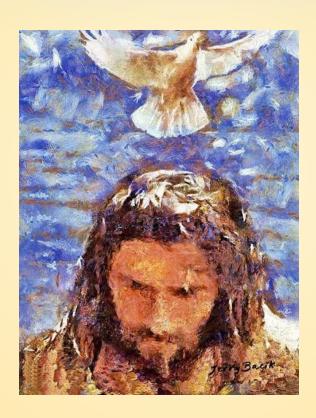
The Baptism of the Lord







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Baptism of the Lord

Gathering Song: River of Glory

Greeting

Penitential Act: Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; Therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints; and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

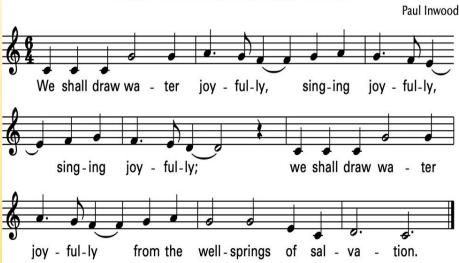
-AND/OR-

Lord have Mercy, Christ have Mercy, Lord have Mercy

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





- Truly God is our salvation; we trust, we shall not fear. For the Lord is our strength, the Lord is our song; he became our Savior.
- 2. Give thanks, O give thanks to the Lord; give praise to his holy name! Make his mighty deeds known to all of the nations; proclaim his greatness.
- 3. Sing a psalm, sing a psalm to the Lord for he has done glorious deeds. Make known his works to all of the earth; people of Zion, sing for joy, for great in your midst, great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

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The Sprinkling Rite:

1st Reading Is 40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her service is at an end, her guilt is expiated; indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD double for all her sins.

A voice cries out in the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Go up on to a high mountain Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news!

Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah:

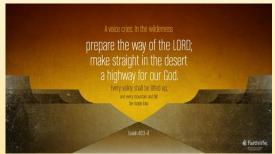
Here is your God!

Here comes with power the Lord GOD, who rules by a strong arm; here is his reward with him, his compense before him.

Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.

The Word of the Lord,
~Thanks be to God

Liturgy of the Word



Responsorial Psalm Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28,

29-30

R. O bless the Lord, my soul.

O LORD, my God, you are great indeed! You are clothed with majesty and glory, robed in light as with a cloak.

You have spread out the heavens like a tent-cloth;

R. O bless the Lord, my soul.

You have constructed your palace upon the waters.

You make the clouds your chariot; you travel on the wings of the wind. You make the winds your messengers, and flaming fire your ministers

R. O bless the Lord, my soul.

How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have wrought them all the earth is full of your creatures; the sea also, great and wide, in which are schools without number of living things both small and great.



R. O bless the Lord, my soul.

They look to you to give them food in due time. When you give it to them, they gather it; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

R. O bless the Lord, my soul.

If you take away their breath, they perish and return to the dust.
When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.

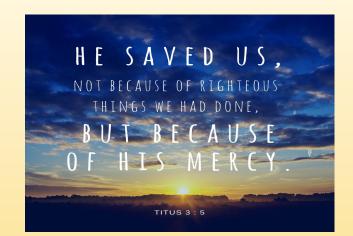
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2nd Reading Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Beloved:

The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

When the kindness and generous love
of God our savior appeared,
not because of any righteous deeds we had done
but because of his mercy,
He saved us through the bath of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit,
whom he richly poured out on us
through Jesus Christ our savior,
so that we might be justified by his grace
and become heirs in hope of eternal life.
The Word of the Lord,
~Thanks be to God



Alleluia Cf. Luke 3:16

R. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

John said: One mightier than I is coming;
He will baptize you with the
Holy Spirit and with fire.

R. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.



Gospel Lk 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."

The Gospel of the Lord,



~ Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ





Profession of Faith:

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, 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*.

Universal Prayer: Prayers of Petition ~ Come Lord Jesus

Offertory Song: Baptized in Water

Baptized in Water Spir - it, Spir - it, Sealed by Sealed by 1. Bap - tized ter, 2. Bap - tized the wa ter. Spir - it, 3. Bap - tized ter, Sealed by the King: the blood of Christ Cleansed by our the Christ King: tomb with Dead Marked with King: the sign of Christ our Trust-ing his Freed and for Heirs sal va tion, prom - ise, One his ris ing, giv - en, Fa - ther. We are his chil - dren, Born God's Faith - ful praise now sing. praise sing. Thank - ful God's now Joy - ful - ly God's sing. praise now Text: Michael Saward, b.1932, C 1982, Hope Publishing Co. Tune: BUNESSAN, 5 5 8 D; Guelic melody; acc. by Robert J. Batastini, b.1942

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Acclamations:

R: Blessed be God forever

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R: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all His holy Church

R:And with your spirit

R:We lift them up to the Lord

R:It is right and just.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

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

Or

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup We proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again

