The Baptism of the Lord

John said, “I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals.”

Luke 3:16

JANUARY 10, 2016
The Baptism of the Lord
January 10, 2016
He saved us through the bath of re-birth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

— Titus 3:5

Mass Schedule

SAT. JANUARY 09 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASS
3:30 †Lee Gorgone Buntrock by Patricia Huether & Family
5:00 †William Scheetz by Chuck, Rosemary & Patti Scheetz

SUN. JANUARY 10 -
7:30 ♥†People of the Parish
9:00 †Anthony Marver by Wife
10:30 †Joseph Shinapoli by Pellitteri Family
12:45 Latin Mass
5:00 †James Whitmeyer by Thomas & Barbara Hitchcock

MON. JANUARY 11 -
8:00 †Don Carstensen by MaryAnne

TUE. JANUARY 12 -
8:00 †Kathleen Coyle by Rita Zak

WED. JANUARY 13 -
8:00 †Albert C. Kane by JoAnn Kane

THU. JANUARY 14 -
8:00 †Gary Dickerson by Stoll Family

FRI. JANUARY 15 -
8:00 ♥†Florence Dickson & Family’s Intentions by Jack & Evelyn

SAT. JANUARY 16 -
8:00 †Craig Butler by Friends

SAT. JANUARY 16 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASS
3:30 †Wayne Gravel by Tom & Jackie Cast
5:00 †Lauren Cummins by Austin & Ann Power

SUN. JANUARY 17 -
7:30 ♥†People of the Parish
9:00 †Barbara Walsh by Husband
10:30 †Robert Mahan by Wife Sue
12:45 Latin Mass
5:00 †Irene Rakowski by Audrey Flavin

CONFESSIONS - Saturdays 2:15-3:15 or 30 min. before Sunday Masses or by appointment.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.............................................................................

Church of the Resurrection of Our Lord
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PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS - Please join us every Thursday immediately after the 8:00 Mass to pray for priests.

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord up-holds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) or Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11.
Psalm — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) or Psalm 104.
Second Reading — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) or Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7.
Gospel — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

Thank you for supporting our Seminarians in today’s second collection

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

We are blessed in this Diocese with generous and dedicated priests who have followed Christ’s call to act in His Person. Pope Francis reminds every Catholic, and the Community of believers, that we have a responsibility to pray for vocations, and encourage individuals suited to the priesthood or religious life, giving them the care and support needed. It is precisely for support of the Annual Seminary Collection of the Diocese of Venice, that I write you.

This Seminary Collection ensures that we continue to have priests to serve you and your family. It enables the Church’s mission of cultivating and fostering priestly vocations, supporting the next generation of diocesan priests in their studies, room and board, health care, transportation, and other expenses. Programs to invite more men to consider the priesthood must also be organized and funded.

Parishes in the Diocese of Venice will conduct this Annual Seminary Collection the weekend of January 9 and 10, 2016. Your generous gift is a vital factor for the present and future of the Catholic Church in Florida. Thank you for your generosity!

I take this opportunity to extend to each of you the assurances of my prayers for the New Year. Do have a Blessed and healthy New Year!!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Frank J. Dewane
Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida
WEEKLY OFFERING

December 27, 2015
Offertory: $24,138.81
Latin mass: $818.00
SVDP: $604.00
Retirement for Religious: $245.00

January 1, 2016
Solemnity: $9,512.00
Solemnity, Latin: $490.00

January 3, 2016
Offertory: $26,599.00
Latin: $612.00
SVDP: $986.00
Education: $5,169.00

Thank You

Mass to Celebrate Volunteers -
In appreciation of the volunteers of the Diocese of Venice, Bishop Frank J. Dewane invites all volunteers to a Mass on Saturday, January 16 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Leo Parish, 28290 Beaumont Road, Bonita Springs. The Mass is an opportunity to extend gratitude and appreciation for those who generously give of their time and talent. All priests, deacons and the faithful are invited to participate in a celebration of the active stewardship of our laity. A lunch will follow the Mass in the Parish Hall. Note..... registration IS required by January 13, 2016. Please call Resurrection Parish Office to Register, 481-7171. All are welcome.

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS
We wish you a Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you at our first meeting of 2016, which will follow the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Wed. Jan 20 at the Parish Center. All ladies of their Parish are welcome.

Our program will be guest speaker Joanne MacPeek, who will be explaining the goals and objectives of “Living the Eucharist”, a new program being offered to Resurrection parishioners.

The schedule of Guild events for the coming months will be presented. Coffee and light refreshments will be provided. Hope to see you.

Faith and Ale 2015-2016 Schedule -
Jan. 21, 2016 at Resurrection of Our Lord Parish - Speaker, Fr. Pat Boyhan
Feb. 18, 2016 at St. Columbkille Parish - Speaker, Raymond Arroyo, EWTN Host
Mar. 10, 2016 at Resurrection of Our Lord Parish - Speaker, Guy Gruters, Vietnam POW
April 7, 2016 at Resurrection of Our Lord Parish - Speaker, Fr. Larry Richards, Reason for Our Hope Foundation

Meetings are from 6-8 pm and include Pizza and refreshments. ($10 donation)
Reservations: www.faithandale.com

This week’s Sanctuary Candle:
In loving memory of George Leo
by Marlene

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YEAR OF MERCY
DECEMBER 8TH, 2015 - NOVEMBER 20TH, 2016

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RESURRECTION MEN’S CLUB
ANNUAL POLISH DINNER & DANCE

Monday, February 1, 2016
(Tickets available at Parish Center - 481-7171)

DOORS OPEN AT 4:30
SERVING AT 5:30 P.M.
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LIVE BAND
5:00 - 8:00 P.M.
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TICKETS $20 ADVANCE
$25 ON DAY OF THE EVENT

MENU:
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Sauerkraut, Kielbasa,
Coffee, Dessert
Beer & Wine Available
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Limited Seating

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You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.
You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God. Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.
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Bible Study During Holy Year of Mercy

January 13, 2016

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Wednesdays

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RITE OF ACCEPTANCE

JANUARY 10, 2016

5:00pm MASS

We Celebrate and Pray for
Our CONIRMATION CANDIDATES!

Zoe Apicella                                          Peyton Heben                                         Nathan Powers
Lauren Baker                                          Julia Legiec                                         Tiffany Rios
Alivia Baxmann                                        Jaymie Likus                                         Caroline Ruebeling
Joshua Casciano                                       Kinzie Luthringer                                   Joshua Schwartz
Kaitlyn Cathie                                        Claire Marquardt                                   Martha Sizemore
Gina Cavalieri                                        Emily McIltrot                                      Natalie Stemle
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Peyton Clark                                          Mason Muttart                                      Rachael Sutherland
Samantha Custer                                       Christian Navarro                                  Rachael Toffoli
Daisy Dedios                                          Joshua Ortiz                                       Joey Weatherwax
Gabriela DePalma                                     Matthew Parsons                                   Megan Welsh
Christopher Hanwacker

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We come to discover new light in each other.
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Come discover how this is happening!

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