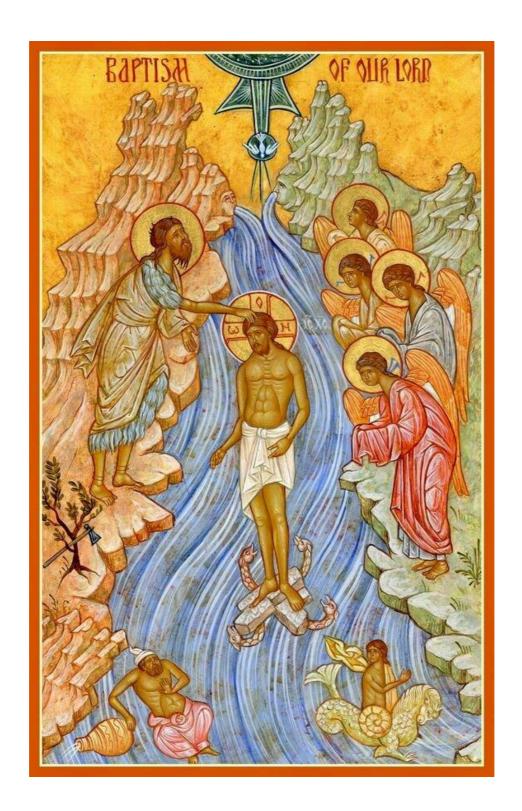
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD



8 January, 2023

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Hymns 52; 391; 58; 47

and Setting at 10:00 a.m.: Christ Church Mass by Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

The service may be followed from p. 119 in An Australian Prayer Book (with seasonal additions p. 150)

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, solemnly declared him your beloved Son: grant that your children by adoption, reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, may always be well pleasing to you, through the same Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 42:1–9

A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah:

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,

my chosen, in whom my soul delights;

I have put my spirit upon him;

he will bring forth justice to the nations.

He will not cry or lift up his voice,

or make it heard in the street;

a bruised reed he will not break,

and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;

he will faithfully bring forth justice.

He will not grow faint or be crushed

until he has established justice in the earth;

and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the LORD,

who created the heavens and stretched them out,

who spread out the earth and what comes from it,

who gives breath to the people upon it

and spirit to those who walk in it:

I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,

I have taken you by the hand and kept you;

I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols.

See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29

Response: The voice of the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

- I. Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due to his name; worship the Lord in beauty and holiness.

- R.
- 3. The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4. The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.

R.

- 5. The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the voice of the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6. He makes Sirion skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

R.

- 7. The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8. The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare;
- 9. And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, 'Glory!'

R.

- 10. The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.
- II. The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

R.

SECOND READING

Acts 10:34-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.

That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem.

They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Matthew 3:13–17

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard: "this is my beloved Son, hear him!"

Alleluia!

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying,

'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him,

'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

For the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Anglican Church

We pray for The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma); The Diocese of Grafton; Anglican Parish of Banyule; Christ Church, Lancefield; Archdeaconry of Geelong.

For all in need

May all who are in trouble, in need or sickness find peace and refreshment in you especially: Ann; Anne; Bruce, Elizabeth and family; Christina; Coral; Dorothy; Erica and Keith; Joan; John; Margaret; Peter; Ron; Tom; and all who grieve, especially members of the family of Prue Johnson.

For the Faithful Departed

We remember those who have died recently: Benedict XVI; Prue Johnson and those whose anniversary of death occurs this week: Gregory Edmund Campion Gibson; Patricia Hagerty; Ethel Hawker-Blyth; Cynthia McInnes; Kenneth Mountford; Stanley Owen; Ross Rampling; Florence Scott; Frederick Southcott; Elsie Frances Summons; Nola Watson.

NOTICES

We welcome back and thank The Venerable Canon Dr Colleen O'Reilly who is presiding at our services both today and next week.

Looking ahead —

Sunday, January 29 – one morning service, 'under the Gum Tree', to mark Australia Day, followed by a parish luncheon (BYO food and drink) on the lawn.

Saturday, February 4 – ordination of deacons at St Paul's Cathedral from 10:30 a.m. Our new assistant curate, Dr Aaron Ghiloni will be made a deacon on that day. Please come along to support him on this important day; followed by a 'post-ordination party' in the Hall (finger-food and drinks). If you wish to attend, please contact Judy Mallinson a.s.a.p. to assist in catering.

Sunday, February 5 – the liturgical welcome to Aaron, with commissioning of him, the new Director of Music, and the new Parish Council and other officer bearers. This will also be followed by a festive morning tea and welcome.

Saturday, February II – Parish Council 'Away Day'.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: 18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jeremiah 29:1, 4–7 2 Timothy 2:8–15

Psalm 66:1-11 Luke 17:11-19

THE WEEK AHEAD

Weekdays Monday – Saturday	9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer
Day	Morning Prayer in Chapel and by	Evening Prayer Zoom (details below)
Monday, 9 January	Psalm 22:1–22 Genesis 1:1–19 John 6:28–40	Psalms 22:23–32; 23 Jeremiah I Colossians 1:1–8
Tuesday, 10 January William Laud, Martyr, Archbishop of Canterbury	Psalm 25 Genesis 1:20–2:3 John 6:41–59	Psalm 27 Jeremiah 2:1–19 Colossians 1:9–20
Wednesday, II January	Psalms 28; 29 Genesis 2:4–25 John 6:60–71	Psalms 30; 32 Jeremiah 2:20–37 Colossians 1:21–29
Thursday, 12 January	Psalm 31 Genesis 3:1–19 John 7:1–13	Psalm 33 Jeremiah 3:1–23 Colossians 2:1–7
Eucharist 10:15 a.m.	Hebrews 3:7–14;	Psalm 95:6-11; Mark 1:40-45
Friday, 13 January Hilary of Poitiers, Bishop and teacher	Psalm 35:1–17 Genesis 3:20–4:16 John 7:14–24	Psalms 35:18–29; 36 Jeremiah 4:1–18 Colossians 2:8–15
Saturday, 14 January Sava, first archbishop of the Serbian Church	Psalm 34 Genesis 4:17–5:5; 5:21–24 John 7:25–36	Psalm 119:17–40 Jeremiah 4:19–31 Colossians 2:16–23
Next Sunday, 15 January 2 nd Sunday after Epiphany	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist & Meditation

Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m., Monday - Saturday

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Evening Prayer

5:00 p.m., Monday - Saturday

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with thanks to him as he assists in the vacancy.

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We acknowledge the Boon Wurrung and Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the Traditional Custodians and Owners of the land upon which we meet.

We pay our respects to their Elders past and present, acknowledge their continuing spiritual connection to Country, and affirm our commitment to walk together the path of reconciliation.