

Mon 14 Jan Liturgy of the Day

Hebrews 1:1-6; Psalm 97; Mark 1:14-20

God's kingdom is in the future, but it is also in the here and now. It is not a human paradise, but God's kingdom does indeed flourish here on earth to the extent that his word is embraced and lived.

Tue 15 Jan Liturgy of the Day

Hebrews 2:5-12; Psalm 8; Mark 1:21-28

We often go about our lives thinking we are in control of everything. But in truth we begin with God and we end with God. And our whole life in between is, in a sense, a journey to let go and discover this reality.

Wed 16 Jan Liturgy of the Day

Hebrews 2:14-18; Psalm 105; Mark 1:29-39

My life is one long hearkening unto my self and unto others, unto God... The most essential and the deepest in me hearkening unto the most essential and the deepest in the other. God to God. – Etty Hillesum

Thu 17 Jan St Anthony of Egypt, Ab

Hebrews 3:7-14; Psalm 95; Mark 1:40-45

The person who abides in solitude and quiet is delivered from fighting three battles: hearing, speech, and sight. Then there remains one battle to fight – the battle of the heart. – St Anthony of Egypt

Fri 18 Jan Liturgy of the Day

Hebrews 4:1-5.11; Psalm 78; Mark 2:1-12

The friends of the paralyzed man went to great lengths to get him to Jesus. And Jesus appreciated it. What practical efforts do we make to help those in need, thereby participating in their healing process?

Sat 19 Jan Liturgy of the Day

Hebrews 4:12-16; Psalm 19; Mark 2:13-17

Prayer is not primarily saying words or thinking thoughts. It is, rather, a stance – an intimate awareness, a living in (and enjoying) of God's presence. It is an intimate trusting, allowing and delighting in God.

Sun 20 Jan 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 96; John 2:1-11

When we rest from everyday cares we can most fully focus on God. We are called to observe the Sabbath so that we can fully immerse ourselves in the experience of God's presence.

(KEY: SOLEMNITY; FEAST; Memorial; (Optional Memorial) Ab=Abbot

SUNDAY MASS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 104.

RESPONSE:

Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, how great you are!

- O Lord my God, how great you are, clothed in majesty and honour, wrapped in light as with a robe! You stretch out the heavens like tent. **R**
- On the waters you establish your dwelling. You make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind. You make the winds your messengers, flame and fire your servants. **R**
- How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all. The earth is full of your creatures. Vast and wide is the span of the sea, with its creeping things past counting, living things great and small. **R**
- All of these look to you to give them their food in due season. You give it, they gather it up; you open wide your hand, they are well filled. **R**
- You hide your face, they are dismayed; you take away their breath, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, and they are created, and you renew the face of the earth. **R**

SECOND READING: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY



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Baptism of the Lord • Year C

Divine Office: Week 1 • 13 January 2019

Baptism of the Lord

THIS REFLECTION for today's feast of the Baptism of the Lord is being written shortly after my return from a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. One of the significant visits during the pilgrimage was to the River Jordan to one of the sites of the baptism of Jesus.

It has to be said that the particular site we visited was where the Jordan is very narrow and just across from us were pilgrims like ourselves but in the country of Jordan. Both lots of pilgrims seemed unfazed by the smallness of the river itself; all their attention was on the religious significance of the baptism of Jesus and on the renewal of their own baptism.

At the time of Jesus there were high expectations that the promised Messiah was likely to come soon. So soon, in fact, that many thought that John (whom we call the Baptist) was himself the expected Messiah. John had lived a prophetic life in the desert and was accustomed to immerse people in the Jordan river as a sign of repentance for the forgiveness of sin.

But John was very clear that he was not the Messiah. His declaration in today's Gospel could not be clearer: *I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie.*

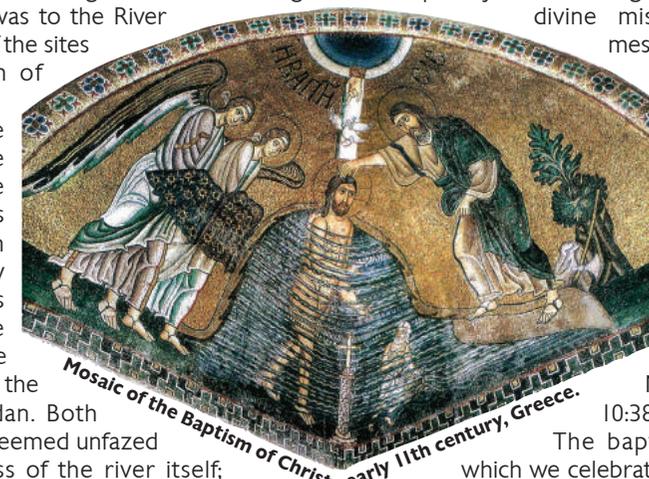
From the very early days of Christianity people have wondered why Jesus came to John for baptism. Jesus had reassured John when he said *Let it be so now; for this it is fitting for us to fulfil all righteousness* (Matthew 3:15).

