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We support each other to grow in faith
and create a loving and compassionate community.
We aspire to live as Christ's witnesses of God's unconditional love.



THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD THE FINAL DAY OF THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS

12 - 1 - 25



Today's feast of the Lord's Baptism brings the Christmas Season to an end and sends us into the Ordinary Time of the Church year. This feast celebrates the beginning of the adult ministry of Jesus, which we reflect upon week by week as Ordinary Time unfolds.

Standing as it does as the doorway leading from the Christmas Season to Ordinary Time this feast invites us to ensure that the child of divine life *planted within us* also grows to maturity as we embrace and live out our Christian identity and mission.

Fr Colin

ENTRANCE: I HEARD THE VOICE OF JESUS SAY

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto me and rest.
Lay down, O weary one,
lay down your head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
so weary, worn, and sad.
I found in him a resting place,
and he has made me glad.
I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
the living water, thirsty one;
stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream.
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.
I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am the dawning light.
Look unto me, your morn shall rise,
and all your day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found
in him my star, my sun,
and in that light of life I'll walk
till travling days are done.

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DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: WITH A JOYFUL HEART

Refrain: With a joyful heart, O Lord my God,
I bring all to you
Behold, O Lord, this bread
which we now carry to your altar.
This bread will become your body. *Refrain*
Behold, O Lord, this wine;
accept and bless it for our gladness.
This wine will become your blood. *Refrain*
We come to you, O Lord;
we bring the gifts that you have made,
the gifts we return to you. *Refrain*

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COMMUNION: THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the word:
from heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride,
with his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.
Called out from ev'ry nation, yet one through all the earth;
her charter of salvation—one Lord, one faith one birth:
one holy name she blesses, and shares one holy food;
as to one hope she presses with ev'ry grace endued.
In toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace for evermore:
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed;
at last the Church victorious shall be the Church at rest!
Yet she on earth has union with God the Three-in-One;
and mystic, sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord, grant to us your grace,
with them the meek and lowly, in heaven to see your face.

Text: Samuel Stone (1839-1900), alt. Music: Samuel Wesley (1810-76).

RECESSIONAL: CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain : Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ be our light!
Shine in your Church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Refrain*
Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come. *Refrain*

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HOW ARE YOU WITH A NEEDLE AND THREAD?

As you know, following baptism the newly-baptised person is clothed in a white garment. We'd like to develop a set of simple white garments for our annual Easter baptisms - just a 'poncho' style garment - and to do that it would be great to have a small team of volunteers to cut out the material and sew them up. If you could help please let me know (colin@lindfieldkillara.org.au; 0475 558500) as soon as possible.

Fr Colin

THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

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

PSALM 103 (104):1-4, 24-25, 27-30

Lord God, how great you are,
clothed in majesty and glory,
wrapped in light as in a robe!
You stretch out the heavens like a tent.

Above the rains you build your dwelling.
You make the clouds your chariot,
you walk on the wings of the wind,
you make the winds your messengers
and flashing fire your servants.

How many are your works, O Lord!
In wisdom you have made them all.
The earth is full of your riches.
There is the sea, vast and wide,
with its moving swarms past counting,
living things great and small.

All of these look to you
to give them their food in due season.
You give it, they gather it up:
you open your hand, they have their fill.

You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!

WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK: FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Mon. and Tues.: 8:00am Killara
Wed., Thurs. and Fri.: 10:00am at Lindfield

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,

(all bow at the following words in bold):

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,**
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen

**Lord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of
everlasting life. Grant that life to:**

Recently deceased: Diana Beckley, Paul Clements, Bev Gledhill, Evelyn Newman, Grace Jessup, Lisa Ford, Michael Swan, Fr Johny Arattukulam OCD, David Handley, Dolly Fitzpatrick, Cyril Crouch.. **Anniversary:** John Quirk, Henry Yee Joy, Robert Thornton, Peter John Jarvis.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Carmen Stewart, Diane McGirr, Mary Moran, Peter Tsang, Wolfgang Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Therese Playoust, Ali Crawford, Morna Sutherland, Barbara McMullen, Cyril Ferriere, William Wise, Rosanna Comastri, Janette Brennan.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER

Saturday		11 Jan.	18 Jan.
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Stephen	Fr Stephen
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Ansaalem Lakra
Sunday		12 Jan.	19 Jan.
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Stephen	Fr David Strong
Killara	9:00 am	Fr Colin	Fr Stephen
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Stephen	Fr David Strong
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr Ansaalem Lakra	Fr Ansaalem Lakra
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Ansaalem Lakra	Fr Stephen

OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

主受洗節 (慶日) 12.01.2025

請經一 (上主的光榮要顯示出來, 凡有血肉的都會看見。)

恭讀依撒意亞先知書 40:1-5,9-11

答唱詠 詠 104 (103):1-4, 24-25, 27-30

【答】：我的靈魂，請頌讚上主！ (詠 104:1)

頌：上主、我的天主，你偉大無比；你以尊威作衣冠；你身披光明，好像披上外氈；你展開蒼天，有如帳棚。【答】

頌：你在水上建築你的宮殿；你造了雲彩，作你的戰車。你以風為翼，向前飛馳；你發出暴風，作你的使者；你以火燄，作你的隨員。【答】

頌：上主，你的化工，何其繁浩，全是你以智慧所創辦；你創造的萬物，充滿大地。看，汪洋大海，一望無際；其中水族，不可數計；大小生物，浮游不息。

【答】

頌：一切生物，都仰望你，希望你按時給牠們飲食。你賜下食物，牠們便會收集；你張開雙手，牠們便得飽餓。【答】

頌：你若隱藏你的面容，牠們便驚惶失措；你若停止牠們的呼吸，牠們就要死去，歸於原來的灰土。你一嘔氣，萬物化生；你使大地，更新復興。【答】

請經二

(耶穌藉著聖神所施行的重生和更新的洗禮，救了我們。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致弟羅書 2:11-14; 3:4-7

福音前歡呼 (路 3:16)

頌：亞肋路亞。

【眾】：亞肋路亞。

頌：若翰說：比我強的那一位要來；他要以聖神和火洗你們。

【眾】：亞肋路亞。

福音 (當耶穌受了洗，祈禱時，天開了。)

恭讀聖路加福音 3:15-16,21-22

那時，百姓都在期待【默西亞】，為此，人人心中推想：或許若翰就是默西亞。若翰便向眾人說：「我固然以水洗你們，但是，比我強的那一位要來，就是解他的鞋帶，我也不配。他要以聖神和火洗你們。」眾百姓受洗後，耶穌也受了洗；當他祈禱時，天開了；聖神藉著一個形象，如同鴿子，降在他上邊；並有聲音從天上說：「你是我的愛子，我因你而喜悅。」——上主的話。(講道後默想片刻)

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