

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
- Matthew 3:16

The
Baptism
of the Lord

January 11, 2026

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St. Charles Borromeo, South Charleston

St. Raphael, Springfield

St. Teresa, Springfield

St. Rose

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Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:30 p.m. St. Bernard – 4:30 p.m. St. Charles

Sunday

8:00 a.m. St. Joseph – 8:30 a.m. St. Bernard

10:30 a.m. St. Raphael – 11:00 a.m. St. Teresa

2:00 p.m. St. Teresa (Spanish) – 3:30 p.m. St. Raphael (Haitian Creole)

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday

8:00 a.m. St. Teresa

Monday-Tuesday-Friday

9:00 a.m. St. Bernard

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Rosary St. Teresa (Spanish) – 6:30 p.m. St. Teresa (Spanish)

Wednesday-Thursday

12:10 p.m. St. Raphael

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Teresa:

Confession and Adoration every Thursday from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration from 9:00-Noon

Holy Mass and Adoration 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

First Saturday Holy Rosary and Mass 6:00 a.m. (Spanish)

St. Bernard:

First Sunday from 10:00 a.m.-Noon

St. Raphael:

Every Tuesday from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION

St. Teresa

Thursday, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

St. Bernard

Mon/Tue/Fri, after 9:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, 3:30-4:15 p.m.

St. Raphael

Tuesday, 5:00-5:45 p.m.

Wed/Thurs, 11:30 a.m.-Noon

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Note, all submissions may be edited for length and clarity.

Pastor's Corner

From the Pastor, January 11, 2026

Today's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord very intentionally points us to our own Baptism. If you have been baptized, you are a Christian. This does not mean that you have joined a club like the VFW but that you have been truly marked with a sign on your soul as being claimed for Jesus Christ. It seems, from a certain perspective, that Baptism, a simple ritual of washing with water, is kind of silly and not able to do what it promises... But then we encounter this Gospel, where Jesus submits to Baptism Himself in the Jordan River.

From the beginning, water was set apart to play a special role in salvation history, which we know to culminate in Baptism. As it says in the Blessing of Water from Easter: "O God, whose Spirit in the first moments of the world's creation hovered over the waters, so that the very substance of would even then take to itself the power to sanctify." But that is not the end – Jesus Himself enters into the water to sanctify it. As it continues in the Blessing of Water: "May this water receive by the Holy Spirit the grace of your Only Begotten Son, so that human nature, created in your image and washed clean through the Sacrament of Baptism from all the squalor of the life of old, may be found worthy to rise to the life of newborn children through water and the Holy Spirit." May the grace of our own Baptism be renewed within us on this holy feast.

In Christ,
Fr. Komo

Del Pastor, 11 de Enero de 2026

La fiesta del Bautismo del Señor de hoy nos recuerda, con toda intención, nuestro propio Bautismo. Si te has bautizado, eres cristiano. Esto no significa que te hayas unido a un club como la VFW, sino que has sido marcado con una señal en tu alma como un creyente declarado para Jesucristo. Desde cierta perspectiva, parece que el bautismo, un simple ritual de lavarse con agua, es algo absurdo e incapaz de cumplir lo que promete... Pero entonces encontramos este Evangelio, donde Jesús mismo se somete al bautismo en el río Jordán.

Desde el principio, el agua fue apartada para desempeñar un papel especial en la historia de la salvación, que sabemos que culmina en el bautismo. Como dice la Bendición del Agua de Pascua: "Oh Dios, cuyo Espíritu en los primeros momentos de la creación del mundo se cernía sobre las aguas, de modo que la misma sustancia de la tierra tomara para sí el poder de santificar". Pero ese no es el final: Jesús mismo entra en el agua para santificarla. Como continúa la Bendición del Agua: "Que esta agua reciba por el Espíritu Santo la gracia de tu Hijo Unigénito, para que la naturaleza humana, creada a tu imagen y purificada mediante el sacramento del Bautismo de toda la miseria de la vida anterior, sea hallada digna de resucitar a la vida de niños recién nacidos por el agua y el Espíritu Santo". Que la gracia de nuestro propio Bautismo se renueve en nosotros en esta santa fiesta.

