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8th & 9th January 2022

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (Year C)

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

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*'Console my people, console them,'
says your God.*

*'Speak to the heart of Jerusalem
and call to her*

*that her time of service is ended,
that her sin is atoned for,
that she has received from the hand of the Lord
double punishment for all her crimes.'*

*A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness
a way for the Lord.*

*Make a straight highway for our God
across the desert.*

*Let every valley be filled in,
every mountain and hill be laid low,
let every cliff become a plain,
and the ridges a valley;*

*then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed
and all mankind shall see it;
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.'*

*Go up on a high mountain,
joyful messenger to Zion.*

*Shout with a loud voice,
joyful messenger to Jerusalem.*

*Shout without fear,
say to the towns of Judah,
'Here is your God.'*

*Here is the Lord coming with power,
his arm subduing all things to him.*

*The prize of his victory is with him,
his trophies all go before him.*

*He is like a shepherd feeding his flock,
gathering lambs in his arms,*

*holding them against his breast
and leading to their rest the mother ewes.*

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 28:1-4, 9-10

R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

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 will bless his people with peace.

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. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

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. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: cf Luke 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

John said: He who is to come is mightier than I;
he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

Alleluia!

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

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.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please note there will be no weekday masses 10th- 28th January as Fr Francis takes annual leave.

There will be no Yarra Glen Mass on the 16th January.

The office can still be contacted via email or 0448 658 418

Michelle Ryan, Damian, John, Alison, Heather, Julie Bates, Garry Dettman, Bradley Jordan, Jeanette Henkel, Richard Galbraith, Debbie Huby, Geoff Lucas, Sandra Donkin, Glen, Fred Bullas, Fred Coullas, Evie Gleeson, Indy Dawes, Rade Krstic, Megan Williams, Michael Wood, Michael, Margo & Stephen Youngberry, Marie Hammond, John Mulholland, Rhiannon Days, Val Savitt, Ron Garland, Jaz Nueber, James Cooney, Robert, Mary & Gerard Bariola, Tilly Van der Zee, Lydia, Joyce Slattery, Annie, Bob Ireland, Val & Michael Christie, Ted & Peter Bowling, Natasha, Mia, James, Mitchell Wilson, Anne Bateman, Veronica Ireland, Lauren, Brooke, Anthony, Laura Baosde Pinto, Michelle, Judy, Annette Fromholtz, John Wray, Lynn Doensen, Elsa Gianforte, Fiona M

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE IN JANUARY

Henny Puschmann (08.01.07), John Gentle (14.01.84), Giuseppe Panozzo (14.01.83), Maria Jansen (14.01.08), Stephen Sotko Snr (20.01.09), Kathy Heath (21.01.07), Stephen Sotko Jnr (28.01.06), Garry Sweeney (21.01.17), Ethel Lalor, Philip Plant, Kathy Heath, Bern Porter, Judy Robertson.



An Act of Spiritual Communion

**My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite
myself wholly to You. Never permit me
to be separated from You.
Amen.**

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Recently Deceased: Anne Bateman

Sick: Babies Emmett, Noah Glen Christie, Tedi and Santi; Roman, Blake Smith, Trish Leahy, John Snell, Abby Sharp, Peter Munro, Megan, Bernie Jansen, Andrew Sharp, John, Glenn, Lyn Francis, Dorothy Barber, Fiona, Annie Preuss,