

# The Baptism of the Lord

## January 12, 2020

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### **Sacraments**

**Baptisms:** Parents and Godparents must  
attend a baptismal preparation session  
before a baptism will be scheduled.

**Weddings:** Church arrangements must be  
made at least six months in advance, before  
booking a reception hall.

**Confessions:** Saturdays, 4:15-4:45 pm at St.  
Barbara Church or by appointment.

The **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**  
and **Communion Calls** are available to those  
who are homebound or hospitalized.

Please contact the church office for  
additional information.

# Mass Intentions

## *January 12, 2020 The Baptism of the Lord*

**8:00 A.M.** + Sau Fong Yuan by Margaret & William Moy  
+ Mariano Caruso by Family  
+ Marie Roti by Francine

**10:30 A.M.** For Health and Healing of Lai I Fan by Regina Cheong  
+ Robert Chan by Gerri & Woody Moy  
+ Joanna Wai Nin Law Wan by Law family  
+ Chuck Hong Oi by Agnes Lee

**MON. Jan. 13th** *Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*  
*\*(Mass at St. Therese Church)*

**8:00 A.M.** Healing Blessing for Betty Fung by family

**TUE. Jan. 14th** *Weekday*  
*\*(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)*

**8:00 A.M.**

**WED. Jan. 15th** *Weekday*  
*\*(Mass at St. Therese Church)*

**8:00 A.M.** + James Roti, Birthday Remembrance by Marion

**THU. Jan. 16th** *Weekday*  
*\*(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)*

**8:00 A.M.**

**FRI. Jan. 17th** *Saint Anthony, Abbot*  
*\*(Mass at St. Therese Church)*

**8:00 A.M.** + Antoinette Pacelli by Nephew Jody

**SAT. Jan. 18th** *Weekday*  
**8:00 A.M.**

**5:00 P.M.** *\*(Mass at St. Barbara Church)*  
+ Cookie Jarzyna by Marion Roti



## *From the Desk of Fr. Francis*

**Greetings of Christ's Peace and Joy! Hope you all had a blessed week.**

### **Thanks**

Thanks to all who have offered a generous Christmas gift to our parish and to those who helped with our Christmas celebration. The children's pageant went very well with many participants; our combined choirs sang beautifully for our mid-night mass; and our decoration teams did an amazing job. Thank God for a fruitful Christmas and for your participation and faith.

Thanks to members of our Young Adults for painting one of our Religious Education classrooms. It looks great now and our students and catechist really appreciate it too.

Members of the St. Barbara Knights met before Christmas. We thank them for their faith and involvement in our parish. They are open to welcome new members.



### **The Gift of Baptism**

Last weekend, we celebrated the Epiphany of the Lord, which reminds us that God's salvific plan and God love is for all people. Today we have another important feast-the Baptism of the Lord. Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist not for forgiveness of sins, but to "fulfill all righteousness." His baptism reminds us that the mission of John the Baptist was not only valid, but essential. John's baptism was for the forgiveness of sins, but Jesus baptized with water and the Holy Spirit, not only for forgiveness of sins, but for reception of God's grace and new life.

The celebration of the Baptism of the Lord reminds us of our own baptism. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "**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."**

It is clear that through our baptism, we are reborn and sent on a mission to transform others and the world. We are not alone on this mission; we have other members of Christ to accompany us; we always have the Holy Spirit to guide us and empower us to be faithful to our common mission.

Speaking of baptism, what a blessing for our community to have 10 candidates in our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) programs this year! They are searching, discerning, and looking forward to be baptized at Easter Vigil. We also have a few school students who are being prepared for baptism this year. The Spirit is working in and through them and us. Let's keep all candidates for baptism in our prayers.

Let's renew our own baptism promises and be consciously attentive to the fact that we are God's beloved sons and daughters now.

*Peace, Fr. Francis*

# Convening at the Intersection of Trauma, Faith and Resilience to Connect, Learn, Heal, and Serve

Save the Date: Thursday, January 30  
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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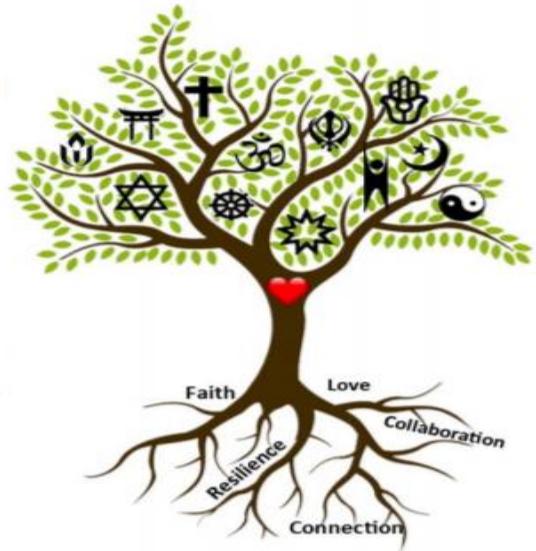
Over three years, we have been learning about the intersection of faith, trauma and resilience. Come and celebrate the blossoming and blooming of our movement.