En Cristo,
Padre Komo

Weekly Scripture Readings

Mon, Jan. 12... I Sam 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19; Mk 1:14-20
Tues, Jan. 13 . I Sam 1:9-20; I Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Mk 1:21-28
Wed, Jan. 14..... I Sam 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29-39
Thurs, Jan. 15 I Sam 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45
Fri, Jan. 16..... I Sam 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1-12
Sat, Jan. 17 ... I Sam 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 2:13-17
Sun, Jan. 18 Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

Mass Schedule and Intentions:

Saturday, January 10

4:30 p.m. **St. Charles** † Julia Smith
 4:30 p.m. **St. Bernard** † John & Jean Glendening

Sunday January 11

8:00 a.m. **St. Joseph** † Wayne Routzahn
 8:30 a.m. **St. Bernard** † Frank McLean
 10:30 a.m. **St. Raphael** † Denny Weeks
 11:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Jack Sweeney; † Don McNeil
 2:00 p.m. **St. Teresa** Celebrant's Intention
 3:30 p.m. **St. Raphael** Celebrant's Intention

Monday, January 12

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Patrick E. Clemens
 9:00 a.m. **St. Bernard** † Tony Gaier

Tuesday, January 13

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Paul Ulliman
 9:00 a.m. **St. Bernard** All of our Parishioners

Wednesday, January 14

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Diana Buffenbarger
 12:10 p.m. **St. Raphael** † Paul Hardin
 6:30 p.m. **St. Teresa** Celebrant's Intention

Thursday, January 15

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Arnold Hannahs
 12:10 p.m. **St. Raphael** † Leo Kelly

Friday, January 16

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † James Weeks
 9:00 a.m. **St. Bernard** † Lawrence & Carmelita Stephenson

Saturday, January 17

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Wayne Smith
 4:30 p.m. **St. Charles** † Don Heintzman
 4:30 p.m. **St. Bernard** † Joe & Katy Schneeburger

Sunday January 18

8:00 a.m. **St. Joseph** † Peggy Connolly
 8:30 a.m. **St. Bernard** Deceased Members of the Herzog Family
 10:30 a.m. **St. Raphael** † Joanne Davies
 11:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Jack Hill
 2:00 p.m. **St. Teresa** Celebrant's Intention
 3:30 p.m. **St. Raphael** Celebrant's Intention

† Deceased

Our Gifts to the Lord

	St. Raphael	St. Bernard	St. Teresa	St. Joseph	St. Charles
Collection for December 21	\$ 6,983.00	\$ 13,103.00	\$ 10,256.00	\$ 3,717.00	\$ 941.00
Collection for December 25	\$ 14,535.00	\$ 13,103.00	\$ 19,181.00	\$ 8,548.00	\$ 2,151.00
Collection for December 28	\$ 3,415.00	\$ 13,103.00	\$ 15,493.00	\$ 2,156.00	\$ 1,476.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Mass Attendance (English Masses only)

December 20/21, 2025

Church	Capacity	Attendance Saturday/Sunday	Utilization %
St. Raphael	511	Unavailable	
St. Teresa	434	333	77%
St. Bernard	420	183/241	44%/57%
St. Joseph	368	194	52%
St. Charles	180	67	37%

December 27/28, 2025

Church	Capacity	Attendance Saturday/Sunday	Utilization %
St. Raphael	511	Unavailable	
St. Teresa	434	231	53%
St. Bernard	420	190/189	45%/45%
St. Joseph	368	Unavailable	
St. Charles	180	75	42%

Becoming Catholic

They “devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers.”

