



CATHEDRAL *Weekly*

9th Jan 2022

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**A GUIDE TO THE
DAILY READINGS**

10th JANUARY 2022

15th JANUARY 2022

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



New year's eve mass presided by His Grace Archbishop Martin Kivuva Musonde

Reflection

BAPTISM OF THE LORD – FEAST

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.” [Luke 3:21-22](#) (Year C)

Today's Feast marks the conclusion of the Christmas Season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. It's a feast of transition from Jesus' hidden life to that of His public ministry. It also echoes the theme of the Epiphany in that the Baptism of the Lord is another manifestation announcing Jesus' divinity to all of His first followers and to the disciples of John the Baptist.

First of all, it needs to be pointed out that Jesus did not need the baptism of John. John was baptizing as a call to and sign of interior repentance. Jesus had no need to repent. But, nonetheless, He comes to John. John resists at first but Jesus insists. Why did He receive baptism?

First, by accepting the baptism of John, Jesus affirms all that John has said and done and affirms his sacred role of preparing the way for Jesus and for a new era of grace. Therefore, the Baptism of Jesus acts as a bridge between the Old Testament prophets (of which John was the last) and the New Testament era of grace and truth.

Second, it has been said that when Jesus entered the waters of baptism, He was not baptized by the waters, rather, His Baptism was one in which all the created waters of this world were, in a sense, “baptized” by Him. By entering into the waters, Jesus sanctified water and poured forth His grace making all water the future source of salvation.

Third, the Baptism of Jesus was an epiphany. It was a moment of manifestation. As He emerged from the waters, “Heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from Heaven, ‘You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.’” This manifestation of the sonship and divinity of Jesus took place in a physical, audible and visible form so that all present would know, without question, that Jesus was the Son of the Father. Thus, His baptism is a way in which the Father introduced His Son and His Son's mission to the world.

As we prepare to begin Ordinary Time, reflect, today, upon these words of the Father

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Mon. 10th Jan. 2022

1 Sm 1:1-8;

Ps 116

Mk 1:14-20.

Tue. 11th Jan. 2022

1 Sm 1:9-20;

Ps 1 Sm 2:1.4-5.6-7.8abcd.

Mk 1:21b-28.

Wed. 12th Jan. 2022

1 Sm 3:1-10.19-20;

Ps 40:2 and 5.7-8a.8b-9.10.

Mk 1:29-39.

Thur. 13th Jan. 2022

St Hilary (optional memorial)

1 Sm 4:1-11;

Ps 44:10.11.14-15.24-25.

Mk 1:40-45.

Fri. 14th Jan. 2022

1 Sm 8:4-7.10-22a;

Ps 89:16-17.18-19.

Mk 2:1-12.

Sat. 15th Jan. 2021

Saturday Mass of the B. V. Mary

1 Sm 9:1-4.17-19; 10:1a;

Ps 21:2-3.4-5.6-7.

Mk 2:13-17.

DUTY SCHEDULE FOR JAN 2022

TODAY

07:00 AM ST. PAUL & ST. PETER
08:00 AM ST. MATTHIAS MULUMBA
09:00 AM ST. MONICA
11:00 AM ST. BENEDICT
12:30 PM YOUTH
5:30PM BIKIRA MARIA & ST. LUCY

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH
8TH JAN 2022 : ST. MULUMBA

16TH JAN 2022

07:00 AM HOLY SPIRIT
08:00 AM CHRIST THE KING (NEW JUMUJA)
09:00 AM ST. JUDE
11:00 AM ST. GABRIEL & ST. KIZITO
12:30 PM YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS
5:30PM ST. MAGDALANE & ST. ANTHONY

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH : 15TH JAN 2022
BIKIRA MARIA / ST. LUCY / ST. ANTHONY / ST. MAGDALANE

HAPPY NEW YEAR


**FORTHCOMING
FEASTS /
MEMORIALS**

Sunday 9th Jan. 2022
The Baptism of the Lord



Thur. 13th January 2022
St Hilary
(optional memorial)

Sat. 15th Jan. 2021
Saturday Mass of the
B. V. Mary

Isaya 40:1-5,9-11

Watulizeni, wapeni tulizo watu wangu, asema Mungu wenu.

