

The Baptism of the Lord

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Anglican Church

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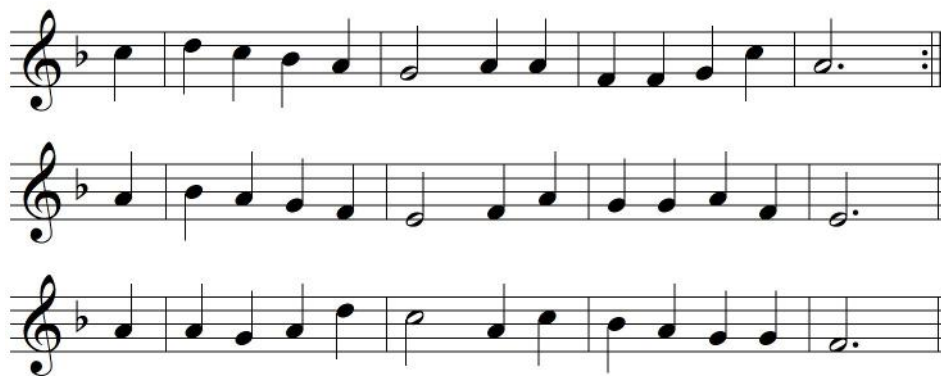
Acknowledgement of Country. As a community, we recognise that the church is built and our worship is offered on the traditional lands of the Kurna people, and close to Tarntanyangga (Victoria Square), which is still an important meeting place for the Kurna people today. We express our gratitude in the sharing of this land; our sorrow for the personal, spiritual and cultural costs of that sharing; and our hope that we may walk together in harmony, in the spirit of Reconciliation.

When the bell rings, all stand and sing the hymn.

CRÜGER

Let us proceed in peace.

✠ **In the name of Christ. Amen.**



**Hail to the Lord's anointed!
Great David's greater Son;
Hail, in the time appointed,
His reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
To set the captive free;
To take away transgression,
And rule in equity.**

- 2 He comes with succour speedy
To those who suffer wrong;
To help the poor and needy,
And bid the weak be strong;
To give them songs for sighing,
Their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying,
Were precious in his sight.**
- 3 He shall come down like showers
Upon the fruitful earth,
And love, joy, hope, like flowers,
Spring in his path to birth:
Before him on the mountains
Shall cease the herald go,
And righteousness in fountains
From hill to valley flow.**

- 4 **Kings shall fall down before him,
And gold and incense bring;
All nations shall adore him,
His praise all people sing;
To him shall prayer unceasing
And daily vows ascend;
His kingdom still increasing,
A kingdom without end.**
- 5 **O'er every foe victorious,
He on his throne shall rest;
From age to age more glorious,
All-blessing and all-blest:
The tide of time shall never
His covenant remove;
His name shall stand for ever;
That name to us is love.**

James Montgomery 1771-1854
based on Psalm 72

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Matt 3.16-17

The choir sings

After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened,
and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered:
This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

Invocation and Greeting

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The grace and peace of God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

Litany of Praise

The priest, deacon, or another minister, says

Lord God, in baptism you grant forgiveness and new life.

Silence

Let us call to mind our sins, and bring them before the Lord in penitence and faith.

All say

**Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The priest says:

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness
to all who turn to him in faith:
pardon ✕ you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise

Priest or CantorAll

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,

we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ,

on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand

of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect

Let us pray.

Eternal God, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan
you proclaimed him your beloved Son,
and anointed him with the Holy Spirit:
grant that all who are baptised into his name
may keep the covenant they have made,
and boldly confess him as Lord and Saviour;
who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns,
one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 42.1–9

A reading from the book of the prophet 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 out 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

From Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe unto the LORD, you children of God,
ascribe unto the LORD glory and power.
- 2 Give the LORD the honour due to his name:
worship the LORD with holy worship.
- 3 The voice of the LORD sounds on the waters;
the LORD thunders upon the great waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is full of splendour;
the voice of the LORD is a glorious voice.
- 5 The voice of the LORD scatters the cedars;
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;

- 9 the voice of the LORD is as thunder:
and all in his temple shout his glory.
10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as a king for ever.
11 The LORD shall give strength unto his people;
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

New Testament Reading

Acts 10.34–43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness 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.”

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Cf. Mark 9.8

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The heavens opened and the Father’s voice resounded:

“This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.”

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 3.13–17

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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 God’s Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from the heavens 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.

Homily

Fr Steven Ogden

A pause for silent reflection follows.

Renewal of Baptism Promises

My friends,
for the last few weeks we have been celebrating
the birth of Emmanuel, God-with-us.

With the shepherds we have heard the good news
of a new age dawning with peace for humankind.
With the magi we have journeyed
by the light of faith to Bethlehem,
and found there a Saviour, God, and King.
With Mary we have pondered these things in our hearts.

Now we celebrate the fulfilment of this mystery,
for today, at Jesus' baptism,
the Spirit has proclaimed him as Messiah:
as the priest who would give himself in sacrifice;
as the prophet who would reveal God in word and sign;
as the king who would begin his reign on the cross.

We, too, in our baptism have been anointed by the Spirit
and have received the same calling and commission.
If you are willing to commit yourself anew
to our common task of building God's kingdom in our day
I invite you to respond: 'Yes, I do believe' to these questions:

Do you believe in God,
who formed us from the earth and breathed life into us,
and who has called us to new life
in the water of baptism and the fire of the Spirit?

Yes, I do believe.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, God's eternal Word,
who was born of the Virgin Mary,
and at Jordan was anointed by the Holy Spirit as Messiah;
who by his death and rising has brought us over into God's reign;
and who will come again in final lasting glory?

Yes, I do believe.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit,
who has anointed us too in baptism as God's holy people,
sent to proclaim God's rule of justice and love,
of freedom and peace,
today and until the end of time?

Yes, I do believe.

The priest addresses the congregation,
God has truly given us new birth by water and the Spirit.

We are the body of Christ.

God's Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

All stand to sing the chant. Please note that there will be no Collection taken up: offerings of money can be left in the Collection plates at the front and rear of the pews.

Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, de - scend on us, de - scend on us; we
ga - ther here in Je - sus' name. (hum) —

John Bell b.1949

When all is prepared, the priest says,

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

**May the Lord accept our sacrifice
for the praise and glory of God's name,
for our good, and the good of all God's holy Church.**

Prayer over the Offerings

Gracious God,
accept the offering of your Church,
the hearts of your people
joined in praise and thanksgiving,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

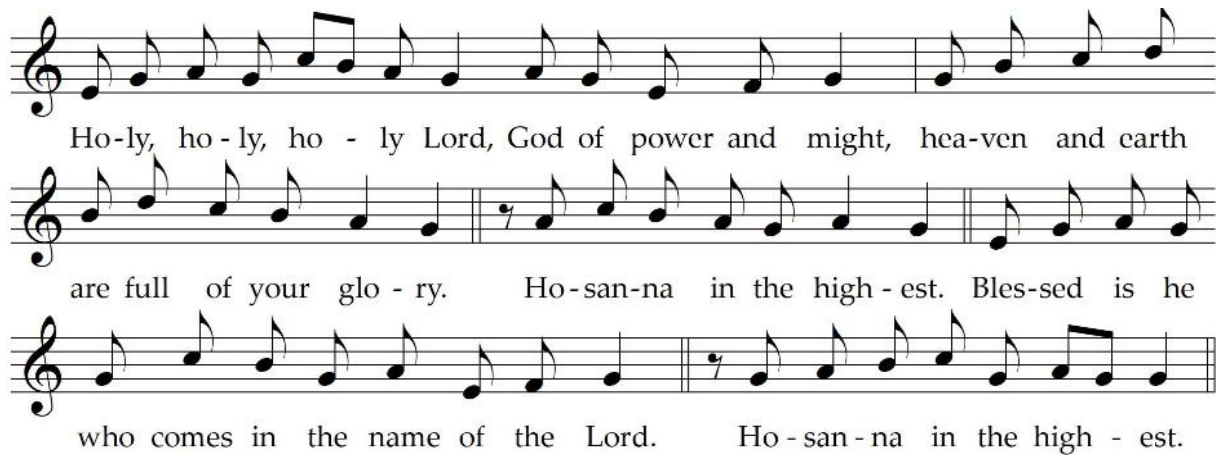
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, God our maker.
Out of nothing, you called all worlds into being,
and still you draw the universe to its fulfilment.
Day and night celebrate your glory
till time shall be no more.

Filled with the Spirit,
who descended upon your Son at his Baptism in the Jordan,
we who are baptised in his name
strive for his heavenly kingdom
in whose radiance we are transfigured
and the earth is transformed.

As children of your redeeming purpose
who celebrate the manifestation of your Son,
we offer you our praise,
with angels and archangels
and the whole company of heaven
singing the hymn of your unending glory:



Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea-ven and earth
are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bles-sed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Glory and thanksgiving be to you,
most loving Father.
In Jesus the Messiah you have come to us.
Our hope is built on him
in whom you are well pleased.
Having been shown to the world
as your beloved Son,
he proclaimed the good news of your kingdom.
The blind received their sight,
the lame walked, the lepers were cleansed,
and the captives set free.
At his word, water became wine,
the hungry were filled with bread,
and the dead were raised.

Before he was given up to suffering and death,
desiring to complete the work
for which he came into the world,
at supper with his disciples
he took bread and offered you thanks.
He broke the bread,
and gave it to them, saying:
“Take, eat.
This is my Body: it is broken for you.”

After supper, he took the cup,
 he offered you thanks,
 and gave it to them saying:
 “Drink this, all of you.
 This is my Blood of the new covenant;
 it is poured out for you, and for all,
 that sins may be forgiven.
 Do this in remembrance of me.”

We now obey your Son's command.
 We recall his blessed passion and death,
 his glorious resurrection and ascension;
 and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
 Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
 and with them ourselves,
 a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Great is the mystery of faith:



Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come a - gain.

Hear us, most merciful Father,
 and send your Holy Spirit upon us
 and upon this bread and this wine,
 that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,
 they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,
 and we may be kindled with the fire of your love
 and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

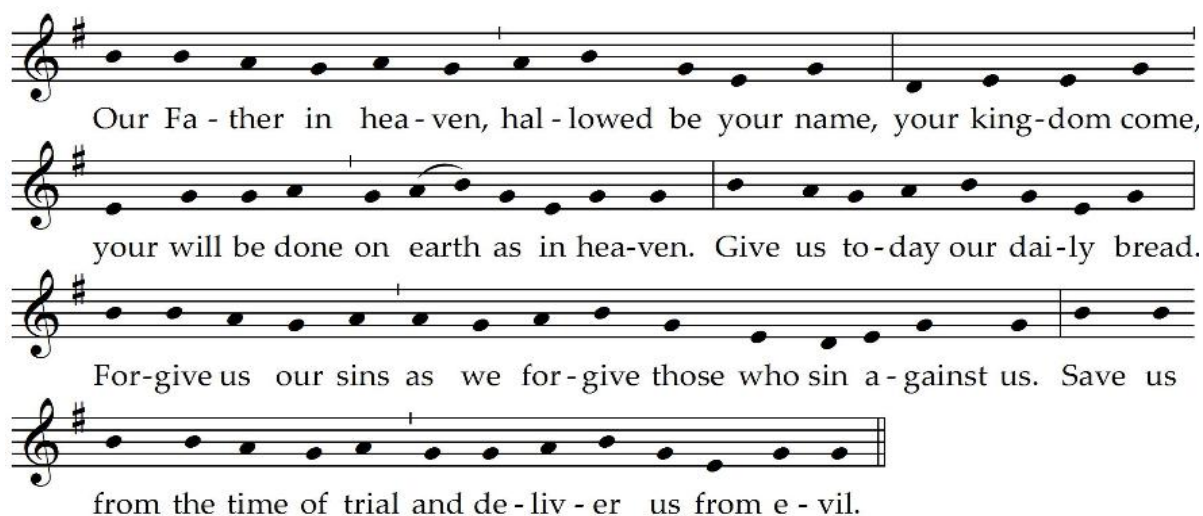
Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body
 to live and work to your praise and glory;
 may we grow together in unity and love
 until at last, in your new creation,
 we enter into our heritage
 in the company of the Virgin Mary,
 the apostles, and prophets,
 and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 with whom, and in whom,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 all honour and glory be to you,
 Lord of all ages,
 world without end. **Amen.**

THE COMMUNION RITE

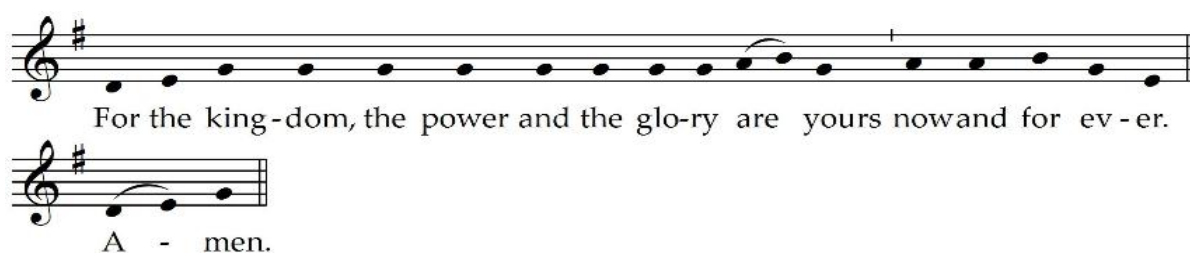
The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:



Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come,
your will be done on earth as in hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us
from the time of trial and de - liv - er us from e - vil.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.



For the king - dom, the power and the glo - ry are yours now and for ev - er.
A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

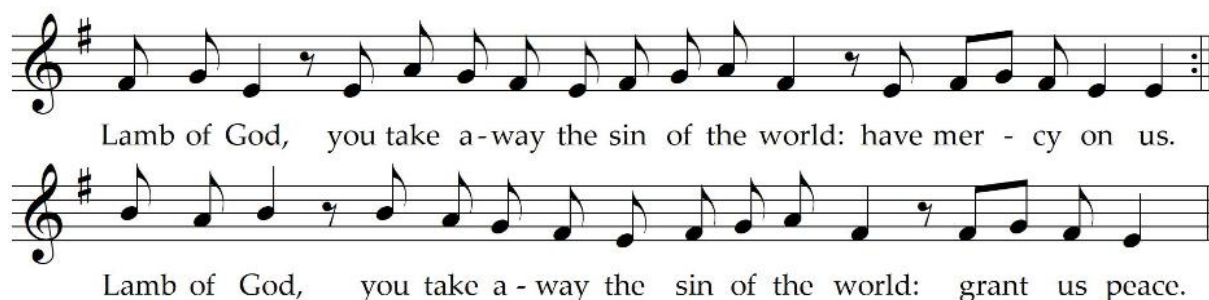
The priest breaks the bread, saying

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

We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

While the bread is broken Agnus Dei is sung.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

The priest says

Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

All receive Holy Communion. Communion will be administered in one kind only. Communicants should approach in single file, maintaining physical distance, returning via the side aisles. Communicants should remove their face masks immediately prior to receiving Holy Communion, replacing them afterwards.

Those who are not to receive the Blessed Sacrament are invited to unite themselves with Jesus by making a Spiritual Communion.

Act of Spiritual Communion

St Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come 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.

