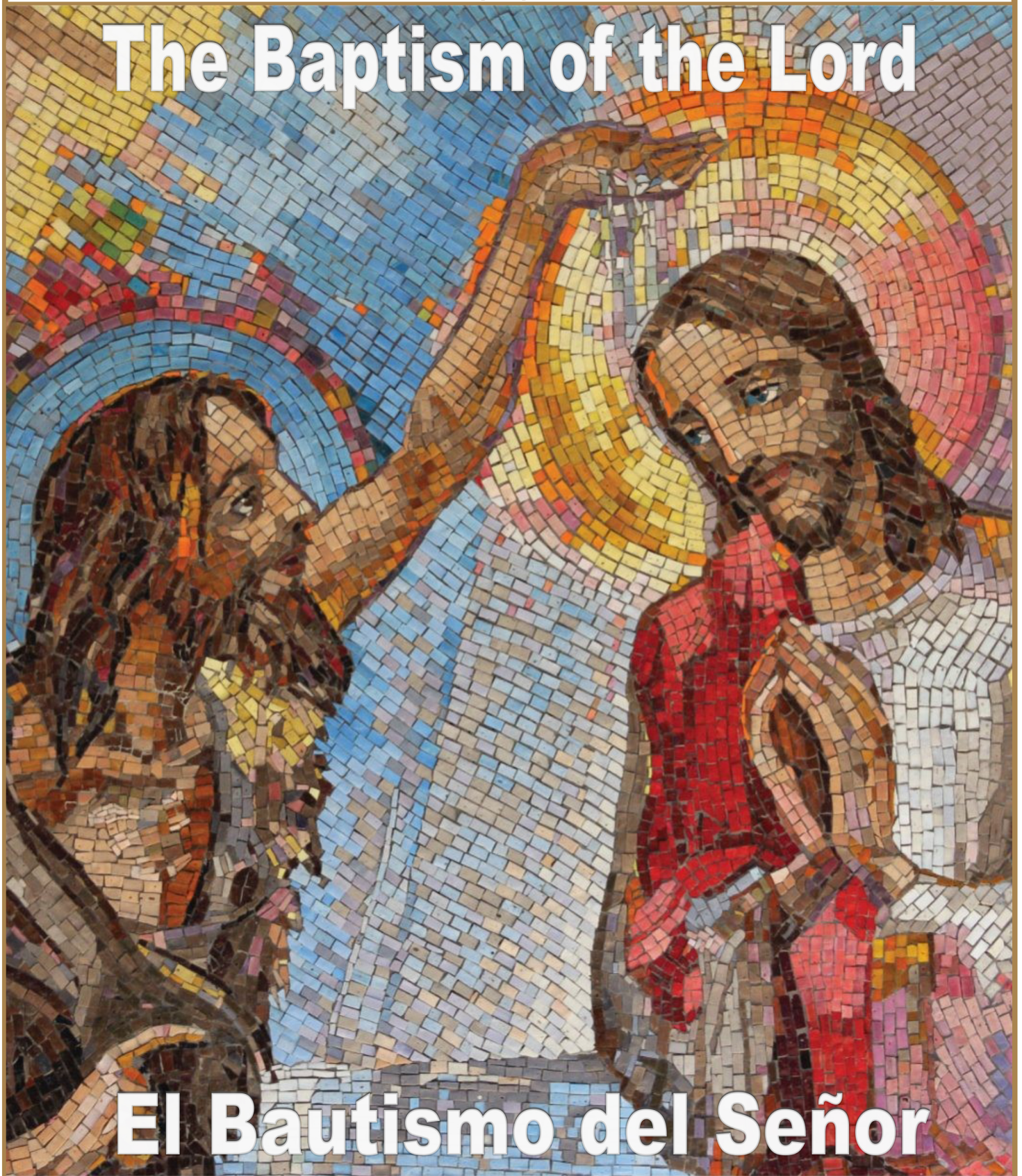


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The Baptism of the Lord



El Bautismo del Señor

Jesus is baptized because this is God's plan for him—and for us. Jesus is baptized because we need baptism. He opens the way for us, sanctifying the water to wash away our sins.



