2325 HIGHLAND RD | HERMITAGE, PA 16148 | PHONE: (724) 981-5566 | WWW.NOTREDAME-PA.ORG EMAIL: CHURCHOFFICE@NOTREDAME-PA.ORG | RELIGIOUS ED EMAIL: RELIGIOUSED@NOTREDAME-PA.ORG

SUNDAY JANUARY 10 2021

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

PUBLIC ENTRY BY

APPOINTMENT ONLY

MASS SCHEDULE (TEMPORARY)

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm & 6 pm

Sunday: 8 am, 10 am & Noon

Weekday Masses

Monday: 7:30 am

Tuesday: 9:00 am

Wednesday: 7:30 am

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

PARISH STAFF

<u>Pastor</u>

Fr. Richard Allen

Director of Religious Education

Mr. Joseph Ranelli

Director of Adult Education

Mrs. Kathy Higgins

Liturgy/Music Coordinator

Mrs. Gretchen Wagner

Secretary

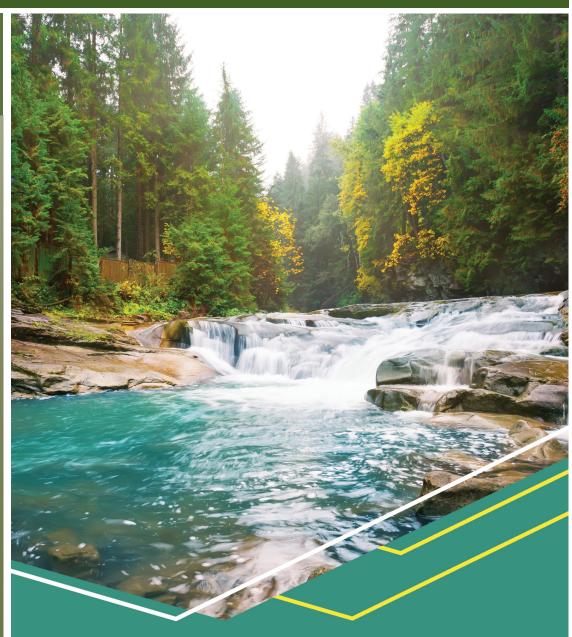
Mrs. Carrie Hannah

Religious Education Secretary

Mrs. Mary Lou Hornyak

Business Manager

Mrs. Ann Miller



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." - Mk 1:7-8

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10, 2021

SUN 1/10 Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mk

1:7-11 or ls 55:1-11/ls 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3)]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

MON 1/11 Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20

TUE 1/12 Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28

WED 1/13 Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39

THR 1/14 Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45

FRI 1/15 Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12

SAT 1/16 Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13-17

SUN 1/17 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a,

17-20/Jn 1:35-42

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10, 2021

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Wednesday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

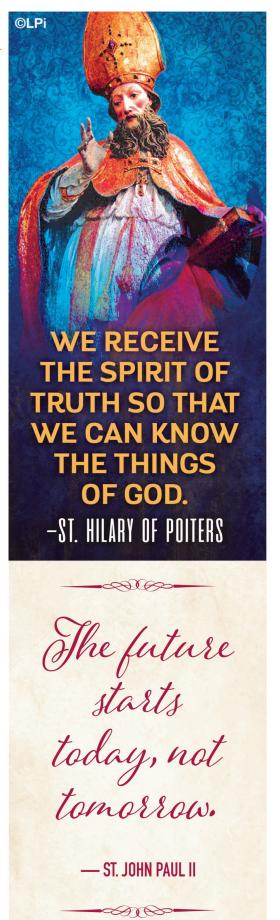
Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

We carry a greater depth of self-confidence and chance of succeeding when we have affirmation, a sense of direction and clear purpose in life. Each of these serve to provide our lives with meaning, allowing us to clearly establish priorities and goals. They also are necessary for integrity, which is the conviction and single mindedness that keeps us grounded in the truth of who we are. "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Jesus' baptism provides him with exactly what he needs to get about the business of his mission as the Son of God. He is given what he needs to be successful in fulfilling the purpose for which he was sent. Our baptisms give us these same gifts. We receive the affirmation we need from God, knowing that we are one of his beloved daughters and sons. We are gifted with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Are we ready and willing to answer the call?





CLPI

FIRST READING

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near.

Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked man his thoughts;

Let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving (Is 55:6-7)



PSALM

You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation. (Is 12:3)



SECOND READING

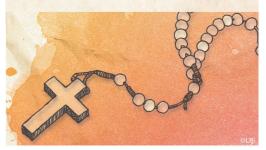
This is the one who came through water and blood,
Jesus Christ,
not by water alone, but by water and blood.
(1 Jn 5:6)



GOSPEL

And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." (Mk 1:11)

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. The English translation of Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.



WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

We need history. We need it in order to understand ourselves, personally and collectively. The pieces of our histories may not have always been the most positive, honest, exemplary, dignified, proud and best moments of our lives, but they are ours. We have to acknowledge, remember, accept, and often heal them. We cannot forget them or pretend that they never existed. As horrible as the atrocities of events like Auschwitz, brutal injustices committed throughout the human journey, or personal painful experiences in our own stories, we need to remember. These times when humanity in general or people in particular have lost their way are times that need to be reconciled and redeemed.

If we lose the memories, we will make the same mistakes again. The human soul needs a strong sense of affirmation, direction, and clear purpose. Without these essentials, we will easily run amuck and repeat the sins of our past. God's voice throughout history has spoken precisely about this! We are reminded through the voices and example of many prophets and witnesses not to make the same mistakes again, come back to center, discover the purpose given to us by God, maintain a sense of proper direction, seek healing for wounds and be reconciled to our Creator.