Healing ministry will be offered in the Holy Innocents chapel. Please enter the chapel one at a time. You may wish to record prayer points or remembrances on a piece of paper prior to Mass.

During Communion, the choir sings.

Communion Antiphon

John 1.32, 34

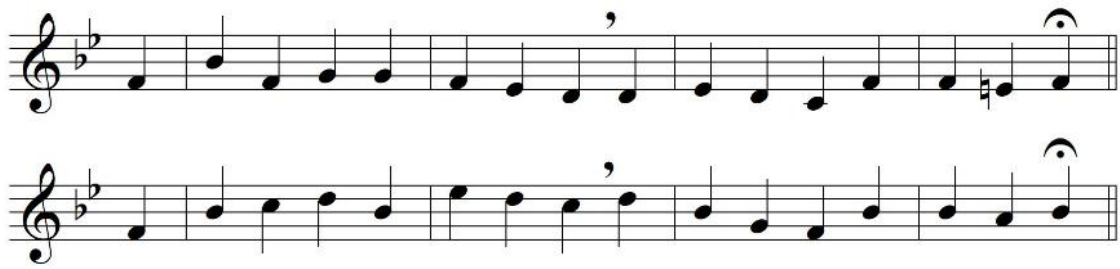
Behold the One of whom John said:
I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.
Gracious God, lover of all,
by this sacrament
you make us one family in Christ your Son,
one in the sharing of his body and blood,
one in the communion of his Spirit.
Help us to grow in love for one another
and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ.
We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

All stand to sing the Postcommunion hymn.

WINCHESTER NEW



- When Jesus comes to be baptized,
He leaves the hidden years behind,
The years of safety and of peace,
To bear the sins of humankind.
- 2 The Spirit of the Lord comes down,
Anoints the Christ to suffering,
To preach the word, to free the bound,
And to the mourner, comfort bring.
- 3 He will not quench the dying flame,
And what is bruised he will not break,
But heal the wound injustice dealt,
And out of death his triumph make.
- 4 Our everlasting Father, praise,
With Christ, his well-beloved Son,
Who with the Spirit reigns serene,
Untroubled Trinity in One.

Stanbrook Abbey

Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

May God, who in Christ gives us a spring of water
welling up to eternal life,
perfect in you the image of his glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The priest, deacon or another minister says,

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

FROM FR STEVEN - 2023?

There is something contagious about the excitement of the arrival of the New Year. In practical terms, it is just another day. In symbolic terms, however, a new chapter has begun. From a Christian perspective, moreover, we place great faith in the God of the new.

Certainly, we do not expect a trouble-free life. On the contrary, we are sensitive to the human predicament. But we have faith in a loving and compassionate God, who is in the world. More precisely, the world is in God such that all people, all creatures, all things reside in divine life.

Anglican theologian Carter Heyward takes this a step further. For her, God is the universal relational network. Like a rhizome (e.g., an iris), the divine connections are cosmic, multiple, multi-layered, and interconnected. We are bound together in love. Of course, we can choose to live out of sync with the divine network. We can live for ourselves. But we choose in faith to live with others. This changes the way we see ourselves, other species, and the earth itself.

Historically, the Church, at its best, has honoured the sense of the depth and breadth of the divine. This has been manifested in loving Christian communities. Of course, the world is changing. And we will have to think creatively about new ways of living in community. But we have confidence in the God of the new. And we know kindness and compassion are universal.

This sense of our interconnectedness in and with the divine emerges in the Gospel of Matthew, which is the focus of the Gospel readings for much of this year. In Matthew, Jesus refers to this sphere of interconnectedness as the reign (kingdom) of heaven. In fact, it is his personal sense of this interconnectedness that enables him to live with courage.

This sphere of interconnectedness is about relationships. Jesus describes both the wonder and the challenges of divine interrelatedness in the Sermon on the Mount (Matt 5-7). These quality relationships surface as integrity ("righteousness" Matt 5:20). This includes personal and social integrity. That is, it is about being right with our selves, right with others, and right with our world.

