Christ is Baptized in the Jordan! Glorify Him!

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The Holy Martyr Tatiana.



LITURGY SCHEDUE:

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Sat. Jan. 18	17:00 Vigil: 35 th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Suffrages for +Jerry Chirdon – Barbara & James Snitzer			
Sun. Jan. 19 ☆	10:30 35 th SUN	IDAY AFTER PE	NTECOST Suffra	ages <i>pro populo</i> ₩
01 / 05 / 2025 COLLECTION	Adults: \$1101 Holy Days: \$145 ATTENDANCE:	Christmas: \$30 Fuel: \$35 Sat. DL cancelled	Candles: \$32 TOTAL: \$1388 Sun. 26 + 1	Initial Off: \$45

Jesus rises from the waters; the world rises with Him. The heavens, like Paradise with its flaming sword, closed by Adam for himself and his descendants, are rent open. The Spirit comes to Him as to an equal, bearing witness to His Godhead. A voice bears witness to Him from heaven, His place of origin. The Spirit descends in bodily form like the dove that so long ago announced the ending of the flood and so gives honor to the body that is one with God. Today let us do honor to Christ's baptism and celebrate this feast in holiness. Be cleansed entirely and continue to be cleansed. Nothing gives such pleasure to God as the conversion and salvation of men, for whom His every word and every revelation exist. He wants you to become a living force for all mankind, lights shining in the world. You are to be radiant lights as you stand beside Christ, the great light, bathed in the glory of Him Who is the light of heaven. You are to enjoy more and more the pure and dazzling light of the Trinity, as now you have received – though not in its fullness – a ray of its splendor, proceeding from the one God, in Christ Jesus our Lord, to Whom be glory and power now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Excerpt from a sermon by Saint Gregory Nazianzen

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~ Prayer for Aborted Children ~

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MOST MERCIFUL LORD, the Giver of Life: we entreat You, look with compassion and tender mercy upon Your children who have been condemned to death by abortion. You Who said, *«Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for such is the Kingdom of Heaven,»* do now, we humbly pray, grant the inheritance of Your Eternal Kingdom

to the multitude of innocents who have perished in their mother's wombs by the unjust judgment of men. We beseech You to soften the hearts of mothers and fathers who would seek to destroy Your little ones. Pour out upon them Your Divine grace that they may be convicted in their hearts and turn from their evil ways to embrace the True Faith. Upon those who have committed this cruelty: render not unto them according to their deeds, but rather have mercy upon them. Pierce their hearts with compunction and make their eyes stream with tears of repentance, joining their weeping with that of Rachel over her beloved children. For You are a merciful God, the Giver of Life and

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the Lover of Mankind, and to You do we ascribe glory, with Your eternal \square Father and All-Holy Spirit, now and always and forever and ever. Amen.

The National March for Life is 24 January, 2025

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~ Announcements ~

- There is NO BINGO IN JANUARY 2025. The first bingo of the new year will be on FRIDAY, 14 FEBRUARY.
- ★ THANK YOU to Sandra for her generous donation for the maintenance of our parish cemetery. May God grant to His servant Sandra, peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years. мъногаю лѣта!