

January 12, 2025

# Baptism of the Lord



## CALLED TO SERVE

For many weeks now, we have been celebrating the appearance of the divine presence in human form. As a child, he came to Mary and Joseph, was seen by the shepherds, and then by some wandering magi from the East. Today we celebrate another showing, later in time, to a group gathered at the Jordan River. John hesitated to baptize Jesus, whom he recognized as “one mightier than I.” But he did as Jesus asked, and the “Holy Spirit descended” and heaven’s voice spoke to Jesus, “You are my beloved Son.” Jesus was beginning his public life of teaching and service. Soon he would start calling others to join him. Peter was one of the first to be called by Jesus. In today’s second reading, he announces the heart of the message, “peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.” Peter was called, and you and I are called to spread that message and to serve God’s word.

## TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) or *Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11*.

**Psalms** — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) or *Psalm 104*.

**Second Reading** — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) or *Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7*.

**Gospel** — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

## PRAYER OF THE WEEK

### The Baptism of the Lord

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 always 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.

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK † MISAS DE LA SEMANA

January 11-17

Saturday/4:30pm/Maria Spannuth+,

Andrea Smith+, Dionicio Jaime+

6:30pm/Dionicio Jaime+

Sunday/8:00am/Antonio-Merces Cordeiro+

Alicia Andest+, Dionicio Jaime+

10:00am/Tony Mello+, Dionicio Jaime+

11:30am/Dionicio Jaime+

Monday/NO DAILY MASS

Tuesday/NO DAILY MASS

Wednesday/NO DAILY MASS

Thursday NO DAILY MASS

Friday/NO DAILY MASS

**Attention: No daily mass celebrated during the month of January.**

**NO Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation celebrated the month of January.**

## January 2025

The pancake breakfast, originally scheduled for Saturday, Jan 11, has been postponed until an as yet undetermined date in March 2025.

Sunday – Jan 19<sup>th</sup>

Take Home Burritos – Available after 8:00 & 10:30 Masses

Take Home Tacos – Available after 11:30 Mass

Saturday – Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

Valentines Dinner – Tickets will be available in late January

### **FROM FATHER MIGUEL:**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, our St. Christopher Parish families, for your continuous and ongoing support this past year. Not only in spirit and action, but also financially. It is through the generous spirit of giving by you, our parishioners, that we are able to support our pastoral programs and be able to serve those in our community who are less fortunate than we are. A special Thank you to the **Daughters of Isabella** who graciously adopted families for Christmas. Again, thank you for your constant generosity. Our Christmas and Epiphany collection this year was; **\$19,101.00**. On a personal note, I want to express my deepest appreciation for all the generous gifts received along with Christmas cards and kind words. It is greatly appreciated.  
-Father Miguel.

### **12 de enero de 2025**



#### **LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** — Miren a mi siervo, en quien tengo mis complacencias (Isaías 42:1-4, 6-7) o *Isaías 40:1-5, 9-11*.

**Salmo** — Te alabamos, Señor (Salmo 29 [28]) o *Salmo 104 (103)*.

**Segunda lectura** — Dios ungió con el Espíritu Santo a Jesús de Nazaret (Hechos 10:34-38) o *Tito 2:11-14; 3:4-7*.

**Evangelio** — Después del bautismo de Jesús, el cielo se abrió (Lucas 3:15-16, 21-22).

#### **LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

Lunes: Heb 1:1-6; Sal 97 (96):1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mc 1:14-20

Martes: Heb 2:5-12; Sal 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mc 1:21-28

Miércoles: Heb 2:14-18; Sal 105 (104):1-4, 6-9; Mc 1:29-39

Jueves: Heb 3:7-14; Sal 95 (94):6-11; Mc 1:40-45

Viernes: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Sal 78 (77):3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mc 2:1-12

Sábado: Heb 4:12-16; Sal 19 (18):8-10, 15; Mc 2:13-17

Domingo: Is 62:1-5; Sal 96 (95):1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

### **LLAMADOS A SERVIR**

Por muchas semanas hemos celebrado la aparición de la presencia divina en su forma humana. Cuando era niño, Jesús vivió con María y José, al nacer lo visitaron unos pastores y luego algunos errantes magos de Oriente. Hoy celebramos otra situación, ocurrida un tiempo después, a un grupo reunido en el río Jordán.

Juan vaciló cuando le tocó bautizar a Jesús, a quien reconocía como “uno más poderoso que yo”. Pero hizo como Jesús se lo pidió, “descendió el Espíritu Santo” y una voz celestial habló a Jesús: “Tú eres mi hijo, el predilecto”. Jesús estaba empezando su vida pública de enseñanza y de servicio. Pronto comenzaría a llamar a otros a seguirlo. Pedro fue el primero que Jesús llamó. En la segunda lectura de hoy anuncia el centro del mensaje: “la paz que traería Jesucristo, el Señor de todos”. Pedro fue llamado, y tú y yo somos llamados a llevar el mensaje y cumplir la palabra de Dios.

### **ORACIÓN DE LA SEMANA**

#### **El Bautismo del Señor**

Dios todopoderoso y eterno, que proclamaste solemnemente a Jesucristo como tu Hijo muy amado, cuando, al ser bautizado en el Jordán, descendió el Espíritu Santo sobre él, concede a tus hijos de adopción, renacidos del agua y del Espíritu Santo, que se conserven siempre dignos de tu complacencia. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos.

