The Living Word

The Baptism of the Lord, Year C

9 January 2022

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 voice of the Lord, full of power.

the voice of the Lord, full of splendour. (R.)

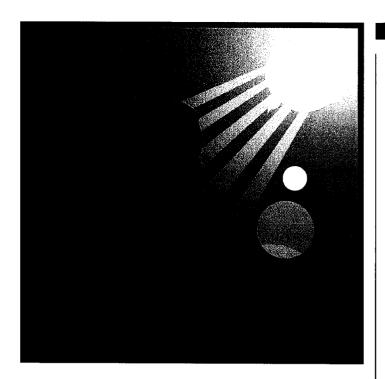
3. The God of glory thunders.
In his temple they all cry: 'Glory!'
The Lord sat enthroned over the flood:
the Lord sits as king for ever. (R.)

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 Christbut 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 Lk 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.

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.'

Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

This Christological feast brings to a close the Christmas season that reveals who God is for us and who we are to be for others in Christ. The baptism of Jesus inaugurates his ministry as the messiah of God. The passage from indicates the kind of messiah that God intends Jesus to be. He will be a servant. one who, though mighty, is gentle, one who is chosen by the high God vet committed to the needy and marginal, one who is the proclaimed Son of God and who still attends to the least within the human community. He may have come from an insignificant village like Nazareth, but he was anointed with the Holy Spirit and with power.

For whom did the messiah of God come? He came for people who were broken and suffering, blind or imprisoned. He came for people who are so easily pushed to the margins, beyond our view. where the circumstances of their lives will not trouble us - the homeless, the unemployed, the abandoned children. the helpless elderly, the mentally and chronically ill. He also came to people who, like Cornelius, do not belong to our inner circles, people who for any number of reasons threaten us, people we might actually despise. He came for the strangers among us, those who have different cultural customs, those who worship in different ways. He came for people we have pushed out as well as for those we have refused to let in. The messiah of God came for all people without distinction.

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

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WEEKEND 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 MASS TIMES

Please see below: Liturgy in our Parish this week

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

is available prior to each weekend Mass and also before or after weekday Masses if needed

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Please visit our website or contact Parish office

Please send in bulletin notices by Thursday

The BAPTISM of the LORD Year C

Recently Deceased: Yvonne Ellen Sticklen.

Anniversaries 9. January to 15. January:

Madge Topp, Elaine van Oosten, Mary Edward, Sheila Thom, Graham Couch, George Hallal and Banda Hallal.

Please pray for those who are Sick:

Wally Beckwith, Peg Benham, Mary Blonk, Ron & Helen Carter, Sam Caruana, Carmel Conte, Connie D'Amico, Wellington D'Cruz, Jack Davin, Ian Downing, Robert Drummond & Patti Semler, Margaret Dyer, Isabel Fitzgerald, Nell Fraigneux, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Io. Green, Peter Harrington, Jeannette & Laurance Hodgkinson, Gregory Holien, Kerin Hoye, Robert Hurley, Jennifer Jones, Gary Kingsbury, John Kirkman, Hilda Koerntjes, Evelyn Leahy, Margaret Leahy, Margaret Lomas, Cas Lukauskas, Belinda Monterosso, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Peter Rafter, Mavourneen Ray, Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Betty Rushton, Emerson Russel (baby), Mac & Mary Sullivan, Santa Sutera, Cooper Thorley, Eraldo (Aldo) Trentini, Deanne Warren, Susan Weston, Peter Williams and Shirley Woodruff.

ROSTERS

If you are unable to meet your commitment on your day, please arrange a substitute. Thank you!

COUNTERS: Tuesday 11st January at 10:00am:

Remo & Naomi Bianco.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On behalf of Fr Darien and myself, we wish to thank all of you who sent cards and gifts during the Christmas period. We are blessed and humbled by your kindness. We cannot thank you enough!

> Best wishes and blessings, Daniella

** NEWS & EVENTS **

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 6:00am.
- 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

~ LENT 2022 ~

Personal and Group Reflections for Lent 2022: for Lent and Easter this year, the Faith Development Group is using the booklet from the Diocese of Wollongong called "*Remember*" as the resource for individuals and reflection groups in our parish.

"Remember" is a 72-page full colour book containing short daily reflections (from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday) for individual reading and reflection. In addition, the Sunday Scripture readings, reflections, prayers and questions are set up to cater for Lenten group gatherings.

Our groups will meet weekly to reflect on the Gospels of each Sunday in Lent. Fr Anthony Jukes OFM, from the Franciscan Friary in Killarney, Ireland, breaks open the Gospel and Mother Hilda Scott OSB (abbess at the Benedictine Abbey in Jamberoo, NSW) provides spiritual nourishment based on these Gospels.

"Remember" also features beautiful religious artworks from the Masters, with prayerful reflections from Monsignor Graham Schmitzer.

We have been encouraged to have increasing numbers in our Lenten and Advent reflection groups, extending to three groups in Advent last year. We hope to run at least two, possibly three, this Lent, at least one day time and one in the evening.

The expected cost for the booklet is about \$8.00 each.

A participant in one of our recent reflection groups said, "it has been wonderful to meeting in a small group and experience the sharing of my faith with like minded people".

If you are interested in obtaining a booklet for personal reflection and/or would like to join a reflection group, please contact one of the following Faith Development Group members:

- Sandra Gould: 0418 537 941 | sandra@salmandra.com.au
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LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 10⁻ January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1

Tuesday 11⁻ January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1

9:15am Lay-Led Liturgy with Holy Communion
at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Wednesday 12⁻ January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1 9:15am Lay-Led Liturgy with Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Thursday 13- January – St Hilary (Memorial) 9:15am Lay-Led Liturgy with Holy Communion at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Friday 14 January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1 9:15am Lay-Led Liturgy with Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 15⁵ January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1 Sunday 16⁵ January – 2⁵ SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Thought for the Week:

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