

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH MENAI

LIVING AND SHARING THE CHRISTIAN LIFE AS A GROWING PARISH FAMILY

Alfords Point Bangor Barden Ridge Illawong Lucas Heights Menai Woronora West



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

12 January 2025 Year C/1—Divine office Psalter Week 1

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

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.

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

(Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11)

'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

(R.) Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

Lord God, how great you are, clothed in majesty and glory, wrapped in light as in a robe! You stretch out the heavens like a tent. (R.)

Above the rains you build your dwelling. You make the clouds your chariot, you walk on the wings of the wind, you make the winds your messengers and flashing fire your servants. (R.)

How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all. The earth is full of your riches. There is the sea, vast and wide, with its moving swarms past counting, living things great and small. (R.)

All of these look to you to give them their food in due season. You give it, they gather it up; you open your hand, they have their fill. (R.)

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Titus (Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7)

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good.

When the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22)

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.

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Parish Office hours:

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9am - 4pm

Mass Timings:

Weekday: Tue - Sat 9.15am

1st Friday of the month: 7.00pm

Weekend: Saturday Vigil 5.30pm

Sunday: 8.30am, 10.00am

Blessed Sacrament Exposition

Tue - Sat: 8.30am - 9.10am

Fri - 8.30am Laud's music

8.45am Divine Mercy Chaplet

9am Benediction of the Blessed

Sacrament

1st Friday of the month (after 7pm Mass - 12am)

Lauds Tue, Wed and Thu - 8.45am

Reconciliation: Sat: 4.30 - 5.15pm

Or by appointment.

Holy Communion or Visit at Home:

Please contact the parish office to arrange a time.

Baptisms: Every 2nd Sunday, 11.15am and 4th Sunday during 10am Mass (no baptisms during Lent)

Baptism Preparation Program:

11am on the 1st Sat of each month.

In your love and concern, please pray for all the sick and vulnerable members of our Holy Family community:

Ivan David, Adelaide Buttigieg, Tony Trainor, Ilse Von Stamm, Anthony Mifsud, Dympna Fitzpatrick, Sandra Thomas, Frances Rupolo, Matthew McLachlan, Lina D'Amato, Mark F. Robbert A, Charlie Callus, Carlos Simoes, Beatrice Gonsalvez, Matilda Oliver-Nalder, Angela Symons, Carol Galdes, Julie Gonsalvez, Robert Nicholls, Brad Jory, Jayden, Natividad Sora, Bernard Aclan, Julius Aclan, Jean Aclan, Geoff Eastgate, Joanne Mannah, Marie Collins and Chris Halvey.

We remember those whose Anniversaries and Special Prayers have been requested:

Domenico Brisigotti, Marilyn Nicholls, Johanna Nicholls, Justin Oliffe, Joe Bridgett and Peter Howlett.

Recently Deceased.

Azrael Huang, Grace Francis, Joan Carter and Dorothy Alphonso.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. - Amen -

THE GLORIA

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

We praise you, 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.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

(all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is

seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

AFTER THE PREFACE

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.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH.

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

HOLY FAMILY PRAYER

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendour of true love; to you we turn with trust.

Heavenly Father, grant that our families too may be places of Communion and prayer, authentic

schools of the Gospel and small domestic churches.

Heavenly Father, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division; may all who have been hurt or scandalised find ready comfort and healing.

Heavenly Father, make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer. Amen

HAIL, HOLY QUEEN

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, O most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

ROSTER FOR 18/19 JANUARY: (3RD WEEKEND) 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		5.30pm	8:30am	10am	OTHER
	ACOLYTE SERVERS	Peter McLachlan Raf Saad	Phil Tax	Bernard Govind	Counters: Jim Montague's Team
	READERS	Linda O'Regan Lauren Hosking	Emma Gioiello Mariko Mauch Tiarna Pender	Bridget Nappa Sally Dable Nuha De Vries	Children's Liturgy: Not in the school holidays
	WARDENS	Charlie Zammit/Benny Falls	George Szymura/Jim Montague	Adrian D'Mello	Heritage Aged Care: Mona
	MUSICIANS	Jeff and Sue Low	Emma (PowerPoint and MP3)	Daniel D (PowerPoint and MP3)	Barden Lodge Aged Care: Adam
	PIETY STALL	Volunteer Needed	Vanessa	Marie W	