**Connect** with each other,

**Learn** together about concrete actions we can take to create trauma-responsive and healing-engaged congregations and communities,

**Heal** and nourish our own spirits, and

**Prepare** ourselves to model and guide transformation across our communities.



*Keynote speaker: Dr. Iva Carruthers, a founding trustee and General Secretary of the Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference, an interdenominational organization within the African American faith tradition focused on social justice issues.*

To register for this event, visit <https://faithandresilience.eventbrite.com>.  
Registration fee: \$30; Students: \$15. Scholarships available.  
Questions? Contact Octavia Tyson at [octavia.tyson@cityofchicago.org](mailto:octavia.tyson@cityofchicago.org).

## [Hospitality Schedule for January 19, 2020](#)

**GREETERS:** Marian Torrez & STS Students **/RECEPTION:** Gemma, Teresa, Flo

## [Today's Liturgy—January 12, 2020](#)

### **Gather 1012, The Baptism of the Lord/A**

**PROCESSIONAL:** #903 – Baptism in Water

**OFFERTORY:** #584 - Come to the Water

**COMMUNION:** #916 – I Received the Living God

**RECESSIONAL:** #773 – You Have Anointed Me

### [St. Michael Schedule](#)

**Jan. 12: 8am: 10:30am:** Edy, Eric, Joseph

**Jan. 19: 8am: 10:30am:** Cameron, George, Miguel

## News and Events

### Chinese New Year Celebration

Our annual Lunar New Year celebration will be on Sunday, Feb. 2nd at 10am. Please save the date and plan to join us for this festive celebration!

**Christmas Decoration take down: HELP NEEDED TODAY!** We will put away & take down Christmas decorations today after the 10:30am mass. Also, if you would like a poinsettia, please feel free to take a plant home

**Chinese New Year Celebration** planning meeting is today, Jan. 12th immediately after the 10:30am mass in the St. Therese Room.

**Finance Council Meeting** is at 6pm on Monday, Jan. 13th followed by **Liturgy Committee Meeting** at 7pm in the St. Therese Room.

**School Board Meeting** will be on Wed. Jan. 15th at 6:00pm in the Lower Hall at St. Barbara.

**2020 Offering Box** -parishioners can pick them up at the church entrance table.



Please pray for the following **Mercy Hospital Patients:** Jerry, Mary, Alberto, Doris, Ann, Mya, Evelyn, Lester, Catherine, Doris, Joselynn, Mansha, Cynthia, Nina,



**Good Shepherd Catechists with Mission Charity sisters. Age from 3-7, Saturday at 9:30a.m- 11:am. At**

**St. Therese Worship Site** From 9:30 to 11 a.m. This program will run through May, 2020. Please call parish office to register.

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### St. Barbara Church:

#### Weekends:

Saturday: Anticipated Mass: 5:00PM  
Sunday: 6:00AM & 9:30AM

#### Weekdays:

8:00AM Mass: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays

#### St. Therese Church:

#### Weekends:

Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:30AM, and Mandarin Mass on the 4th Sunday of the month at 12:00PM

#### **Cantonese Mass 粵語:**

1st Sunday of each month at 10:30am  
每月第一主日 上午十時三十分

#### **Indonesian Mass 印尼語:**

Mass from August 2019 –January 2020 at Divine Word Mission in Techny, IL

#### **Mandarin Mass 國語:**

4th Sunday of each month at 12:00noon  
每月第四主日 中午十二時

#### Weekdays:

8:00AM Mass: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

**ATTENTION:** For those who make your offering in the form of a check, please continue to make checks payable to your respective Worship Site Churches until it is announced otherwise.



## St. Therese School News



During the holiday break, our students pulled up their sleeves and volunteered their time for a "Decoration Party" to add decor to both sanctuaries for Christmas Masses, along with Youth Ministry and St. Mother Teresa Parish RE students. Over fifty students were in attendance for this year's Decoration Party!

The eighth-grade students at St. Barbara Campus have been working very hard to utilize more inflection as they read. To put their new skills to the test, the eighth graders read Christmas stories with the first graders. The students did an excellent job keeping the first graders engaged in the story!

