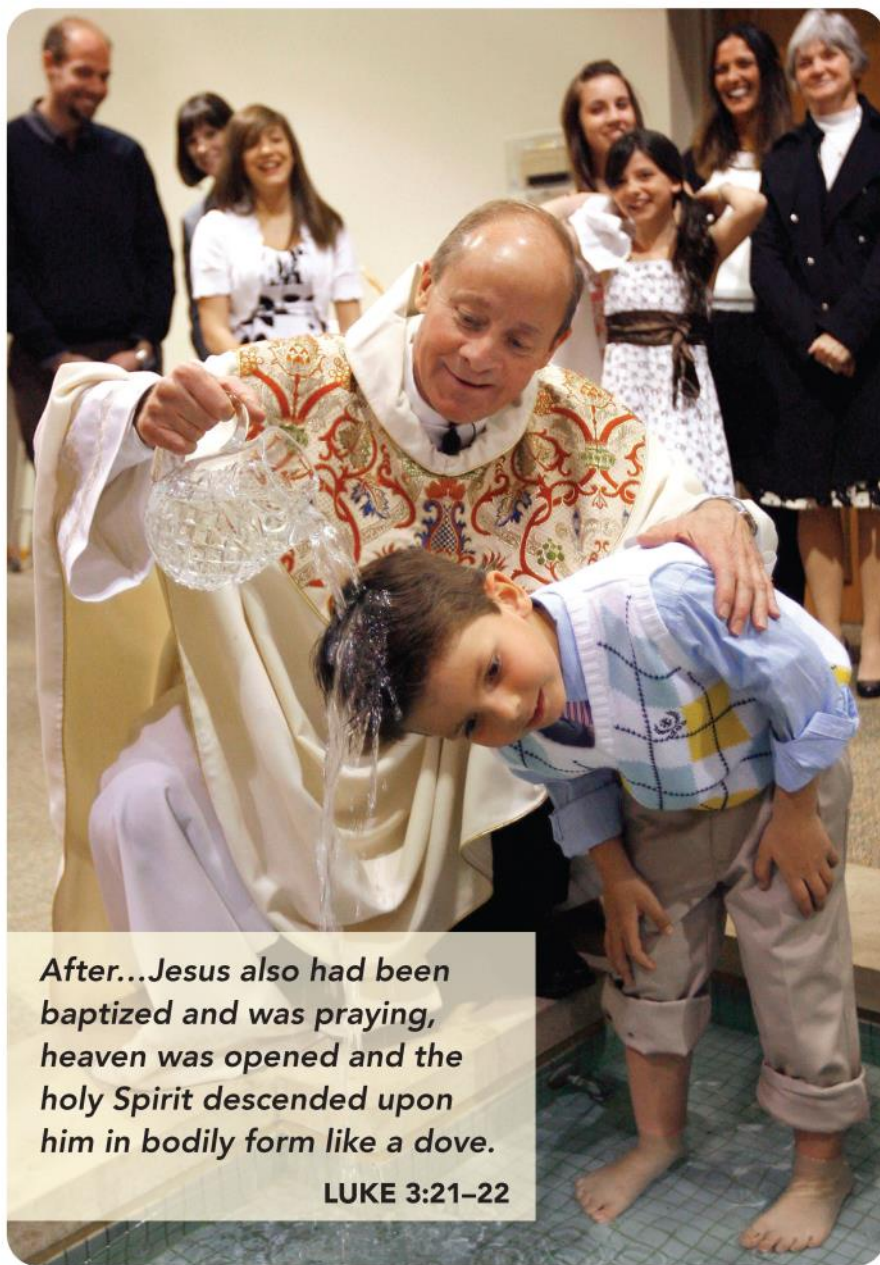


Taking Up Christ's Ministry

Before the Second Vatican Council, *ministry* was considered by many to be a Protestant word, and the religious leader who did it was called a *minister*. Catholics had priests and bishops who received and administered sacraments. Religious women did the Church's work in schools and hospitals. The council turned our understanding of Church membership inside out. We've come to realize that with baptism—not ordination or religious profession—comes the responsibility of ministry. Catholics and Protestants alike understand their commitment to justice and peace is a genuine ministry that seeks to establish God's reign in our world.

