

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 11, 2026

Mass Intentions for the Week

1/12 Mon 9:00 AM Robert Weibel
By Jim & Bonnie Weibel
1/13 Tues 9:00 AM All Deceased Parishioners
1/14 Wed 9:00 AM All Deceased Parishioners
1/15 Thurs 9:00AM All Deceased Parishioners
1/16 Fri 9:00 AM Communion Service
1/17 Sat 4:00 PM Frances Gregory
By The Family
1/18 Sun 10:30 AM Bruce & Ann Winchell
By Jim & Bonnie Weibel

Epiphany Celebration

Thank you to all who attended our Epiphany Celebration!
Thank you to our kings who took part in the Mass on the Epiphany of the Lord!

Chris Berkley – Hartjen	Liam Gronwall
Bart Liberatore	Sam Rivera
Gene Walsh	Nathan Strauss

In addition, thanks to Monica Gatto, Mathias Mietzelfeld, and Melissa Swislosky for working to make it a success.

Knights of Columbus

Knights of Columbus Council 4937 extends a sincere thank you to the parishioners of Sacred Heart for your generosity in supporting our sponsorship of seminarians for 2026.

Wisdom of the Saints

“Sorrow can be alleviated by good sleep, a bath, and a glass of wine.”

~ St. Thomas Aquinas

Christmas Cards

You can upcycle your Christmas cards by placing the front cover of your cards in the vestibule. They will be turned into next year's tags for the Giving Tree.

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord: Embracing Our Identity in Christ

We all know moments in our faith when simple gestures reveal profound meaning. Each time we enter the Church, dip our fingers into the holy water font, and make the Sign of the Cross, we do far more than follow a familiar ritual. In that moment, we remember our baptism. We recall who we truly are: God's beloved children, cleansed by grace, forgiven of sin, welcomed into His family, and forever held in Christ. Through this sacred gesture, we reconnect with the very grace that first claimed us as His own.

As we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and conclude the Christmas season, we contemplate the moment Jesus stepped into His public ministry. Though sinless, He chose to be baptized by John to stand in solidarity with us. By entering the waters of the Jordan, He sanctified them for all time, opening for us the path to new life and the gateway to every sacrament. In that sacred moment, the heavens opened, the Spirit descended like a dove, and the Father proclaimed: “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” Here, the Holy Trinity was revealed, and this divine manifestation affirmed Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah foretold by Isaiah, the servant who would bring justice, healing, and hope to a world longing for redemption.

Jesus fulfilled this mission through His ministry: restoring sight to the blind, freeing the oppressed, and proclaiming good news to the poor.

The psalm echoes this truth, reminding us that God is an eternal king who blesses His people with peace, and desires all to dwell in union with Him.

Peter's proclamation in the second reading, reinforces this vision of God's boundless love. He boldly declares that God shows no partiality, that His grace is offered to all who seeks Him.

God longs to draw every person into His family and share the life He offers through Christ.

Today, as we give thanks for the gift of baptism and the sacraments that sustain us, especially the Eucharist, let us remember that we are called to live as true children of God. Strengthened by His Spirit, may we radiate the light of Christ in our homes, workplaces, and communities through our simple acts of kindness, compassion, and care.

Fr. Dr. Ben, Pastor.

Weekend of January 17th & 18th 2026

First Reading- Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

Second Reading- 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant:

Father Ben

Lector:

Carole Ostrander

Eucharistic Ministers

Gene Walsh, Ginni Brandt, Pat Tartaglia

Altar Servers

Hack, Henry & Ella Grigoli

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: John 1:29-34

Sunday 10:30AM

Father Ben

Judy Roldan

Paula Ciborowski, Pat Smith, Kathy Saludo

Offerings from Jan 1st, 2026: Solemnity of Mary \$684.00; Regular \$798.00; Fuel \$ 10.00; Repairs \$10.00; Christmas \$100.00; Initial Offering \$10.00

Offerings from Jan. 4th, 2026: Regular \$2240.00 : Fuel \$1130.00; Evangelist \$20.00; Initial Offering \$270.00; Christmas \$120.00; Votives \$19.00



Religious Education 2026-2027

Classes for Pre-K-10th grade

1/18 No Classes – Martin Luther King
1/25 9:00-10:15 AM

2026 Calendars

Calendars are available to be picked up at each of the exits after Mass. Thank you to C.H. Landers and Mirabito Energy Products for generously sponsoring our 2026 calendars.



Mass Intentions

The 2026 Mass Intention book has arrived. If you have Masses that you would like scheduled for 2026 please call or stop by the office or send your requests in writing to the Parish Office.

Question of the Week

And a voice came from heaven,
"You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am pleased."

Adults: Do you think that God was "well pleased" by your actions in recent weeks? Why?

Kids: What good thing could you do this week that would be pleasing to God?

Old Church Repairs

Since the pipe break during Columbus Day weekend, the damaged materials have been removed, the areas have been dried out, contractors and suppliers have submitted their bids. We met with the insurance adjuster 12/16 Tuesday, and all repairs have been approved and scheduling will soon begin to sign contracts. We are hoping for completion between February and March 2026.

Share the Bounty

This month's Share the Bounty Dinner is Jan. 29th.
4:30 – 6:30 pm
All are welcome!

January Bulletin Quotes

"Through the incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him....Each of us is made in the Image and likeness of the God, and we reflect his glory in the world."

Diocesan Appeal 2026 - Update

If you have not received your Diocesan Appeal mailing at home, there are envelopes at each of the exits for you to use to make your pledge/donation. Our assessment increased \$8,658.00 this year to \$19,152.00. We have collected as of 11/19/25 \$11,706.00. Please prayerfully consider how you can support Sacred Heart in meeting our assessment. Please be aware that all donations to the Diocesan Appeal should be mailed Directly to Albany. Donations are no longer processed through individual parishes.

2026 Envelopes

After January 1, 2026 all remaining boxes are in the office. **If your number changed please do not begin using the new number prior to January 1, 2026 in order to properly credit donations.** A contribution of \$5.00 in the initial offering envelope will help defray the cost of the envelopes.

Justice for Orphans

'Pope Leo reminds us that as Disciples of Christ we are called to care for the less fortunate and marginalized. An opportunity to help children in need is coming to our Sacred Heart family. On **Tuesday evening, January 13 at 6:30pm** Gene Knoth, coordinator for Delaware County, will give a presentation on Justice for Orphans. We will have an opportunity to join with area churches to provide for the needs of children. Please come and learn about this program.

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Kevin, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett,

Grady Charles Weigand, Daniel Rickard, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Basket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Patrick, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Moratwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Olivia Ross & family, Joe Maggio, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselic, a dear friend, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis Duguay, Joan Rice, John MacDonald, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldingier, Bonnie Tabone, Daniel, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin, Joan & Tony Barber, Mathias Mietzelfeld, Maggie Hoffman, Marybeth Modinger, Jacqueline Richardson, Celeste Aber, Teri Frallich, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Bill Babbage, Sarah Pressler, Bobbie August, Chris West, Dawn Cronin, Stephen, Josephine Materazzo, Avery Maggio, Barb & Jerry Patrick, Paisley Halbert, John MacDonald, Anne Klopchin, Gloria Parsons, Anthony Naple, Ruling Family, Cumming Family, Danielle Spry, Ellen Hogan

Please Note: All names will remain on our list and will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual