

**Diocese of Broken Bay**

# MANLY FRESHWATER PARISH

## Mary Immaculate, Manly and St John the Baptist, Freshwater

### The Baptism of the Lord – 13/1/2019

#### **Administration Office:**

Monday – Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

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*Parish Priest:* Fr David Taylor

*Assistant Priest:* Fr Paul Kim

*Presbytery:* 9977 2100

50 Whistler St, Manly NSW 2095

*Mary Immaculate Church*

6 Raglan St, Manly NSW 2095

*St John the Baptist Church*

cnr Johnson & Oliver St,

Freshwater NSW 2096

#### **Weekend Masses:**

*Manly:* Saturday Vigil 6:00pm

Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am, 6:00pm

*Freshwater:* Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 9am

#### **Weekday Masses:**

*Manly:* Tuesday – Friday 9:15am

*Freshwater:* Tuesday – Friday 9:15am

#### **Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion**

*Manly:* Monday 9:15am

*Freshwater:* Monday 9:15am

#### **Baptisms:** *by appointment only*

*Manly* 4th Sunday of the month

*Freshwater* 2nd Sunday of month

#### **Reconciliation:**

*Manly* Sat 10am – 11am

*Freshwater* Sat 4:30pm



The baptism of Jesus is an important event in each of the gospels, heralding as it does the beginning of Jesus' public life and marking him out as the beloved of God. Luke's account of the baptism does not focus on the event itself but on its aftermath, i.e. the descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus while he was at prayer. In describing it in this way, the evangelist is highlighting two themes that are central to his gospel.

These are the role of the Spirit and the importance of prayer in Jesus' life. For Luke the fact that they are important in the life of Jesus means that they must also be important in the lives of his followers.

The adult Jesus now begins his journey to Jerusalem. The Good News as spoken by the angels has not been forgotten, while the most wondrous part of Jesus' story remains as yet to unfold. Today the same Spirit that anointed Jesus for his mission empowers every one of us, baptized in his Spirit, to continue His mission.

Baptism means we are a new creation. We are in a new relationship with God. After Jesus is baptized, the heavens open and God the Father says to him: "You are my beloved son, with you I am well pleased."

Those words are addressed to all those who have been baptized. "You are my beloved son... You are my beloved daughter." He is really present within our hearts in a new way. We have a new power to live in love. We have a new power to be the presence of Christ in the world.

Baptism makes us a new creation. We are given a new life, and that changes everything. We are given a new relationship with God that gives new meaning to every moment of our lives.

Our mission in this new year, 2019, in effect, to continue Jesus' own God-given mission: to seek and find the lost; to call back the "strays"; to attend to the sick and the hurting; to rebuild relationships, families and nations; and in time, to bring God's peace and justice to all people everywhere.

*EPriest 2019/ Fr Sean Goan ie.colombia 2019/Fr. Ray Reitzel, C.R 2019*

#### ***Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for January:***

**Evangelization – Young People** That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

#### **WEEKEND MASS COLLECTIONS**

**Thank You** for your financial support of our Priests and Parish Community.

**The 1st Collection** is for the financial support of our priests.

**The 2nd Collection** is for the maintenance & running costs of our Parish Community.

**Manly Freshwater Parish** promotes **SAFEGUARDING** which involves the implementation of proactive, common sense and practical ideas that ensure the safety of children and vulnerable adults in our community.

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**St Mary's Primary School** 9977 2225  
*Principal:* Paul McGuire

**St John the Baptist Primary School** 9939 6699  
*Principal:* Judy Slattery

**St Paul's Catholic College** 9977 5111  
*Principal:* Chris Browne

**Stella Maris College** 9977 5144  
*Principal:* Elizabeth Carnegie

**Parish Pastoral Council:** Vuna Tuifua (Chair);  
Laurie de Ambrosis; Joanne Druery; Michael Larkin;  
Robert Marshall; Ian Press; Silvia Zambrano; Freya Zemek

## DATES TO REMEMBER...

- **RCIA resumes** Tues 15th Jan @ 7pm
- **Meditation Group resumes** Monday 21st Jan @ 6pm
- **Book Club Group** Tuesdays @ 10am
- **Craft Group** Tuesdays @ 10am
- **Lectio Divina** Wednesdays @ 10am

## SUNDAY MORNING TEAS

**FRESHWATER:** following the Sunday 9am Mass each weekend, will resume 20th Jan '19



**MANLY:** following the Sunday 8:30am Mass each weekend, with the Filipino Family Group hosting a morning tea on the 2nd Sunday following the 10:30am Mass and the Tongan Community hosting a morning tea on the 3rd Sunday following the 10:30am Mass.



