

# Sacred Heart Parish Gettysburg, SD

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## The Baptism of the Lord ~ January 10, 2021

### No Soup & Pie Luncheon This Year

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic – the parish's annual Soup and Pie Luncheon has been cancelled! We're hoping for a come-back next year.



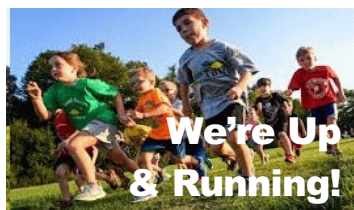
### Altar Society Meeting

The Sacred Heart Altar Society will meet on Monday, January 11, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.

### Confirmation Class Sunday



The Confirmation preparation classes for grades 10-11-12 will meet on Sunday, January 10, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. The class is also webcast @ GetSHC.org -- click on 'Livestream'. In-person or on-line presence is REQUIRED. **Do not attend if you have symptoms of COVID or have been exposed to COVID and are under quarantine. Students are reminded to turn in their Church Donated Service Preference lists!**



### Religious Education News

Religious Education classes resumed last Wednesday, January 6 – following Christmas Break. Religious Ed classes are on Wednesday afternoon & evening.

While there is no Diocese regulation on the use of masks for religious education classes, we continue to recommend that the children wear masks where social distancing is not possible. We also recommend the students practice good hygiene (frequent hand washing) and social distancing whenever possible. If any parents is concerned about the COVID-19 situation and would like to teach their child from home for the remainder of the school year, please contact Roberta Dutenhoeffer to pick up their books and materials.



We will be teaching Circle of Grace this year to meet the Diocese requirement for 'safe environment' for children. For more information, or to opt your child out of this curriculum, please contact the RE office. If your child missed out on the circle of grace curriculum which was taught to

the evening grade this past week, the materials will be available online or contact me for more information.

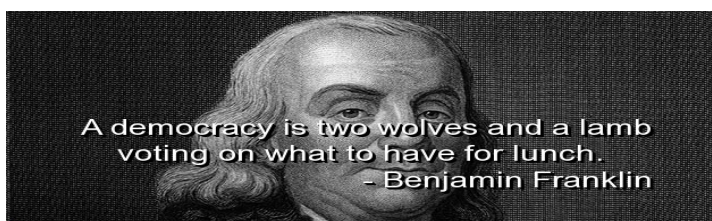
**SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS are still NEEDED!** If you are willing to volunteer, please text/call 769-1953.

Stay informed! Text SACRED to 97000 for automated notifications of class cancellations or sign up on our website at [getshc.org](http://getshc.org).



### Keep in Prayer

Tom Frost	Karen Briscoe	Tammy Adams	Royce Simon
Jack Smith	Cheryl Panchow	Mike Maskavitch	Alison Simon
Jerry Jacobson	John Knue	Vicki Miller	Brenda Victor
Jack Axson	Andy Wager	Amanda Lemler	Carol Erikson
Gerald Lacher	Kathy Vetch	Eli Kortan	Rachel Hamburger
Shaelyn Schatz	Evon Koops	Eugene Nagel	Mary Mardian
Linda Simon	Theresa Kirby	Judy Brown	Diego Lamendola
Taylor Nystrom	Jo Bender	Alan Hoven	Rudy Castaneda
David McGough	Darrell Griese	Leonard Schatz	Ronny Kaup
Vaughn Larson	Megan Nystrom	Jim Brown	Jim Nagel
Bridget Lake	Cliff Simon	Denise Griese	Amy Cordell
Mark Senfner	Jennifer Jost		





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### Religious Education News

**R**eligious Education classes have resumed on Wednesday, January 6 – following Christmas Break. Religious Ed classes are on Wednesday afternoon & evening.

- Grades 1-5 ..... 4:00 pm to 5:15 pm.
- Grades 6-7-8..... 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm.
- Grades 9-10..... 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm.



- Please do NOT send your children to Religious Ed class too early; they will be allowed in the building starting at 3:50 pm and should go straight to their classroom.
- Hand Sanitizer used as we enter the buildings. Social Distancing practiced in classrooms, and in the church and church basement – 6 feet apart & not longer than 15 minutes in close proximity.
- Masks are optional for anyone who would like to bring their own mask and wear it. We do NOT plan on using the masks in the church as was stated in the Parent Letter.



