

Saint Thomas's Church

The Baptism of Our Lord

Sunday, January 10, 2021

Sung Eucharist at 11 o'clock
livestreamed



Baptism of Christ, Fra Angelico, c. 1400-1455



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MUSIC OF THE MASS – *Mass in A^b, Josef Rheinberger*

PRELUDE: Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam, BWV 685, *J.S. Bach*

INTROIT: Psalm 98.1-4

- 1 O sing unto the LORD a new song; / for he hath done marvellous things.
- 2 With his own right hand, and with his holy arm, / hath he gotten himself the victory.
- 3 The LORD hath declared his salvation: /
his righteousness hath he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He hath remembered his mercy and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel; /
and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; / As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

O sing unto the LORD a new song; / for he hath done marvellous things.

Please kneel

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON

Kyrie Eleison : Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christe Eleison : Christ, have mercy upon us.
Kyrie Eleison : Lord, have mercy upon us.

Please stand

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Missa de Angelis

Celebrant: Glory be to God on high,

All: **and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

The Lord be with you
R / *And with thy spirit.*

Please stand for the Collect

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O HEAVENLY FATHER, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ did take our nature upon him, and was baptized for our sakes in the river Jordan: Mercifully grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may also be partakers of thy Holy Spirit; through him whom thou didst send to be our Saviour and Redeemer, even the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Please be seated

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 1.1-5

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep; and the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters. And God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.

The word of the Lord
R / *Thanks be to God*

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 1.4-11

R / *Glory be to thee O Lord*

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And there went out to him all the country of Judea, and all the people of Jerusalem; and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, and had a leather girdle around his waist, and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opened and the Spirit descending upon him like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased."

The Gospel of Christ

R / *Praise be to thee, O Christ*

THE NICENE CREED

Missa de Angelis

Celebrant: I believe in one God

All: the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY HYMN – The Sinless one to Jordan came

- 1 The sinless one to Jordan came
And in the river shared our stain;
God's righteousness he thus fulfilled,
And chose the path his Father willed.
- 2 Uprising from the waters there,
The voice from heav'n true witness bare
That Christ, the Son of God, had come
To lead his scattered people home.
- 3 Above him see the heav'nly Dove,
The sign of God the Father's love,
Now by the Holy Spirit shed
Upon the Son's anointed head.
- 4 How blest that mission then begun
To heal and save a race undone!
Straight to the wilderness he goes
To wrestle with his people's foes.
- 5 O Christ, your sons baptized from sin,
Go forth with you a world to win;
Grant them the Holy Spirit's pow'r
To shield them in temptation's hour.
- 6 On you may all your people feed,
And know you are the Bread indeed,
Who gives eternal life to those
That with you died, and with you rose.

SOLEMNIS HAEC FESTIVITAS
G.B. Timms

Paris Gradual, 1685

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed be thou, LORD God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. *Amen.*

Please kneel

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

silence

Lord, in thy mercy

R / *We beseech thee, hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for Andrew our bishop, Jenny our area bishop, and for all the clergy and laity who serve God's people, especially in this parish; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury and Linda our Primate.

silence

Lord, in thy mercy

R / *We beseech thee, hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the Queen, and for all in authority in our country, province and city; for all entrusted with promoting and protecting our health and safety during the pandemic; for justice and peace among all people.

silence

Lord, in thy mercy

R / *We beseech thee, hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for all those in need: for the sick, especially _____; for the elderly and isolated; for prisoners; for those who mourn and all for whom we have been asked to pray, especially

silence

Lord, in thy mercy

R / *We beseech thee, hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the departed, especially _____ who have died in recent days, and on their year's mind for _____; that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom.

silence

Lord, in thy mercy

R / *We beseech thee, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, thou hast promised to hear what we ask in the Name of thy Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions. we pray thee, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as thou knowest and lovest us in thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

V / The Lord be with you; R / *And with thy spirit.*

V / Lift up your hearts; R / *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

V / Let us give thanks unto our Lord God; R / *It is meet and right so to do.*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who, in substance of our mortal flesh, manifested forth his glory, that he might bring us out of darkness into his own marvellous light.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

The Cantor sings:

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Blessèd is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER, FRACTION AND PEACE

Celebrant: As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us we are bold to say:

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

The consecrated Bread is broken.

V / The peace of the Lord be always with you;
R / *And with thy spirit.*

HOLY COMMUNION

All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:

We do not presume

to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

The Cantor sings:

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.*

Silence before Act of Spiritual Communion

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI

**Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesu, hear me.
Within thy wounds hide me.
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.**

**From the malicious enemy defend me.
In the hour of my death call me.
And bid me come to thee,
That with thy saints I may praise thee,
For ever and ever. Amen.**

MOTET: Merkt und hört, ihr Menschenkinder, *J.S. Bach*

Mark and hear, you humans, what God himself calls baptism. Indeed, water must be there, yet not merely water alone. God's word and God's Spirit baptises and purifies the sinner.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please kneel

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

CONCLUDING HYMN 96 – Songs of thankfulness and praise

- 1 Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesu, Lord, to thee we raise,
Manifested by the star
To the sages from afar;
Branch of royal David's stem
In thy birth at Bethlehem;
Anthems be to thee address,
God in Man made manifest.
- 2 Manifest at Jordan's stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
And at Cana wedding-guest
In thy Godhead manifest;
Manifest in power divine,
Changing water into wine;
Anthems be to thee address,
God in Man made manifest.

- 3 Manifest in making whole
Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
Manifest in valiant fight,
Quelling all the devil's might;
Manifest in gracious will,
Ever bringing good from ill;
Anthems be to thee address,
God in Man made manifest.
- 4 Sun and moon shall darkened be,
Stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;
Christ will then like lightning shine,
All will see his glorious sign;
All will then the trumpet hear,
All will see the judge appear;
Thou by all wilt be confest,
God in Man made manifest.
- 5 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,
Mirrored in thy holy Word;
May we imitate thee now,
And be pure, as pure art thou;
That we like to thee may be
At thy great Epiphany;
And may praise thee, ever blest,
God in Man made manifest.

SALZBURG
Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1862

Jakob Hintze (1678)

POSTLUDE: Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam, BWV 684, *J.S. Bach*

The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of almighty God:

*They were given in loving memory of Sarah and Harold Millar, by their granddaughter Charis Kelso;
In memory of Robert Gordon and Kathryn Wilma Alice Gordon, grandparents of Bruce Gordon McEachern, and
their daughter Kathryn Alice Agnes Gordon Tulk;*

and

In memory of Marigrace and John David Campbell Ross, and Robert Thorne Bodie, by Robert Ross.