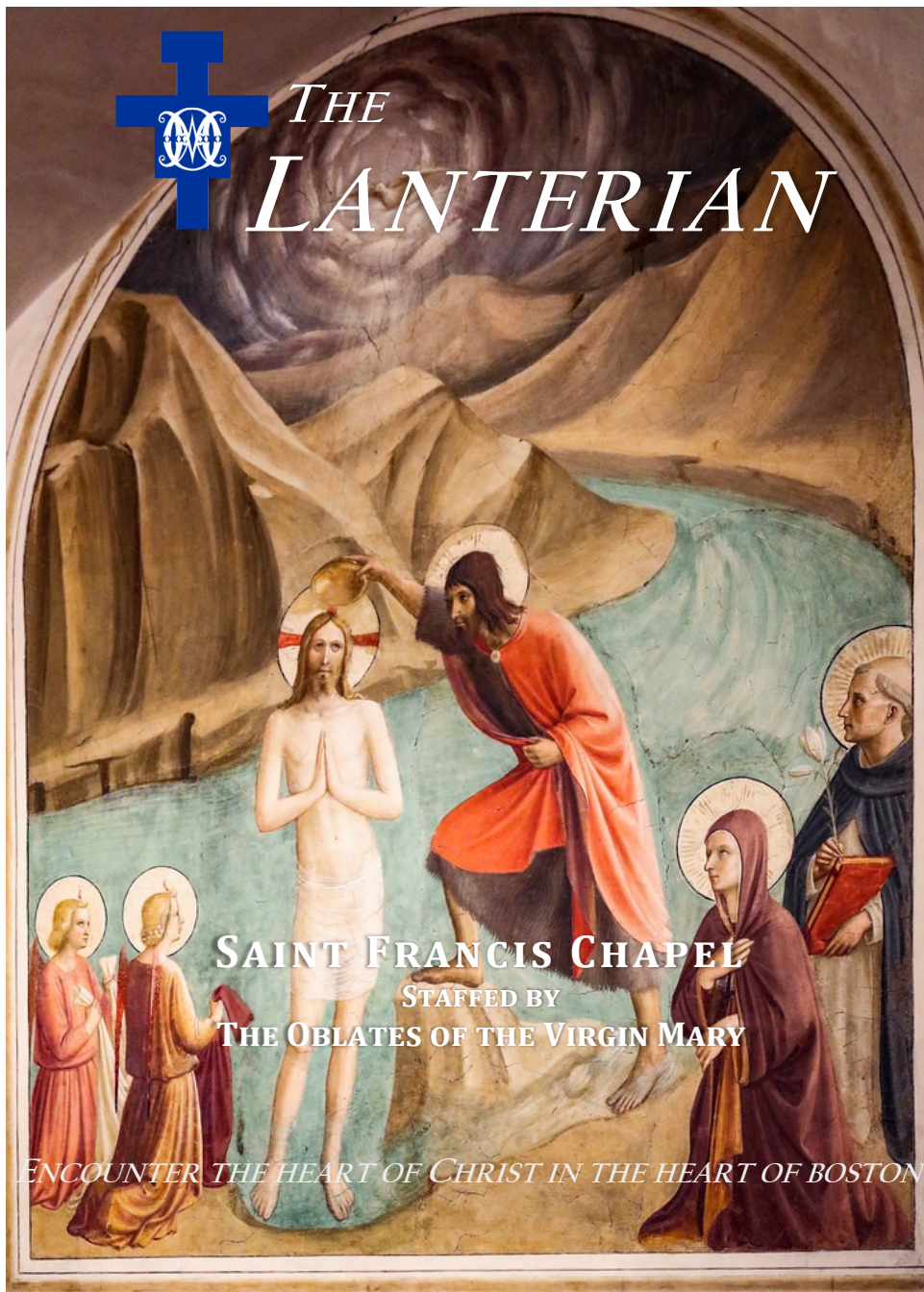




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JANUARY 9, 2022

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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The Pope's Prayer Intention for January:

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.



