

A very warm Welcome to St Michael's Church

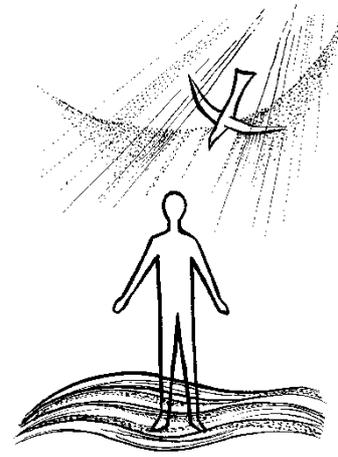


Today we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus. Jesus the sinless one, joined the queue of sinners, and was baptised by his cousin, John, in the waters of the Jordan. He did so in order that he might free us from the power of sin and guide us on our journey to the Father's king

Sunday 10th January 2021

Opening Sentence

When the Lord had been baptised, the heavens opened,
and the Spirit came down like a dove to rest on him.
The voice of the Father thundered:
This is my beloved Son; with him I am well pleased.



Greeting and Entrance

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

The Lord be with you
And with your spirit

Call to Confession

My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves to celebrate the
sacred mysteries, let us first call to mind our sin.

**Almighty God,
our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought and word and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past,
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sin,
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,
and keep us in life eternal,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria (Stand)

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we
worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your
glory.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

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 Liturgy of the Word

Opening Prayer

Let us pray that we will be faithful to our baptism.

Almighty God,
when the Spirit descended upon Jesus
at his baptism in the Jordan,
you revealed him as your own beloved Son.
Keep us, your children born of water and the Spirit,
faithful to our calling.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading (Sit)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 55:1-11

Thus says the Lord:
Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty;
though you have no money, come!
Buy corn without money, and eat,
and, at no cost, wine and milk.
Why spend money on what is not bread,
your wages on what fails to satisfy?
Listen, listen to me, and you will have good things to eat
and rich food to enjoy.
Pay attention, come to me;
listen, and your soul will live.
With you I will make an everlasting covenant
out of the favours promised to David.
See, I have made of you a witness to the peoples,
a leader and a master of the nations.

See, you will summon a nation you never knew,
those unknown will come hurrying to you,
for the sake of the Lord your God,
of the Holy One of Israel who will glorify you.
Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,
call to him while he is still near.
Let the wicked man abandon his way,
the evil man his thoughts.
Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him,
to our God who is rich in forgiving;
for my thoughts are not your thoughts,
my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.
Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways,
my thoughts above your thoughts.
Yes, as the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and
do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving
growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so
the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty,
without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to
do.

Responsorial 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

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (10:34-38)

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.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

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

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (1:7-11)

Glory to you, O Lord.

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.'

This is the Gospel of Our Lord.
Praise to you O Christ.

Sermon (Sit)

Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
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.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

**With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Intercessions (Sit)

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The Peace

Priest: This holy night the angels sang,
'Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to all in whom he delights.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with your spirit.

Offertory Prayers

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made; it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands; it will become for us our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

Let us pray my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

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

The Eucharistic Prayer

Prayer over the Gifts

Accept, O Lord, the offerings
we have brought to honour the revealing of your beloved Son,
so that the oblation of your faithful
may be transformed into the sacrifice of him
who willed in his compassion
to wash away the sins of the world.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**

The Lord be with you,
and with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts,
we lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just

Preface

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God,
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks.

You celebrated your new gift of baptism
by signs and wonders at the Jordan.
Your voice was heard from heaven
to awaken faith in the presence among us
of the Word made man.
Your Spirit was seen as a dove,
revealing Jesus as your servant,
and anointing him with the joy as the Christ,
sent to bring to the poor
the good news of salvation.

In our unending joy we echo on earth
the song of the angels in heaven
as they praise your glory for ever:

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.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

Who in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying.
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying.
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of all,
rejoicing at his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate the memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.
Send the holy spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of Holy Mary mother of God,
St Michael and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Communion

Our Father

Let us pray with confidence to the Father
in the words our Saviour gave us:

**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.
For thine is the Kingdom, the power,
and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the bread

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

**Though we are many, we are one Body,
because we all share in one Bread.**

Lamb of God

**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.**

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the World.
Happy are those who are called to His supper.

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

Communion Antiphon

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

*If watching the Mass online, we would encourage you to join in with the
liturgy. At the point at which the clergy who are present receive Holy*

Communion you may wish to make an act of spiritual communion by using one of the following prayers:

My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.

Or

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life and the one true vine. I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. I seek you. I worship and adore you. Since I cannot receive you in the Eucharistic bread and wine, I pray that you will come into my heart and soul, that I may be united to you, by your all-powerful and ever-present Holy Spirit. Let me receive you, and be nourished by you. Become for me the manna in my wilderness, the bread of angels for my very human journey through time, a foretaste of the heavenly banquet, and solace in the hour of my death. I pray all this, trusting that you yourself are our Life, our Peace, and our everlasting Joy. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Nourished with these sacred gifts,
we humbly entreat your mercy, O Lord,
that, faithfully listening to your Only Begotten Son,
we may be your children in name and in truth.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Renewing our Baptism

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light. On this feast of the Baptism of Christ let us renew our vows to be faithful to the Lord

Do you turn to Christ? **I turn to Christ!**
Do you repent of your sins? **I repent of my sins!**
Do you renounce evil? **I renounce evil!**

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?
I believe and trust in him!

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?
I believe and trust in him!

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit
who gives life to the people of God?
I believe and trust in him!

This is the faith of the Church
**This is our faith and we pledge ourselves anew
to shine as lights in the world to the glory of God the Father!**

Blessing

The Lord be with you,
and also with you.

Lord,
send your light upon your family.
May they continue to enjoy your favour
and devote themselves to doing your good.
We ask this through Christ our Lord and may the blessing.....

Go in the peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

The Angelus

The angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit

Hail, Mary, full of grace
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

**Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners, now,
And at the hour of our death.**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord
Be it unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary.....

Holy Mary.....

And the Word was made flesh.

And dwelt among us

Hail Mary.....

Holy Mary.....

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

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

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts;
That as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by
the message of an angel, so by his Cross and Passion we may be
brought to the glory of his Resurrection; Through Jesus Christ our
Lord. **Amen**

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Bounds Green food bank – wish list: -

Urgently needed food items include tinned fruit/meat/fish/ sauces.
tea bags, dried pasta/Rice uht milk, condensed milk.
breakfast cereal, jam, honey, sugar and cleaning products.

Thank you to all who have given so far, it is much appreciated. We are pleased to accept any donations and pass them on to the food bank.

Thank you for the support it really is appreciated especially as we are feeding over 250 families each week.

We pray for all who are ill, that God may grant them health and peace:

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for those who have died recently

Stephen Palmer, Gemma Marshall, Veronica Reekie, Nancy Brittain, Fr Paul Joyce; Peggy Speirs;

and for all whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

11 th January	Ernest Stafford- Smith Pr
12 th January	James Ashworth Pr, Liley Field
13 th January	Tom Hawkins
16 th January	Sally Lewis, Mike Lazenby

St Michael's Candle: Is burning in Loving memory of
Pakion Sumassee

The Blessed Sacrament Candle: is burning in loving memory of
Goopal Mootoosamy

The Blessed Virgin Mary's Candle: is burning in loving memory of
Marcel Ng Yu Tin