

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.

THE COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, solemnly declared him your beloved Son, grant that your children by adoption, reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, may also be well pleasing to you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet 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.**

PSALM

Ps 28:1-4.9-10. R.v11

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.'

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Cf. Mk 9:8

The heavens opened and the Father's voice resounded: 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

Matthew 3:13-17

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glorify to you, O Lord.**

Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptised by John. John tried to dissuade him. 'It is I who need baptism from you,' he said 'and yet you come to me!' But Jesus replied, 'Leave it like this for the time being; it is fitting that we should, in this way, do all that righteousness demands.' At this, John gave in to him.

As soon as Jesus was baptised he came up from the water, and suddenly the heavens opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming down on him. And a voice spoke from heaven, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on him.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

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.

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

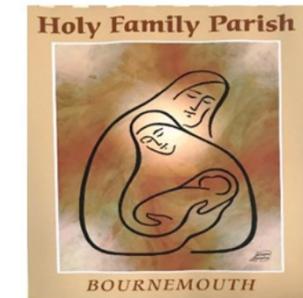
Nourished with these sacred gifts, we humbly entreat your mercy, O Lord, that, faithfully listening to your Only Begotten Son, we may be your children in name and in truth. Through Christ our Lord.

The Baptism of the Lord

8 January 2023

THE PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, BOURNEMOUTH

incorporating the churches of Christ the King, Kinson & St Bernadette's, Ensbury Park



This week, we hear of 2 great events; The Epiphany & Jesus' Baptism in the River Jordan— Although separate, they are linked—first is the coming of the Magi to Bethlehem to have the Lord revealed to them and then Christ's Baptism in the Jordan is also a key moment of revelation, of Epiphany of Jesus' mission and divinity.

Although the baptism of the Lord has its own feast day after the Epiphany, the two events have a common result; they make known the truth of Jesus. A question for ourselves— What am I doing to make the truth of Jesus known to others? For them to have an epiphany?



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Dear Parishioners,

A year has gone by since we met in our Parish Newsletter.

We are in the New Year 2023 !!

Today is the Feast of the **Baptism of OUR LORD** and today's feast marks the end of the Christmas Season!

As the year 2022 ended, Our Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI was called to his eternal reward. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI will be remembered as one of the great theologians of the 20th century. In a letter published on 8th Feb, Pope Emeritus wrote about his death; "Quite soon, I shall find myself before the final judge of my life. Even though, as I look back on my long life, I can have great reason for fear and trembling, I am nonetheless of good cheer, for I trust firmly that the Lord is not only the just judge, but also the friend and brother who himself has already suffered for my shortcomings, and is thus also my advocate, my "Paraclete." In light of the hour of judgement, the grace of being a Christian becomes all clearer to me. It grants me knowledge, and indeed friendship, with the judge of my life, and thus allows me to pass confidently through the dark door of death." Pope Emeritus Benedict is very much in our heart and prayers.

May he Rest in Peace !!!

From Monday on, liturgically the First Week in the Ordinary Time begins.

Reflection: "This is My Beloved Son. My favour rests on Him" At the Baptism of Our Lord, God the Father reveals His Son to the world as the Promised One, the Servant of Yahweh prophesied in Isaiah. St. John the Baptist, while baptizing on the river Jordan, declared "Among you stands the One you do not know". We who are baptized in Him, are challenged to recognize Him in our midst.

A "puzzle page" in a newspaper showed a drawing of an outdoor scene. Beneath it was a question: "Can you find the girl in the drawing"? A close examination of the drawing showed the girl's eyes and eye brows concealed in a tree branch. Another branch hid her mouth and nose. A cloud revealed her flowing hair. After you discovered the girl, that drawing was never the same again.

It is like that with Jesus. He is in our lives waiting to be found. As baptized Christians, it becomes a challenge for us to find Him. Once we find Him our lives will never be the same again. This raises a question: Why might I be finding it hard to find Jesus in my life ?

Romano Guardini writes: *"One day He will come. Once in the stillness.....You will know....not from a book or the word of someone else, but through HIM"*

Fr. Chacks

Together , we are church, Together, we are community, Together, we are Christ

POPE'S INTENTIONS

for January 2023

For educators

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all

www.thepopevideo.org

PEACE DAY

15th January



For peace between nations,

a lasting peace with justice



For all who work for peace;

that they may never forget the victims of war



For individuals, groups or

movements that promote war and conflict, that Christ, the Prince of peace, might turn hearts to a culture of life

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Joscelyne Cotrel
Sheila Shelley
Frances and Tony Herbert

Julia Blackburn
Les Netherton
Anna Browne

Frances Smith
Kevin Moor



Please contact the Parish Office for your prayer intentions

DAY	CHURCH	TIME	CELEBRATION or FEAST DAY/ MEMORIAL
Sat 7	StB	6pm	Vigil Mass of the Baptism of the Lord
Sun 8	CtK StB	9.30am 11am	Mass of the Baptism of the Lord CHRISTMASTIDE ENDS
Mon 9	CtK	6pm	Weekday Mass
Tues 10	CtK	9.30am	Weekday Mass
Wed 11			NO MASS
Thur 12	CtK	9.30 am	Weekday Mass St Aelred of Rievaulx
Fri 13	CtK	9.30am	Weekday Mass followed by exposition & Divine Chaplet St Hilary
Sat 14	StB	6.30pm	Vigil Mass of the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun 15	CtK StB	9.30am 11am	Masses the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time PEACE DAY

KNITTING GROUP
Will meet every
Thursday
2pm at CtK
From 5th Jan



SUNDAY CAFÉ after 9.30am Mass—Claim a free drink!
Pick up a loyalty card from 8th January and
when you buy 4 drinks , you get one free!
All profits go towards the Parish Funds



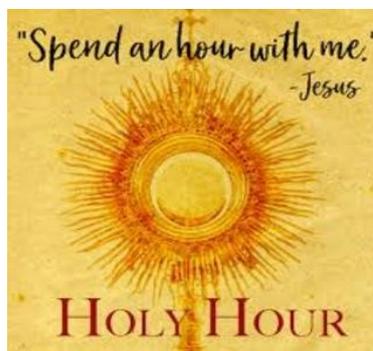
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Saturday 11th March 2023

A Family Catholic Christian
conference for all ages –
in Dorchester
To book and
for more details

www.stayawakejc.com

Friday 13th January
Starting at St Bernadette's
Holy Hour 6-7pm
All welcome



Dioceses of Plymouth Youth Events are organising a trip to OVO
Arena Wembley to join around 12,000 others at Flume.
The largest Catholic gathering of young people in England and Wales.

**If you are age 14 - 21
and fancy hearing from:**

- **Guvna B** - award winning musician
- **Robert Bilott** - talking about the environment
- **Adenike** - singer, songwriter
- **One Hope Project** - creative collective

Then you need to book your ticket.

Cost is £35 to include ticket and travel.

Travel arrangements will be made nearer the time.
Follow the link to book: <https://forms.office.com/r/i7rv7WzbG4>



If you wish to join us, contact:

Michelle Carroll

MASS INTENTIONS — would you like to offer a Mass for someone or something?

Anyone can ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

We can never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul.

Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical "Mirae caritatis" (1902) beautifully elaborated this point and emphasized the connection between the communion of saints with the Mass.

If you would like a Mass offered for your intention, please speak to Fr Chacko

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