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January 12, 2025 ~ Solemnity of the Baptism of our Lord

PRELUDE *Baptized in Water*

setting, Richard Proulx

Prayer Before Holy Mass (please rise)

My dear God and loving Father, as I participate in this Holy Mass, may Jesus fill me with His holy grace when I open my heart to Him in sincere prayer. May the sacraments I will receive, the prayers that I will say and the hymns that I will sing bring me closer to Jesus and help me to be more like Him in all that I say and do. May the Holy Communion that I will receive give me strength, so that I may share faith, hope and love with the people I will meet. Amen.

OPENING HYMN *Baptized in Water*

MORNING HAS BROKEN

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King,
Heirs of salvation, trusting His promise,
Joyfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
Marked by the cross of Christ our King,
Born of the Spirit, we are God's children;
Joyfully now God's praise we sing.

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INTROIT

Matthew 3:16-17, Psalm 72:13

C: After Jesus was baptized, He came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon Him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased." **R: He shows pity to the needy and the poor and saves the lives of the poor.** C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. **R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

KYRIE

O'Connor

GLORIA

Elfman

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, You manifested the glorious divinity of Your Son, Jesus, at His Baptism in the River Jordan. May the brightness of His presence shine in our hearts, and may His glory be set forth in our lives. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

~ LITURGY OF THE WORD ~

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Thus says the Lord: Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations, not crying out, not shouting, not making his voice heard in the street. A bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench, until he establishes justice on the earth; the coastlands will wait for his teaching.

I, the Lord, have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.

This is the Word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL - *Traditional Mass*

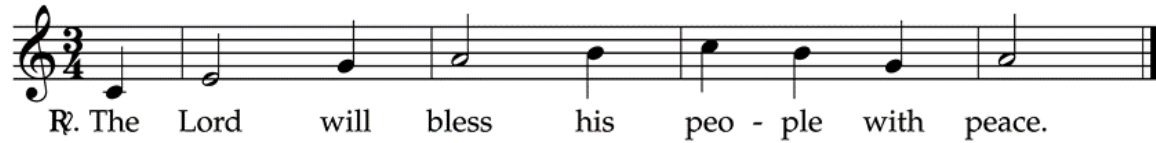
Isaiah 2:4

C: He shall judge between the nations, and impose terms on many peoples. They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; **R: One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - *Contemporary Mass*

Psalm 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10

Alstott



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R. (11b) The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Give to the LORD, you sons of God,
give to the LORD glory and praise,
Give to the LORD the glory due his name;
adore the LORD in holy attire.

R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

The voice of the LORD is over the waters,
the LORD, over vast waters.

The voice of the LORD is mighty;
the voice of the LORD is majestic.

R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

The God of glory thunders,
and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

The LORD is enthroned above the flood;
the LORD is enthroned as king forever.

R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

SECOND LESSON

Acts 10:34-38

Peter proceeded to speak to those gathered in the house of Cornelius, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all, what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

This is the Word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA

Psalm 114:3-4



C: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** C: The sea beheld and fled; the Jordan turned back. The mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs of the flock. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

The people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

This is the gospel of the Lord. **R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT *Come, Gracious Spirit, Heav'nly Dove* OLD 100TH

Come, gracious Spirit, heav'nly Dove, with light and comfort from above.
Come, be our Guardian and our guide; o'er every thought and step preside.

The light of truth to us display, and make us know and choose Your way;
Plant holy fear in ev'ry heart, that we from God may ne'er depart.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - *Contemporary Mass*

R: Lord hear our prayer.

~ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ~

OFFERTORY VERSE

Romans 6:3-4

Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?
We were indeed buried with Him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised
from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

OFFERTORY HYMN 46 *Gdy się Chrystus Rodzi*

Gdy się Chrystus rodzi i na świat przychodzi,
Ciemna noc w jasności promienistej brodzi.
[: Aniołowie się radują pod niebiosy wyśpiewują!
Chwała bądź, chwała bądź, chwała bądź, Bogu na wysokości! :]

Hear the angels' voices as they sing in gladness.
Heav'n is filled with glory, stars send forth their brightness.
[: Shepherds kneel in supplication, angels sing in admiration:
Glory be, glory be, glory be, glory be to God on high! :]

Understanding fails us, messengers of glory;
We are filled with trembling as we hear your story.
[: Speak once more, your cause forth bringing, that we may go forward singing:
Glory be, glory be, glory be, glory be to God on high! :]

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Lord our God, You presented Your beloved Son to the world at the River Jordan. May we
who bring You these offerings, now walk in newness of life. We ask this through the same
Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

PREFACE

SANCTUS

Mushalko/Harrig

~ CANON ~

THE LORDS PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Alstott

POST-COMMUNION HYMN 49 *Lulajże Jezuniu*

Lulajże Jezuniu, moja perelko,
Lulaj, ulubione me pieścidełko.
[: Lulajże, Jezuniu, lulajjże, lulaj,
A ty Go, Matulu, w placzu utulai. :]

Slumber on, Holy Child, slumber, fair Jesus,
Joy of Thy Mother's heart, treasure most precious.
[: Lulajże, Jezuniu, lulajjże, lulaj,
A ty Go, Matulu, w placzu utulai. :]

We long to rest with You in heaven's splendor;
We adore You on earth with love so tender.
[: Lulajże, Jezuniu, lulajjże, lulaj,
A ty Go, Matulu, w placzu utulai. :]

COMMUNION VERSE

Mark 10:38b

Can you drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Heavenly Father, grant that we, who have been baptized into Christ and nourished by this Eucharist, may rejoice as children of God and servants of all. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

FINAL BLESSING (please kneel)

DISMISSAL

C: Let us bless the Lord! **R: Thanks be to God.**

Prayer After Holy Mass (please remain kneeling)

I am grateful to You, Lord, that I was able to come to church and participate in the Holy Sacrifice of Mass. I thank You for receiving Your gracious pardon, Your instruction and teaching through Your Word, and Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion. May Your sacraments continue to strengthen and help me to be faithful to You and Your Church. Help me to face all the challenges of life on my journey to Your heavenly kingdom. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN *78 Good Christian Men, Rejoice!* (2, 3)

Good Christian men, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!
Now ye hear of endless bliss: Joy! Joy! Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven’s door, and we are blessed forevermore.
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!

Good Christian men, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!
Now ye need not fear the grave: Peace! Peace! Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all to gain His everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

POSTLUDE *In Dulci Jubilo*

J. M. Bach

Today

10:45 am – SOCL Class

Thursday, January 16th

6:30 pm – Cathedral Chorale rehearsal

Saturday, January 18th

10:00 am – Confirmation class

11:00 am – First Communion class

Next Sunday, January 19th – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass: **8:00 am** Traditional **9:30 am** Contemporary
11:15 am Cathedral Chapel, Tripp Park

Lectors:
1/12 – 8:00 – John Andrzejewski
9:30 – Tera Jean Notari
11:15 – David Rychleski
1/19 -8:00 – Kathy Michalina
9:30 – Maria Hughes
11:15 – David Rychleski

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THIS WEEK’S LITURGIES

Monday, January 13

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Tuesday, January 14

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Wednesday, January 15

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Thursday, January 16

8:30 am – Healing Mass

Friday, January 17

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Saturday, January 18

8:00 am – Holy Mass