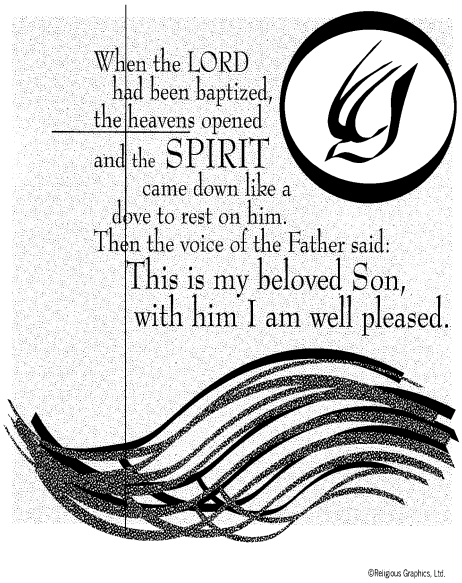

Bring It--To The World

Fr. Leo is a priest with a cooking ministry who encourage families to cook and eat together as a way to strengthen faith and family life. Last year he accepted a "throwdown" from chef Bobby Flay to compete at making the best fajitas—and Fr. Leo won! The Baptism of Jesus is actually the first definitive showing forth of Jesus to the world. Fr. Leo might call it God's biggest "throw down" of all time. Because on this day, the God of us all opened up the skies and claimed Jesus as the Beloved One, the true Son of God. But God was not only affirming Jesus. God was also personally commissioning him. Jesus didn't spend his life in an ivory tower, writing commentaries for Biblical scholars. He was sent out into the difficult terrain of human life. Going underwater for his baptism in the Jordan was symbolic of his "total immersion" in the pain, joy, fear, and sin experienced by every creature in God's creation. Jesus stood shoulder to shoulder in the muddy water with all the sinners that day. In so doing, Jesus held nothing back—no comfort, no shred of dignity, nothing. In less formal words: if ever anyone were being told to "bring it" in a huge way, it was Jesus being claimed and commissioned at his Baptism. I think we can safely say Jesus brought it, big time. He is the "throwdown" King of us all. Jesus' baptism is similar to graduation day for millions of high school and college students. After "growing in grace and wisdom" for 30 years, Jesus now has his "commencement" ceremony. But we too are "commencing" our mission. God's throwdown to us is to bring it as Jesus did. Our success will be measured by how closely we come to imitate our brother, Jesus, who has gone on ahead of us. **Go rejoicing to love and serve our God!** Baptism of the Lord January 10, 2010

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Tues.	Jan. 12	9:00 am	Louis & Muriel Smendziuk	Lawrence & Noreen Dubois
		9:00 am	Tony & Margaret McElligott & Family	Issigonis Family
Wed.	Jan. 13	7:30 am	RIP John Dauk	Pat O'Sullivan
		9:00 am	RIP Matthew Skura	Greg & Yvonne Skura
		9:00 am	Robert Parisien	Knights of Columbus
Thurs.	Jan. 14	9:00am	RIP Wilma Kichak	Bill & Family
Fairview Home		10:30 am	RIP Walter Belecki	Belecki Family
Fri.	Jan. 15	9:00 am	Deceased Family members	Ed Michalko
		12:15 pm	RIP Ann Caven	Geoff & Lorraine Kindle
Sat.	Jan. 16	10:00 am	RIP Sophie Kuss	Maxine Wenger
		7:30 pm	Eileen Suski	Your Daughters & Family
Sun.	Jan. 17	9:00 am	RIP Guy Goulet	Mom & Dad
		9:00 am	Jackie & Bruce Miles	Dubois Family
		10:30 am	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic & Fr. James
		12:30 pm	RIP Wilma Kichak	Elsie Turetski

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Ann Babiak, Marguerite Bicknell, Noreen Bicknell, Jean Boutellier, Irene Copet, Jules Declercq, Ann Delgaty, Diane Dougall, Ron Ediger,Justin Enns, Rosaline Fedorkie, Mervin Fleury, Nora Fleury, Megan Gardham, Matthew Hrankowski, Brett Lawrence, Tess McLaren, Kathleen MacDougall, Paul Malabar, Millicent Mychasiw, Alisa Moran, Elsie Panchuk, Tony Petrucci, Hazel Philipott, Minnie Plaseski, Emily Potvin, Linda Seitz, Coralie Serle, Gary Sproule, Jean Tarnowski, Doreen Thompson, Irene Toma, Ashely Kostecki Truax, Marian Vorspel, Rosa Weiss, Debbie Williams and all our shut-ins.

Donation Envelopes 2010

This year we have reassigned the envelope numbers for our collection envelopes. Therefore, you should not use any old envelopes that you have from previous years after December 31, 2009. If you should use old envelopes your collection could possibly be recorded in someone else's account which would make them very happy.

