

PRELUDE: *Performed by Tom Fagan*

In Dulci Jubilo – J.S. Bach

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tw-uevxikpU>

INTRODUCTORY RITES:

Introduction:

Welcome to today’s Liturgy of the Word on this celebration of the Baptism of the Lord.

We acknowledge our presence on the traditional territories of the Indigenous communities that preceded the founding of our parish.

– pause –

Drawing from the Eastern tradition of Epiphany, the West has remembered the baptism of the Lord on the octave of the Epiphany since the eighth century. The feast was formally introduced into the Roman calendar in 1960 and is now celebrated on the Sunday after the Epiphany as the conclusion to the season of Christmas. It commemorates the revelation of Jesus as God’s beloved Son, the Christ, anointed by the Spirit.

Full, conscious, and active participation is encouraged in today’s celebration. All are invited to pray and sing together. Our participation, in whatever form, is a gift and ministry to each other.

Today’s homily is offered by our Pastor, Fr. Jim Bleackley.

Let us begin with a moment of silence as we prepare our hearts and minds for transformation and renewal.

ONE Minute of Silence

Sharing in God's peace - let us welcome each other.

Entrance Chant:

Arise Your Light is Come!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KoHkmJDazDk>

Greeting:

Leader: **In the name of the + Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.**

ALL: **Amen.**

Penitential Act:

Leader: Gathered together in Christ, let us ask forgiveness with confidence, for God is full of gentleness and compassion.

Pause

Leader: Lord Jesus, you were baptized by John and empowered by the Holy Spirit: Lord, have mercy.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Christ Jesus, you were called by God to bring forth justice and peace: Christ, have mercy.

ALL: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you likewise call and empower us through our own baptism: Lord, have mercy.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

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Leader: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

ALL: Amen.

Gloria:

Leader: Together let us sing praise to God.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qOPkiFXjqII>

Collect:

Leader: Let us pray: *- pause -*

Open the heavens,

almighty God,

and pour out your Spirit

upon your people gathered in prayer.

Renew the power of our baptismal cleansing

and fill us with zeal for good deeds.

Let us hear your voice once again,

that we may recognise in your beloved Son

our hope of inheriting eternal life.

Grant this through Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

in the splendour of eternal light,

God for ever and ever.

ALL: **Amen**

Leader: Let us prepare to listen to God's Word.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

*** Please see the document titled “Readings for the Baptism of the Lord”. The readings from the Children’s Lectionary are also included for those families with young children. The second reading is omitted when the readings for children are used. Pre-recorded readings are available via this link: <https://bible.usccb.org/podcasts/audio/2022-01-09-usccb-daily-mass-readings>

First Reading..... Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7

RESPONSE AT THE END OF THE FIRST READING:
Lector: **The word of the Lord.**
ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

**** 30 seconds of silence****

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 104
https://www.livingwithchrist.ca/mp3/C-040%20Baptism%20of%20the%20Lord%20C%20-%20Psalm%20104.mp3?_ga=2.181414183.166054690.1641564757-1279089305.1591722439

Second Reading..... Titus 2. 11-14; 3.4-7

RESPONSE AT THE END OF THE SECOND READING:
Lector: **The word of the Lord.**
ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

**** 30 seconds of silence****

Gospel Acclamation..... Luke 3.16

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AjrckWrS9KU>

RESPONSE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE GOSPEL:

Lector: **A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Luke.**

ALL: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel..... Luke 3.15-16, 21-22

RESPONSE AT THE END OF THE GOSPEL:

Lector: **The Gospel of the Lord.**

ALL: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY..... Fr. Jim Bleackley

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1bWSXc59dPo>

Profession of Faith:

**** Following the reflection, the Leader invites those gathered to profess their faith with the Apostles' Creed. Pg. 15 in the Sunday Missal.*

Leader: **Let us profess our faith together:**

ALL: **I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the
dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.**

Prayers of the Faithful:

Leader: Let us bring our prayers before God.

****Response: Loving God, hear our prayer.*

Leader: Gracious God, at his baptism, you called Jesus, to be a new, living sign of your justice and peace.

Hear our prayers and give us the courage to live this baptismal call.

We pray in Jesus' name who live and reigns for ever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

HYMN:

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pIr21LgFpg>

THE LORD’S PRAYER:

Leader: At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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

ALL: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

Leader: Lord, Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:
“I leave you peace, my peace I give you.”
Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your Kingdom, where you live for ever and ever.

ALL: Amen

Sign of Peace:

Leader: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

Closing Prayer:

****The following Closing Prayer may be substituted with St. Joseph Parish's Mission Prayer (see PDF)*

Leader: Let us pray:
Refreshed by your Word, Loving God,
we seek your mercy,
that, by listening faithfully to your Son,
we may be your children in name and in truth.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Lord.

ALL: Amen

CONCLUDING RITES:

Leader: May almighty God bless us, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen

Leader: Let us go in the peace of Christ.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

CLOSING HYMN:

Joy to the World

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vZhgp97y7Q>

POSTLUDE: *Performed by Tom Fagan*

Ou s'en vent ces gais Bergers – Belbastre

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aJNiDI7CKMM>