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Masses and Devotions

Monday to Friday

Rosary (Except Tues)	11:35am
Divine Mercy (Tues Only)	11:35am
Mass in English	12:30pm
Mass in Tamil	7:00pm

Saturday

Rosary	4:15pm
Mass in English	5:00pm 6:15pm 7:30pm

Sunday

Mass in English	
8:00am 11:00am 12:30pm	

Mass in Tamil	
9:30am 6:30pm	

**Sacrament of Reconciliation
15mins before Weekend
Masses*

Public Holidays

Mass in English	9:00am
Mass in Tamil	10:00am

Adoration Room

Monday - Sunday 8am to 8pm
(Closed on Public Holidays)

Parish Office

Mon - Fri	10am to 6pm
Saturday	2pm to 8pm
Sunday	9am to 2pm

(Closed on Public Holidays)

Bookshop

Saturday 4pm to 7:30pm

The Baptism of the Lord

1st Reading

Is 42:1-4,6-7

2nd Reading

Acts 10:34-38

Gospel

Mt 3:13-17

In today's gospel, Jesus goes to the River Jordan to be baptised by John the Baptist. But here's the thing - Jesus never sinned. So why would he need to be baptised? Isn't baptism about washing away sin?



This teaches us something very important about who Jesus is. He didn't get baptised because he needed to be cleansed from sin. He got baptised to show us that He is with us. He didn't act like He was above us. He stepped into our world. He chose to share in our human experience. Jesus did not stand off to the side and tell people how to live. He got in the water with them. He joined them. He joins us. He wants to be close to us in every part of our lives. Jesus didn't come to show off. He came to be near us - in our joy, in our struggles, in our mistakes, and in our hopes. He knows what it's like to be human. He understands what we go through. He came to stand with us so we wouldn't be alone.

Something amazing happens as soon as Jesus is baptised. The sky opens up. The Holy Spirit comes down like a dove. And God the Father speaks from heaven. He says, "This is my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on him." It's a moment where we see the Holy Trinity - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - all present. And it shows that Jesus is **fully known, fully loved, and fully sent**.



Now here's the part that connects to us. When we were baptised, even if we were babies, God did something very real. He claimed us. He said, "**You are my beloved.**" That's who you are. And that never changes. Even if you forget it. Even if you mess up. You are still God's child. You are still loved.

What does this mean for how we live?

Jesus showed us what it looks like to walk with others. He didn't stay separate. He didn't act too good for anyone. He listened. He cared. He got close. And we are **called to do the same**.

Our baptism isn't just something that happened once in the past. It's something we live every day. Do we choose to love like Jesus did? To care like he did? To stand with others, even when it's hard? That's what Jesus did for us. And now we get to do the same.

(Adapted from young-catholics.com)

Around the Parish



PARISH HOLY HOUR

Holy Hour is a beautiful opportunity to sit in the real presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Take this special time to pause and be still with Jesus. He is waiting to meet you.

**Wednesday
21 January
7:45pm**

Around the Diocese

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026

**Theme: There is ONE BODY and ONE SPIRIT,
just as you are called to ONE HOPE of your calling. (Eph 4:4)**

All Christians are invited to these 4 prayers services for the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026**. Bring along a fellow Christian to attend!

Organised by ACCED, AIRDECS and Respective Hosts.



“Pray with the Pope”

A renewed invitation to pray for his monthly prayer intentions

Pray with the Pope is a global initiative of the Pope’s Worldwide Prayer Network where the Holy Father shares his monthly prayer intention, an invitation to pray and mobilize for the challenges facing humanity and the mission of the Church, through **The Pope Video** and **The Pope Audio**.

JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION

For prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

CALL TO ACTION

Take a moment to pray with the Pope.

Scan the QR Code now!



Pray with the Pope



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TO PRAY NOW**

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CORNER

When I die, I want to die like my grandfather, who died peacefully in his sleep. Not screaming like all the passengers in the car which he was driving.

~ Will Rogers ~