

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

'You are my beloved Son, in you I am well pleased.'

With these words from the very start of his public ministry, Jesus received affirmation from his Father.

One of the deepest needs of a human heart is the need to be appreciated and validated. Every human being wants to be valued.

We all need someone who will help us unfold. We need someone, who will support, enable, and ennoble us to be ourselves.

We need someone who will stand by us, who understands us, someone who can see the hidden self and its potentials in us that are perhaps afraid to come out into the open.

We seek a person who will help us articulate and bring out the very best from within us. We appreciate when someone can coach us to employ that very God given goodness in us, awakening in us a desire to bloom and flourish.

At our Baptism God chose, called out from many peoples, and sent God parents for us, to grow with us in wisdom and awe of God.

Even though they are only human and far from being perfect, and fragile like you and me, they bear testimony of the tender love and care they share with our parents here on earth.

They look at us and ponder on the smiling face of God.

At our Baptism we became adopted children of the Father and we received the all-powerful gift of the Holy Spirit. This Holy Spirit inspires us, guides us to unfold, bloom and grow, to bring His love, His compassion, and His tender loving care to our brothers and sisters. Thus we become more and more pleasing in the sight of our Heavenly Father.

BAUTISMO DEL SEÑOR

'Tú eres mi Hijo muy amado, en ti me complacezco'.

Con estas palabras desde el comienzo de su ministerio público, Jesús recibió afirmación de Su Padre.

Una de las más profundas necesidades del corazón humano es la necesidad de ser apreciado y dado validez. Todo ser humano quiere ser valorado.

Todos necesitamos a alguien que nos ayude a abrirnos. Necesitamos a alguien quien nos respalde, habilite y nos ennoblezca para ser nosotros mismos. Necesitamos a alguien que nos apoyara, quien nos comprenda, alguien que pueda ver lo oculto de nosotros mismos y sus potencialidades en nosotros que quizá tengan miedo salir a la luz.

Buscamos a una persona que nos ayudará a articular y sacar lo mejor de dentro de nosotros. Apreciamos cuando alguien puede entrenarnos a emplear ese mismo Dios dado bondad en nosotros, despertando en nosotros el deseo de florecer y prosperar.

En nuestro Bautismo Dios eligió, llamado de muchos pueblos y envió Padrinos para nosotros, para crecer con nosotros en sabiduría y asombro de Dios. Aunque sólo son humanos y lejos de ser perfectos y frágiles como usted y yo, dan testimonio del tierno amor y cuidado que comparten con nuestros padres aquí en la tierra. Nos miran y reflexionan sobre la cara sonriente de Dios.

En nuestro Bautizo nos convertimos en los hijos adoptivos del Padre y recibimos el todopoderoso don del Espíritu Santo. Este Espíritu Santo nos inspira, nos guía para abrirnos, florecer y crecer, para llevar Su amor, Su compasión y Su tierno cariñoso cuidado a nuestros hermanos y hermanas. Así nos convertimos más y más agradables a la vista de nuestro Padre Celestial.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS COLECTA DE LA SEMANA PASADA

January 3– 4, 2026

Weekday Masses Offerings.....\$ 190.78
Solemnity of Mary.....\$ 755.49
Weekend Mass Offerings.....\$3,320.00
Reserve Fund.....\$1,236.00

UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTIONS

January 11: Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

January 25: Music Ministry

February 1: Reserve Fund

A A A 2026 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

We urge you to help us meet our goal:

Parish Assessment:	\$31,021.00
YTD we paid:	\$25,223.82
Balance we owe:	\$ 5,797.18
Pledges Balance	\$ 75.00

Thank you for your generosity!

END OF THE YEAR CHURCH DONATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS FOR 2025

We thank you for your generous support to the Parish all through the years.

Your financial support has helped the Parish pay its expenses. Summary letters are being made available now.

If you wish to receive a letter with a summary of your generous donations, please call the Parish Office at **(415) 334-4646**.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10 TO JANUARY 17

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
January 10, 2026	January 11, 2026	January 12, 2026	January 13, 2026	January 14, 2026
9:00am Parish of St. John	8:00m Young Men's Institute	9:00am ✠ Mary Redubaldo ✠ Crisanto O. de la Torre	9:00am The deceased members Of the Y.M.I.	9:00am The sick members of our Parish
4:30pm Parish of St. John	10:00am ✠ Deceased Members of the Galang Family	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		January 15, 2026	January 16, 2026	January 17, 2026
		9:00am Parish of St. John	9:00am The deceased members of our Parish	9:00am ✠ Ralph D. Parayo
	12:00pm ✠ Juana Alegria			4:30pm Parish of St. John

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