

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**  
**Sunday, January 10, 2021**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord:

Here is my servant whom I uphold,  
my chosen one with whom I am pleased,  
upon whom I have put my spirit;  
he shall bring forth justice to the nations,  
not crying out, not shouting,  
not making his voice heard in the street.  
a bruised reed he shall not break,  
and a smoldering wick he shall not quench,  
until he establishes justice on the earth;  
the coastlands will wait for his teaching.  
I, the Lord, have called you for the victory of justice,  
I have grasped you by the hand;  
I formed you, and set you  
as a covenant of the people,  
a light for the nations,  
to open the eyes of the blind,  
to bring out prisoners from confinement,  
and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.

The word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm: Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6**

*Refrain: You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.*

God indeed is my savior;  
I am confident and unafraid.  
My strength and my courage is the Lord,  
and he has been my savior.  
With joy you will draw water  
at the fountain of salvation.

*Refrain: You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.*

Give thanks to the Lord, acclaim his name;  
among the nations make known his deeds,  
proclaim how exalted is his name.

*Refrain: You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.*

Sing praise to the Lord for his glorious achievement;  
let this be known throughout all the earth.  
Shout with exultation, O city of Zion,  
for great in your midst  
is the Holy One of Israel!

*Refrain: You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.*

**Second Reading:** Acts 10:34-38

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter proceeded to speak to those gathered  
in the house of Cornelius, saying:  
“In truth, I see that God shows no partiality.  
Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly  
is acceptable to him.  
You know the word that he sent to the Israelites  
as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all,  
what has happened all over Judea,  
beginning in Galilee after the baptism  
that John preached,  
how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth  
with the Holy Spirit and power.  
He went about doing good  
and healing all those oppressed by the devil,  
for God was with him.”

The word of the Lord.

**Gospel: Mark 1:7-11**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

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.