

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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Domine, fac me servum pacis tuae

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Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday: 10:00am - 5:00pm

Friday: 10:00am - 1:00pm

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Sign-up only

Sunday Sign-up only

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30pm - 4:15pm & 6:30pm - 7:15pm

Sunday 8:00am - 8:30am

Or by appointment

Sunday, January 10, 2021 The Baptism of the Lord



*“and a voice
came from
heaven, ‘Thou art
my beloved Son;
with thee I am
well pleased.’”
Mark 1:11*

WELCOME

Father Cory Catron, Pastor
Deacon Lee Levenson, Deacon

Administrative Assistant:

Chris Gailey

wk: 336-246-9151

Pastoral Council:

Joanne Kuszaj—Chairperson

336-982-3054

Finance Council:

Rick LaBonte - Chairperson

336-877-2300

Choir Director:

Randy Revis

336-384-2835

Faith Formation:

Isabel Spencer (Coordinator)

336-877-0883

Home Bound Ministers:

Brings the Eucharist to the Homebound

Please call the church office

336-246-9151

Parish Commissions & Committees

Commission Chairperson:

Liturgy/Worship—Vickie Herman

336-877-5656

Parish Life—

Volunteer Needed

Community Life—Diane LaBonte

336-877-2300

Prison Ministry —

Knights of Columbus

Ecumenism-- Bernadette Zimmerman

336-846-4518

Building/Facilities—Mike Gailey

336-338-2488

Prayer Chain (prayer request):

Chairperson—Mary Rodgers

336-877-5399

Vicariate Hispanic Ministry Coordinator:

Sergio Lopez

336-529-3748

Baptism Prep Class, Spanish:

Jose Juan Robles

336-977-4612

For anointing of the sick, receiving the Eucharist while home-bound/in the hospital, hearing of your confession, or special prayers and/or visit from Father please call the church office.

St. Francis of Assisi Cemetery: Plots are available for purchase during office hours. Payment in full is required at purchase. Prices are: \$750/per full size plot; \$250/per urn size plot.

Weekend Masses: Due to the regulations of limited seating we are requiring that attendees to the Sunday Masses sign up prior to attending. Attendance will be limited to the current requirements of social distancing. To sign up for Mass please contact **Joanne at 336-982-3054 or jkuszaj@gmail.com**. Attendees are asked to wear a mask. Those not able to attend Mass are granted a dispensation.

Live Streaming the 9:00am Sunday Mass on the Parish YouTube Channel. You can find the channel by searching YouTube for “St. Francis of Assisi, Jefferson, NC”. The Live Stream will begin approximately 1 minute before Mass. You do not need a Google or YouTube account to simply watch the video. At the conclusion of the Live Stream, the video will be archived and available on the parish YouTube channel within 12- 24 hours.

Weekday Masses: In accordance with CDC guidelines and direction of Bishop Jugis attendance is limited to within social distancing recommendations in the worship area.

Bulletin Deadline: Items for the bulletin must be submitted to the Church Office before 12:00pm on Tuesday.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 10

10:00am - Baptismal Prep Class, Spanish

Tuesday, January 12

8:00pm - Spanish Choir Practice

Friday, January 15

8:00pm - Young Adults for Christ

Ministry Schedule

Saturday Mass, January 16, 4:30pm

Lector: *Tyler D. **Irene S.

Greeter: Joanna M.

Usher: John E.

Sunday, January 17, 9:00am

Lector: *Joanne K. **Anne B.

Greeter: Kryn H.

Usher: Rick L.

Altar Linens for January

January 15: Evelyn R.

January 22: Kryn H.

January 29: Evelyn R.



Parishioners, Family Members and Friends

in need of Special Prayer:

Lynn Marie Gregor, Marilyn Reihle, Kevin Gouge, Patrick Fulker-son, Logan Tyler Hollars, Refugio Calvillo, TC Huntsinger, Felicitas Bugarin Santos, Lynn Miller, Jane Faber, Meaghen Price, Paul Hughes, Arjean Mil-ler, Ron Carriero, Peggy Bieber, Martha Esser, Carol Phillips, Andy Stuhrenberg, John Moran, Peggy Schaf-fer, Frank Turnmire, Kristina Hoekstra. May God bless you!

Inclement Weather Policy:

In the event of severe weather it is advised that common sense prevail. If the weather and road conditions are dangerous to travel please stay home. Closure of the office and cancellation announcements of Mass are set up to be announced on Ray's Weather.com and WSOC.