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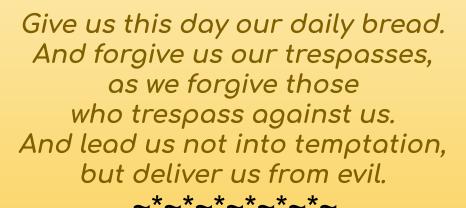
Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

The Lord's Prayer

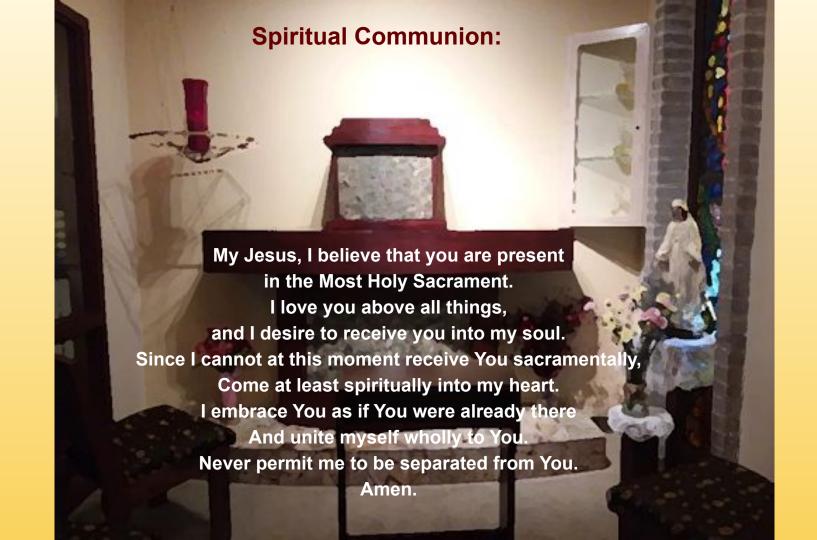
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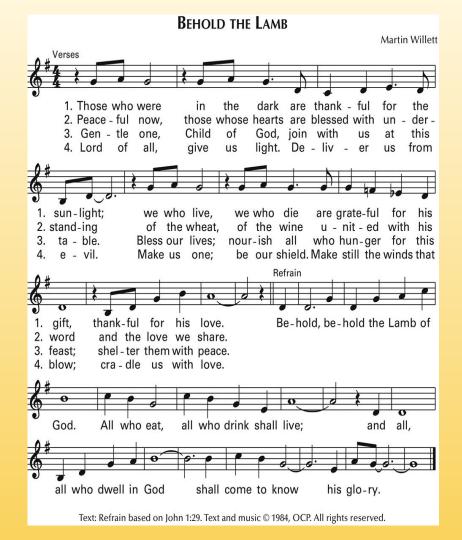
Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy Will be done,
on earth as it is in Heaven.



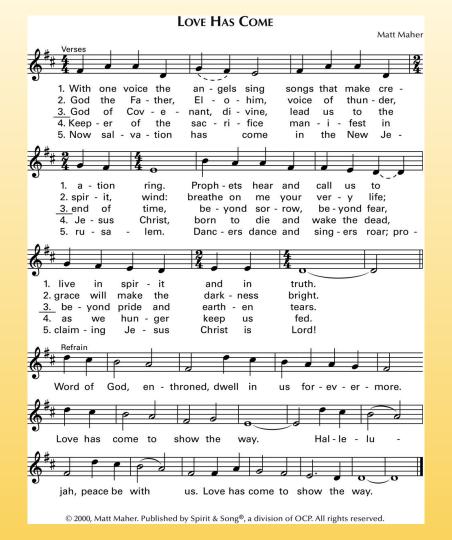
For the kingdom, the power and glory are yours now and forever.~Amen







Communion Song: Behold the Lamb



Concluding Rite Closing Song: Love has Come



Heavenly Father,
Bless our diocese with the grace of many vocations
to the priesthood, diaconate and to religious life.
Through the intercession of the Blessed Mother,

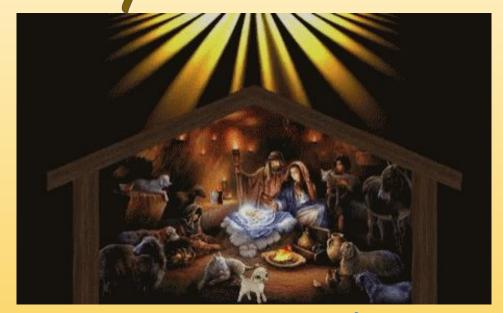
grant to those You have called
the willingness and the generosity of spirit
to give of themselves in devoting
their lives and their talents
to the service of our Lord and to His Church.

Increase the faith of all within our diocese, and especially the faith of those You are calling. We ask this through Christ, Your Son our Lord.

~ Amen

A final greeting of this season:

Merry Christmas!!



And a blessed New Year!!!!







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