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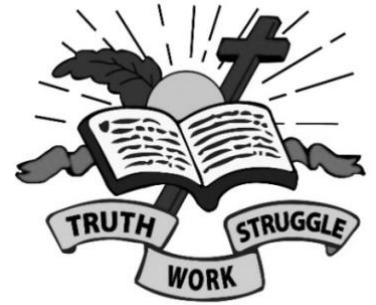
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January 9, 2022

Solemnity – Baptism of the Lord

FAITH SHARING

The Baptism of the Lord is the great event celebrated at the very end of Christmas time. It marks the beginning of Jesus' public ministry.

Jesus' baptism by John was a very important event in the Messianic mission. First it was a moment of identification with us sinners. Sinless, Jesus received the baptism of repentance to identify Himself with His people who realized for the first time that they were sinners.

Second, it was a moment of conviction about Jesus' identity and mission: that He is the Son of God and His mission was to preach the Good News of God's love and salvation and to atone for our sins by becoming the "suffering servant."

Third, it was a moment of equipment. The Holy Spirit, descending and resting upon Jesus in the form of a dove, bestowed on Jesus the power to preach and heal. Fourth, receiving the approval of God, His Heavenly Father, as His Beloved Son presented Jesus with a moment of decision to begin public ministry at the most opportune time.

The baptism of Jesus reminds us of our identity. It reminds us of who we are and Whose we are. By Baptism we become sons and daughters of God, brothers and sisters of Jesus, members of his Church, heirs of Heaven, and temples of the Holy Spirit.

It is a day to thank God for the graces we have received in Baptism, to renew our Baptismal promises and to preach Christ's "Good News" by our transparent Christian lives of love, mercy, service and forgiveness.

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

ENTRANCE HYMN (Matthew 3:16-17; Ps. 72:13)

V. After Jesus was baptized, He came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened, [for Him], and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove [and] coming upon Him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased."

R. He shows pity to the needy and the poor and saves the lives of the poor.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Gospel

LK 3:15-16, 21-22

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

The people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ.

John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.

And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.



Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn

057 O Come, All Ye Faithful

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

144 Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn

We Three Kings of Orient Are

Communion Hymn

Angels We Have Heard On High

Recessional Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

SECOND COLLECTION:

1/30 - Music Scholarship Sunday - For the Music Scholarship Fund

2/6 - For the Mission Fund

3/6 - For the Mission Fund

3/13 - Institution of the PNCC - For the National Church Center

4/3 - For the Mission Fund

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, January 9

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12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

Sunday, January 16

2 Ordinary Sunday

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

Thursday, January 23

3 Ordinary Sunday

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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BULLETIN INFORMATION

If you have any information which supposed to be in our parish bulletin, please call or email Fr. Mariusz. Due date for each bulletin is always Friday, 4:00 p.m.

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Let us pray for all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish, especially: Howard Friedman, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Tom Goff, Donald Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone, Jan Cherneski, Ewelina Mendelewski-Filyushchenko, Richard Golazewski, Fr. Donald Wunderlich, Izabela Dryfik, Michal Mularczyk, Jane Aldorshoff, John Greer

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

MOST REV. JOHN F. SWANTEK, RETIRED PRIME BISHOP OF THE PNCC, PASSED AWAY

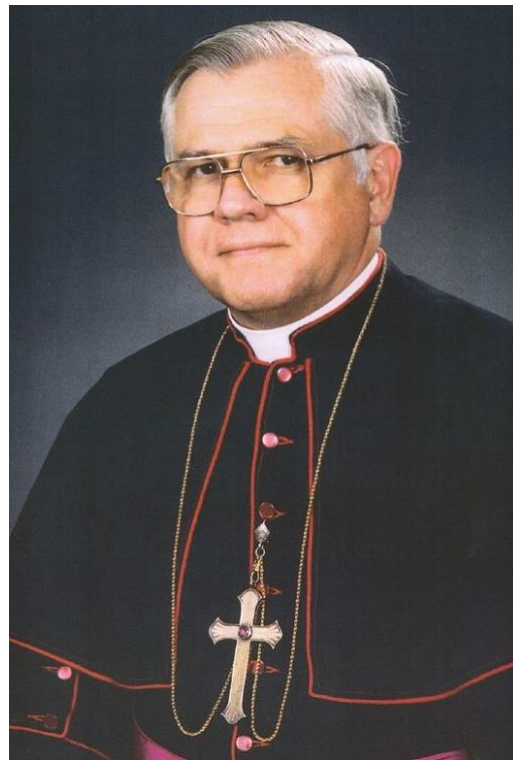
It is with great sadness that we announce that the *sp.* Most Rev. John F. Swantek, the fifth Prime Bishop of the Polish National Catholic Church, entered into the eternal rest of the Lord on Friday, January 7, 2022.

We give thanks to Almighty God for his years of ministry as a Priest within the Eastern Diocese, Bishop of the Buffalo-Pittsburgh Diocese and Prime Bishop of the Polish National Catholic Church from 1986 to 2002. In these roles he has touched the lives of countless members of the Church.

Details of the celebration of the Requiem Vespers and the Funeral Mass:

Vespers will be celebrated in Scranton Cathedral where the Primate Emeritus will lie in repose and will begin at **7:00 pm on Friday, January 14, 2022;**

The funeral Mass is scheduled for **Saturday, January 15, 2022 at 10:00 am** in the Cathedral.



*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him.
May he rest in peace. Amen.*

*Wieczny odpoczynek racz mu dać, Panie. A światłość wiekuista niechaj mu świeci.
Niech odpoczywa w pokoju wiecznym. Amen.*