

The Baptism of the Lord**Year C**

Sunday, January 10, 2016

Readings: 1) Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

2) Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7

3) Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

Sunday Liturgy

The focus for today's Mass is that the signs and wonders that accompanied Jesus' baptism are meant to confirm in our hearts that Jesus is the Son of God and savior of the world.

The first reading tells of the chosen servant of the Lord whom the Lord will raise up to be a light for the nations and bring forth the victory of justice.

The second reading reminds us that God shows no partiality, and that everyone who places their faith in Jesus and lives according to his teaching can be saved.

In the Gospel, Jesus is baptized by John the Baptist in the Jordan River.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**PRIEST:**

Let us pray with confidence to God our loving Father.

For Church leaders,
may the Holy Spirit continue to guide them
as they share the good news with the world.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For all the peoples of the world, may they know lasting peace.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those Baptized this weekend.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

**For those who are sick in mind and body,
may they find comfort in our prayers.**

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

**For all who have died,
may they join the angels and saints in heaven.**

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

**For our community, may we testify,
with the grace of the Holy Spirit
that Jesus is the Lord of all people.**

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For our own personal intentions, (long pause),

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

PRIEST:

**Merciful and loving Father, please hear the prayers
we offer today. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.**