Semeni na moyo wa Yerusalemu, utangazieni ya kwamba: Huduma yake ngumu imekwisha, dhambi yake imeondolewa, maana kwa mkono wa Bwana amepokea adhabu maradufu kwa maovu yake yote. Mm analia: tengenezeni jangwani njia ya Bwana! Nyosheni nyikani barabara kwa Mungu wetu! Kila bonde lifukiwe, kila mlima na kilima kishushwe, Njia zenye kupotoka zinyoshwe, na njia zenye mashimo zisawazishwe.

Hapo utukufu wa Bwana utafunuliwa, na watu wote watauona mara; na kinywa cha Bwana kimenena haya. Panda juu ya mlima mrefu, utangaziye Sioni habari njema! sauti kwa nguvu, utangaziye Yerusalemu habari njema! sauti, usiogope!

sema kwa miji ya Yuda: Tazama, Mungu wenu! yupo hapa Bwana Mungu: anakuja kwa uwezo, na mkono wake utatawala; tuzo ya ushindi wake litamsindikiza, mateka yake yatamtangulia. Kama mchungaji, atachunga kundi lake; mkononi mwake atawakusanya wanakondoo, atawachukua kifuni mwake, atawaongoza kondoo wenye kunyonyesha.

Zaburi 104
K. Umsifu Bwana, ee roho yangu!

Ee Bwana, Mungu wangu u mkuu sana!
Umejivika fahari na adhama,
umejivika mwanga kama vazi.
Umetandaza anga kama hema. K.

Umeweka nguzo za ghorofa zake juu ya maji.
Umfanya mawingu kuwa gari lako,
umekwenda juu ya mbawa za upepo.
Umfanya pepo kuwa wajumbe wako,
na ndimi za moto, kuwa watumishi wako. K.

Ee Bwana, jinsi gani zilivyo nyingi kazi zako!
Zote umezifanya kwa hekima,
dunia imejaa viumbe vyako.

Bahari iko kule, kubwa na pana sana!
Ndimo mlimo viendavyo bila idadi,
viumbe hai vidogo na vikubwa. K.

Hao wote hukutazamia wewe
uwape chakula chao kwa wakati wake.
Wewe huwapa, nao wanakiokota;
wewe unakunjua mkono wako,
nao wanashiba mema. K.

Ukiuficha uso wako, wanafadhaika.
Ukiondoa pumzi yao, wanakufa,
na kuyarudia mavumbi yao.
Ukiipeleka roho yako wanaumbwa,
na unafanya upya uso wa nchi. K..

Tito 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Mpendwa: Neema ya Mungu imetokea kwa kuwaokoa watu wote, nayo ratuongoza kuzuia yasiyo ya Mungu, na kupinga tamaa za kidunia, tupate kuishi duniani hapa kwa kiasi, kwa haki na kwa uchaji wa Mungu, tusingoja heri tunayoitamia, na ufunuo wa utukufu wa Mungu mkuu na wa Mwokozi wetu Yesu Kristo. Yeye amejitoa mwenyewe kwa ajili yetu, ili atukomboa katika uovu wote, na ajitakasie watu walio mali yake ya pekee na wenye bidii kutenda mema. Lakini wema wa Mwokozi wetu Mungu na hisani yake kwa wanadamu zilipotokea, ametuokoa, lakini si kwa sababu ya matendo maadilifu tuliyoyatenda sisi, isipokuwa kwa huruma yake ikituusha tupate kuzaliwa tena na kutengenezwa upya na Roho Mtakatifu. Mungu ametumwagia huyo ndani yetu kwa wingi kwa ajili ya Yesu Kristo, Mwokozi wetu, tupate kuthibitishwa kwa neema yake, na hivyo kufanywa warithi wa uzima wa milele tunaotumaini.