Many interpreters believe that the account of Jesus' baptism points to the inauguration of his own ministry. The theology expressed is certainly Trinitarian (the voice, Jesus identified as Son, and the dove). However, the revelation of his true identity occurs as he begins preaching and healing. Some say his baptism was meant to strengthen him as he began his public life. Others believe it was meant to strengthen his disciples.

Today we maintain that by baptism we are all children of God. Vatican II has enlightened us as to what this really means. Pope Francis has reminded us that by virtue of our baptism we are missionary disciples (see *Evangelii Gaudium*, 120). In other words, as disciples we follow Jesus, learning from him. As missionaries we go out to spread his Good News to others. It is now for us to take up the ministry where he left off, to be faithful servants with whom God is well pleased.



After...Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.

LUKE 3:21–22

FOR Reflection

- ★ *How does your life's work make the world better? If it does, then you are a missionary disciple of Jesus.*
- ★ *Go out of your way to make someone's life a little better this week.*

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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St. Brieux Parish Office Hours**Fr. Tru Le:** will be away from Jan. 10-14. He will be back for Jan. 15th Mass.**Francine:** Wednesday 10:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.Bulletin and information is available on the website:
stbrieuxparish.ca**St. Brieux Parish Mass Times:**

Tuesday-Friday: 10:00 a.m.

Saturday: 7:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Time

Sunday: 4:00 p.m.

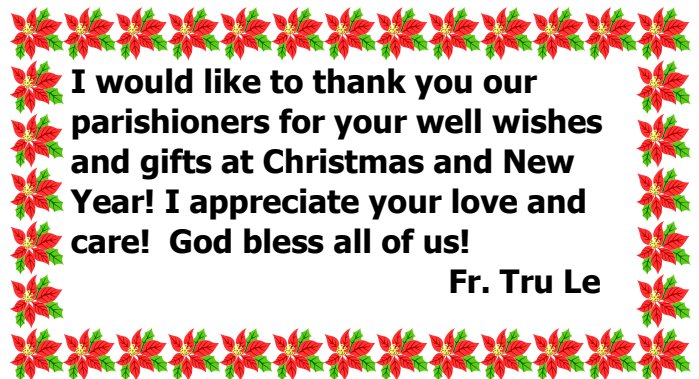
Reconciliation (St. Brieux):

Fr. Tru is available to hear Confession:

-Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. before 7:00 p.m. Mass

-during the first Friday of the month Adoration Hour from 9-10 a.m.

-Confession is also available by appointment.

Mass Requests: When making a Mass request, Fr Tru asks that it be for a single person, couple or family unit, or, for a single reason. On Sundays, Fr Tru is only allowed to say one requested Mass. The other Mass will always be for "All Parishioners". Requested dates will try to be accommodated where possible. Mass requests are not accepted for dates that are a Monday, which is his day off.**St. Brieux Parish Social Justice is accepting donations for the Food Bank at the back of the church.****Thank you for your support!****EVENTS THIS WEEK****Jan. 11-14:** No weekday Masses this week. Fr Tru is away.**Jan. 15:** Mass at 7:00 p.m. St. Brieux**Jan 16:** Mass at 10:00 a.m. St. Brieux**Jan. 16:** First Eucharist/Confirmation Parents Meeting (St. Brieux) with Fr. Tru after Mass**Jan. 16:** Mass at 4:00 p.m. Kinistino**UPCOMING EVENTS****Jan. 18-21:** Weekday Mass at 10:00 a.m.**Jan. 22:** Mass at 7:00 p.m. St. Brieux**Jan 23:** Mass at 10:00 a.m. St. Brieux**Jan. 23:** First Eucharist/Confirmation Parents Meeting (St. Brieux) with Fr. Tru after Mass**Jan. 23:** Mass at 4:00 p.m. Kinistino**Jan. 30: Bishop Stephen Hero will celebrate Mass at 10:00 a.m. St. Brieux****Jan. 30:** First Eucharist/Confirmation Parents Meeting (St. Brieux) with Fr. Tru after Mass**Jan. 30: Bishop Stephen Hero will celebrate Mass at 4:00 p.m. in Kinistino.**

St. Brieux Parish Mass Intentions

No weekday Masses this week.