Cover Art:

Baptism of the Lord. Fresco by Fra Angelico in the Dominican convent of San Marco, Florence. Photo by Lawrence Lew, O.P.

SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 4:00PM,
5:30 PM, (en español)

Sun. 8 AM, 9:15AM, 10:30AM, 11:45AM,
1:15 PM (en español), 4:00PM, 5:30PM

Weekday Masses:

Mon.—Fri. 8:00AM, 12:05PM, 4:45PM
Saturday 9:00AM, 12PM

Confessions:

Mon.—Fri. 11:15 -11:50AM, 12:45-4:15PM
Saturday 9:30 - 11:45 AM, 12:45-3:30PM

Devotions:

Tuesday after Mass: Our Lady
Wednesday after Mass: St. Joseph
Thursday after Mass: St. Jude

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon.—Fri. 8:30-11:50AM, 12:30-4:30PM;
Sat. 9:30-11:30AM, 12:30-3:30PM;
Sunday 2:30-3:30PM

Gift Shop Hours:

Monday—Friday 10:00AM - 5:30PM;
Saturday 9:30AM - 6:30PM*;
Sunday 8:45AM - 6:30PM*

(*Closed during Sun. and Sat. Vigil Masses)

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Reflection by Fr. Isaac Abu, OMV

The Baptism of the Lord which we celebrate today marks the end of the Christmas season. It is also the inauguration of the public ministry of Jesus Christ. St. Peter in the second reading shed light on this while explaining the miracles done by Jesus Christ : “You know the word that he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.” (Acts 10: 37-38).

With the commissioning for public ministry, Jesus started a journey (and invites all to follow him) that will terminate at the Cross where he will offer his very life for the salvation of all. Cullmann buttressed this point when he said: “The Baptism of Jesus points forward to the end, to the climax of his life, the Cross, in which alone all Baptism will find its fulfillment. There Jesus will achieve a general Baptism. In his own Baptism in Jordan he received commission to do this.” (Oscar Cullmann Baptism in the New Testament 1964)

The need to follow him on his journey cannot be overemphasized because as the One who is like us in all things like us except sin he needed no baptism. He has a perfect nature that needs no purification, yet stepped into the River Jordan to receive baptism from John the Baptist. He did this to identify with all sinners, to insert himself fully into our brokenness in order to restore it. This is a continuation of the great love he showed by taking our nature at the incarnation. Distancing ourselves from going with him in his public ministry is on the one hand, a lack of appreciation of the love he has shown, and on the other, a very risky action to take. The confusion and uncertainties of our time need some form of spiritual vaccine to mitigate their impact on our mental, bodily and spiritual health. Accompanying Him closely as he carries out his mission is a sure way of acquiring the toughness, resilience and doggedness needed to face these perilous times. I challenge you to stay with him in the Blessed Sacrament, to treasure and ponder his teachings in your heart, to appreciate the Sacraments dearly, especially the Holy Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

In the course of his baptism the heavens opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in the form of a dove and God spoke: “This is my beloved Son with Whom I am well pleased.” Following him closely, accepting his teachings and allowing them to guide our actions is therefore an act of respect for God the Father who presented Him to us.

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Schedule of Events:

7:30 AM Doors open, Exhibitors available
8:30 AM Welcome, Music, Celebration of Mass
10:15 AM Break & Exhibition visits
10:45 AM Session 1: Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers & Bishop Daniel Flores
12:15 PM Lunch and Exhibition visits
1:30 PM Session 2: Bishop Robert Barron
2:30 PM Break and Exhibition visits
3:00 PM Session 3: Jackie and Bobby Angel
4:00 PM Eucharistic Congress Procession
6:00 PM Conclusion

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, Jan. 9

8:00 AM +Angela & Elliott M. Wheatley
9:15 AM In honor of St. Martin de Porres
10:30 AM +Desiree Iacobucci
11:45 AM +James Michael Riley
1:15 PM Maria Elvira Celedon
4:00 PM +Katherine Mannion
5:30 PM Fr. Solomon—birthday

Monday, Jan. 10

8:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Jason Allain
12:05 PM Ary-Lex Auguste & Theresa
4:45 PM Cecilia Ozaeta—birthday

Tuesday, Jan. 11

8:00 AM Malcolm Hornsby
12:05 PM Bria Hornsby
4:45 PM +John B. Morse—1st anniv.

