

# Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2021

## ***Processional Hymn***

### **When Jesus Comes to be Baptized**

When Jesus comes to be baptized,  
He leaves the hidden years behind,  
The years of safety and of peace.  
To bear the sins of all mankind.

The Spirit of the Lord comes down,  
Anoints the Christ to suffering,  
To preach the word, to free the bound,  
And to the mourner, comfort bring.

He will not quench the dying flame,  
And what is bruised he will not break,  
But heal the wound injustice dealt,  
And out of death his triumph make.

O Spirit help us be like Christ:  
To live in love and charity  
To walk in truth and justice now,  
And grow in Christian dignity.

We praise you, God, source of all life,  
We praise you, Christ, eternal Word,  
We praise you, Spirit, gracious gift;  
Your triune presence fills our world.

## ***Liturgy of the Word***

### ***First Reading:*** IS 55:1-11

Thus says the LORD:  
All you who are thirsty,  
come to the water!  
You who have no money,  
come, receive grain and eat;  
come, without paying and without cost,  
drink wine and milk!  
Why spend your money for what is not bread,  
your wages for what fails to satisfy?  
Heed me, and you shall eat well,  
you shall delight in rich fare.  
Come to me heedfully,  
listen, that you may have life.

I will renew with you the everlasting covenant,  
the benefits assured to David.

As I made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander of nations,  
so shall you summon a nation you knew not,  
and nations that knew you not shall run to you,  
because of the LORD, your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, who has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found,  
call him while he is near.

Let the scoundrel forsake his way,  
and the wicked man his thoughts;  
let him turn to the LORD for mercy;  
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.  
As high as the heavens are above the earth  
so high are my ways above your ways  
and my thoughts above your thoughts.

For just as from the heavens  
the rain and snow come down  
and do not return there  
till they have watered the earth,  
making it fertile and fruitful,  
giving seed to the one who sows  
and bread to the one who eats,  
so shall my word be  
that goes forth from my mouth;  
my word shall not return to me void,  
but shall do my will,  
achieving the end for which I sent it.

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

### *Responsorial Psalm*

#### ISAIAH 12: BAPTISM OF THE LORD, YEAR B



**Second Reading:** 1Jn 5:1-9

Beloved:

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God,  
and everyone who loves the Father  
loves also the one begotten by him.

In this way we know that we love the children of God  
when we love God and obey his commandments.

For the love of God is this,  
that we keep his commandments.

And his commandments are not burdensome,  
for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world.

And the victory that conquers the world is our faith.

Who indeed is the victor over the world  
but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ,  
not by water alone, but by water and blood.

The Spirit is the one who testifies,  
and the Spirit is truth.

So there are three that testify,  
the Spirit, the water, and the blood,  
and the three are of one accord.

If we accept human testimony,  
the testimony of God is surely greater.

Now the testimony of God is this,  
that he has testified on behalf of his Son.

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

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

John saw Jesus approaching him, and said:

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel:** Mk 1:7-11

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed:

“One mightier than I is coming after me.

I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals.

I have baptized you with water;

he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

It happened in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee  
and was baptized in the Jordan by John.

On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open  
 and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him.  
 And a voice came from the heavens,  
 "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

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

### *Offertory*

## WATER OF LIFE

Stephen Dean

Refrain



Wa-ter of life, cleanse and re-fresh us; raise us to life in Christ Je - sus.

Verses: Cantor



1. All you who thirst, come to the wa - ters,
2. As rain from heav'n, so is God's word, \_\_\_\_\_ it
3. Dy - ing with Christ, so we shall rise with him,
4. Turn to the Lord, cast off your wick - ed - ness,

to Refrain



1. and you will nev - er be thirst - y a - gain.
2. wa - ters the earth \_\_\_\_\_ and brings \_\_\_\_\_ forth life.
3. death shall no long - er have pow'r o - ver us.
4. you will find peace in his in - fi - nite love.

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### *Communion*

#### An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above  
 all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment  
 receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if  
 You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be  
 separated from You. Amen.

# I HAVE LOVED YOU

Michael Joncas



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## Recessional Hymn

### IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

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1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
3. Life - giv - ing Cre - a - tor, of both great and small;  
4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

1. In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
2. Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, you rule day and night;  
3. Of all life the mak - er, the true life of all;  
4. Your an - gels a - dor - ing, all veil - ing their sight;

1. Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
2. Your jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
3. We blos - som, then with - er, as leaves on a tree,  
4. We too, God in - vis - i - ble, of - fer our praise;

1. Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, your great name we praise.  
2. Your clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
3. But you live for ev - er, who is and will be.  
4. O light in - ac - ces - si - ble, An - cient of Days!

Text: 11 11 11 11; 1 Timothy 1:17; Walter C. Smith, 1824–1908, alt. Music: Robert's *Canaidau y Cyssegr*, 1839.

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