Sat. Jan. 15	7:00 p.m.	+Brett Matisz by Ernest & MarieLou Rouault
Sun. Jan. 16	10:00 a.m.	For Sam Farthing and his family, living & deceased by Percy & Roseann King

Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Intention

Sun. Jan. 16	4:00 p.m.	For All Parishioners
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Collections

St. Brieux: Dec. 24: \$2983.00

Dec. 26: \$951.00

Jan. 2: \$1325.00

Mary, Mother of God: Dec. 19: \$130.00

Jan. 2: \$105.00

Bishop's Annual Appeal:

"To Serve and Give His Life"

St. Brieux Parish! We have not just achieved our goal, we have exceeded our goal!
Thank you!

Peacefully do at each moment what at that moment ought to be done. If we do what each moment requires, we will eventually complete God's plan, whatever it is. We can trust God to take care of the master plan when we take care of the details. - St. Katharine Drexel

Our Prayer for the Week:

Jesus Christ, beloved son of the Father, transform, restore and heal our relationships within our families, friends and communities. Renew our trust in you and your plan for our lives. May we continue to recognize moments in our lives where the Holy Spirit acts and encourages us to love God and our neighbour more humbly and deeply. Amen.

<https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/life-family/suggestions-for-homilies-intercessions/>

Prayer of the Faithful:

For a renewed hope in eternal life, we pray to the Lord.

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Vocation Corner: The Baptism Of The Lord

A Vocation View: "You are my beloved child," says the Lord! Continue your Baptismal call by baptizing others in the Holy Spirit and fire.

Prayer: That during this week, all Catholics will deepen their responsibility to foster vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life among our young people, through prayer and by inviting them to consider that call, we pray to the Lord.

Action: A STUDY of Catholic young people in the United States and Canada showed that 75% feel they were never encouraged to pursue the religious life.

Stewardship: The Baptism Of The Lord

"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...'" (LUKE 3:16)

The Catholic Catechism states that *"Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will."* In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

<http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>

The Ill & Elderly ministry : Marthe Rohel-Coquet accepted to continue this card ministry and would appreciate being informed of anyone who would be touched by receiving a card in the name of our St. Brieux Parish.

Pray It Forward Prayer Group: to join this ministry, or have an Intercessory Prayer Request contact Terry Valmont by text or call at 306-920-8771. Prayer requests can be submitted either anonymously or with information.

Join Pope Francis in Prayer Every Day

www.clicktopray.org



Dear Padre,

Why did Jesus have to be baptized? Did he have original sin like us or was there another reason to be baptized?

Jesus is God and did not have original sin like us. He is like us in all things except sin. The baptisms John performed did not free people from their original sin. The people who came to John to be baptized were declaring

that they were going to change their ways and reform their lives. They promised to turn away from sin and follow the commandments. The baptism of Jesus was different. When Jesus was baptized, God revealed who Jesus is and commissioned him to begin his mission on earth.

There were three significant components to Jesus' baptism. First, the skies opened above

Jesus. The prophet Isaiah prayed that God would tear open the sky and come down to earth (Isaiah 63). This was a sign to the people that God was coming down to earth. A new era was beginning. God was no longer "locked up" in the heavens.

Second, the Spirit of God, in the form of a dove, descended from the sky and hovered over Jesus and the water. This takes us back to the first moments of creation when the spirit of God hovered over the waters. The Spirit was a sign to the people that a new creation was being made.

Finally, a voice declared that Jesus is the Son of God. Jesus is the new Adam, who will begin the new creation. Let us call the Holy Spirit to be within our hearts and send us forth, as Jesus was sent, to proclaim a new creation founded on the love and peace of our Savior.

Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR
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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

After these thirty years of hidden life, Jesus' public life begins. And it begins precisely with his baptism in the River Jordan. But Jesus is God; why does Jesus get baptized?... Because he wants to be with the sinners. For this reason, he gets in line with them and does the same thing they do.

ANGELUS, BAPTISM OF THE LORD, JANUARY 10, 2021

Calendar

Monday

JANUARY 10

Weekday

1 Sm 1:1-8

Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday

JANUARY 11

Weekday

1 Sm 1:9-20

Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday

JANUARY 12

Weekday

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20

Mk 1:29-39

Thursday

JANUARY 13

Weekday

1 Sm 4:1-11

Mk 1:40-45

Friday

JANUARY 14

Weekday

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a

Mk 2:1-12

Saturday

JANUARY 15

Weekday

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a

Mk 2:13-17

Sunday

JANUARY 16

Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Is 62:1-5

1 Cor 12:4-11

Jn 2:1-11

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for the Padre?**

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