THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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. - Lk 3:21-22a

SAINTS AEDAN AND BRENDAN PARISH
112 Fountain Street, New Haven, CT 06515

January 9, 2022

WEEKEND MASSES
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

DAILY MASSES
Monday - Thursday 7:30 a.m.

CONFESSION
Saturday 3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

MARRIAGES AND BAPTISM
Please contact the parish priest.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
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Director of Readiness Program
Open For Children
Age Three and Four
Welcome to Saints Aedan & Brendan Parish

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Weekly Financial Summary:

December 27, 2021—January 2, 2022

$2,999.00

The Second Collection Next Week is for The Utilities Fund

Church 100th Anniversary Keepsakes for Sale

Our first wave of items sold before Christmas featured the watercolor painting of the exterior of the Church by Julie Acosta, commissioned earlier this year on a mug and wall hanging as well as notecards.

There will no longer be sales after Mass for the next several weeks but items can be purchased at the Rectory office during business hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

More items will be available as we get closer to the May 1st celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the construction of our Church.

CALENDAR

Every Sunday 8:45 a.m.
Choir Meets in the Church in preparation for the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass.

Coffee And
Following the 9:30 a.m. Mass McGivney Hall

Decorating Clean Up in the Church
Sunday, January 9, 2022, 12:30 p.m.

Centennial Committee Meeting—All Are Welcome
Wednesday, January 19, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
McGivney Hall

Save The Date
100th Anniversary Mass and Reception With Archbishop Blair
Sunday, May 1, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

Additional Christmas Flower Offerings

The following information was received after the flower list was printed and inserted into the bulletin on the weekend of December 26, 2021

In Memory of:
Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Aiello
Mrs. Anna Marie Amarone
  Mr. Jeffery Bayer
  Mr. Greg Ceccarelli
  Rev. Joseph Dilion
  Alistair M. Gemmell
  Genevieve Keating
  Mrs. Anna Lucibello
  Mr. Frank Lucibello
  Mr. Mrs. Alphones Nazario
  Dorothy & Lyman White
The Baptism of the Lord, The End of Christmas and the start of “Ordinary Time”

This Monday marks the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord and officially ends the Christmas season. In the weeks since Christmas we have celebrated the birth of Jesus, the arrival of the Magi due to the cosmic change in the heavens indicating the birth of the Son of God and Jesus’s baptism in the Jordan River by St. John the Baptist that occurred when Jesus was about 30 years old, just three years before his crucifixion. In this short span of time since Christmas we celebrate events that span 30 years!

When we celebrate baptism it is for the forgiveness of sins, original and personal and the making of us an heir of the Lord of Lords. If that is true, which it is, then why does Jesus need to be baptized for he is “like us in all things but sin?” The baptism of Jesus is not for the forgiveness of sins but as a public sign that he is accepting and beginning his public ministry to be the suffering servant, the Lamb of God who will take away the sins of the world. By being Baptized Jesus is modeling for us; as he was baptized, so will future Christians (followers of Christ) be baptized. This is God’s plan and Jesus is obedient to the Father, and, this weekend Jesus is giving us an example of humility and obedience.

After the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord the Church returns to the season known as “Ordinary Time.” Ordinary Time is for those 33 or 34 weeks of the year that do not have a particular aspect of the mystery of Christ celebrated, such as Christmas, Lent, Triduum, Advent or Easter. Rather, during Ordinary Time, the mystery of Christ itself is honored in its fullness, especially on Sundays.

Ordinary time begins on Monday, January 10 and continues through Tuesday March 1, the day before Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Lenten season. It will resume when the Easter season ends on Monday, June 6, the day after Pentecost. Ordinary Time is not a return to the “histrion” of ordinary things, meaning not special or busy. Ordinary Time, its name coming from counting in ordinal numbers, is special in its own right; for it is the continued celebration of Jesus the Messiah and Lord. Just because there is not a special title like “Lent” or “Easter” we should never think Ordinary Time is ordinary!

An Update...

As announced several weeks ago, the Rectory computer was infected with a ransomware demand. Using the backup data files and reinstalling them onto a new computer most of the information has now been restored. One of the critical pieces of information that was lost and unable to be recovered is financial information (contributions from parishioners) and much of the parish census.

The parish census was grossly out of date and there was plans to conduct a new census which will now take place in the coming weeks. The problem with the interruption of data collection for weekly contributions, etc., is that the Rectory Office will not be able to automatically send out tax statements for contribution for the year 2021. While this statement was for your financial record, it was also a thank you for your generosity showed throughout the year.

Many people do not need a tax statement due to the very high standard deduction, which must be exceeded in order to itemize deductions. However, if you are in need of a tax statement and know the amount donated during the year, please call the office and a letter will be sent to you with the amount that you report.