In Jesus' experience of baptism by John something else was happening. The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains (par. 438) in that baptism Jesus was being consecrated for his divine mission: "His eternal messianic consecration was revealed... at the moment of his baptism by John, when 'God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power.. that he might be revealed to Israel' as its Messiah" (cf. Acts 10:38).

The baptism of the Lord which we celebrate today was also a hint of a more dramatic Baptism which Jesus would undergo on the Cross.

The reality for us is that in our baptism we entered the tomb with Christ and were born anew into Resurrection Life. Today therefore we are not only remembering what happened to Jesus in the Jordan river but we are renewing our own participating in the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus our Messiah and Redeemer.

Often we get an inspiring summary of the significance of our feasts in the Prefaces proper to the feasts. Take for example today's Preface: "In the waters of the Jordan you revealed with signs and wonders a new Baptism, so that through the voice that came down from heaven we might come to believe in your Word's dwelling among us, and by the Spirit's descending in the likeness of a dove we might know that Christ your Servant has been anointed with the oil of gladness and sent to bring the good news to the poor".



HOLY REDEEMER PARISH



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12/13 JANUARY 2019 ~ THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

YEAR C: PAGE: 797 In New Sunday Missal. **THEME:** Jesus Reveals to Us the True Face of the Father

NORMAL WORSHIP TIMES

WEEKEND SUNDAY MASS TIMES :

SATURDAY: 6.00pm

SUNDAY: 7.00am, 9.00am, 11.00am and 6.00pm

FRENCH MASS: SUNDAYS: 1.30pm

DAILY MASS TIMES:

MON to FRI: 6.15am (or Communion Service)

MON to SAT: 8.30am

MORNING PRAYER: MON to FRI at 8.00am

ROSARY: WEDNESDAY after 8.30am Mass

CONFESSION TIMES:

THURSDAY: 7.00 to 7.30pm

SATURDAY: 9.00 to 10.00am & 5.00 to 5.55pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

MONDAY to FRIDAY: 9.00am to 9.00pm

except THURSDAY: 9.00am to 7.30pm

NOVENA & BENEDICTION:

TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

THURSDAY: 7.30pm

WEEKLY DIARY

MASS INTENTIONS

14 Jan Mon	Alpha 7pm boardroom	6.15am Private Intention 8.30am Bridget Craig - Special Intention
15 Jan Tues	Care & Craft after 8.30am Mass Edna Cottle room RCIA 7.30pm Edna Cottle room	6.15am Private Intention 8.30am Deon Willoughby - Birthday
16 Jan Wed	Alzheimer's group 10am Edna Cottle room	6.15am Private Intention 8.30am Private Intention
17 Jan Thurs	Novena 7.30pm in the Church	6.15am Private Intention 8.30am Helen Sutter - Special Intention
18 Jan Fri		6.15am Private Intention 8.30am Helen Sutter - Special Intention
19 Jan Sat.	Legion of Mary 9.15am Room 2	8.30am Helen Sutter - Special Intention 6.00pm Private Intention
20 Jan Sun	2nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Year C PAGE 877 In New Sunday Missal Theme: A Wedding Feast Should Not Be a Sad Affair	7.00am Mr & Mrs Shaylin Bhana - First Wedding Anniv. 10.00am Parishioners 6.00pm Mortuary List

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Annette Milner: 021 715-8177



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KICK-OFF SUNDAY 2019

SUNDAY 20th JANUARY 2019

MASS 10H00

REGISTRATION FOR CATECHETICS &

LIFE TEEN CONFIRMATION

IN THE PARISH CENTRE AFTER MASS

ALPHA BACON AND EGG ROLLS ON SALE



PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOPS
A New Evangelization

Jesus said "I have come to set the earth on fire , and how I wish it was already blazing" Luke 12:49

THREE THINGS ARE NECESSARY FOR US TO GROW SPIRITUALLY:

- READ SCRIPTURE
- PRAY ABOUT AND MEDITATE ON IT
- DO - (Or ACTION)

THE *PRAYER & LIFE WORKSHOP* SHOWS YOU HOW TO PRAY THE BIBLE (USING DIFFERENT PRAYER METHODS) AND MAKE IT INDISPENSABLE IN YOUR DAILY LIFE. WE ARE ENCOURAGED TO KEEP A DAILY SACRED HALF HOUR AND WE PROVIDE GUIDELINES TO MANAGE THIS.

WE OFFER A 16 WEEK COURSE : TWO HOURS A WEEK

INTRODUCTION SESSION : WEDNESDAY 23 JANUARY 2019 10am -12 noon

At The Parish Centre, Church of the Most Holy Redeemer, Bergvliet Road.

GUIDE: Pat Moolenschot : Cell 079 747 8762 : Home 021 712 9944

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HOW GOD WORKS IN OUR LIVES IS WHAT MAKES THE GOSPEL COME ALIVE TO OTHERS. JUST READING SCRIPTURE ALONE IS NOT ENOUGH TO CONVINC OTHERS.