We welcome those into God's family who were baptized this past year at St. Didacus:

Aiden James Rojas
Austin James Boeh Ray
Tyson David Boeh Ray
Zoe Elizabeth Tennyson
Eduardo Almeida Moreno
Evoeth Almeida Moreno
Lia Almeida Moreno
Viviana Barrera
Rocio Jimenez Soto
Jodi Ann Masur
Mark Anthony Miser
Brianna Ximena Morales
Alejandro Juan Carlos Robles
Jennifer Ann Savage
Rio Lawrence Beers
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Shia Beatty-Calcode
Amelia Matilde Romero
Eliana Clariza
Sophia Michelle Barahona
Carlos Emiliano Barahona
Alondra Valentina Reyes-Malagon
Lizett Rubi Campos
Sebastian Pantoja Camacho
Sophia Munoz
Hannah Valladares
Yaretzi Vargas Vasquez
Clara Genevieve Hughes
Scarlet Fontalva Canque
Luca John Wolf
Mirabel Cici Ann Mahler
Paul Anthony Nau

Jesus submitted himself to the baptism of John the Baptist. It was not because Jesus needed repentance nor forgiveness. By submitting himself to be baptized by John in the waters of the Jordan, Jesus sanctified the waters which later on were used to baptize every believer. Baptism is not just for repentance and forgiveness of sins but foremost to make the baptized sons and daughters of God. A baptized person becomes a dwelling place of the Holy Spirit and heir to the Kingdom of God. At the Baptism of Jesus, the voice of the Father came from heaven, saying: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." When a person or a baby is baptized, the same Father in heaven claims the baptized as His son or daughter. The feast of the Baptism of Jesus reminds us that a person is not just a son or daughter of a human father but also a precious child of God and rightful heir to the Kingdom of Heaven. Let us be reminded of our baptism and of our identity as children of God by marking ourselves with the sign of the cross as often as we can. Truly, by the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit we are God's beloved Children.

Fr. Rick

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord concludes the Christmas season. Next Sunday we return to Ordinary Time. This year six and a half weeks in Ordinary Time mark the time between the conclusion of the Christmas season and the beginning of Lent. The first week in Ordinary Time begins immediately after the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which is why there is no "First Sunday of Ordinary Time."



We are truly grateful to all those who gave of their time over Advent and Christmas to help us clean, decorate and undecorate the Church for Christmas.

Thank you also to all those who participated in all the Advent activities during the month of December.

Thank you to our wonderful choirs, our Deacons and all those who ministered at our Christmas Masses.

Your participation keeps our parish alive. May we all love and serve God as well as we are able in the new year.



Help Us Build Up the Community of God

Collection (Envelopes & Cash) for Sunday, January 5 **\$5,816**
WEEKLY contributions NEEDED to cover general costs **\$7,370**
 (including salaries, administration, Faith Formation, utilities taxes, operating expenses)

This week's **SHORTFALL** **—\$1,554**

Total # of registered parish families/individuals **734**
of envelope users this week (supporting a majority of parish expenses) **142**
Registered parishioners NOT using envelopes to contribute **592**

We appreciate your support of our parish!
Please prayerfully consider how you may increase your giving to help us meet our commitments.

God our Father, is so generous, that he gave his only son, whom he really loves, to us so that we can have eternal life with him in heaven. God, Our Creator, really loves us, too! Jesus was obedient to his Father's will, even to the point of death. This is a reminder that our own lives are pure gifts from God and meant to serve God and others.

