

Holy Baptism Festival Dates

Baptisms are celebrated on scheduled Baptism festival days in the congregation's worship life. Those days are typically:

	<u>Preparing for Baptism</u>	<u>Baptism Festival</u>
2011		
Baptism of Our Lord <i>(first or second Sunday in January)</i>	<i>January 2</i>	January 9, 2011
Transfiguration of Our Lord <i>(last Sunday after Epiphany)</i>	<i>February 27</i>	March 6, 2011
Easter Vigil <i>(Saturday night before Easter Sunday)</i>	<i>April 10</i>	April 23, 2011
Fourth Sunday of Easter <i>(Good Shepherd Sunday)</i>	<i>May 8</i>	May 15, 2011
Holy Trinity Sunday <i>(about 8 weeks after Easter)</i>	<i>June 12</i>	June 19, 2011
A summer Sunday <i>(lect 19A)</i>	<i>July 31</i>	August 7, 2011
An autumn Sunday <i>(lect 28A)</i>	<i>October 2</i>	October 9, 2011
Christ the King <i>(a Sunday in November near Thanksgiving)</i>	<i>November 13</i>	November 20, 2011
2012		
Baptism of Our Lord <i>(first or second Sunday in January)</i>	<i>January 8</i>	January 15, 2012
Transfiguration of Our Lord <i>(last Sunday after Epiphany)</i>	<i>February 12</i>	February 19
Easter Vigil <i>(Saturday night before Easter Sunday)</i>	<i>April 1</i>	April 7
Fourth Sunday of Easter <i>(Good Shepherd Sunday)</i>	<i>April 22</i>	April 29, 2012
Holy Trinity Sunday <i>(about 8 weeks after Easter)</i>	<i>May 20</i>	June 3
A summer Sunday <i>(lect 18B)</i>	<i>July 29</i>	August 5
An autumn Sunday <i>(lect 28B)</i>	<i>October 7</i>	October 14
Christ the King <i>(a Sunday in November near Thanksgiving)</i>	<i>November 18</i>	November 25

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Baptisms are not celebrated during the 40 days of Lent before Easter (in the spring) or during Advent (the four weeks before Christmas).

Baptisms may also be scheduled on most Saturday evenings during the 5:30 pm worship service.

Pastors will meet with candidates for baptism on the Sunday morning one week prior to each Baptism festival day or sometime prior to baptisms planned for other times.

Our baptism festival days allow us to celebrate baptism in such a way that its centrality in our lives becomes clear to all. We seek to live out Christ's command that we be a baptizing community. We seek to celebrate baptism in such a way that the celebration is a true and complete sign of the things which baptism signifies, with abundant water, generous actions, baptismal hymns. We seek to celebrate well and fully the saving activity of God.

As a community we seek to gather with candidates around the life-giving waters of Holy Baptism. Individuals or families with candidates of any age for baptism are invited to contact the Church Office to be included.

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