the mission and ministries of Christ's Church are available to everyone. Together, we can help provide safe shelter for the homeless, feed the physical and social needs of those who are hungry, inspire those discerning a life of vocation, and aid in the education of our next generation of Catholics. Our parish could not accomplish all of this on its own. As a diocese working together, we can do so much more.

Our parish goal for the 2025 CMAA is \$8,300, and 70% of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us and used fruitfully within our own parish. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

**Caregiver Stress Busting Program**

Do you provide care for a loved one with a chronic illness? We know caregiving can be stressful. This program teaches stress management techniques, coping & relaxation strategies

When: Thursdays, Jan. 23-Mar. 20, 2025 from 1:30-3pm

Cost: No Cost

Register or Questions call Amanda: 815-523-9919

**Preparing for Next Sunday's Petitions**

- ~That the Church may always know the joy of being the Bride of Christ
- ~That the varied and wondrous gifts of the Holy Spirit may build up the one Body of Christ
- ~That couples who are married in Christ, may be strengthened to honor their vows until death
- ~That inspired and instructed by Mary, the Mother of God, disciples of Jesus may do what he commands us
- ~That the poor in body, in mind, or in spirit may have their needs met through Christ and His Church
- ~That the prayers in the hearts of our parishioners may come to the Lord who delights in caring for His people
- ~That those who have died may join in the eternal wedding banquet of the Lamb

Let Us Pray to the Lord

**Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers**

If you would be interested in doing one of these jobs during Mass, please talk to Ryan Loy. We can always use more people!

## AREA EVENTS

**Beaverville Firemen's Ham & Bean and Chili Dinner**

When: Sunday, January 19th from 4-7pm

Where: St. Mary's Parish Hall

Price: Free Will Donation

All proceeds to help equip their new engine

**Martinton Community Food Pantry**

The food pantry serves all of Iroquois County. They are in need of our help. **Please continue to bring in food donations.** They are also looking for monetary donations, volunteers to help unload the trucks, and working on distribution days. If you are able to help, please call Connie Stirling at 815-867-6480.

**New Hours: Tuesday 9-11a.m., No PM hours**

**Items Needed at the Pantry:**

Cranberry Sauce

Stuffing Mix

Scalloped Potatoes Box

Shampoo

Paper Towels

**Eastern Illinois Food Bank Food Distribution**

They will be distributing food in the hardware parking lot next to the post office the 4th Wednesday of each month from 12:30-1pm. Visit [eifoodbank.org](http://eifoodbank.org) for more information.