There is NO parking in the fenced in area next to the Church from 10:30am – 3:30pm weekdays. The Churchyard parking along Raglan St is only for visitors to the Parish Centre or the Church. Please be aware that the Churchyard is also used by the School and the safety of the students is our priority.

**PLEASE NOTE PARKING IS ONLY PERMITTED IN THE MARKED BAYS – NO STACK PARKING!!!!**



If you are a new parishioner to **Manly Freshwater Parish**, we invite you to complete a Parish census form. This will assist us in updating our records to include you and your family in our parish community activities. The census form can be found on the back wall of the Church or at the side door entrance and may be left in the collection plate.

## January

## Yr C 2019

Mon 14/1 – 1st week in Ordinary Time	Heb 1:1-6; Mk 1:14-20
Tue 15/1 – 1st week in Ordinary Time	Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28
Wed 16/1 – 1st week in Ordinary Time	Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39
Thurs 17/1 – St Anthony	Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45
Fri 18/1 – 1st week in Ordinary Time	Heb 4:1-5,11; Mk 2:1-12
Sat 19/1 – 1st week in Ordinary Time	Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17
Sun 20/1 – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

## LET US PRAY FOR

13th January 2019

**Recently Deceased:** James Buckley; Paul Williams  
Theresa (Fay) Cahill

**Anniversary:** Phillip Eric Arena; Gordon Montgomery; Don Arcosta; John Clifford Baker; Bev Crouch;  
Tom Prendergast

**Prayers for the sick in our parish:** Robina Dwyer, Betty Borg; Ann Irvin; Prionsias Kearney; Brian Davies; Kay Flenady; Paul Miller; Majella McLoughlin; Anita Lo Casio; Stephen Taylor; Debbie Vernon; Desmond Connors; Cate Flint

**Mass Intention Publications:** All Mass Intentions may be left at the Parish Office or on the collection plates on the weekend. Names for Mass Intentions for Recently Deceased, Anniversaries and for those who are sick (permission of the person is required) will be included in the weekly bulletin. All other Mass Intentions (including yearly offerings) will be given directly to the Priests who will offer the Masses.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** is held at Manly Church on Wednesdays from 2pm with Divine Mercy Hour held from 7:00pm – 8:30pm. To assist us on Wednesdays and present before the Blessed Sacrament, a Guard of Honour Roster has been placed on the notice board. We invite you to place your name in a time slot which suits you.

**Visiting sick at home** - If you, or if you know of anyone who is unable to attend Mass because they are unwell and would like a home visit please contact the parish office 9977 5822 to organise for Communion or Anointing.



Please note the Parish email addresses have changed. The changes are noted on Page 2 of the bulletin.  
The Parish Office is now  
manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au



**Parish website:**  
[bbcatholic.org.au/manlyfreshwater](http://bbcatholic.org.au/manlyfreshwater)

**Parish facebook:**  
[facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish](https://facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish)

## Changes to 9.15am Weekday

### Masses next week

#### **MANLY**

Mass will be held Tuesday, Thursday and Friday  
**Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion**  
will be held on Wednesday

#### **FRESHWATER**

Mass will be held on Wednesday  
**Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion**  
will be held on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

**RCIA COMMENCES THIS TUESDAY 15TH  
JANUARY AT 7PM IN THE PARISH CENTRE**



## We are currently seeking more Catechists and Helpers for our CCD Classes in 2019

### What is a Catechist?

A Catechist is someone who is from our Parish Community who volunteers

- To teach and share their faith with the Children in our local government schools.
- Has a passion for sharing the gift of faith with young people.

