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The BAPTISM of the LORD

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The Father anointed his beloved son, Jesus, with the Holy Spirit and with power, to bring healing and peace to all the nations.

First Reading Isaiah 40: 1-5. 9-11

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it.

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-30

R. Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

Lord God, how great you are,
clothed in majesty and glory,
wrapped in light as in a robe!
You stretch our the heavens like a tent. **R.**

Above the rains you build your dwelling.
You make the clouds your chariot,
you walk on the wings of the wind,
you make the winds your messengers
and flashing fire your servants. **R.**

How many are your works, O Lord!
In wisdom you have made them all.
The earth is full of your riches.
There is the sea, vast and wide,
with its moving swarms past counting,
living things great and small. **R.**

All of these look to you
to give them their food in due season.
You give it, they gather it up:
you open your hand, they have their fill. **R.**

You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14. 3:4-7

He saved us through the water of rebirth and renewal in the Holy Spirit.

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16. 21-22

When Jesus had been baptised and had been praying, the heavens were opened and the Holy Spirit came upon him.

Reflection

What did it mean for Jesus to come up out of the waters of the Jordan to experience the special presence of the Holy Spirit as though it were a dove, gently hovering over him? As a Jew, he would have been reminded both of the Divine Wind hovering over the void-become-creation, and of the dove bearing an olive twig as God restored humanity's life on earth after the Flood. The Holy Spirit was empowering Him for a re-creative role on behalf of humanity.

His second experience was to sense God's delight and joy sounding, reverberating through every fibre of his body, every reach of his soul: 'You are my beloved Son, my favour rests on you.'

Any baby, any adolescent, any adult who is baptised shares in these wonderful experiences. The dynamic power of the Holy Spirit hovers over the person as a gentle presence, preparing the one baptised for a mission on behalf of humanity. And every baptised person senses, below the range of hearing, the echo of the same marvellous words: "You are my beloved son or daughter, my favour rests on you."

Is it any wonder that Our Lord adopted this water rite to incorporate his followers into such wonderful experiences as a power-full impetus to fulfil their mission to cooperate in God's saving plan for humanity?

We could take a moment to pray in gratitude for the parent/s or other person/s who brought us into this tradition stretching over almost two millennia. May they be filled with all that flows from their being beloved sons and daughters of God.

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Readings for next week: Second Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C

Isaiah 60:1-5

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

John 2: 1-11

Find the daily readings online: <http://universalis.com>

We Remember in Our Prayers

Recently Deceased: Beverley Hall

Anniversaries: Rina Mastellotto

Masses to be offered for:

Vincenzo & Giuseppina Luciani & Family, Antonio & Concetta Crisante & Family, Cecil & Kay O'Leary, Tom, Nora, Ron, Ann & John OShannessy, Marge Murray, The OShannessy & Kelly families, Tom & Zilla Egan, The Egan & Simpson families, James Alborough, Martin Pahlow, Ken Wheelhouse, Karen Van Denhoven, Judy Prentice, Terry & Jim Fahy, Francesco & Bibiana Lappa, Members of the Lappa family, Alwyn McMillan, Dec'd McMillan, Munro & Olsen families, Madden, Duggan & Honeysett families, Arturo & Angela Marinucci, Dec'd members of the Marinucci family, Tim Meehan, Ray Meehan, Maureen Nolan, Bill O'Neill, Margaret Ryan, Tom Slattery, Anthony Wilson.

We will be renewing the SICK LIST at the end of JANUARY

Please phone the office if you wish to have names added for 2019

Those who are sick:

Angelique, Brett, Cass, Rosemary Andrews (QLD), Philippa Beguin, Garry Bennett, Damian Bender, Jean Bonnington (Gulgandra), Trish Butcher, Brian, Jo, Reginna Cameron, Paul Costin, John Cowdery, Aggie Crump (baby of Gabbie Gough), Colleen Day, John Deane, Rosemary Doherty, Marie Duffy, Don Egan, Josh Farr (Carcoar), Teagan Ferguson, Brian & Julie Flanagan (Qld), Gwen (ill), Brad Hanns, Julian Henkes, Brian Heron, Jenny Hewish, Inez, Phillipa Irwin, Jacob, Brooke Kaluzyn (QLD), Maree & Don King, Allan Kreymborg, Pauline Lenord, Lionel, Trish Locke (Armidale), Renae & Baby Arlie Maiden, Mario Mamo, Laura McIntosh, Max McIntyre, David, Noeleen, Stephen Nolan, Caitlyn O'Neill, Philomena Parker, Margaret Perkins, Jake Pucker, Julie Richardson, Mary Roddy, Tania Rovere, Michael Simmons, Brendan Stanford, Nathan Stanmore, Albert & Nena Stevens, Rob Sweeney (Tamworth), Ken Taylor, Tara Taylor, Teddy Teuma, Bernard Thompson, Neville Treacy, Virginia, Owen Walkom, Jeanette Wallace, Lorraine Weeden, Colin White, Tony White, Jake Wilkes, Michael Williams.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY
2019, PANAMA**



This Sunday, pilgrims from the Diocese of Bathurst will leave for World Youth Day 2019, in Panama. The theme for this WYD is **"I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your Word"** **Luke 1:38**

The Bathurst group includes 33 young people, including some from Mt Isa and Toowoomba. Our pilgrims will be accompanied by Bishop Michael McKenna, Fr Reynold Jaboneta; Parish Priest of Coonabarabran and Coonamble, Deacon Josh Clayton and Seminarians Diep Nguyen and Thao Nguyen.

Please pray for the pilgrims that their journey will be safe; and that they may return with the fruits that God wants.

We will be starting our "2nd Thursday dinners", for 2019 on the 14TH FEBRUARY

DINERS CLUB

**Saturday 2nd
FEBRUARY at 7.00pm
Cattlemans Restaurant,
Whylandra Street, Dubbo.**



If you are a woman on your own and enjoy dining come along for a good meal with good company.

Ph. Chris for bookings on **6884 1179**

ACCOMMODATION AVAILABLE
A local family has an opportunity available for a co-tenant to share a unit in **Coogee, Sydney.**

The two bedroom unit is close to the beach, shops and public transport. Recently renovated, it is very secure, clean and private. Share with a fifth year UNSW female law student from Dubbo. If you are interested, please phone Lisa Riley. 0427 824 873 or 6884 4416.

Marriage Box

Most people get married believing a myth that marriage is a beautiful box full of all the things they have longed for: companionship, intimacy, friendship, etc. The truth is that marriage at the start is an empty box. You must put something in before you can take anything out. There is no love in marriage. Love is in people. And people put love in marriage. There is no romance in marriage. You have to infuse it into your marriage. A couple must learn the art and form the habit of giving, loving, serving, praising keeping the box full. If you take out more than you put in, the box will be empty.

This week day by day

Monday 14th January

7.00am Mass St Brigid's
8.30am St Brigid's Exercise
Group - Hall

Tuesday 15th January

5.45pm Mass St Brigid's

Wednesday 16th January

9.30am Mass St Laurence's

Thursday 17th January

5.45pm Mass St Brigid's

Friday 18th January

7:00am Mass St Brigid's

Saturday 19th January

10.00am Mass St Brigid's
6:00pm Vigil Mass St Brigid's

Sunday 20th January

7:30am Mass - St Laurence's
9:00am Mass - St Brigid's
6:00pm Mass - St Brigid's

Reconciliation

9:30- 9:50am Sat St Brigid's
5:00 - 5:30pm Sat St Brigid's

HOME ROSARY



**Mon 14th Jan. to Fri 18th Jan
at 4.00pm at the home of
Aurora Kable,
4 Provan Place, Eastridge
Dubbo.**

All are most welcome.

If you would like to be included on the roster for Home Rosary please contact Audrey O'Brien on **0419 123 274**

**'Thank you' to all who
welcomed Our Lady's Home
Rosary statue into their homes
in 2018.**

MEDITATION GROUP
which meets prior to Tuesday
evening Mass will be in recess
until 5th February, 2019

**DURING JANUARY
there will be
NO Nursing Home masses
or anointing mass**