THIS IS MY BELOVED SON, IN WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED.
MATTHEW 3:17

Mass Intentions

Saturday.....January 11
 5:00PMPeople of St. Didacus
Sunday.....January 12
 8:30AM.....People of St. Didacus
 10:00AM.....Patricia Kneitz, Spec. Int.
 11:30AM.....People of St. Didacus
Monday.....January 13
 7:30AM.....Joel Alcazar, Spec. Int.
Tuesday.....January 14
 6:00PM.....Alan Yturralde, Spec. Int.
Wednesday.....January 15
 8:30AMHilario Alcazar, Spec. Int.
Thursday.....January 16
 7:30AM.....People of St. Didacus
Friday.....January 17
 7:30AM.....†Lucy Alvarado-Martinez
Saturday.....January 18
 5:00PMPeople of St. Didacus

Welcome to St. Didacus Parish!

Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 8:30am & 10:00am
 11:30am in Spanish

Daily Mass

Mon., Thurs., Fri. 7:30am /Tues. 6:00pm/ Wed. 8:30am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed. 7:30am—8:30am / Saturday 3:30pm—5:00pm
 First Fridays 8:00am—9:00am

Confessions—Saturdays 3:30pm or by appt.

Baptisms: English: 1st Saturday each month. **Spanish:** 4th Saturday each month. Arrangements must be made 3 months in advance. Contact the Parish Office for information.

Weddings: Arrangements must be made at least 9 months in advance. Please contact the Parish Office.

Mental Health Ministry Direct Line: For emergencies call 911. For non-emergencies please call 619-940-6193.

Pastor, Rev. Enrique Fuentes

The Parish Office is open 8am-noon, 1-5pm M-F
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Weekly Events at St. Didacus

		Location
Sunday, January 12		
Take down Christmas decorations	12:30pm	Church
Monday, January 13		
Knitting Group	2:00pm-4:00pm	Hall
Spanish Men's Prayer Group	6:30pm	Hall
Knights of Columbus	6:30pm	Hall
Tuesday, January 14		
High School Ministry	6:30pm-8:00pm	Hall
Wednesday, January 15		
Religious Education	5:30pm	School
Choir	7:00pm	Church
Encuentro Matrimonial	7:00pm	Hall
Thursday, January 16		
RCIA	7:00pm	Hall
Friday, January 17		
Saturday, January 18		
Scouts	2:00pm-4:00pm	Hall
Confessions	3:30pm	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	3:30pm-5:00pm	Church



Help us take down the Christmas decorations in the Church Sunday, January 12th at 12:30pm after the Spanish Mass.

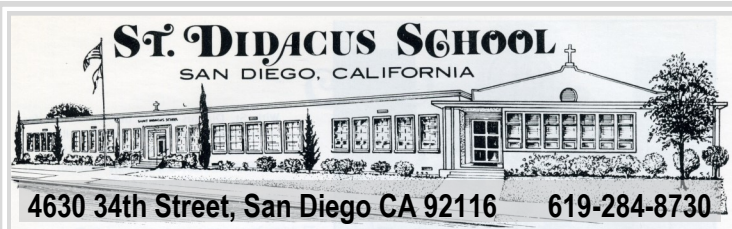
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 Bob Demers
 Josie Demers
 Mick Donahue
 Cecelia Dueber
 Carlita Durand
 Daniel Galvan
 Susan Guenzel
 Anthony Flores
 Stan Hammack

Dolores Hansel
 Joseph Hastings
 Jennifer Hughes & Family
 Al Hunt
 Joanne Hunt
 Ponciano Jimenez
 Emily Johnson
 Paul Kasha
 Meri Kerekianich
 Kerekianich Family
 Marilyn Kober
 Elizabeth La Costa
 Irene Lazo
 Juanita Lopez
 Paul Mansell
 Terrence McCabe
 Emma McPherson
 Dolores Mediano
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And the special intentions in our Book of Needs

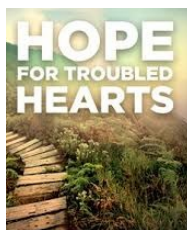


School News—Mark your calendars:

1. **St. Didacus Parish School Annual Appeal** has been sent out. We hope you consider helping to support Catholic Education!
2. **Open House for new families** will be on Sunday, January 26th from 12:00pm to 2:00pm. We invite families to come and meet our teachers, take a tour, and get more information about the school.
3. St. Didacus Parish School will be having their **Annual Gala** at Marina Village on Saturday, February 29th. The theme is 80s Prom Night. If you are interested in attending, tickets will be on sale in the school office in February.
4. St. Didacus Parish School is celebrating its **80th Anniversary** on Sunday, March 29th. It begins with a Family Mass at 10:00am and will continue its celebration at the school. Please save the date, we would love for you to join us. Also, the school is in need of any old yearbooks, pictures, uniforms, etc., to display that day. If you have anything you can share with the school, please drop it off at the school office. Don't forget to put your name and phone number on all loaned items, so we know who to return them to. The school is very appreciative of anything you can share.

10 Keys to Recovering from Divorce

A workshop for separated and divorced men and women
Thursday, January 16th 7pm-8:30pm
St. Brigid Ministry Center
4735 Cass Street, San Diego, CA 92019



Are you separated or newly divorced? Have you been divorced for a while but you are still in need of healing? Come join other separated and divorced men and women for this informative workshop. You are not alone. We are here to support you on your journey to hope and healing.

The 10 Keys to Recovering workshop will cover:

- Why Divorce Hurts so Intensely
- Navigating the Grief Cycle
- Why your Catholic Faith is Essential to Healing
- 10 Critical Keys to Recovery
- Things to Avoid, Things to Do
- Information about 11-Week Support Group beginning January 30th.

To register, or for more information, email: divorcesupport@stbrigidparish.org or visit saintbrigidparish.org/divorce or call 858-483-3155.



REST IN PEACE

†**SUE WALKER**

We will have a memorial Mass for Sue Walker on Wednesday, February 5th at 11am. Please keep Sue and her family in your prayers.



Have you been called to be more involved in the Mass? We are in need of both Eucharistic

Ministers and Lectors especially for the Saturday 5pm Mass. If you would like more information about these ministries, please contact Fr. Rick.

San Diego Walk for Life

at 6th & Laurel Street
intersection in Balboa Park
on **Saturday, January 18th**,
from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



On Saturday, January 18th, 2020 we will celebrate the 8th Annual San Diego Walk for Life. This year's theme is "Live, Serve & Embrace Life," and the purpose is to raise and foster a spirit of service in the pro-life community and encourage commitment from youth and young adults.

The Diocese of San Diego walks together in solidarity with other dioceses to defend the unborn, women who experience difficult pregnancies, the sick and dying, and people with disabilities. More than 4,000 participants including families, volunteers and fifty exhibitors of diverse cultures and faiths will gather to show San Diego that we value ALL life. There will be inspirational young-adult speakers and praise & worship music. Join members of San Diego parishes along with Bishop McElroy & Auxiliary Bishop Dolan to walk for life. For more information or to register, visit the website: www.sandiegowalkforlife.org.

On the Cover: The mosaic of the Baptism of Jesus is located at St. James Roman Catholic Church, in Medjugorje in the Herzegovina region of Bosnia.

Readings for the week of January 12, 2020

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17
Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34



Many thanks to everyone
who contributed to the
Christmas Flower fund in
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Edwin Guenzel
Mary Guenzel

The Catechism of the Catholic Church gives four reasons for the Incarnation, why God became man in Jesus Christ. The third reason is “to be our model of holiness.” All of Jesus’ words and actions model for us what we ought to do. He also shows us how we’re meant to be. Jesus’ Baptism ought to remind us of our own Baptism and of the importance of Baptism in the Christian life.