Please note that WSOC does not allow messages to be typed in, but instead are limited to generic options to choose from when posting weather notices. Due to this WSOC will only be used for weather notifications when cancellation of all activities—functions and Mass—are necessary. **The advice throughout is safety first and to not travel if conditions are hazardous.**



Mass Schedule and Readings

Monday, January 11, No Mass

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

Tuesday, January 12, 12:00pm

Scripture: Heb 2:5-12, Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9, Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 13, 12:00pm

Scripture: Heb 2:14-18, Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9, Mk 1:29-39

Thursday, January 14, No Mass

Scripture: Heb 3:7-14, Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11, Mk 1:40-45

Friday, January 15, 9:00am

Scripture: Heb 4:1-5, 11, Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8, Mk 2:1-12

Saturday, January 16, 4:30pm (Sign up only)

Mass Intention: Parish Community

Scripture: Heb 4:12-16, Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15, Mk 2:13-17

Spanish Mass, January 16, 7:30pm (Sign-up only)

Sunday, January 17, 9:00am (Sign-up only)

Mass Intention: Parish Community

Scripture: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19, Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10, 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20, Jn 1:35-42

Please note: The day for printing the bulletins has been moved to Thursday afternoon. The deadline to submit items for the bulletin will remain at 12:00pm Wednesday.

From the Administrative Assistant's Office:

To ensure the accuracy of the family roster and records we ask that if there have been any changes recently to your family status, address, phone number, or if you have moved or will be moving to please let the office know. You can drop by the office during business hours, or send an email to stfrancis@skybest.com after business hours. Thank you for your assistance.

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CHANGE THE WORLD.
BUT I CAN CAST A
STONE ACROSS THE
WATERS TO CREATE
MANY
RIPPLES.

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Financial Figures

Offertory January 3:	\$	2,884.00
Offertory received this month:	\$	2,884.00
Offertory needed in January:	\$	15,225.00

Building Fund January 3:	\$	1,516.00
Building Fund received this month:	\$	1,516.00
Loan Payment needed each month:	\$	5,203.00

Building Debt (as of November 5, 2020):		
Total owed	\$	409,685.00

The 2020 Diocesan Support Appeal

Our Fair Share:	\$	18,937.00
Amount Given:	\$	16,228.03
Amount Pledged:	\$	690.00
Amount Needed:	\$	2,018.97
Number of Donors:		49

Parishioners are strongly encouraged to mail in their offertory as bills still need to be paid. Checks can be mailed to the following address:

P.O. Box 634, Jefferson, NC 28640

Your support is greatly appreciated.



The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

The mystery of Christ's baptism in the Jordan by St John, the Precursor, proposes the contemplation of an already adult Jesus. This mystery is infinitely linked to the Solemnities of the Lord's birth and the Epiphany that we have just celebrated, as in some ways it takes up and represents their significance to us.

At Christmas we have contemplated the human birth of the Word incarnate by the Virgin Mary. In the 4th century, the Fathers of the Church deepened the understanding of the faith with regard to the Christmas mystery in the light of Jesus' Humanity. They spoke of the Incarnation of the Word already working like the 'Christification' of that humanity that he had assumed from His mother. Or put in simpler terms: Jesus is the Christ from the first instant of conception in Mary's spotless womb because He Himself, with His Divine Power, consecrated, anointed and 'Christified' that human nature with which He became incarnate.

In the mystery of the Epiphany, we then meditated on Christ's manifestation to all nations that was represented by the Magi, the wise men from the East, who came to adore the Child.

Now, in the mystery of Christ's Baptism in the Jordan River, we again encounter and represent the

truth of the Lord's incarnation and His manifestation as the Christ. Jesus' Baptism is in fact His definitive manifestation as the Messiah or Christ to Israel, and as the Son of the Father to the entire world. Here we find the dimension of the Epiphany which was His manifestation to all nations. The Father's voice from heaven shows that Jesus of Nazareth is the eternal Son and the descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove shows the Trinitarian nature of the Christian God. The true and unique God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, shows Himself in Christ, through Him, with Him and in Him.

The Baptism in the Jordan returns to the great Christmas theme of 'Christification,' Jesus of Nazareth's spiritual anointing, His presentation as the Anointed One par excellence, the Messiah or the One sent by the Father for the salvation of mankind. The Spirit that descended on Jesus shows and seals in an incontrovertible way the 'Christification' of Jesus' humanity that the Word had already fulfilled from the first moment of His miraculous conception by Mary. Jesus, from the very beginning, was always the Lord's Christ, He was always God. Yet, His one, true humanity, that which is perfect in every way, as the Gospel records, constantly grew in natural and supernatural perfection. 'And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and with men' (Lk2:52). In Israel at 30 years of age, one reached full maturity and therefore could become a master. Jesus came of age and the Spirit, descending and remaining on Him, definitively consecrated His whole being as the Christ.

