



LONDON EAST CENTRAL CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA - ST. MARY - ST. PATRICK



The Baptism of the Lord

January 11/12, 2025

Isaiah 40.1-5; Titus 2.11-14; 3.4-7; Luke 3.15-16,21-22

Today, we look at an adult Jesus. The child of the manger has grown to manhood and respectability, and reaches that place in life when He must embark on the Divine commission entrusted to Him by the Father. In preparation, He joins the candidates who have responded to John the Baptist in the Jordan River, submitting to baptism at his hands to wash away their sins.

It is at that time and place that God reveals Him as His Son: “and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.” (Lk 3:21-22). It is just the preparatory stage of the Great Journey He is prepared to start off all the way to the Cross. It is the first public act of His ministry, and marks the divine manifestation of Him to the world as the promised Messiah.

His baptism is also the prologue to his life, demonstrating that He has chosen to be obedient to the will of His Father: a sign that He will not be an agitator, nor a rabble-rouser, but He will be gentle, peaceful, and calm. He will not even break a bruised reed, but he will rule with justice. He will open the eyes of the blind, and free the captives. The signs by which the Messiah will be known, as described by Isaiah, will be fulfilled in Him, and we stand blessed by Him, as we read today in Saint Paul's letter: “our savior appeared, not because of any righteous deeds we had done but because of his mercy, he saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the holy Spirit, whom he richly poured out on us through Jesus Christ our savior, so that we might be justified by his grace and become heirs in hope of eternal life” (Tit 3:5-7).

The feast of the Baptism of our Lord serves to remind us of our own Baptisms, compelling us to renew the promises our parents and godparents made on our behalf, when they presented us to the Church, to make of us disciples of Jesus. “Baptism has liberated us from all evil, which are the sins, but with God’s grace we have to accomplish all good things” (Saint Caesarius, bishop of Arles).

SUNDAY MASSES:

SATURDAY

5:00 pm - OLC (Pl)
5:00 pm - St. Mary (En)
5:00 pm - St. Patrick (En)

SUNDAY

8:00 am - OLC (En)
10:00 am - OLC (Pl)
10:00 am - St. Mary (It)
10:00 am St. Patrick (En)
12:00 pm - St. Mary (En)
12:00 pm - OLC (Pl)

WEEKDAY MASSES

MONDAY

7:00 pm - St. Mary (En)

TUESDAY

7:00 pm - OLC (Pl)
7:00 pm - St. Patrick (En)

WEDNESDAY

9:00 am - St. Patrick (En)
7:00 pm - St. Mary (It)

THURSDAY

9:00 am - St. Patrick (En)
7:00 pm - OLC (Pl)

FRIDAY

7:00 pm - OLC (Pl)
7:00 pm - St. Mary (It)

SATURDAY

9:00 am - OLC (Pl)
1st Saturday of the month

CONFESSIONS

OL CZESTOCHOWA

Saturday at 4:00 pm
& before weekly Mass

ST. MARY

Saturdays at 4:00 pm
& before weekly Mass

ST. PATRICK

Tuesday at 6:00 pm
Saturday at 4:00 pm

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ADORATION CHAPEL

Monday to Friday
9:00 am to 4:00 pm
beside St. Mary Church

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

January 6 to 12, 2025	January 13 to 19, 2025
<p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 <i>Mary of Perpetual Help</i></p> <p>7:00pm † Bruno Sinosic</p> <p><i>Novena Mass</i> † Silvia Bettridge</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">† Stan Rusin</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">† Jagodics Laszlonge</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">† Dec'd members of St. Patrick CWL</p>	<p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 14 <i>Mary of Perpetual Help</i></p> <p>7:00pm Int. of Margit Hattayer</p> <p><i>Novena Mass</i> † Wendlin Bratzel</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">† Vince Petrucci</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">† DeWit Family</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">† Warren Houle</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8</p> <p>9:00 am Int. of Bob Ellery</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">† Fr. Robert Couture</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15</p> <p>9:00am † Lawrence Bedard (Anniv.of death)</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">† Betty Balance</p>
<p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 9</p> <p>9:00am † Patricia Proctor</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">† Christina Heffernan</p>	<p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 16</p> <p>9:00am † Wanda Filice</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">† B. Nzekwe</p>
<p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 <i>Baptism of the Lord</i></p> <p>5:00pm <i>Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">† Heather & Jose Silveira; †Jacqueline Norris</p>	<p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 <u>2 Sunday Ordinary Time</u></p> <p>5:00 pm <i>Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>Int. for Unity among Christians</i></p>
<p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 <i>Baptism of the Lord</i></p> <p>10:00am <i>Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>Int.of the new Executive of St. Patrick CWL</i></p>	<p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 <u>2 Sunday Ordinary Time</u></p> <p>10:00 am <i>Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>Int. for Unity among Christians</i></p>

ANNOUNCEMENTS - ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Today's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is the final day of the Christmas Season. Christ's Baptism marks the beginning of His public ministry. Our Baptism marks the beginning of our journey of faith. Today, we will renew our baptismal promises at the Sunday Mass.

Ordinary Time in the Liturgical Year will begin next week. During Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus. The people of God offer praise by celebrating the Paschal Mystery.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2025

32 Candidates from our parishes are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, which will take place on **Sunday, February 9, 2025**, at St. Patrick's Church. Keep our Candidates and their families in your prayers.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

68 children from our Family of Parishes are currently enrolled in the program. First Communion will be celebrated as a group at St. Patrick's Church on May 4. We encourage parents to bring their children to Sunday Mass

OUR CONDOLENCES

On behalf of St. Patrick's Parish and the Hungarian Community we would like to express our condolences to the Hattayer Family. Margit Hattayer passed away on January 9. Funeral - at St. Patrick on Monday, at 11am.

JUBILEE 2025 - PILGRIMS OF HOPE, PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

COFFEE SUNDAY AT OUR PARISH HALL

This **Sunday, January 12, after the 10:00am Mass**, Everyone is invited to the Parish Hall for a good Irish coffee and cake and to wish one another a Happy and Prosperous New Year 2025. Come and meet our fellow parishioners and make new friends. Member of our CWL will be hosting this first coffee Sunday.

This Sunday during the 10:00am Mass we will have a special ceremony of **Installation of our CWL Officers**. Please support the new executive in your prayers.