### What is involved?

To be a Catechist you need to be able to:

- Give around 1 hour each week to share your faith in a local government school.
- Do a little bit of preparation at home, using the lesson resources and work books provided for students and the catechist.
- Participate in some training and support offered from time to time.

### Who can be a Catechist?

- Catechists come in all shapes, ages and from all walks of life, reflecting the rich tapestry of our Church.
- Many Catechists start as a classroom helper and from there are eager to take on a class themselves.

If you put your hand up to be involved you will be really well supported with training and resources.

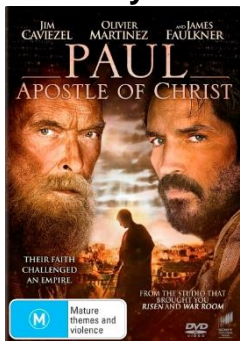
**Currently we have classes at all our schools that do not have a Teacher or Helper so please consider joining our wonderful team of Catechists and Helpers.**

***If you would like to know more about what is involved please contact***

Laurie: 9949 7750 (Manly) or

Toni: 9905 2894 (Freshwater)

### Piety Store Film and CD of the month



**"Paul, Apostle of Christ" DVD** - this is a great film! Based on true events set on the early Christian communities (around 65 AD) in Rome, and the awesome roles the early apostles played in surviving persecution and building God's kingdom. An epic movie for only \$10 per DVD (hurry! limited stock available).

**How to get the most out of Mass – CD** by Dr Scott Hahn. Did you know the sign of the cross originated in the first century? Mass means "to be sent forth", Eucharist means "thanks giving". The Catholic tradition is more biblical than other denominations, with the liturgical calendar going through the whole Bible in 3 years. Interested in learning more about the incredible depth and beauty of the Mass? Be inspired and informed. for only \$5, limited stock available.



**CONGRATULATIONS AND HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO FR PAUL KIM** for his 9th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood last Thursday 10th January. As the good Lord continues to bless you so you in turn bless us with your ministry and happy smile.



## Journeying with Our Lady through Mexico to WYD19 in Panama

Next Wednesday Fr Paul and Ivica Covic will depart Australia as part of the Broken Bay Diocese Pilgrim Group attending WYD in Panama. Before arriving in Panama they will be visiting the site of the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico, where they will see the famous Tilma (cloak) of Juan Diego.

The WYD Celebrations begin on Tuesday 22 January with the Opening Mass said by the local Bishop.

*Please remember them both in your prayers.*



**Kitchen Assistants required to help at the Soup Kitchen** which is held at the Salvation Army building on Pittwater Road. Each of the local Churches host a day at the Soup

Kitchen and we host each Wednesday.

You will be required to help with the sandwich preparations, food serving and packing away and cleaning. Currently the centre needs a Kitchen Assistant on **4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month** from 10am for approximately two hours. If you would like to assist on one of the other weeks or provide a cooked meal or if would like to know more about what is involved, please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822.

### The Date of Easter and Movable Feasts 2019

Ash Wednesday	6th March
Palm Sunday	14th April
Easter	21st April
Ascension Sunday	30th May
Pentecost Sunday	20 May
Trinity Sunday	16th June
Corpus Christi	23rd June
Birth of St John the Baptist	24 June
Sacred Heart of Jesus	28th June
Assumption	15th August (holy day of obligation)
All Saints	1st November
All Souls	2nd November
Christ the King	24th November
1st Sunday Advent	1st December
Immaculate Conception	8th December





Preparation for the **Plenary Council 2020** begins with open Listening and Dialogue. It is the first step to preparing the agenda for the Plenary Council. Your experience of faith and the Church is important.

Read about how you can share your story at [plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

## Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age.  
Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.  
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

## Church Renovations

We are very happy to advise that the renovations on the stonework at the eastern end of the Church have been successfully completed and most of the stain glass windows have been repaired. The total cost of this work was \$254,477.60 and the Parish Finance Committee is very grateful for your donations of \$37,675.00 towards these very large expenditures. It is the Maintenance Committees plan to continue with restoration work on the southern gable and the cleaning of stone in 2019.