The same Spirit, that descended on the water of the River Jordan wafted over the waters during the first creation (Gen 1:2). Therefore, the Baptism in the Jordan presents yet another truth: that Jesus has started a new creation. He is the second man (1 Cor 15:47) or the last Adam (1 Cor 15:45), that comes to repair the first Adam's guilt. He does this as the Lamb of God that takes away our sins. *'Looking at the events in light of the Cross and Resurrection, the Christian people realised what happened: Jesus loaded the burden of all mankind's guilt upon His shoulders; he bore it down into the depths of the Jordan. He inaugurated his public activity by stepping into the place of sinners'* (Joseph Ratzinger, *Jesus of Nazareth, Bloomsbury 2007, p 18*).

Excerpted from the Congregation for the Clergy



Iglesia Católica San Francisco de Asís
Bautismo del Señor (Solemnidad)
Enero 10, 2021



Domine, fac me servum pacis tuae

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Ministerio Diocesano Hispano: Sergio López, 336-529-3748
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Horario de la oficina: De Lunes a Jueves 10:00am—5:00pm y Viernes 10:00am - 1:00pm
Misas de fin de semana: Contacto Isabel López, 336-620-3557.
Horarios de misa entre semana: Martes y Miércoles 12:00pm, Viernes 9:00am
Confesiones: Sábado 6:30pm - 7:15pm

Lecturas Bíblicas de enero 11 - 17, 2021

Lunes: Hebreos 1:1-6, Salmo 97:1 y 2b, 6 y 7c, 9, Marcos 1:14-20
Martes: Hebreos 2:5-12, Salmo 8:2ab y 5, 6-7, 8-9, Marcos 1:21-28
Miércoles: Hebreos 2:14-18, Salmo 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9, Marcos 1:29-39
Jueves: Hebreos 3:7-14, Salmo 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11, Marcos 1:40-45
Viernes: Hebreos 4:1-5, 11, Salmo 78:3 y 4bc, 6c-7, 8, Marcos 2:1-12
Sábado: Hebreos 4:12-16, Salmo 19:8, 9, 10, 15, Marcos 2:13-17
Domingo: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19, Salmo 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10, 1 Corintios 6:13c-15a, 17-20, Juan 1:35-42

Figuras del Ofertorio

Ofertorio enero 3: \$ 2,884.00

Tenga en cuenta: El día para imprimir los boletines se ha trasladado al jueves por la tarde. La fecha límite para enviar los artículos para el boletín se mantendrá a las 12:00 pm del miércoles.

Desde la Oficina del Asistente Administrativo:

Ser registrado como miembro de la parroquia, aunque el ser como un acto simple, el registrarse es un signo de la obligación y responsabilidad a la parroquia y permite que la parroquia sepa cuantas familias viven en la parroquia. Provee un record oficial de su membrecía activa y es esencial para la participación de los programas de la parroquia y de los sacramentos. El poder localizar a una familia o persona en la base de datos y records de la iglesia se facilita a que la oficina de la iglesia y el Padre Jaime provean formas de patrocinador, solicitadas correspondencias, sacramentos, servicios pastorales y pronta respuesta en situaciones urgentes. Formas de registro de la parroquia se pueden encontrar en el vestíbulo de la iglesia o se pueden recibir u obtener en la oficina de la iglesia. Si han ocurrido cambios como cambio de domicilio, número de teléfono, números de familia, etc. favor de ponerse en contacto con la oficina. Gracias.



Oración al Espíritu Santo

Ven Espíritu Santo, envía tu luz desde el cielo. Padre amoroso del pobre; don, en tus dones espléndido; luz que penetra las almas; fuente del mayor consuelo.

Ven, dulce huésped del alma, descanso de nuestro esfuerzo, tregua en el duro trabajo, brisa en las horas de fuego, gozo que enjuga las lágrimas y reconforta en los duelos.

Entra hasta el fondo del alma, divina luz y enriquece nos. Mira el vacío del hombre si Tú le faltas por dentro; mira el poder del pecado cuando no envías tu aliento.

Riega la tierra en sequía, sana el corazón enfermo, lava las manchas, infunde calor de vida en el hielo, doma el espíritu indómito, guía al que tuerce el sendero.

Reparte tus Siete Dones según la fe de tus siervos. Por tu bondad y tu gracia dale al esfuerzo su mérito; salva al que busca salvarse y danos tu gozo eterno.

Amén.