PARENT  
FORMATION

# Catholic Sacraments



AN OVERVIEW

JANUARY 12 - 10:45 AM  
ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH:  
ST BARBARA WORSHIP SITE

JANUARY 19 - 9AM  
ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH  
ST. THERESE WORSHIP SITE

LED BY THOMAS HOWARD, D.MIN

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, PARISH, AND SCHOOL PARENTS  
ARE ALL INVITED TO ATTEND

<u>Frank &amp; Sheila Bertucci</u>	\$250
<u>Louis Vittori</u>	\$125
<u>David Wong</u>	\$50
<u>James D. Vittori</u>	\$100
<u>Ka Soen &amp; Lushia Tie</u>	\$100
<u>Tom &amp; Carol Spalla</u>	\$100
<u>Lily Subunnonone</u>	\$100
<u>Sharon Yu</u>	\$100
<u>Naomi &amp; Joe Low</u>	\$100
<u>Jimbay &amp; YeedeH Loh</u>	\$500
<u>George Lee &amp; family</u>	\$300
<u>Annie Lowe</u>	\$200
<u>Chuck Lee</u>	\$200
<u>Gerard &amp; Darlene Chan</u>	\$200
<u>Akina Moy</u>	\$200
<u>Ireneo Lorenzo</u>	\$200
<u>Mary &amp; Michael Capecci</u>	\$20
<u>Chung &amp; Mei Chan</u>	\$20
<u>Jean Wong</u>	\$20
<u>Linda Andriacch</u>	\$50
<u>Sr. Caritas</u>	\$5
<u>Anita C. Hong</u>	\$20
<u>Xiao Mei &amp; Daniel Rak</u>	\$100

**Christmas Donations as of  
01/10/2020 (continued)**

**Thanks to ALL who contributed!**

**Grand Total donation as of  
1/10/2020 \$30,916**

## Lunar New Year Celebration

## 新春彌撒及祭祖慶典

Year of the Rat 鼠  
庚子年 2020

Sunday  
February 2, 2020  
二零二零年二月二日  
(星期日)

10:00 am  
Mass with Veneration of Ancestors  
彌撒及祭祖慶典

11:45 am  
Performance 表演

12:15 pm  
Luncheon 午宴聯歡會

Luncheon Suggested Donation: \$10 per person 午宴費用: 每位 10  
(Children free-will 兒童自由奉獻)



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### Weekly Offering

### Collection for January 5, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	\$1,073	
GiveCentral	235	July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$50,599
Sunday Loose	369	July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$59,400
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$1,677</b>	

Weekly Budget: \$2,200 % of Budget Attained: 85%

Please consider giving one hour of **your weekly salary as your contribution.**



## Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, hospitalized, and homebound...

Cita Orendain  
Lois Payton  
Helen Moy  
Benjamin N. Lucas  
Amelia Lorraine Schroeder  
Karl Schroeder  
Phil Maraldi  
Nicholas Tobar  
Sister Noel Devine  
Barbara McElroy  
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Phyllis Centofanti

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Hu Bin  
Barbara Metzinger  
Debbie Annoreno  
Ali Powers

### God's Will by Sister Caritas

St Francis De Sales is known for the saying, "You can catch more flies with a little honey than you can with a gallon of vinegar." When I was teaching I might say, "Look how nice Johnny is sitting." And suddenly all the children try to copy that student so they can be praised too. Praise or complimenting people, at times, if sincere, can make a big difference.

Today we are celebrating the Baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. When Jesus comes up out of the Jordan River a voice is heard. The voice says, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." As God, Jesus knew that God the Father was pleased with Him. As man, Jesus, perhaps was happy that His Father was pleased with Him. God knew Jesus was doing what He wanted Jesus to do on earth. One thing we can say about all of Jesus life, is that He always wanted to do what pleased His Father. Jesus always did what God, the Father wanted Him to do. That was a focus of His life. Jesus often spoke of seeking to do the will of His Father. "I always do the will of Him who sent me."

We are called to holiness. We are called to be like Jesus. One can make holiness a very complicated thing. In reality, holiness is simple. Jesus gives us the example, as does St. Therese and all the saints. All the saints imitated Jesus. All the saints, in one way or another, did the will of God. They tried, each day of their lives, to love God. If you love someone you do what they want. We only have to do the will of God with great love. If we do that each day of our lives we will be holy. We will be like Jesus. With consistent response to God's grace and call, we too, will be holy.



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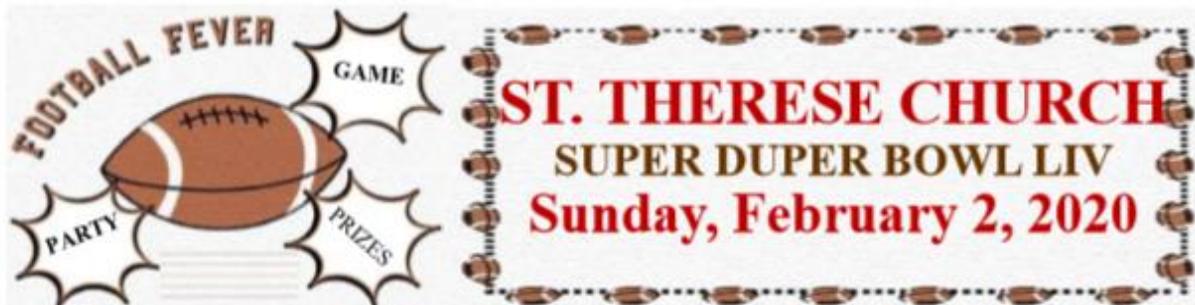
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