The Baptism of the Lord reminds us of our Trinitarian identity. When we are baptized, we stand in solidarity with Christ, bathed in the waters he sanctified. There, the Father proclaims our adoption into the family of God. “This is my beloved son [this is my beloved daughter], with whom I am well pleased.” And the Spirit, too, descends. We are filled with the Spirit’s grace and power to continue Christ’s mission on earth. We received these gifts in the sacrament, and they continue to dwell within us through sanctifying grace. We can — and should — invite God to stir up these graces of our Baptism and consider them in our own lives.

Does Christ feel like a distant relative two thousand years in the past? Or do you see him as someone who can be encountered here and now? Ask yourself where you find your sense of dignity and worth. Do you still search for it in success, social status, and selfish pursuits? Or are you able to rest in being a beloved child of God? Remember, Baptism gives us a call and a charge to change the world. Do you pray for the Holy Spirit to guide you? Or are you so focused on your own life that you miss the mission? This week, let’s do as Jesus did. Let’s live in our Baptism! ©LPi



Many thanks to Mrs. Nguyen, custodian at St. Didacus School. While we were all enjoying our down time between Christmas and New Year’s she was here refinishing the floors in the Parish Hall. They are starting off the new year with a sparkle. Thank you, Mrs. Nguyen!

**Mark your calendars:
CONFIRMATION MASS
for our teens is on Wednesday, April 29th
at 6pm here at St. Didacus Church**



The prophet Isaiah teaches us to assist Jesus, the servant, and tend to the “bruised reeds” in our midst (Isaiah 42:3). Who are they today? The marginalized? The homeless and hungry? Those suffering from mental illness and addictions? The migrant worker? The immigrant? The veteran with PTSD? The emotionally and physically abused? How do we welcome these people? How do we support them? Including them in our prayers is important, but is there outreach as well? As we are fed at the Eucharist, we find the strength to engage in these endeavors.



El Bautismo del Señor

Jesús se sometió al bautismo de Juan el Bautista, no fue porque Jesús necesitaba arrepentimiento ni perdón. Al someterse a sí mismo para ser bautizado por Juan en las aguas del Jordán, Jesús santificó las aguas que luego se usarían para bautizar a cada creyente. El bautismo no solo será para el arrepentimiento y el perdón de los pecados, sino principalmente para hacer que los bautizados sean hijo e hija de Dios. Una persona bautizada se convierte en una morada del Espíritu Santo y heredero del Reino de Dios. En el bautismo de Jesús, la voz del Padre vino del cielo, diciendo: "Este es mi Hijo amado, con quien estoy muy complacido". Cuando una persona o un bebé se bautiza, el mismo Padre en el cielo les dice a los bautizados que son suyos: su hijo o su hija. La fiesta del Bautismo de Jesús nos recuerda que una persona no es solo hijo o hija de un padre humano, sino también un precioso hijo de Dios y legítimo heredero del Reino de los Cielos. Recordemos nuestro bautismo y nuestra identidad como hijos de Dios marcándonos con el signo de la cruz tan a menudo como podamos. Verdaderamente somos los hijos amados de Dios, por el Padre, el Hijo y el Espíritu Santo.

P. Rick

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Muchas Gracias a Mica y a todos los que trabajaron para hacer posible la **Posada-Baile**, ellos sacaron \$1500.00 que se usaran para las necesidades de la parroquia.



CONFIRMACIÓN para nuestros adolescentes

Miércoles 29 de abril
a las 6PM en nuestra
parroquia de San Didacus

Martes 28 de abril, ensayo
A las 7 PM en la iglesia.

El Señor de la Misericordia Peregrino quiere visitar tu casa

Si estas interesado de que el Señor de la Misericordia Peregrino visite tu casa, habla con Micaela Mozo, el domingo en la misa de español, es una buena manera de comenzar el año nuevo.



Domingo 12 de enero, 2020

Los invitamos a que se queden y nos ayuden a quitar las decoraciones de Navidad en la Iglesia el domingo 12 de enero, después de la misa de español. **Este domingo, no habrá Coronilla al Señor de la Misericordia.** Por favor, quédese para ayudar y así terminaremos mas rápido.

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