- Lastly, if your child shows ANY signs or symptoms of illness, please do NOT send them to Religious Ed class.

- Contact Stacie @ 280-9382 if you have questions or concerns.

### Advanced Ministry Assignments

3rd Ordinary Sunday ~ 9:00 am Mass

Sacristan..... Sun 1-24..... Teri Weischedel,  
Greeters/Entry Oversight. . . Sun 1-24... Dennis & Teri Weischedel,  
Lector. .... Sun 1-24..... Mary Sleck,  
Altar Servers..... Sun 1-24..... None,  
Eucharistic Minister. .... Sun 1-24..... Mike Wiley.

### Job Opening – No Longer Open

**S**t. Pius X Parish Council held its bi-monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 5. The parish maintenance position was discussed. Mike Wiley has agreed to take over snow removal/outside maintenance. Jim Thibedeau will stay on and continue general cleaning of church, parish house, basic repairs, etc. Thanks to Mike and Jim for covering this for the parish.

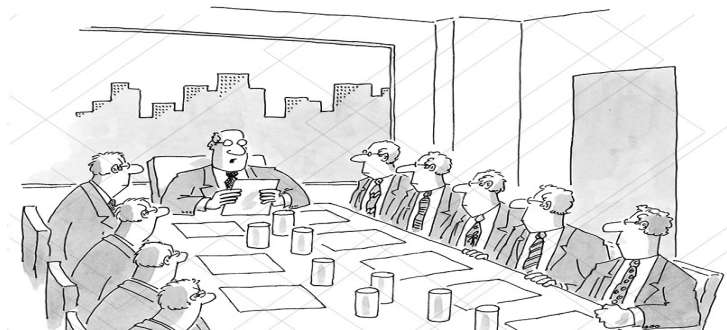


"Let's see if the headaches, dizziness, and nausea persist after the elections and court cases are all settled."

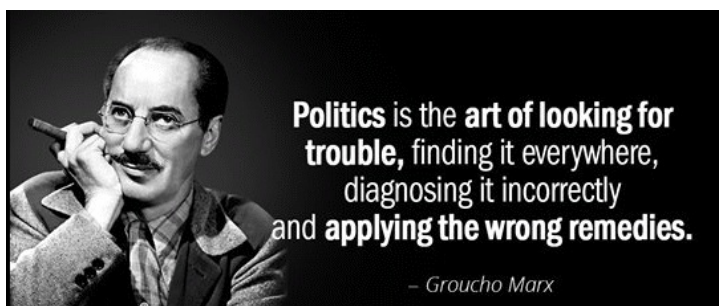
### Keep in Prayer

Judi West	Mel Hackett	Bud Yackley	Mike Wolforth
Bob Pierce	Jean Hertel	Marquette Brink	Jock Stamps
Alice Jones	Taelyn Hettick	Ann Chicoine	Diane Lorenz
Mike Fuller	Jo Bender	Kellie Yackley	Peggy Rath
Mark Senftner			

Please help us keep this list current. If someone has recovered or died please call the parish office at 765-2161 so we can remove them from the list.



"Before we discuss destroying the competition, screwing our customers, and laughing all the way to the bank, let's begin this meeting with a prayer."



Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it everywhere, diagnosing it incorrectly and applying the wrong remedies.

– Groucho Marx




A healthy democracy requires a decent society; it requires that we are honorable, generous, tolerant and respectful.

