



131 Rohde Street, California, Ohio

## **St. Jerome Church**

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(513) 624 -3146

**January 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
**The Baptism of the Lord**

### **Mass Schedule**

<b>Saturday evening</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>
<b>Weekdays</b>	<b>7:30 PM Tuesday and First Friday</b>
Reconciliation	Before weekend Masses and by appointment

Pregnancy assistance services (nationwide) 1-800-848-LOVE

Baptisms and Weddings: Call the Rectory (513) 231-7042

**How to register as a Parishioner:** New parishioner registration packets are under the table to the right as you leave church. Fill out the registration form and return that form by dropping it in the collection basket, or mailing it to the Rectory at 5858 Kellogg Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45230. If you have any questions, please call the Rectory at 231-7042.



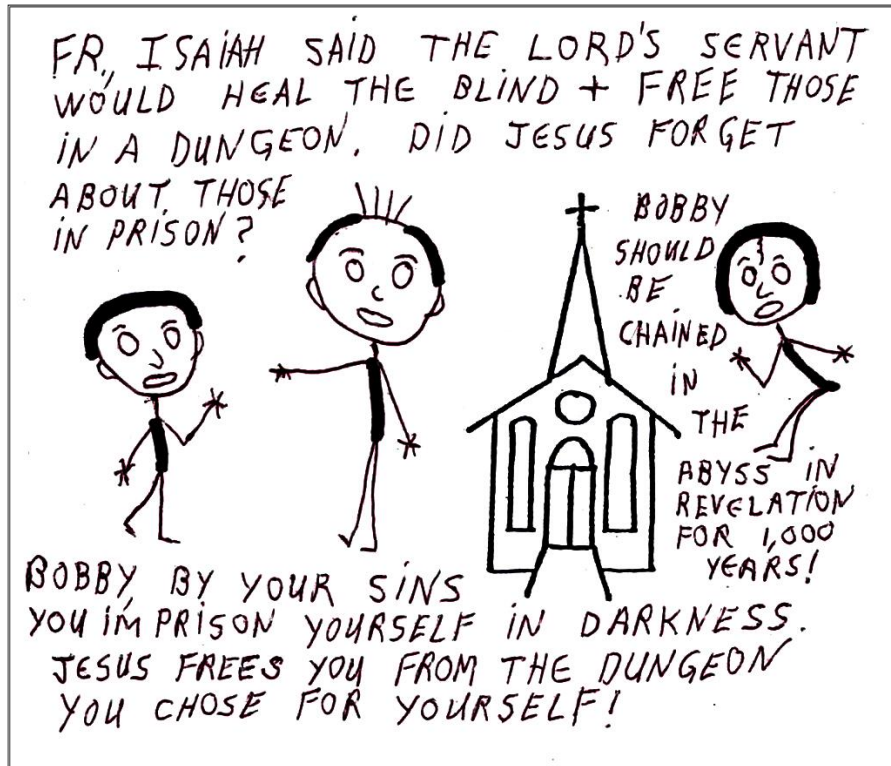
## Words of Wisdom

This Sunday we celebrate **the Baptism of our Lord**. The day is important in two ways: First, it marks the end of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time before Lent begins; second, and more important, **the Lord's baptism reminds us of our own**. When we were baptized, we gained sanctifying (purifying) grace which will help us throughout our lives on earth and help us transition to our next life. At the same time, just as the Father commended His Son at His baptism, **God also commends us and welcomes us into His Church**. When we think about it, we realize that our baptism is the best thing that ever happened to us!

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The Adult Spirituality Institute will offer a non-credit course on **“Soaring with the Fourth Gospel,”** presented by Father Timothy Schehr from 10 a.m. to noon Mondays, Jan. 10 through 30 at the Athenaeum of Ohio in Mt. Washington. Fr. Schehr is a nationally recognized scripture scholar and a dynamic speaker. To register, call 513-231-2223, x 143.

The **St. Jerome's Seniors' Dinner** will be January 8<sup>th</sup> at AJ's Roadhouse. Call Tim at 231-5619 for reservations.

**Many of the words we pray during Mass will change** beginning November 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011. We hope that many of you can attend the eight-week course on the Mass and the revisions and, afterwards, help us reach out to others in our community to help them make the transition.



January 9<sup>th</sup> through January 15<sup>th</sup> is Vocations Awareness Week. The theme for this year focuses on the disciple's request of Jesus to "teach us how to pray." The Archbishop has asked us, every one of us, to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. If you know a young single person, encourage him or her to at least consider life as a religious. It offers superior job security!

**You have questions; we have answers:** The Mass was instituted by Jesus Himself at the Last Supper and He celebrated it again on the road to Emmaus. The Apostles celebrated the Mass whenever they met and they passed that holy and wonderful sacrifice down to us. It is an ancient and sacred ritual and it is at the very heart of everything we believe as Catholics. The Mass is rich in meaning and, sometimes, we don't fully appreciate the truths we see. All are encouraged to consider attending the classes on the Mass and the revisions to the Roman Missal. Classes begin this Monday at 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall. Call the rectory if you have more questions.

ΑΩ

Please pick up your offering envelopes from the back of church.

We don't want to mail them!

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The Ladies of **St. Jerome's Rosary Altar Society** have given us a beautiful new Ciborium Bowl (the dish from which Father gives us the Body of Christ at Holy Communion). It is a wonderful Christmas gift from these special and generous women. We are extremely grateful and we are happy to start out the New Year with renewed dignity and reverence for the Eucharist. **Thank you, Ladies!**

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**We have received a letter** from Sister Mary Garke, CPPS, who is the Archdiocesan Coordinator of the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. She is grateful for our contribution of \$2,320.60. You can read her letter on our bulletin board in the back of church.

ΑΩ

Mount St. Mary's Seminary of the West in Cincinnati will open its doors to potential seminarians on Wednesday, Jan. 26, to visit for the evening, join the seminarians for Mass and dinner, and hear a short presentation on one aspect of seminary life. The evening begins at 5 p.m. and should be completed by 8 p.m. For more information, go to the vocations website at:

[www.cincinnati vocations.org](http://www.cincinnati vocations.org)

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**Birthright of Greater Cincinnati** is offering a SUNDAY NIGHT SUPPER at Larosa's on Boudinot Avenue. **PRESENT THIS BULLETIN** to make sure that 20% of what you spend on dinner will be donated to Birthright. That is Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup> all day.

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If you would like a Mass to be offered for a friend or relative, please write their name and your name on a piece of paper and put it with \$5 in the collection marked "Stipend" or "Mass".

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We would like to thank all those who helped with all the beautiful Christmas decorations. You all did an outstanding job! Kenita Hemer and Barb Welch, our hard-working sacristans deserve special kudos for all that they do. The poinsettias were from Mt. Washington Florist – they do most of our floral arrangements – and we are very pleased with their pricing and service.