
ST JOHN'S N4

The Baptism of Christ

Sunday 10th January 2021



Please pray

- For healthcare staff.
- For those who are beginning to explore their faith.

Welcome to St John's! This sheet has everything you need to follow what is going on. The writing in the grey italics gives instructions. The text in normal type will be spoken by a priest, reader or other member of the congregation. We all join in with the bold type.

There will be a number of changes during this Mass to keep everybody safe: There will be no congregational singing; we won't be sharing the peace; there will be no collection plate and communion will be in one kind only. Please remain in your place once Mass as started.

Please stand when the bell rings and the altar party enters.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Confession

We are invited to call to mind our sins.

God be gracious to us and bless us, and make your face shine upon us: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May your ways be known on the earth, your saving power among the nations:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You, Lord, have made known your salvation, and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Absolution

The celebrant prays for the forgiveness of our sins, to which we respond:

Amen.

We remain standing as we say together.

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

We say the Response:

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Truly, God is my salvation, I trust, I shall not fear.

For the Lord is my strength, my song, he became my saviour.

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. **R**

Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name!

Make his mighty deeds known to the peoples!

Declare the greatness of his name. **R**

Sing a psalm to the Lord for he has done glorious deeds; make them known to all the earth! People of Zion, sing and shout for joy, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel. **R**

Second Reading

Acts 19:1-7

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?' They replied, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.' Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.' Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.' On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

We stand for the Gospel reading.

Alleluia, alleluia!

John saw Jesus coming towards him, and said:

This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 1:4-11

And the end of the Gospel:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit for the sermon.

The Creed

Please stand for the Creed.

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus
Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the
Father,
God from God, Light from
Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;

through him all things were
made.

For us and for our salvation, he
came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy
Spirit

and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was
buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the
Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.

He will come again in glory to
judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no
end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father
and the Son,
who with the Father and the
Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the
Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of
the dead,
and the life of the world to
come. Amen.

The Intercessions

*In the intercessions, we make this, or
another response:*

Lord, in your mercy.
hear our prayer.

The Peace

*Please remain standing as the celebrant
introduces the Peace.*

The peace of the Lord be always
with you.

And also with you.

*Please remember not to share the
peace with one another!*

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The priest says the offertory prayers:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all
creation; for through your goodness
we have this bread to offer you. Fruit
of the earth, and work of human
hands, it will become for us the
bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all
creation; for through your goodness
we have this wine to set before you.
Fruit of the vine, and work of human
hands, it will become our spiritual
drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Invitation to Prayer is said:

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my
sacrifice and yours may be
acceptable to God, the almighty
Father.

May the Lord accept the
sacrifice at your hands, for the
praise and glory of his name, for
our good, and the good of all
his holy Church. Amen.

*The priest then prays the Prayer over
the Gifts to which we respond:*
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our
God.

It is right to give thanks and
praise.

*The priest praises God for his mighty
acts, and we say the Sanctus and
Benedictus:*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of
your glory.

Hosanna in the Highest.

Blessed is he comes,
in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the Highest.

*The priest prays the prayer of
consecration, and this acclamation is
said:*

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

The Prayer continues, leading into the

doxology, which ends

... for ever and ever.

Amen.

The priest introduces the Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be
done; on earth as it is in
heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily
bread. And forgive us our
trespasses, as we forgive those
who**

trespass against us.

And lead us not into

**temptation, but deliver us
from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the
power and the glory, for ever
and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of Bread

*The priest breaks the consecrated
host:*

We break this bread, to share in the
body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are
one body, because we all share
in one bread.**

We say the Agnus Dei:

**Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world:
grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

Behold Lamb of God, who takes
away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to
his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to
receive you,
but only say the word, and I
shall be healed.**

*During communion, please get up for
your seats one household at a time.*

Post Communion

*We stand as the celebrant prays, to
which we respond.*

Amen.

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

...and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit,
be among you and remain with you
always.

Amen

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

The Angelus

The angel of the Lord brought
tidings to Mary:

**and she conceived by the Holy
Spirit.**

Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is
with thee, blessed art thou among
women, and blessed is the fruit of thy
womb Jesus:

**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray
for us sinners, now and at the
hour of our death. Amen.**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

**Be it unto me according to thy
word.**

Hail Mary...

And the Word was made flesh.

And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary...

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,
**that we may be made worthy of
the promises of Christ.**

Notices

We are in a period of national lockdown. The government has not decided to suspend public worship as in previous lockdowns, and after discussing the the PCC last week, we have decided to continue, though this will be reviewed fortnightly. In order for us to worship together safely, it is vital that we strictly follow the guidance for reducing risk as much as possible. Please make sure you have a copy of the leaflet reminding you what precautions we all need to take.

In order to help us to worship safely, there will be more opportunities to attend Mass. We will be beginning with a **Vigil Mass** at 5.30pm on a Saturday evening. As this is Vigil Mass, it will be exactly the same as Sunday morning, and it is intended that you will be attending either on Saturday evening, or Sunday morning, not both.

As well as the extra mass, all of our services will now also be **livestreamed**. You will be able to follow live from home on our YouTube channel: <http://tiny.cc/sjebp>.

There will be a chance to say **Morning Prayer** together online, as well as a time of fellowship. We will gather together on Sunday morning at 10.15am to pray together, followed by a chance to chat before mass begins at 11am. Please send Mthr Alice an email if you'd like to receive the Zoom link each week.

Please also pick up a **weekly prayer sheet** - it just contains a passage from today's Gospel reading, the collect for this week, as well as an image to help you reflect on them.

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