Who knows what this year will bring? There is likely to be a mix of good and bad, of joy and sorrow, of success and failure. All the same, we trust the divine is doing something new. We look for this in gestures of kindness and compassion, which we understand, and yes, we trust in the God of the new. And we know the hope of the world resides in a rekindled passion for interconnectedness.

Happy new year!

Fr Steven

ADELAIDE FRINGE CONCERTS, 2023

The Parish has again registered as a venue in the 2023 Adelaide Fringe and will host three concerts on Sunday at 2.30 pm. These are **Sunday 26 February** ("Sonnet and Song" - theatre troupe Butterfly Theatre presents Shakespeare with accompanying music), **Sunday 5 March**. (Popular community choir Voices in the Wilderness) and **Sunday 12 March** (Singers from "St Mary Magdalene's and Friends" will present the "Song of Ascents", the fifteen Psalms 120-134, sung to classic Anglican chant by South Australian composers). Tickets \$23 (\$18 concession) are now on sale through Fringetix via adelaidefringe.com.au or 1300 621 255.

MARY MAGS DINNERS IN 2023

Advance notice that the Parish is rostered to supply the Mary Mags Dinner on the first Saturday evening after the annual recess, **Saturday 4 February**. Organisation will begin after Christmas, but please note the date.

Also, we have proposed to the Collective that the Parish supply a special “Christmas In July” meal on Saturday 22 July (which happens to be St Mary Magdalene’s Day!). In advance of this, you might like to be on the look-out for Christmas specials at the supermarkets – get some ham or turkey now and pop it in the freezer, or a Christmas pudding or two. The bon bons have already been organised! If you have any questions, please contact Heather Carter at hcarter58@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS BOWL APPEAL 2022

Thank you for your support for the Christmas Bowl Appeal in 2022. This is the first time for some years that we have made an active drive in support of this very deserving appeal, which will help provide practical care to people in urgent need all around the world. The response has been really gratifying: **we have already donated a magnificent \$620 by direct giving, in addition to \$100 in donations through envelopes.**

HOW TO MAKE YOUR GIFT


Envelopes for giving by cash or cheque are still available at the back of the church. If you wish to claim a tax deduction for this donation, please complete the relevant portions of the envelope.

You can also **give electronically** via <https://christmasbowl.actforpeace.org.au/donate> At the bottom of the page, please start typing “St Mary Magdalene” in the “Or donate through your church” box then select “Adelaide St Mary Magdalene’s Anglican Parish”. You will then be taken to pages where you can enter the amount of your donation and your details for your tax deductible receipt. This online donation feature includes a running total of donations made in the name of our community.

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POPE BENEDICT XVI ON THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

The joy that flowed from the celebration of holy Christmas is fulfilled today in the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. The Gospel accounts of the baptism of Jesus show the life of meekness and humility that the Son of God chose freely, complying with the Father's plan to be obedient to his desire for love for humanity in all things, even to his sacrifice on the cross.

Having reached adulthood, Jesus began his public ministry by going to the River Jordan to receive from John a baptism of penance and conversion. What might seem paradoxical in our eyes actually happened. Did Jesus need penance and conversion? Of course not. Yet the One who is without sin put himself among sinners to have himself baptized, to make this act of penance. The Holy One of God joined those who recognized they were in need of forgiveness and asked God for the gift of conversion, that is, the grace to return to him with their whole heart, to belong totally to him. Jesus chose to join the ranks of sinners, to be in solidarity with them, expressing God's closeness.

Jesus shows his solidarity with us, with our efforts to convert and to be rid of our selfishness, to break away from our sins in order to tell us that if we accept him in our life he can uplift us and lead us to the heights of God the Father. And Jesus' solidarity is not, as it were, a mere exercise of mind and will. Jesus truly immersed himself in our human condition, lived it to the end, in all things save sin, and was able to understand our weakness and frailty. For this reason he was moved to compassion, he chose to "suffer with" men and women, to become a penitent with us. This is God's work which Jesus wanted to carry out: the divine mission to heal those who are wounded and give medicine to the sick, to take upon himself the sin of the world.