– Acts 2:42

We are excited to hear about what the Lord is beginning or continuing to do in your life. The process of becoming Catholic is called OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults). It is designed to help us unpack the teaching of the Apostles so that we can burn with the same desire for Jesus as they did. Not sure where your journey fits into this? No worries. Reach out to our Director of Evangelization at nic@strosefamily.org. He would love to walk you through the process, and answer any questions you might have.

Are you Catholic already and have a friend that through your witness is open to becoming Catholic? Have them get in touch with Nic at nic@strosefamily.org.

Monthly Meal & Mingling

Join us for our new Monthly Meal & Mingling at St. Charles! We'll gather on the second Saturday of each month following the 4:30 p.m. Mass in the Parish Hall.

All are welcome to come share a meal, enjoy good company, and strengthen our parish community. The menu will change each month, so there's always something new to look forward to!

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Schoenstatt

Would you like to grow in a closer relationship with Christ and the Blessed Mother?

Would you like to connect your faith more deeply with daily life?

We warmly invite you to join us for **new Schoenstatt classes**.

Schoenstatt is a Catholic movement that strives to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the example and guidance of Mary. The Love of Mary opens new avenues to a vibrant relationship with

Christ, in the Holy Spirit to God the Father...and to a renewal of love of neighbor and self. Schoenstatt has helped many grow in a deeper understanding of our beautiful Catholic faith!

An **information meeting** will be held on **Sunday, January 18, 2026, at 2:30 p.m.** in Metzdorf Hall at **St. Bernard Church**. Come and learn how you can journey to Jesus through Mary through the Covenant of Love.

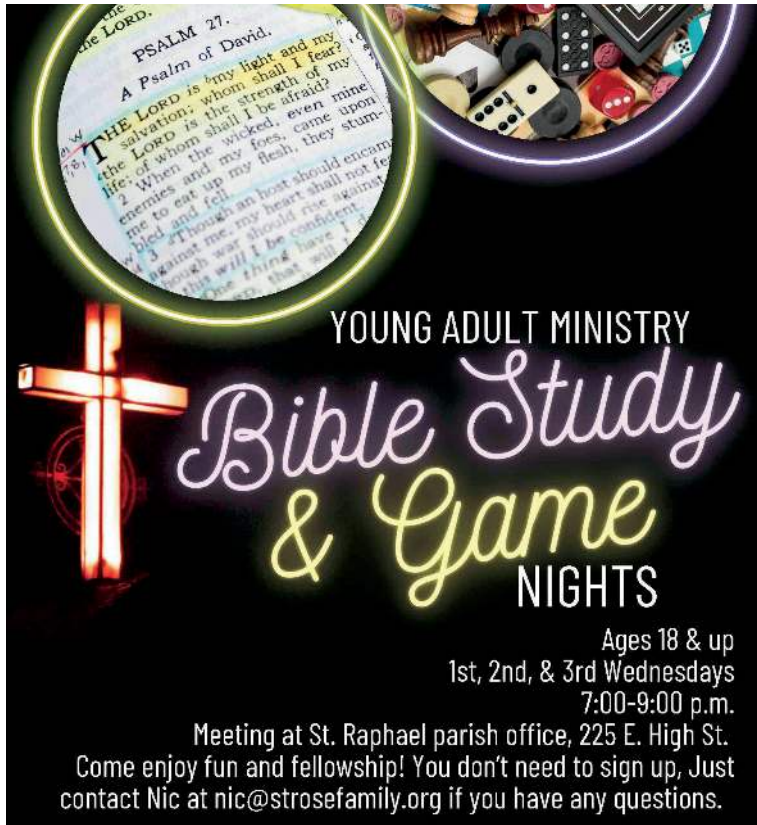
For questions, please contact **Aileen Dundon** at 937-215-0765 or **Kathy Rigel** at 927-346-5598.

We hope to see you there! If you are unable to attend, please feel free to call.