Charles W. Pickering

BrainyQuote



Masses and Intentions for Sacred Heart January 11-17, 2021		Sacrament of Penance Times
MONDAY ~ 11:00 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Funeral for Mary Fransen	Sacred Heart ~ Gettysburg..... Saturday at Noon and 6:00 pm. Also offered by appointment ~ call Fr. Kopel at 765-2161 Additional times prior to Christmas and prior to Easter
TUESDAY ~ 8:30 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	The Forgotten Poor Souls (d)	<b>Sacramental Preparation</b> Baptism. .... Pre-Baptism program required for the first child. Call Fr. Kopel to arrange for date and time. Marriage..... Six (6) months preparation time prior to marriage. Date may not be set until preparation has begun. Contact Fr. Kopel well in advance of any desired date.
WEDNESDAY ~ 8:30 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Betty Poeppel (d)	
THURSDAY ~ 4:00 pm Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Sylvia Bryant (d)	<b>Sacred Heart Parish Staff</b> Pastor..... Fr. Jerry Kopel ~ 765-2161 or 769-4062 Secretary..... Beverly Thomas ~ 765-2161 Office Hours:..... Monday-Friday ~ 9:00am to noon Religious Education.Roberta Dutenhoeffer ~ 765-2359 or C:769-1953 Office Hours:..... by appointment.
FRIDAY ~ 8:30 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Health & Well-being of Amy Cordell, Bridget Lake, Eugene Nagel & Mark Senfner	
SATURDAY ~ 6:30 pm Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Gerald Peters (d) 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	
SUNDAY ~ 11:00 am Sacred Heart Church ~ Gettysburg	Bill Goebel (d) 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	

Liturgical Ministers for January 16-17, 2021			
	Saturday ~ 6:30 pm 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday ~ 11:00 am 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	 <p>"I'm thinking about having my wedding ring melted down into a bullet."</p>
Greeter & Lobby Oversight	Don & Lila Hericks	Vic & Patty Beringer	
Lector	Mike Bohnenkamp	Jackie Hansen	
Ministers of Eucharist	Mary Bohnenkamp	Jenn Jager	
Altar Servers			
Rosary			
Music	Colleen Simon	Lexie Vogel	
Video Operator Projection Operator	Josh Cordell Nicole Enos	Jean Smith & Jonathan Wheeler Izzy Mikkelsen	
Homebound Minister		Rose Schatz	

Masses & Intentions for St. Pius X ~ January 17, 2021					
Wednesday ~ 5:30 pm	No Mass		Sunday ~ 9:00 am 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	St. Pius X & Sacred Heart Parishioners	
Liturgical Ministers for January 17, 2021					
	Sacristan	Greeter/Lobby Oversight	Lector	Eucharist Ministers	Altar Servers
Sunday ~ 9:00 am 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	Dinae Lorenz	Kirk & Jackie Yackley Family	Nola LaRosh	Greg Lorenz	
St. Pius X Parish Staff			Sacrament of Penance		
Pastor..... Fr. Jerry Kopel ~ Office: 765-2161 or Cell: 769-4062 Secretary. .... Lisa Guthmiller ~ 258-2336 Office Hours:..... Mon & Thurs ~ 8:30am-Noon; Wed ~ 9:00am-5:00pm Religious Education. .... Stacie Weinheimer ~ Office: 258-2336 & Cell: 280-9382			First Sunday at 10:30 am ~ prior to the 11:00 am Mass Other Sundays at 8:30 am ~ prior to the 9:00 am Mass Also offered by appointment ~ call Fr. Kopel at 765-2161		

# Sunday Scriptural Reflection

## Baptism of the Lord ~ January 10, 2021, 2020

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Acts 10:34-38

Mark 1:7-11

"Are they trying to make the Catholic Church a peace church?" This sentiment was among the reactions to the pastoral letter that our U.S. bishops issued some years ago, called *The Challenge of Peace* (1983). I recall finding that response provocative and illuminating. I knew what the speaker meant: there are Christian denominations such as the Quakers and Mennonites that have made peacemaking and even pacifism a dominant theme in their devotion and action; and no historian has ever grouped Roman Catholics in that category.

But as soon as I recognized that fact, I had to ask, "Why not?" Is not peacemaking central to the teaching of Jesus? There was no doubt of that in our bishops' minds when they wrote their peace pastoral. And they were echoing powerful statements from recent popes. ("If you want peace, work for justice," said Pope Paul VI.)

Each of this Sunday's readings invites us to ponder the centrality of peace and justice in the mission of Jesus and in the mission of any of us who claim to be his disciples.

The selection from Isaiah contains the famous figure of the Servant of Yahweh. Commentators have debated long and hard whether this servant stands for Israel as a whole or for an individual within Israel. The consensus now is that, in the full context of Isaiah 40-55, the servant stands for both; that is, the figure of the servant represents Israel in her mission to be a light to the nations, and at the same time the language points to the role of a person within Israel who enables her to fulfill that mission. The poem is written as a divine oracle, and the words promise a special endowment of the Spirit of God, thus marking the mission as prophetic. It is also in the language of kingship ("establishing justice on the earth"), with the startling difference that this reign will come about not through military conquest but through conspicuously nonviolent means ("a bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench").



