

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD YEAR C 9TH JANUARY, 2022

"Building a community of Jesus' disciples." We welcome you - We are one family

This weeks Readings: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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When considering our aspirations for our lives, what do we hope for? For some, there will be the hope of marriage and a family. For others there will be the hope of a job, a promotion at work or for other people, the hope of retirement and grandchildren. Many of us will be hoping for an end to the pandemic. Do these aspirations truly reflect our ultimate hope?

The ancient Jews were hoping for their long-awaited Messiah. Isaiah, in our first reading today, told the people to "Prepare in the wilderness a way for Lord." This is precisely where John the Baptist is ministering to the people, in the wilderness to the east of Jerusalem. After falling into idolatry, the Jews were hoping to be shepherded by their Messiah.

To prepare the people, John baptises all those who wish to return to the Lord God. His Baptism is a ritualised re-crossing of the Jordan river into the Promised Land, just as the ancient Israelites had done long ago. A new beginning for a renewed people to meet a new Messiah. The time of consolation had now arrived.

Through John's baptism, Jesus allows himself to be associated with the people. Through our baptism, we are not only associated with Christ, but we are also incorporated into Him, into His body the Church. By submitting to the will of the Father, Jesus is exulted by the Father as the "son, the Beloved". If we are to follow Jesus, we also will need to do the will of the Father. We will need to have a change of heart. Conversion of heart is a daily process. The more we live our baptismal promises, the more we are conformed to Christ. We can then ultimately hope to be called "Beloved" by our heavenly Father.

Deacon Adrian

### **Parish Hospitality**

At St Joseph's in 2022, we would like to offer hospitality after each weekend Mass. To achieve this, we invite those who are willing to help to undergo the brief Covid Safe service of food and drinks training required by the Government. This is easy and free; you simply have to register for it through TAFE at: <a href="https://go.tafeqld.edu.aw/covid-safe.html">https://go.tafeqld.edu.aw/covid-safe.html</a>

It takes no more than 20 minutes to do the course on-line. Once you have completed the course, please download your Certificate and email to the Parish Office.

Enquiries contact Roster Coordinator Annette Baker on 0429 413 353.



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St. Joseph's Parish Mass Times

Monday 8:00am, Wednesday 10:00am, Friday 8:00am, Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 8:00am

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The following restrictions are in place at St. Joseph's during this time:

A. Government Regulation: All parishioners must sign in through the QLD Check-in App

- B. Archdiocesan policy—Ticketed seating all parishioners must receive a seat number from the marshals.
- C. Masks are strongly advised to be worn in all indoor settings where it is not possible to adequately socially distance from others. A proactive approach to wearing masks will keep our churches safer for visitors. *Thank you all for your tolerance complying with the current COVID 19 Government Regulations.*

D. Eventbrite Mass booking system:

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