Baptism is so incredibly important for the salvation of humankind, not only eternally but here and now. Our existence depends upon it. It gives us the affirmation we need from God by gifting us with the same intimate relationship Jesus had with the Father. We are blessed with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Baptism calls us to remember, accept, and deal with the sins and inequities of our past regardless of how hurtful and serious. We consciously choose to turn away from them and put on the new life of Christ. To do this well, we must look hard and long at our sins and failings, listen to what they are saying and learn from them. If we ignore the past, collectively or personally, or pretend that it never happened, we will never grow. We will surely die.

People need to hear the message, lived and spoken, delivered by the baptized members of the Body of Christ. It is an essential message of hope that is layered with visions of justice, peace, reconciliation, redemption, blessing, and healing. It is a message that helps us remember what has gone before, the graces and the sins, and bring ourselves by God's help where we need to be. We are called to do much more than sit home behind our closed doors. We have a message to deliver. Are we ready to do so?





MON 1/11 7 ³⁰ AM	Albert Arendas [Eucharistic Adorers]
TUES 1/12 9AM	Dick Stigliano [Schweiss Family]
WED 1/13 7 ³⁰ AM	Dick Stigliano [Wife, Ann & Family]
THU 1/14 9AM	Ruth Hinkle [Jo & Ned Feeney]
FRI 1/15 9AM	Lynne Knott [Don & Delores Novak]
SAT 1/16 9AM	Roxanne Pagliaroli [Mark & Rosina Doblanski]
SAT 1/16 4PM	Lillie Frydrych [Murcko & Trepicone Families]
SAT 1/16 6PM	Mass for the People
SUN 1/17 8AM	Bob Nicolls
SUN 1/17 10AM	Nick Pici [Wagner Family]
SUN 1/17 12PM	Pius G. Oleskey [Monica Monaco]

SAT 1/16 4PM	J. Spatara	T. Spatara or P. Thornburg
SAT 1/16 6PM	Lector NOT FILLED	Eucharistic Min. NOT FILLED
SUN 1/17 8AM	Lector B. Lackey	Eucharistic Min. T. Brandenstein or T. Pagliaroli
SUN 1/17 10AM	Lector B. Moder	Eucharistic Min. P. Dinger or R. Supel
SUN 1/17 12PM	Lector NOT FILLED	Eucharistic Min. NOT FILLED

*ATTN VOLUNTEERS! PLEASE CHECK-IN WITH FR. ALLEN PRI-**OR TO MASS**

PRAYER Line

Keeping those in need in our prayers. If you, a family member or a friend are in need of prayer please call the prayer line with your request.

Prayer Line, Kathy Borsa #724-981-4208



Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9:00 AM-11:00 PM

For more information call: Jo Feeney 724-699-3340 Rosalee Beal 724-981-2645

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of those who have lost a loved one. Please keep in prayer those who have entered into eternal life:

Rick Macchia



Altar flowers are donated In thanksgiving to God and in Memory of **Barbara Oleskey**

On Behalf of: Lois Gardner

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you would like to join our parish and become part of the Notre Dame Church family, please complete this form and return by mail or drop in the collection basket.

REQUEST FOR PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

NAME		
ADDRESS	City/State	_Zip

TAX STATEMENTS

Tax statements for 2020 Sacrificial Giving to Notre Dame will be prepared and mailed February 1, 2021 for those on our tax list. If you would like a 2020 statement and want to be added to the list, please call the parish office, 724-981-5566.

SENIORS FOR SAFE DRIVING

Notre Dame Church

Mature Driver Improvement Course January 28th, 2021 @ 5:30—9:30 PM

Some Course Benefits: PennDot Approved
Designed for drivers 55 and older
Receive a minimum 5% discount on your auto
insurance premium for 3 years
Tuition only \$16

Register By Phone or Online 1-800-559-4880 or www.seniorsforsafedriving.com

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

January is Human Trafficking Prevention **Month:** Who are the perpetrators? Traffickers can be anyone who profits from the selling of a child for sex to a buyer, including family members, foster parents, friends, gangs, trusted adults, or "boyfriends." Much of the trafficking of children has moved from street corners and truck stops to the internet where children are sold for sex. Online classified sites allow traffickers and buyers anonymity and accessibility when exploiting children. In some case, there is no identified trafficker, and it is the person buying sex from the child who is exploiting the child's vulnerabilities. A child cannot consent to being bought and sold for sex, and anyone purchasing sex from a child is committing a serious crime.

If you suspect a case of Child Sex Trafficking you can call 1-800-THE-LOST or make a report at www.CyberTipline.org.

Visit https://www.eriercd.orgchildprotection/ to see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and youth.

DECEMBER 2020 FINANCIAL REPORT

Reg. Offertory, 4 Sundays,
Maintenance Fund
Holy Day and Christmas \$63,000 \$65,221
Retirement Fund for Religious \$2,125

2020 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Number of Pledges 272
Amount of Pledges \$112,690
Amount Received to Date \$101,510



Virtual Blood Drive

Date: Friday, January 22,2021

Location: Shenango Valley Mall

Time: 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Join the COVID Rescue Team when you donate blood for the Notre Dame Church virtual blood drive!

In times when we can't be together in person, we can still be together in support of our community. To join our virtual blood drive, follow these steps:

- Sign up for the virtual blood drive to get your emailed invitation to schedule your appointment.
 Register:
- 2) When your email arrives, click "Schedule Now" to book your appointment at any convenient blood donation location. Be sure to use the same email address you used to sign up. This is important because it helps Vitalant connect your donation to our organization's virtual blood drive.
- 3) Prepare for your donation by eating a healthy meal and drinking plenty of water.
- 4) Provide the same email address at the time of donation.

 Give blood, transform lives!

