

~PRAY FOR THE SICK~

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Roman Gamblin	Joe Grandona	Hank Harris	Susan Hogg
Joe Killian	Howard Jay	Bill Madigan	
Angie Martorana	Alma Montana	Vince Nocito	Albert Orci
David O'Rozco	Mary Ellen Perkins	Betty Richardson	
Jack Sabido	Skip Shank	Thaddeus Tellers	
Daniel Valasquez	Jerry Weidner	StacyWesler	

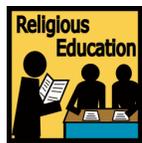
**Mass Intentions**



For Prayer and Mass requests, please call the Parish Office at **583-4409** or use the envelopes, which are available at the entrances to the church. Just place your offering (in the envelope) into any collection basket or bring it by the parish office. (Customary offering for a Mass request is \$10.<sup>00</sup>).

**FIRST SATURDAY MASS IN FEBRUARY WILL BE CELEBRATED PRIVATELY.**

**Religious Education/Confirmation News**



The Religious Education programs began on September 21 and 28. Please contact the parish if you would like a copy of the *Phlaum Weeklies* for younger children, mailed to you. If you would like your child to be included in any of our religious education programs please contact the parish office 530-583-4409, (leave your child's name, grade and a contact telephone number) in the parish office.

~TODAY'S READINGS~

**First Reading** — Behold my servant with whom I am pleased; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) or *Isaiah 55:1-11*.

**Psalms** — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) or *Isaiah 12:2-6*.

**Second Reading** — God anointed him with the Holy Spirit (Acts 10:34-38) or *1 John 5:1-9*.

**Gospel** — You are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased (Mark 1:7-11). *The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.*

**Questions Of The Week**

**Question for Children:** Why does Baptism make you special?

**Question for Youth:** You were baptized as a member of the Christian community. What does it mean to you to belong to this community? How is it a support in your life?

**Question for Adults:** What meaning does your Baptism have for your everyday life? <http://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com/>

**Finance**



**Committee**

~FINANCE COMMITTEE NEWS~

Remember that even though we Sunday Masses are private, we still have our Parish expenses. We hope you will be able to continue to contribute. You can mail your offerings to:

Corpus Christ Catholic Church  
P.O. Box 1878  
Tahoe City, CA 96145.

Or you can drop them off at the office, during office hours.

**PARISH MASS SCHEDULE**

**PLEASE NOTE: ALL MASSES ARE PRIVATE**

**SUN. 1/10 The Baptism of the Lord**  
Is 42:1-7 Ps 29:1-10 Acts 10:34-38 Mk 1:7-11  
Phil and Sherie Roby  
Tony Penga †

**MON. 1/11**  
Heb 1:1-6 Ps 97:1 – 9 Mk 1:14-20  
Jody Boufford †

**TUES. 1/12**  
Heb 2:5-12 Ps 8:2ab-9 Mk 1:21-28  
**NO MASS**

**WED. 1/13**  
Heb 2:14-18 Ps 105:1-9 Mk 1:29-39  
Joanne Marie Garnett †

**THURS. 1/14**  
Heb 3:7-14 Ps 95:6-11 Mk 1:40-45  
Frank Forve †

**FRI. 1/15**  
Heb 4:1-5, 11 Ps 78:3-8 Mk 2:1-12  
Robert Good †

**SAT. 1/16**  
1Sm 3:3b-19 Ps 40:2-10 1Cor 6:13c-20 Jn 1:35-42  
All Parishioners

**SUN. 1/17 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
1Sm 3:3b-19 Ps 40:2-10 1Cor 6:13c-20 Jn 1:35-42  
Denise Wall  
Joanne Marie Garnett †

**BISHOP SOTO** has directed the pastors in parishes that are located in “purple tier” counties to offer Mass and provide to the Faithful the opportunity to attend *virtually*, either by live-streaming or other visual technology. Please see the letter from the bishop at

[https://www.scd.org/sites/default/files/2020-11/Faithful\\_PurpleTier\\_13Nov20.pdf](https://www.scd.org/sites/default/files/2020-11/Faithful_PurpleTier_13Nov20.pdf)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Masses at our Mission Church, Queen of the Snows in Olympic Valley have been temporarily cancelled.



Please remember to visit our website for the most current Mass schedule and parish information.

