# The Living Word

The Baptism of the Lord, Year B

10 January 2021

# First Reading Is 42:1-4. 6-7

Here is my servant, my chosen one in whom I am well pleased.

Thus says the Lord:

Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom my soul delights.

I have endowed him with my spirit that he may bring true justice to the nations.

He does not cry out or shout aloud, or make his voice heard in the streets. He does not break the crushed reed, nor quench the wavering flame. Faithfully he brings true justice; he will neither waver, nor be crushed until true justice is established on earth for the islands are awaiting his law.

- I, the Lord, have called you to serve the cause of right;
- I have taken you by the hand and formed you;

I have appointed you as covenant of the people and light of the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to free captives from prison, and those who live in darkness from the dungeon.

# Responsorial Psalm Ps 28:1-4. 9-10. R. v.11

- (R.) The Lord will bless his people with peace.
- 1. O give the Lord you sons of God, give the Lord glory and power; give the Lord the glory of his name. Adore the Lord in his holy court. (R.)

- The Lord's voice resounding on the waters, the Lord on the immensity of waters;
  - the Lord on the immensity of waters; the voice of the Lord, full of power, the voice of the Lord, full of splendour. (R.)
- 3. The God of glory thunders.
  In his temple they all cry: 'Glory!'
  The Lord sat enthroned over the flood:
  the Lord sits as king for ever. (R.)

## Second Reading Acts 10:34-38

God anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.

'It is true, God sent his word to the people of Israel, and it was to them that the good news of peace was brought by Jesus Christ - but Jesus Christ is Lord of all men. You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.'

# Gospel Acclamation See Mk 9:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!



### Gospel Mk 1:7-11

You are my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

In the course of his preaching John the Baptist said, 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'

It was at this time that Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptised in the Jordan by John. No sooner had he come up out of the water than he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit, like a dove, descending on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

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## **Reflection** by Dianne Bergant CSA

With this feast, the Christmas cycle comes to a close. It expands the universality of God's presence on proclaimed the Epiphany and locates it in the messianic mission of Jesus established at his baptism. It might be seen as the summary of the entire liturgical cycle: the one born among us is the servant of God who brings to all the nations a universal promise of justice and the fulfilment of hope.

Jesus is mysterious servant through whom God's saving action is accomplished. He is the light that guides those in darkness. He has been given to the nations as the promise of liberation and the hope of the age to come. His mission is directed to all peoples. Since God's voice spoke over creation and over the head of Jesus as he emerged from the waters of the Jordan, God's regeneration of nature is accomplished in and through him.

Anointed by the Spirit, Jesus commissioned to begin his prophetic work and ministry, a work of inclusivity and the relinquishment of bondage and fear. As the heavens opened, Jesus was identified as the beloved one of God. Now the community of believers is identified with Jesus the servant of God. Through Baptism, Christians share in his prophetic and divine ministry. They too receive at baptism a commission to commit themselves to the service of the poor and to the cause of compassion. The feast of the Baptism of Jesus is a reminder of the call to Christian service.

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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather, the Wathaurong people. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully in the land.

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

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**WEEKEND & WEEKDAY MASS TIMES** 

**BARWON HEADS:** Saturday Vigil 6:00pm

> Sunday 9:30am, Mass for St Mary's Syro-Malabar Community (Malayalam

language)

**OCEAN GROVE:** QUEENSCLIFF:

Sunday 9:00am Sunday 11:00am

(weekday Masses are currently suspended)

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Please contact Parish office

**BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS** 

Please contact Parish office (Baptisms are currently suspended)

Please send in bulletin notices by Thursday

Recently Deceased: Jessica Hindson.

#### Anniversaries 10. January to 16. January:

Nell Mithen, Kon Zurawel, Elaine van Oosten, Mary Edward, Sheila Tom, Graham Crouch, Anthony Calleja and Gabriel Daly.

#### Please pray for those who are Sick:

Peg Benham, Mary Blonk, Ellen Bourke, Ron & Helen Carter, Patricia Clarke, Pat Cousin, Jack Davin, Alfred Dickinson, Ian Downing, Margaret Dyer, Isabel Fitzgerald, Nell Fraigneux, George Frances, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Kate Greenwood, Martin & Mary Grundy, Peter Harrington, Jeannette & Laurance Hodgkinson, Kerin Hoye, Robert Hurley, Stuart Jarrett, Gary Kingsbury, Jack Loughnan, Cas Lukauskas, Belinda Monterosso, Robyn Nagle, Christine Naulty, Beverley O'Meara, Maureen O'Neill, Helen Pearce, Mavourneen Ray, Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Pat Robinson, Bill & Betty Rushton, Kevin Shannon, Mac & Mary Sullivan, Cooper Thorley, Eraldo (Aldo) Trentini, Deanne Warren, Peter Williams.

#### COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update

Please remember, in the state of Victoria, that fitted masks must be worn inside, on public transport and outside where you cannot physically distance.

For updated medical advice and news, please visit: https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-

2019-ncov-health-alert

For Diocese and Parish advice, please visit: https://www.cam.org.au/Guidance-for-Parishes-COVID-19

#### NEWS & EVENTS \*\*

There is currently no need to book for our regular weekend Masses:

> Saturday Vigil Mass, 6pm Holy Family, Barwon Heads

Sunday Mass, 9am Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Sunday Mass, 11am Holy Trinity Parish Hall, Queenscliff

However, Church and hall capacities, check-in, contact tracing and all other COVID guidelines (including the wearing of masks indoors), apply and remain in place.

If you require Pastoral care & support, or you are aware of others who may need assistance, please phone our Parish office. Mobile number for emergencies is on the recorded message.

#### RADIO BROADCASTS of SUNDAY MASS:

- Sunday 7:00am on Light FM 89.9
- Sunday 10:00am on The Pulse 94.7 FM

#### **TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS:**

- Channel 10 / 10HD: Mass for You at Home, every Sunday at
- C31 (Channel 44 on digital TVs): St Patrick's Cathedral Mass, every Sunday at 11:00am.
- Foxtel Aurora channel 173: Mass, every Sunday at 6:00am.

#### ONLINE MASSES AND RESOURCES:

- http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand
- https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass

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A sincere thank you to parishioners and visitors for your generosity and kindness over the Christmas season. It was a joy to see so many of you again in person, to celebrate Mass with you. We have reason to be hopeful as we begin 2021, but we still need to exercise caution and care to keep safe. Again, thank you. — Fr Darien.

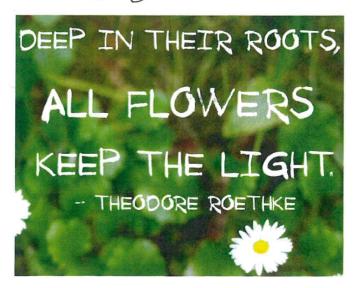


Pope Francis on December 8, 2020 published an Apostolic Letter Patris corde (With a Father's Heart), commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of St Joseph", running from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021. For resources, please visit: https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph.

#### LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January – St Hilary (Memorial)
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1
Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1
Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January – 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Thought for the Week:





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