

**The Baptism of the Lord  
January 12, 2020**

A voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."  
— *Matthew 3:17*



**THIS IS MY BELOVED SON**

This Sunday's celebration of the Baptism of the Lord closes the Christmas season. In the scriptures we see one more epiphany, or manifestation, of the Spirit of God in Jesus—but this time it is as an adult, rather than as a child. Jesus' baptism also serves as the inauguration of his prophetic mission and the messianic age.

Today's reading from Isaiah describes God's chosen Messiah, upon whom God's spirit rests. In the Acts of the Apostles Peter says that "God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power" (Acts 10:38). Finally, in the proclamation from Matthew's Gospel Jesus' baptism in water goes almost unnoticed. The crucial moment comes when the Spirit of God comes upon Jesus and a voice from heaven echoes the words of Isaiah: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased" (Matthew 3:17).

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**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the LORD upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7).

**Psalm** — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29).

**Second Reading** — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38).

**Gospel** — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Matthew 3:13-17).

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Monday</b> 8:00 am	<b>January 13</b> † Tessie, † Joseph and † Saviour Schembri
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>January 14</b> † Salvador Velasco
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 am 7:00 pm	<b>January 15</b> Communal Service † Francis Cook † Mary Catherine Deely
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 am	<b>January 16</b> † Leontina A. Doromal
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 am	<b>January 17</b> † Filomena Farrugia
<b>Saturday</b> 8:00 am 4:30 pm	<b>January 18</b> † Anne Desler † Paul, † Theresa and † Joseph Vella
<b>Sunday</b> 7:30 am 9:30 am	<b>January 19</b> People of the Parish † Vincent Gagliardo Sr. † Maria and †Giuseppe Mazzaferro
11:30 am	Santo Nino

†Denotes deceased – (L) Living

For any available Masses listed above please see the priest before Mass with your written intention and stipend.

**Sunday Collection January 5, 2020**

<b>Weekly Need:</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 4,478.00</b>
<b>Over/Under</b>	<b>\$ 522.00</b>
<b>CCD</b>	<b>\$ 940.00</b>
<b>Solemnity of Mary</b>	<b>\$ 1,550.00</b>

If you make your offertory donation by check, without using parishioner envelopes, it would be most helpful if you placed your parishioner/envelope # in the "memo" section of the check. This helps us input your donation to the offertory data system. **We will not be responsible for donations not credited due to missing envelope numbers (or not having a Sunday collection envelope.)**

**ROSARY**

On Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup> after the 8 am Mass until 3:30 pm there will be a day of **Prayer**, (1000 Hail Mary's). **Adoration and Benediction** in the rectory.

**Year-end Contribution Statements for 2019**

We have closed the books on 2019. Please contact the parish office **in writing, or email [stelizabethchurchsf@gmail.com](mailto:stelizabethchurchsf@gmail.com)** if you are in need of a year-end statement of your donations. We are able to provide statements to parishioners who have donated using **Sunday envelopes**. Contributions made to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal are acknowledged through the Archdiocese Office of Development. Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish.

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The Parish office will be closed on **January 20<sup>th</sup>** in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday.

**ST. ELIZABETH MALTESE SOCIETY  
THIRTY SIXTH ANNUAL**

**ST. PAUL OF THE SHIPWRECK FESTA  
SATURDAY-FEBRUARY 8, 2020  
MASS: 4:30 pm  
ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH**

**Dinner: 6:00 pm in Cantwell Hall  
Menu: Rotisserie Chicken, Salad,  
Mostaccioli, Wine and Dessert  
Wayland and Gottingen Streets  
San Francisco**

**ADULTS: \$25.00  
CHILDREN: (12 and under) \$10.00**

**For Tickets Call:**

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*Pray for our Beloved Deceased  
In your prayers this week, please remember  
the repose of the souls of our deceased  
parishioners, especially:*

*Flora Suan  
Michelina Bossa  
Rosita Fernandez*

*"Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord..."*