What happened at the moment when Jesus had himself baptized by John? In the face of this act of humble love by the Son of God, the heavens opened and the Holy Spirit showed himself in the form of a dove, while a voice from on high expressed the pleasure of the Father who acknowledged his Only- Begotten, his beloved Son. This was a real manifestation of the Blessed Trinity, that bears witness to the divinity of Jesus, of his being the promised Messiah, the One whom God sent to set his People free in order to save them.

Dear brothers and sisters, what happens in the baptism that I shall shortly be administering to your children? Exactly this: they will be deeply united with Jesus for ever, immersed in the mystery of his power, of his might, namely, in the mystery of his death which is a source of life so as to share in his resurrection, to be reborn to new life. This is the miracle that is repeated today, also for your children: in receiving baptism they are reborn as children of God who share in the filial relationship that Jesus has with the Father, in other words who can address God, calling him with full confidence and trust: "Abba, Father". The heavens are also opened above your children and God says: these are my children, children in whom I am well pleased. Inserted into this relationship and liberated from original sin, they become living members of the one body that is the Church and are enabled to live their vocation to holiness in fullness, so as to be able to inherit eternal life, obtained for us by Jesus' Resurrection.

The water which will sign these children in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit will immerse them in that "fount" of life which is God himself and will make them his own true sons and daughters. And the seed of the theological virtues, faith, hope and charity, sown by God, seeds that are planted in their hearts today through the power of the Holy Spirit, must always be nourished by the word of God and by the sacraments so that these Christian virtues may grow and attain full maturity, until they make each one of them a true witness of the Lord.

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Thursday **12 noon** Angelus; **12.10 pm** Mass (traditional rite)

Sunday **10 am** Sung Mass with choir

After Christmas and during January, Mass is offered at St Peter's Cathedral on Wednesday and Friday at 7.30 am and on Wednesday at 10 am (BCP).

Inquiries about Baptisms and Weddings to Fr Steven Ogden.

Confessions or confidential personal time with a priest are always available on request.

Regular Giving and Donations

Financial support for our mission and ministry through electronic funds transfer (EFT) is an efficient way of making regular contributions to your congregation. Regular giving helps us plan for the future and ensures you continue offering support when you can't make it to Church.

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The Magdalene Centre

*A partnership in mission between St Mary Magdalene's, St John's Halifax Street,
St Peter's Cathedral, and Anglicare SA*

82 Gilbert Street, Adelaide Tel (08) 8305 9389

Non-perishable food for those in need can be left in the baskets at the back of the church or delivered to the Magdalene Centre from 12 noon to 3 pm, Monday to Friday.

Donations of cash are welcome via <https://anglicaresa.com.au/cause/magdalene-centre/>.

The Collective of St Mary Magdalene (Mary Mags Dinner)

Pray for all those who receive the Collective's weekly support,
and who are seeking meals and companionship at other times during the week.

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Next Sunday, 15 January, at 10 am – The 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Readings: Isaiah 49.1-7 • Psalm 40.1-14 • 1 Corinthians 1.1-9 • John 1.29-42

For Your Prayers

Pray for responsible leadership among the nations as the COVID-19 pandemic continues; pray for an end to violence and oppression; pray for peace and justice, especially for refugees, asylum seekers, and those seeking places of safety and security.

Pray for all those who are troubled in body, mind or spirit, especially Paull, Sim, Jasmin, Henry, John Edwards (priest), Peter Garland (priest), Robert Whalley (priest), John Parkes (bishop), Stephan Clark (priest), Mark, Olivia, Nance, Neil, Elaine and Edward.

Pray for those who have died: those who have worked and worshipped in this place before us; those who have died as a result of COVID-19 and in other tragic circumstances; those who have died recently, especially Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. † *Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*