Wednesday, Jan. 12

8:00 AM +Charles Berestsos
12:05 PM +Paul F. Crovo—anniv.
4:45 PM +Cheryl Catanzaro

Thursday, Jan. 13

8:00 AM +Valdemar & Ella Welz
12:05 PM Nicole Hazen & Family
4:45 PM +Tom Longua

Friday, Jan. 14

8:00 AM Louise Ippolito
12:05 PM +Pauline Charist
4:45 PM +Fred Williams

Saturday, Jan. 15

9:00 AM Peter Walsh—healing
12:00 PM +Maria Heredia

4:00 PM +Ella & Valdemar Welz
5:30 PM Luis Javier Gomez—salud

Prayer Before Mass



by Ven. Bruno Lanteri

My God, I offer you this holy sacrifice to proclaim, honor and glorify your infinite greatness, and in recognition of the supreme dominion which, as the first principle and last end, you have above all created things. I give you this homage for all those who still do not know you or do not want to recognize you.

I offer this too in thanksgiving for the benefits that I and all the world have received and will receive from your infinite goodness; in satisfaction for my sins and those of the whole world; to implore the graces that are necessary for my eternal salvation and for all mankind. Oh, my God, I offer to you the merits of Jesus Christ; grant me at this Holy Mass a profound adoration of him.

My God, my Creator, I implore you to grant me the grace of final perseverance. I know by faith that I do not deserve it, nor can I deserve it, but your Divine Son deserves it for me with all his virtues and with all the wounds he shows you in his Most Holy Body, on behalf of my wounded love. Amen.

Prayer for the Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Catechism #1213: *Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit (vitae spiritualis ianua), and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission: "Baptism is the sacrament of regeneration through water in the word."*

O my Lord and my God, I humbly prostrate in spirit before Thy Divine Majesty, I adore Thy sovereign justice and Thine infinite mercy. I am penetrated with fear at the consideration of Thine awful judgments, and my great ingratitude for Thy benefits, since I was ranked by baptism

among Thy children, raised to the glorious dignity of a Christian and thus entitled to enjoy Thee eternally in heaven.

I was not then conscious of the precious grace bestowed upon me, nor of the

awful obligations I contracted when I promised to renounce the devil, the world, and the flesh.



But I am now fully conscious of both; I most humbly thank Thee for having brought me safely to the waters of baptism, and I detest, from the bottom of my heart, every thought, word and action of my life which has been unworthy of a Christian.

Thou knowest, O my God, how often I have stained the robe of innocence with which I was then clothed, and how frequently I have violated my sacred promises; but Thou seest the contrition of my heart, and the sincerity with which I now renew, in the presence of heaven

and earth, my profession of faith in the doctrines proposed to my belief by the Holy Catholic Church; as well as the promises made for me when I was regenerated in the waters of baptism.

I firmly believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, Who was born and suffered for us; in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

I renounce the world, with its pomps, vanities, and false maxims, which I despise because they are accursed by Thee.

I renounce the flesh, with all its temptations, and sincerely resolve to endeavor to amend my faults, to conquer my passions, and to sacrifice all that is most dear to me rather than again deliberately sully that robe which I promised to carry unstained before the judgment seat of Christ.

O my good God, Who didst love me before I could love Thee, and didst apply to my soul the merits, of Jesus Christ when I was unable to implore that favor, look on me with compassion, and grant me all those graces, which will enable me to keep my baptismal engagement without reproof.

Increase in my soul the heavenly virtues of faith, hope and charity, which I received at baptism, and teach me to make faith the rule of my conduct, that it may avail me to life everlasting; through the infinite mercies and merits of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Who, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, live and reign, one God, world without end. Amen.