The St. Bernard Conference of St. Vincent de Paul wishes to thank parishioners for their generosity during our November 2025 Fifth Sunday Collection. Parishioners graciously donated \$5,034.00. Since the beginning of our fiscal year in October 2025, the generosity of parishioners enabled this Conference to provide assistance to 39 families averaging \$259.00 per household. Thank you for showing God's love to our neighbors.

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YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Bible Study & Game NIGHTS

Ages 18 & up
1st, 2nd, & 3rd Wednesdays
7:00-9:00 p.m.

Meeting at St. Raphael parish office, 225 E. High St.
Come enjoy fun and fellowship! You don't need to sign up, Just contact Nic at nic@strosefamily.org if you have any questions.

Saints in Training

Class resumes for families with children in grades PK-8

Monday — January 12th

6-8pm

St. Bernard school building

This class is also for those children preparing for First Communion and Confirmation.

Contact jenn@strosefamily.org for more information

Prayer and Study Opportunities

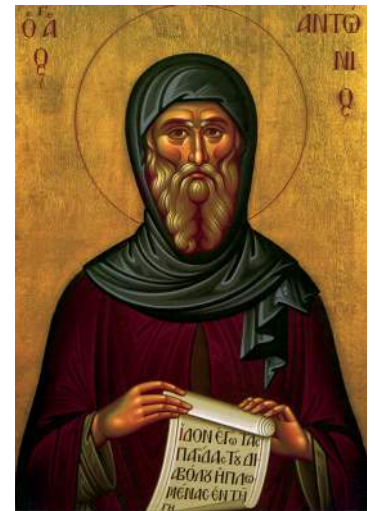
- The Schoenstatt Rosary is prayed on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 3:00 p.m. in Metzdorf Hall.
- Rosary Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. (during the school year) at Catholic Central chapel, back entrance.
- Tuesday Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. in Metzdorf Hall. For more information, call: Aileen Dundon at 937-215-0765
- Rosary at St. Bernard after the Weekday Mass. Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. and before the weekend Masses
- Fishers of Faith men's group meeting in the St. Teresa church basement following Adoration every Thursday at 8:00 p.m.
- Catholic Men's Prayer and Study group. Every first and third Saturday from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at St. Bernard's Metzdorf Hall.

St. Anthony of Egypt

Saint of the Day: January 17

Patron Saint of Butchers, Gravediggers, Skin Diseases

The life of Saint Anthony of Egypt will remind many people of Saint Francis of Assisi. At 20, Anthony was so moved by the Gospel message, "Go, sell what you have, and give to [the] poor" (Mark 10:21b), that he actually did just that with his large inheritance. He is different from Francis in that most of Anthony's life was spent in solitude.



He saw the world completely covered with snares, and gave the Church and the world the witness of solitary asceticism, great personal mortification and prayer. But no saint is antisocial, and Anthony drew many people to himself for spiritual healing and guidance.

At 54, Saint Anthony of Egypt responded to many requests and founded a sort of monastery of scattered cells. Again, like Francis, he had great fear of "stately buildings and well-laden tables."

At 60, he hoped to be a martyr in the renewed Roman persecution of 311, fearlessly exposing himself to danger while giving moral and material support to those in prison. At 88, he was fighting the Arian heresy, that massive trauma from which it took the Church centuries to recover. "The mule kicking over the altar" denied the divinity of Christ.

Anthony is associated in art with a T-shaped cross, a pig and a book. The pig and the cross are symbols of his valiant warfare with the devil—the cross his constant means of power over evil spirits, the pig a symbol of the devil himself. The book recalls his preference for "the book of nature" over the printed word. Anthony died in solitude at age 105.

Read the full article: "St. Anthony of Egypt" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-anthony-of-egypt/> (Accessed December 20, 2025).

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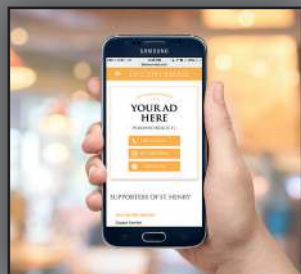


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