SOME COMMENTS FROM WHAT PRAYER & LIFE WORKSHOPS HAS MEANT TO PARTICIPANTS:

1. I AM FILLING MYSELF SPIRITUALLY SO I CAN GIVE AGAIN TO OTHERS.
2. I LOVE THE SPIRITUAL FOOD I GET AT EACH SESSION.
3. ITS HELPED ME INCREDIBLY IN MY DAILY LIFE & STRUGGLES
4. I FELT I HAD TO COME. I WAS "PUSHED" INTO IT.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ENRICHING YOUR SPIRITUALITY, PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE PORCH OF THE CHURCH AFTER MASS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2nd COLLECTION

This Week: None

ADORATION CHAPEL

Will reopen on Monday 21st January 2019 at 9.00am

BAPTISM

No Baptism will take place in January 2019

ALPHA GROUP MEETING

Monday 14 January 7.00pm
Venue - Boardroom

ALZHEIMER'S GROUP MEETING

Wednesday 16 January 10.00am
Venue - Edna Cottle room

SENIORS CLUB MEETING

Thursday 17 January 10.00am
Venue - Parish Centre

MUSIC MINISTRY MEETING

for all music group leaders and sound techs
Monday 21 January 7.00pm
Venue - Choir Loft

Fourth Year Confirmation

There will be an important meeting for potential 4th year Confirmation Candidates, their parents and sponsors on Thursday, 24th January 2019 from 18h15 -- 19h15.

LIFE TEEN

Life Teen 2019 kicks off on Sunday 27th January 2019. It will start with a Youth Mass at 18h00 followed by the Life Night. All candidates are expected to attend.

PROFESSION OF BR. PETER CHITABANTA

Sunday 27 January 2019 at 10.30am at Our Lady of Perpetual Help (St Mary's) Retreat Road, Retreat.
Parishioners most welcome to attend.

DRIVERS

Please collect lift rosters from Sacristy

PARISH YEAR PLANNER

Ministries/societies/fundraising groups: please advise the Parish Secretary of dates for future meetings/events for 2019, irrespective of whether you have had meetings in 2018.

Only notices received from LEADERS will be accepted.

E-mail: parish@holyredeemer.co.za

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Only four places left on Holy Land Pilgrimage May 2019.

If interested, please contact Fr Sean

REPOSITORY

Available from the Repository

- Liturgical Calendars;
- Gods Word Bible Diaries
- Sunday Scriptural Reflections for 2019
- Living Faith Jan - March 2019
- Rosaries - New Stock .

Southern Cross

1. How parish got men back to church
2. Recalling World Youth Days in 2000s
3. Iraq priest is rebuilding Church after ISIS terror
4. Why there's no joy in others' misfortune
5. Fr Townsend on money and the parish

THIS WEEK'S EDITORIAL:

SA needs unity in action

NEXT ISSUE

Matric Results

ALPHA 2019



Alpha is for anyone... anyone who wants to explore the meaning of life.

Everyone is welcome

Why don't you join us, or invite a friend or family member to join us,
on Wed, 30 Jan 2019 @ 7pm in the parish centre?

For further details find an information brochure and registration form at the repository, contact Paul Miles at pmiles@sweetvalleyprimary.co.za or on 0829315546, check us out the Holy Redeemer website or chat to an Alpha Group member.

MORNING OF REFLECTION AND TRAINING

Calling all who are in Ministry

Date: Saturday 19 January 2019

Venue: Lansdowne Parish Hall

Time: 9.30 to 12.30 (Registration from 9am)

Cost: R30.00

Keynote Speaker: Fr Peter-John Pearson



NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Thursday evening at 7.30pm

Place your special Prayer Intentions & Thanksgivings in the box at the back of the Church.

Also at www.holyredeemer.co.za

ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel is currently closed and will open on MONDAY 21st January at 9h00

Should anyone require any information please contact Carol on 073 194 7295 or Theresa in the Parish Office.



PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Brian McEvoy - RIP



2019 SICK LIST

Lena Cole	Mavis Da Silva	Wynand Rinkwest
Dulcia Da Silva	Peter Hansen	

2018 SICK LIST

Fr Duncan Blackie	Wilf de Hahn	Brian McEvoy	Elaine Roodt
Marina Back	Fred Harrison	Dennis Michaels	Jean Rother
Helga Boyles	Kerry Heideman	Morris Orgill	Marion Samuels
Conrad Burke	Aidan Hendricks	Diana Owens	Jane September
Pam Cable	Dale Heynes	Ray Pankhurst	Lionel September
Gloriana Cloete	Dawn Heynes	Monty Pasqualie	Anthony Scott
Trevor De Beer	Russell Heynes	Shirley Pasqualie	Elizabeth Scott
Lorna De Klerk	Joy Hitchman	Ernest Peskin	Jack Whitwam
Brian Eagleson	Jean Kennedy	Sylvia Peters	Margie Wilhelm
Michael Gordon	Marcel Le Breton	Caris Pietersen	
Caryn Gorton	Gerald Louw	Lindsey Pietersen	
Keith Gomez	Fr Lunney	Sybil Robbins	

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ADVISE OFFICE OR SMS NAME TO 076 140-2566
2018 LIST WILL BE DELETED AT THE END OF JANUARY**