It has been 13 years since the roof on the Church was replaced and it now necessary for a full inspection of the roof to be carried out as corrosion of the metal frame work supporting the tiles has been discovered in the north east corner of the roof. You will be advised of the outcome of this inspection when it has been completed.

Thank you for your financial support and patience in these matters.

*Fr David Taylor, Parish Priest & the Parish Maintenance and Finance Committees.*



## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

The Manly Christian Meditation group resumes on Monday 15th January 2019 at 6pm.

Anyone interested in this form of silent prayer is most welcome to attend. We meet each Monday at 6pm in the Parish Centre



## Sacramental Program Dates for 2019

### Parents Information

### evening for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

- Manly – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm
- Freshwater – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm

### Reconciliation

- Manly Tuesday 2nd April
- Freshwater Wednesday 3rd April
- Classes commence on the weekend of the 9/10 March 2019 and run for 4 weeks.

### First Holy Communion

- Sunday 2nd June 2019
- Manly 10.30am Mass
- Freshwater 9am Mass

Classes Commence on the weekend of the 4/5 May 2019 and run for 4 weeks



## CHRISTMAS CARD?

Christmas Cards were sent out to all parishioners who are registered on the parish data system. If you did not receive a Christmas card from Fr David and Fr Paul please contact the parish office 9977 5822 so we can update your details or send out a census form for you to complete. A few cards were returned due to 'no longer living at that address'. These will be deleted from the parish system so if you have moved please advise us.



## Fitness Session at Manly

Saturday Mornings at 9am & Wednesday Mornings at 8am

Strength, Tone and Balance Training for over 50's both female and male. The class leader Paul Pervan is a fully qualified Cert 4 Fitness Professional. Specialist in training Older Adults, fully insured with First Aid Certificate. Come along and Try!

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- *Who is Jesus Christ?*

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Currently there is need for additional Eucharistic Ministers and Readers at Masses at both Manly and Freshwater.

**If you are interested in becoming a Minister of the Eucharist or Reader or have once served and would like to come back on the roster**, please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822 or [manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au).





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***From Where I sit .....  
a message from Santa***

From my seat and in my disguise of a red suit with white piping and a full white beard, I am able to observe the wonderful band of volunteers who gave up part of their Christmas day to serve the 200 deserving 'guests' with a Christmas lunch.

The meal in my view would rival a five-star hotel as it is served with generosity and love.

I have the privilege of playing Santa, which is insignificant in comparison to the army of volunteers who put so much into making the day one to remember. This year I had our two grandchildren from Bathurst helping to distribute the gifts to the guests. It was good for them to see that life can be difficult for some people.

*Thanks for the privilege...John Brannan*





# Manly and Freshwater Roster 19th – 20th January 2019

Ministry	Manly 6pm Vigil	Manly 8.30am	Manly 10.30am	Manly 6pm	Freshwater 5pm Vigil	Freshwater 9am
<b>Acolytes</b>	Louise Wareham	Ken Thompson	Ron Gravalin	Ivica Covic	Joanne Druery	Mick O'Farrell
<b>Servers</b>			Iona & Teresa Hearn	Ivana Covic		
<b>Readers</b>	Rita Bruzzese	Patty Thomas Paul Walsh	Vuna Tuifua Katalina Taefotu	Sandie Cornish Dean Gale	Amanda Whitfield	Luke Campbell Pam Brown
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>	John & Merle Zemek John Bigeni	Judy O'Malley Laurie de Ambrosis	Jan Dorsen Marie Downs	Richard Heasman Pam Rawson	Angela Vumbaca	Toni Walsh
<b>Music</b>	Bianca Zatz	Parish Choir	TBC	Josh Willard	CD's	Pat Brown
<b>AV Screens</b>	Peter Simpson	Parish Choir	TBC	Bill Tango	Bill Kelly	Margie Gruca
<b>Warden</b>	John Zemek	Dom Ferragina	David Hala	Mark Bateman		
<b>Piety Shop</b>	John & Merle Zemek	Jan Dorsen	Anne Gaughan	Lynette & Sophie Duffy		
<b>Flowers/Altar Society</b>	Merle Zemek				Jacqui Good Mary Arcus	
<b>Morning Tea</b>		Lynn Parkes	Filipino Group			Raymond Family
<b>Children's Lit</b>		HOLIDAYS				HOLIDAYS

## PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS

- Christian Meditation: Mon 6pm – 6:45pm in the Parish Centre
- Craft Group: Tues 10:00am in the Parish Centre
- Divine Will Prayer Group: Mon 11:00am in the Parish Centre
- Eucharistic Adoration: Manly Monday to Friday from 9:45am -11:00am Adoration on Wed continues from 2pm with Divine Mercy Hour from 7:00pm – 8:30pm
- Holy Hour: Freshwater Tues after morning Mass
- Lectio Divina: Wed 10am in the Parish Centre
- Parish Playgroup: Manly on Mon 9am – 10:30am
- Piety Store: Open 15mins before & after Mass
- Reconciliation:  
Manly: Sat 10am – 11am  
Freshwater: Sat 4:30pm
- RCIA: Contact the Parish Office 9977 5822
- Rosary: Manly: Mon – Fri at 9.45am  
Freshwater: Tues – Fri before 9.15am Mass

## PARISH MONTHLY EVENTS

- Anointing Mass at Manly and Freshwater 1st Friday of each month at 9:15am Mass
- Baptisms: By appointment enquires to Parish Office
- Crazy Whist Morning: last Tues of each month at 10:00am
- Eco-operate: 3rd Thursday of each month at 7.30pm
- Parish Pastoral Council: contact Parish Office
- St Vincent de Paul: Manly & Freshwater Conferences 2nd Mon each month at 5:30pm

## **TAP TO DONATE TO HELP WITH REPAIRS OF OUR BEAUTIFUL CHURCH**

If you would like to make a donation to assist with our ongoing **Church Repairs** you can do so by a direct deposit into the Parish Account using the following ...



**Account Name:** Manly Freshwater Parish  
**Bank Name:** Commonwealth Bank

**Account#** 13958001

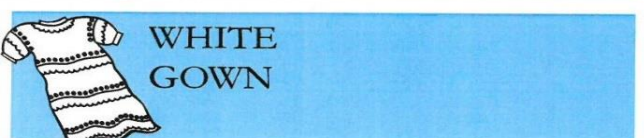
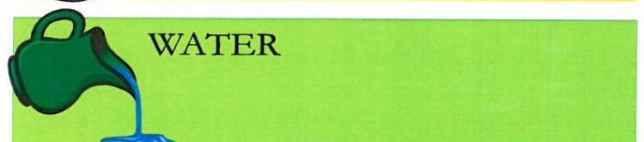
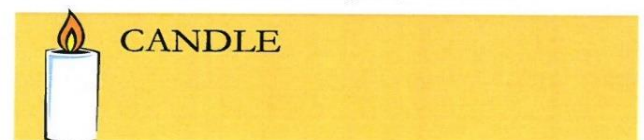
**BSB #** 062 784 (Please include the following reference – BM/your surname)

If you would like to use one of our tap units at **Manly** there is a unit in the front foyer of the Church and at the side exit into the Carpark.

The donation is set at \$10.00 and \$20.00

***We thank you for your generosity and commitment to our parish***

**Below are some objects that are used in baptism. What do each of these things symbolise?**



# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD – YEAR C

## First Reading *Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it.*

'Console my people, console them,' says your God. 'Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for all her crimes.' A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.' Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah, 'Here is your God.' Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him. The prize of his victory is with him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

The word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm *Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-30*

**R. Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!**

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

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. R.

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. R.

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. R.

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. R.

## Second Reading *Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Titus

*He saved us through the water of rebirth and renewal in the Holy Spirit.*

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good.

When the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

The word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation *cf Luke 3:16*

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!

## Gospel *Luke 3:15-16, 21-22*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*When Jesus had been baptised and had been praying, the heavens were opened and the Holy Spirit came upon him.*

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.'

Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



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