When Luke summarizes the meaning of the baptism of the Lord in the speech of Peter to Cornelius's household in Acts, he draws on the portrait of the Servant in Isaiah.

You know the word [that God] sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed

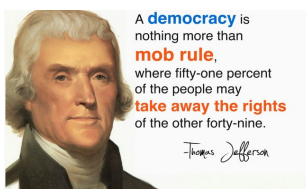
Jesus of Nazareth with the holy Spirit and power. (Acts 10:36-38)

The thrust of this biblical teaching suggests that any community calling itself Christian is necessarily called to be, in a profound sense, a peace church. Our Pope and bishops have been trying to call our attention to this for some time now.

Dennis Hamm, S.J.



"My normal law-office hours are over for the day, Mr. Hodol, but I always have time and a half for you."



A **democracy** is nothing more than **mob rule**, where fifty-one percent of the people may **take away the rights** of the other forty-nine.

Thomas Jefferson

A woman in labor suddenly shouted, "Shouldn't! Wouldn't! Couldn't! Didn't! Can't!" "Don't worry," said the doctor. "Those are just contractions."

I tried to sue the airport for misplacing my luggage. I lost my case.



# The Pastor's Ponderings

As I write this on Tuesday, January 5, the State of Georgia is voting in its senatorial run-off election. From all sources this promises to be a 'nail-bitter'. Most likely the final results will not be known until Wednesday or later. There has been a lot of early voting and the turn-out on election day is reported to be heavy. Lots of ballots to count! Even with all of our technology it seems that we still have a heck of a time getting this done in a timely, accurate and efficient manner. Counting X's in boxes on a ballot with only two senate seats and four names on it – I wouldn't think would be that tough.

I am finishing this up on Thursday – after the events of Wednesday evening in Washington. For a while, I have had a sense that people are angry, they are suspicious, they don't trust the politicians and government officials who say they are working for the people but are just doing their own 'Washington' thing. But I'm pretty sure that invading the Capitol will really get the response from politicians, police or our government they that really want.

However, like much of politics today – reasonable answers to these difficult times are tough to find. Pray, reflect, respect and encourage one another. I will be glad when this is 'over' and we can perhaps move on to other things.

## First Communion Preparation Meeting

**P**arent & student meetings for all 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders desiring to receive their First Holy Communion are now scheduled. Please, plan to attend a Communion Preparation Meeting – required for all First Communion candidates and at least one parent or guardian. You may attend the meeting in EITHER PARISH. Please plan accordingly!



## First Communion Preparation Classes

Gettysburg Hall. . . . . Sunday, January 31. . . . . 1:30-3:00 pm,  
Onida House. . . . . Sunday, February 7. . . . . 1:00-2:30 pm,

## First Penance Preparation Classes

Gettysburg Hall. . . . . Sunday, March 21. . . . . 1:30-3:00 pm,  
Onida House. . . . . Sunday, March 28. . . . . 1:30-3:00 pm,

## Parish First Communion Masses

Gettysburg. . . . . Sunday, April 25. . . . . 11:00 am Mass,  
Onida. . . . . Sunday, May 2. . . . . 11:00 am Mass.

## SCAM ALERT

**BEWARE OF SCAMMERS!** Parishes, parish staffs and parishioners around the Diocese have been contacted by scammers posing as 'the pastor - usually by name' requesting that you buy gift cards for parishioners in need. They usually ask that



"Huh? Oh, yeah - I do."

after buying the gift cards that you to call a phone # or send an email with the verification codes off the cards.

This is a SCAM! Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES will your pastor, anyone from the Diocese or any parish staffers make such a request. **Do not respond to such requests – ever!** Delete them, ignore them, curse at them, pray to God that they burn in hell forever – but NEVER do what they ask.

In recent months I have received numerous such email requests from none other than Bishop Donald DeGrood! I have happily deleted them. Sadly the one 'request' I have to keep is the annual CFSA collection/tax. That, however, comes by USPS mail.