Aleluya!

*Yohane alisema: Anakuja mmoja aliye na nguvu kuliko mimi.
Yeye atawabatiza kwa Roho Mtakatifu na kwa moto.
Aleluya.*

Luka 3:15-16, 21-22

Wakati ule: Watu walishikwa na udadisi, wote wakajiuliza mioyoni mwao kama huyu Yohane ni Masiya mwenyewe au sivyo.

Yohane akawapa wote jibu lake akisema, "Mimi nawabatiza kwa maji tu, lakini anakuja mmoja aliye na nguvu kuliko mimi. Hata sistahili kufungua ukanda wa viatu vyake.

Yeye atawabatiza kwa Roho Mtakatifu na kwa moto." Baada ya watu wote kubatizwa na Yesu pia kubatizwa, alipokuwa katika kusali, mbingu zilifunguka na Roho Mtakatifu akamshukia katika umbo la kiwiliwili, mfano wa njiwa.

Tena sauti ikatoka mbinguni ikinena, "Wewe ndiwe Mwanangu mpendwa, nimependezwa nawe."



Isaiah 40:1-5.9-11

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD'S hand double for all her sins. A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd, he will gather the lambs in his arms, he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

PSALM 104

R. Bless the Lord, O my soul!

O Lord my God, you are very great!

O Lord my God, how great you are, clothed in majesty and honour, wrapped in light as with a robe! You stretch out the heavens like a tent. R.

On the waters you establish your dwelling. You make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind. You make the winds your messengers, flame and fire your servants. R

How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all. The earth is full of your creatures..

Vast and wide is the span of the sea, with its creeping things past counting, living things great and small. R.

All of these look to you to give them their food in duff season. You give it, they gather it up; you open wide your hand, they are well filled. R.

You hide your face, they are dismayed; you take away their breath, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, and they are created, and you renew the face of the earth. R.

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

Beloved: For the grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men, training us to renounce irreligion and worldly passions, and to live sober, upright, and godly lives in this world, awaiting our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all iniquity and to purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds. But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Saviour appeared, he saved us, not because of deeds done by us in righteousness, but in virtue of his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal in the Holy Spirit, which he poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Saviour, so that we might be justified by his grace and become heirs in hope of eternal life.

Alleluia

John said: He who is coming is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia.

Luke 3:15-16.21-22

At that time: As the people were in expectation, and all men questioned in their hearts concerning John, whether perhaps he were the Christ, John answered them all, "I baptise you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire."

Now when all the people were baptised, and when Jesus also had been baptised and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form, as a dove, and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."


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Reflection

at the Baptism of Jesus. Hear the Father speaking to You about the divinity of His Son. Turn your eyes to Jesus and prepare yourself to follow Him and to heed every word He speaks. He was sent into this world to draw us to the Father, allow Him to fulfill that mission in your own life.

Lord, I believe that You are the Son of the Eternal Father and the Savior of the World. I believe that You have brought about a new era of grace and truth and that I am called to follow You wherever You lead. As we begin this liturgical season of Ordinary Time, may it be a time of extraordinary grace in which I daily heed Your voice. Jesus, I trust in You.



PPC's end year party at
 Bliss Hotel on 30th Dec 2021.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

INFANT BAPTISM

The next baptism of infants will take place on Saturday 15th January 2022 for those who have prepared.

SUNDAY OF TITHES

Tithing Sunday will be on 16th January 2022. Please pick up the envelopes at the door.

EPIPHANY ENVELOPES

Although the Epiphany was on the 2nd of January 2022, Epiphany Envelopes are on the doors and you are requested to pick them up and return them on 23rd January 2022 after the tithing Sunday.

WAUMINI SACCO

Waumini Sacco representatives will Visit us today on 9th January 2022.

They wish to announce that they have opened their membership to all catholic parishioners Country wide and for this reason we will have Sacco representatives in our Church to talk more about their services, products & joining requirements