

**Edinburgh Churches Together
Service for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

WEEK of
PRAYER
for CHRISTIAN UNITY
2021



This annual service will still be going ahead this year, but it will be a virtual service on Zoom. It will be a much needed opportunity to get together even when current restrictions permit.

The event will be on Wednesday 20th January at 7.30pm, with the theme "Abiding in Christ". This year, the event is prepared by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland. For more information about them, visit:
<https://www.grandchamp.org/unite2021/>.

Bring a candle with you to be lit at a point in the service.

Register in advance for this meeting by using the link below and following the instructions:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0sfuGgqzIjHt3WoK0qCrJtTNkg8WAh6qtZ>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

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SAINT JOSEPH'S
BROOMHOUSE



10th January 2021
The Baptism of the Lord



HE SAW THE HEAVENS TORN APART, AND THE SPIRIT,
LIKE A DOVE, DESCENDING ON HIM.
*"You are my son, the beloved.
My favour rests on you."*

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ORDER OF THE MASS

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Mt 3: 16-17

After the Lord was baptized, 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.

Introductory Rites

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: *Amen.*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: *And with your spirit.*

Penitential Act

*I confess to almighty God / and to you my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned / in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the angels and saints / and you my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.
Amen.*

P: Lord have mercy.

C: *Lord have mercy*

P: Christ have mercy.

C: *Christ have mercy*

P: Lord have mercy

C: *Lord have mercy.*

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,

LOCKDOWN:

As you now know, the Scottish Government has mandated that all places of worship in Scotland should close until at least the end of January. However, we anticipate that these restrictions will be longer lasting.

In an effort to maintain the spiritual life of the Parish, Mass will be streamed daily from our Facebook page. The broadcast will begin at 9:00am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, before Mass begins at 9.30am. Following the broadcast, the Mass will be available to view on our website.

We will also be hosting a variety of events online, such as rosaries, prayers and even social events. We recognise that not all parishioners are familiar with technology and want to ensure that nobody feels left out.

If you would like to participate in any of our online events and need help or advice, get in touch with a member of the Parish Council who will be happy to assist. We may even be able to do a socially distanced demonstration of any technology if required.

Money Matters: Thank you for your continued generosity with your offerings during these difficult times. Whilst the church is closed, if you wish to continue your contributions, there are several ways you can do this. You can post your donations through the letterbox of the parish house. It is also possible to donate via bank transfer or standing order. The parish bank account details are:

Sort code: 80-02-27

Account number: 00126361

Account name: Archdiocese of St Andrew's & Edinburgh - St Joseph's

Please remember to include your name as a reference.

Zoom Rosary: This Sunday, 10th January, we will be hosting a virtual Rosary via Zoom at 12.30pm. You can use Zoom on a computer, laptop, tablet or mobile phone. Just go to www.zoom.us and enter the following details:

Meeting ID: 816 1714 7611

Passcode: 847494

or dial in from any phone on 0131 460 1196 (at local rates)
(keep the meeting ID and passcode handy for use when requested.)

Dear brothers and sisters,

The Covid 19 has forced us yet another lockdown! With an objective of safeguarding all of us once again we are asked to be confined to our homes. There is no doubt that panic has set in for many of us. The second wave of the virus is playing havoc in the lives of many.

At this time of uncertainty, we as a parish community, are once again reminded of our christian duty of caring for the other. When Jesus was asked by a young man as to who is his neighbour, He responded with the parable of the Good Samaritan. After the parable the Lord asks him a question: "Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him compassion." The final teaching of the Lord was: "Go and do likewise" (cf. Lk 10).

This is another occasion the Lord gives us to practice the virtue of compassion and care. Let us make the suffering, the depressed, the isolated, the lonely our neighbour. Let us find Christ in them.

If any of the parishioners need any assistance during this lockdown, the Parish Pastoral Council along with volunteers will be there at your help. Feel free to contact us for any assistance.

As a Parish family, let us keep everyone in our prayers. Be assured of my prayers during the daily sacrifice of the Mass.

**May the Lord keep all of us safe.
With Prayers
Fr Shinto Joseph, SSP**

we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
 have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
 have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

First reading

Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7

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.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 28(29):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'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 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

1 John 5:1-9

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ
has been begotten by God;
and whoever loves the Father that begot him
loves the child whom he begets.
We can be sure that we love God's children
if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us;
this is what loving God is –
keeping his commandments;
and his commandments are not difficult,
because anyone who has been begotten by God

Final Blessing

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with your spirit

P: May almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son and
the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Go forth, the Mass is ended.

C: Thanks be to God.

Reflection

With the Feast of the Baptism of Jesus the liturgical season of Christmas, celebrating the self-revelation of God through Jesus, comes to an end. The event is significant and important as it was the first official declaration of Jesus as the Son of God.

Why did Jesus receive baptism? It was a sign of his complete dedication to follow the will of God. For Jesus baptism was simply a public declaration of his commitment to the Father. It announced the beginning of Jesus' earthly ministry. Both John the Baptist and God the Father confirmed Jesus' unique calling publicly. Thus Jesus' baptism was an initiation for ministry. It was an example to us. Jesus taught his followers to be baptized – and here he is giving a firm lead. His baptism was an example that we do well to follow.

Each one us, as Christians have been baptized in the Lord! What does Baptism mean to us? Baptism is a time when we call ourselves to have "put on" Christ, a time of conversion from the old to the new! Embracing Christ involves self sacrifice, accepting life's trials with gladness and living a life fully trusting in the providence of God. Does my life show forth that Christ lives in me? Am I proud and enthusiastic to be called a follower of Christ?

Fr Shinto Joseph, SSP

*as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, / but deliver us from evil.*

P: Deliver us Lord, we pray...

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

P: Lord Jesus Christ.... For ever and ever.

C: Amen.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And with your spirit.

P: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

Breaking of the Bread

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.*

P: 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.

*C: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my
roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.*

Communion Antiphon

Jn 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

P: Go before us with heavenly light, O Lord,
always and everywhere,
that we may perceive with clear sight
and revere with true affection
the mystery in which you have willed us to participate.
Through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

has already overcome the world;
this is the victory over the world –
our faith.

Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God:
Jesus Christ who came by water and blood,

not with water only,

but with water and blood;

with the Spirit as another witness –

since the Spirit is the truth –

so that there are three witnesses,

the Spirit, the water and the blood,

and all three of them agree.

We accept the testimony of human witnesses,

but God's testimony is much greater,

and this is God's testimony,

given as evidence for his Son.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

cf. Jn 1:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

John saw Jesus coming towards him, and said:

This is the Lamb of God, who takes away
the sin of the world.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 1:7-11

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.'

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Profession of Faith

*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

P: Lord, hear us. C: *Lord Graciously Hear us.*

Liturgy of the Eucharist

P: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

C: *Blessed be God for ever.*

P: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

C: *Blessed be God for ever.*

P: Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

C: *May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy church.*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *And with your spirit.*

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: *We lift them up to the Lord.*

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: *It is right and just.*

The Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.

Doxology and Great Amen

P: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever>

C: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who are 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,*