



St. Sebastian Catholic Church

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The Baptism of the Lord /El Bautismo del Señor— January 11, 2026

The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, listen to him. Mt. 3: 13-17

Vio Juan el Bautista a Jesús, que venía hacia él, y exclamó: “Éste es el Cordero de Dios, el que quita el pecado del mundo”. Mt. 3: 13-17

Why would Jesus, without sin, want or need to be baptized? Here we see that God is not a distant God but rather comes to our lives, our wounds, our fears, and even our hopes. God enters the spaces where we feel abandoned, overwhelmed, or unworthy. God does not abandon us, but enters the waters with us. Jesus’ baptism teaches us that God is with us and in solidarity with us. God does not flee from the world’s pain but comes to be with us. And in a world where so many people feel erased or cast aside, Jesus’ baptism declares that everyone is important. Jesus steps into the water to renew the world, to transform it, and to embody justice. This moment reminds us that faith is never passive. As Jesus rises from the water, the heavens open and the Spirit descends like a dove: gentle and life-giving. And a voice comes from the sky: “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” Before Jesus ever performs a miracle, preaches a lesson, or heals a person, he is called Beloved, and the Spirit is with him. At his baptism, Jesus is named Beloved, and so are we. God tells us who are baptized: I love you, you are mine, and I am pleased with you. www.uscatholic.org



¿Por qué Jesús, sin pecado, querría o necesitaría ser bautizado? Aquí vemos que Dios no es un Dios distante, sino que se acerca a nuestras vidas, a nuestras heridas, a nuestros miedos e incluso a nuestras esperanzas. Dios entra en los espacios donde nos sentimos abandonados, abrumados o indignos. Dios no nos abandona, sino que entra en las aguas con nosotros. El bautismo de Jesús nos enseña que Dios está con nosotros y se solidariza con nosotros. Dios no huye del dolor del mundo, sino que viene a estar con nosotros. Jesús entra en el agua para renovar el mundo, para transformarlo y para encarnar la justicia. Este momento nos recuerda que la fe nunca es pasiva. Cuando Jesús sale del agua, los cielos se abren y el Espíritu desciende como una paloma: suave y dador de vida. Y una voz viene del cielo: «Este es mi Hijo, el Amado, en quien tengo mis complacencias». Antes de que Jesús realizara un milagro, predicara una enseñanza o sanara a una persona, es llamado Amado, y el Espíritu está con él. En su bautismo, Jesús es llamado Amado, y nosotros también lo somos. Dios nos dice a quienes hemos sido bautizados: Te amo, eres mío y me complazco en ti. www.uscatholic.org

Office Hours / Horario de Oficina

Monday/ Lunes 9:30—2:00pm

Tuesday/ Martes 9:30—2:00pm

Wednesday / Miércoles 5:30—8:00pm

Thursday / Jueves 9:30—2:00p, 5:30—8:00pm

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses / Misas Dominicales

- Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm / Sabado: 7:00pm
- Sunday 9:00 am / Domingo: 12:00 pm.

Daily Masses / Misas Diarias

- Tuesday and Thursday: 12:00pm (English)
- Wednesday and Friday: 9:00am (English)

Reconciliation / Reconciliación

- This week / Esta Semana:
Saturday / Sabado 6:00pm

Devotions / Devociones

Blessed Sacrament/Adoración al Santísimo

- First Friday of the Month
- Primer Viernes del mes

Holy Rosary / Santo Rosario

- Tuesday - Friday after daily masses.
- Martes a Viernes después de las misas diarias

Information about/ Información acerca de:

Baptisms / Bautismos

- Please call the office for information and registration.
- Clases Pre-bautismales cada 3er viernes cada 2 meses a las 7:00pm en el salón #1 Registración Previa.

Weddings / Matrimonio Y Quinceañeras

- Diocesan preparation requirements must be fulfilled. Please contact the office six months in advance.
- Se necesita cumplir con los requisitos de preparación de la Diócesis. Comuníquese con la oficina con seis meses de anticipación para fijar una fecha.

Quinceañeras:

- Please call the office for information and registration.
- Favor de llamar a la oficina para información y Registración.



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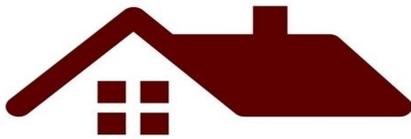
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