Baptism of the Lord
Catechism of the Catholic Church
535-537: The baptism of Jesus

Mon. (1 Samuel 1.1-8)
(Mark 1.14-20)

Tues. **St. Marguerite Bourgeoys**
(1 Samuel 1.9-20)
(Mark 1.21-28)

Wed. **St. Hilary of Poitiers**
(1 Samuel 3.1-10, 19-20)
(Mark 1.29-39)

Thurs. (1 Samuel 4.1-11)
(Mark 1.40-45)

Fri. (1 Samuel 8.4-7, 10-22)
(Mark 2.1-12)

Sat. **Our Lady's Saturday**
(1 Samuel 9.1-4, 17-19; 10.1)
(Mark 2.13-17)

Sun. **2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
(Isaiah 62.1-5)
(1 Corinthians 12.4-11)
(John 2.1-12)

VOCATION VIEW: Come on, continue your Baptism by baptising others in the Holy Spirit and fire. "You are my beloved child," says the Lord!

THE WEEK AHEAD.....

Mon.	11	Charismatic Prayer Group(Life in the Spirit Seminar)	7:00 pm
Tues.	12	St. Vincent de Paul	9:30 am
	12	Legion of Mary	4:30 pm
	12	Confirmation Class at School	7:00 pm
Wed.	13	Catechism Class	4:00 pm
	13	RCIA	7:00 pm
	13	K of C Mass & Meeting	7:00 pm
Thurs.	14	Serra Meeting	11:30 am
	14	Catechism Class	6:30 pm
	14	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Fri.	15	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
	15	Confession	4:00-4:45 pm
	15	Benediction	5:00 pm
Sat.	16	English Class	4:30-6:30 pm
Sun.	17	Youth Band Practice	4:00-6:00 pm
	17	St. Augustine's Community Choir Practice	7:00-8:00 pm

FINANCES: RECEIPTS:

Collection for December 25 & 27,31, 2009

Offertory Collection	$	24,909.26
School Fund Collection	$	20.00
Restoration Collection Dec. 25 & 27,31, 2009	$	16,638.00
Offertory Collection - January 1 & 3, 2010	$	12,198.50
School Fund Collection- Jan. 1 & 3, 2010	$	20.00
Restoration Collection - Jan. 1 & 3, 2010	$	2,196.00

NEW TO OUR PARISH? CHANGING YOUR ADDRESS?

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM AND PLACE IT IN THE SUNDAY COLLECTION BASKET

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Vigil Lamp

The light burns in memory of

Joe Broda

week of Jan. 11, 2010

Stewardship Reflection

Baptism is the Sacrament of Faith. We are called to continue to grow in our faith in the midst of a community of believers. Stewardship is a way of living out what we say we believe. This means that we are willing to share a generous portion of our lives and our possessions with God, with our faith community, and with the world. Vatican II points out that all the baptized are *"bound to show forth, by the example of their lives and by the witness of their speech"* that **new life** they receive in baptism. Amen. Stewardship Office, The Archdiocese of Winnipeg, www.archwinnipeg.ca

From Father Dominic's Desk:

Mini-Sabbatical For Archbishop Weisgerber The Archbishop has had a very stressful time over the past couple of years being president of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops as well the local Ordinary. He has subsequently decided that a mini-sabbatical may prove to be helpful. Archbishop James will be away from the diocese from January 6, 2010 to May 27, 2010. During that he will be spending time at the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, Texas. During his absence Msgr. Ward Jamieson will exercise the authority of the Ordinary. Let us remember Archbishop Weisgerber in our prayers during his absence.

Christmas Thank You

There are many people who are responsible for the beauty and continuity of our christmas masses. I will not mention names because there are so many and also because I am notorious for forgetting someone. **Thank you** to everyone who helped in any way or who was responsible for any particular ministry. Many people have mentioned how beautiful the liturgies were. Those who attended the midnight mass know that I lost my voice. A combination of being tired after three masses that evening, being allergic to the incense and, of course this recent affliction called Bells Palsy to the right side of my face.

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***Bereavement Support Group**, beginning on Thursday, February 25, 2010, running for eight weeks, with the exception of Holy Week. For more information, call the parish office and leave your name and phone number.

Notice: Would parishioners with 2009 envelope # 282 and 680 please identify themselves to the parish office. Thank you.

PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATIONS can be made through the parish. If you are interested in this convenient way to make your church donation, please speak with Claudette from the parish office.

St. Vincent De Paul are able to take in household items again**.** We are in need of small appliances, dishes, bedding and furniture **.** Please call Church office for pick-up or call 728-2047 and ask for Ed & Jeannie.

The Liturgy Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 12 has been postponed to February 2010.

Please do not use the 2009 Envelopes. Use ONLY current year 2010 envelopes as the numbers have been re-assigned.

Security Update: The Security System in the Final stages of installation and should be up and running in the future. If you have any questions contact the church office.