<http://www.corpuschristi-tahoe.org>

## FROM OUR PASTOR, FATHER FRANCIS

As I write this week's Pastors Corner, I am doing so in the dark – in the middle of a winter power outage. It's at times like these that I recognize how necessary and important electricity is and how I so often take it for granted. Without electricity most of our modern lives come to a screeching halt. Sitting in the inky blackness, I'm reminded how dark our world becomes without electricity.

I notice that all the little extraneous lights that illuminate our electrical gadgets, and which we sometimes find annoying, have also gone dark. I never really appreciated how these annoying lights can actually serve as tiny beacons throughout the house; helping us navigate from room to room. With the current power outage, the illumination they provide is gone and the darkness is even more intense.

Our readings this week speak to us about justice, truth, and peace. In many ways these simple yet essential concepts are like those little lights throughout our homes. They help society guide and illuminate our actions. But if they are not radically connected to and Illuminated by the righteousness of Jesus Christ they will burn out. We must remember that secular forms of justice, truth, and peace cannot last - especially in difficult and trying times such as we find ourselves today.

Our second reading from Isaiah reminds us that the Lord Jesus has come to dispel the darkness of sin and open our blind eyes. Isaiah says: "I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind."

Authentic justice, genuine truth and peace that endures are to be found only in the person of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Why? Because Truth is a Person, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity. Because He is the light that shines in the darkness. May we pray always that the Light will defeat the darkness in our lives and in our world. *Amen.*

## ~AROUND THE PARISH~

**Please note:** The celebration of mass this weekend can be viewed after 5:00 p.m. this Saturday, January 9 at:

<https://youtu.be/Amn6eqdNPYM>

**Activity of the week** At his Baptism, Jesus was publicly proclaimed God's Son and then filled with the Spirit. At that moment, he began his life work of proclaiming the kingdom of God on earth. At our baptism, we, too, were filled with the Spirit. How are we called to proclaim the kingdom of God?

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## ~SPIRITUAL CORNER~

**The Waters Of Baptism** When new sod is put in, it needs constant saturation with water. Landscapers say that this "knits" the sod to the soil. The same when a branch is grafted onto a tree: the poultice that joins them at the splice must be kept wet at all times. Water is the stuff that binds the very cells of our bodies together. No wonder religions throughout all times and cultures have used it so prominently. When Jesus stepped into the Jordan for baptism, he made the he "knit" himself to what had come before him. By going to the Jordan, he made himself one with the people of Israel who had crossed it into their Promised Land. With John the Baptist, Christ wove himself into the prophetic tradition that heralded the coming reign of God. He had become fully human in the waters of Mary's womb, and by partaking in the rite of the baptism of repentance, Jesus identified himself with our sinful, frail humanity. It is through the waters of baptism that Christ continues to graft new members onto his Body, the Church; through these waters we are cleansed from sin and filled with the promise of grace, given our destiny for eternal life. For us, as for Jesus, it is also the waters of baptism that inaugurate our mission to proclaim the Good News. *Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.*



## ~ANNOUNCEMENTS~

**On the New COVID-19 Vaccines** From Bishop Jamie Soto

A person receiving the COVID-19 vaccine is morally justified in doing so.

There are concerns of aborted fetal cells from the 1970s being used in the design, development and/or testing phases of the available vaccines. For an individual receiving the vaccine, any cooperation with the morally compromised cell lines from aborted fetuses is remote. There are currently no alternative treatments that do not involve morally compromised cells. Given the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic and the moral responsibility to care for one another, it is morally justified to receive the vaccine.

We must continue to remain vigilant and not become complacent in protecting the dignity of every human life. Abortion, the taking of an innocent life, is an intrinsic evil. The human person, no matter how small, cannot be reduced to utilitarian purposes. To protect human life, we must work to end the practice of abortion and we must take the necessary, prudent measures to safeguard the health of all, especially the most vulnerable. [https://www.scd.org/sites/default/files/2020-12/123020\\_Vaccine\\_Statement\\_English.pdf](https://www.scd.org/sites/default/files/2020-12/123020_Vaccine_Statement_English.pdf)

For more information, please click on the following links:

- [Moral Considerations Regarding the New COVID-19 Vaccines \(USCCB\)](#)
- [Note on the morality of using some anti-Covid-19 vaccines \(21 December 2020\) \(Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith\)](#)

**U.S. Bishops' President condemns violent protests** and prays for safety as chaos threatens U.S. capitol. For more information, please visit the website:

<https://www.scd.org/news/us-bishops-president-condemns-violent-protests-and-prays-safety-chaos-threatens-us-capitol>