



The Baptism of the Lord (Year A) – 11th January 2026

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St Kevin's Parish is committed to the care, safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people, and vulnerable people.

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Team

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Weekday Mass Times

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat – 9:15am

Every Wed – 7:00pm followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Sunday Mass Times

Vigil Sat 5:00pm & 7:00pm

Sun: 9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm

A Priest is available for the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** 30 minutes before all Masses and on Saturday mornings after Mass till 10:30am.

The **Sacrament of Baptism** is celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month. Prior to the Baptism, parents are asked to attend a meeting which is held every first **Thursday of the month at 7:15pm** in the Church and must bring a copy of their own Baptism Certificate and the child's birth certificate for our records, as we cannot accept originals.

Mass Intentions

Please note the **cut-off** day and time for handing in names for **Mass**

Intentions is Wednesday evening.

Please call (03) 9799 2108, email the **Parish Office** or drop off the mass intention envelope in the **postal slot** in the **Parish Office door**.

Parish Office - Christmas Closure Dates

The Parish Office will be closed for Christmas from 20th December 2025 to 12th January 2026 (both days inclusive). **In case of emergencies, please call (03)97992108 and leave a message.** We will contact you as soon as possible.

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for January

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.

'Continue to be pilgrims together!' Pope Leo's Epiphany homily for the close of the Jubilee of Hope

... Thus, dear brothers and sisters, it is wonderful to become pilgrims of hope. It is wonderful for us to continue to be pilgrims together! The faithfulness of God continues to amaze us. If we do not reduce our churches to monuments, if our communities are homes, if we stand united and resist the flattery and seduction of those in power, then we will be the generation of a new dawn. Mary, Star of the Morning, will always walk before us! In her Son we will contemplate and serve an extraordinary humanity, transformed not by the delusions of the all-powerful, but by God who became flesh out of love. Read the rest of Pope Leo's homily at

<https://melbournecatholic.org/news/continue-to-be-pilgrims-together-pope-leos-epiphany-homily-for-the-close-of-the-jubilee-of-hope>

Mass Intentions

Thanksgiving

Shayana Mannays

Marilyn De Rozario

Ralston and Rosanne Ferdinand

Sick

Rudy Hendricks

Elcira Baez

Pamela Chen

Colin Cunningham

Those who died Recently

Paul Cesar

Adriano Kalan (Mau – Boof)

Noel dos Santos Vicente

Esperansa Maria C Boavida

Those whose Anniversaries we remember at this time

Nikita Araujo Boavida

Christine Boustead

The Baptism of the Lord (Year A)

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

Thus says the Lord:

Here is my servant whom I uphold,
my chosen one in whom my soul delights.
I have endowed him with my spirit
that he may bring true justice to the nations.

He does not cry out or shout aloud,
or make his voice heard in the streets.
He does not break the crushed reed,
nor quench the wavering flame.

Faithfully he brings true justice;
he will neither waver, nor be crushed
until true justice is established on earth,
for the islands are awaiting his law.

I, the Lord, have called you to serve the cause
of right;
I have taken you by the hand and formed you;
I have appointed you as covenant of the people
and light of the nations,
to open the eyes of the blind,
to free captives from prison,
and those who live in darkness from the
dungeon

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 28(29):1-4,9-10

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

O give the Lord, you sons of God,
 give the Lord glory and power;
give the Lord the glory of his name.
 Adore the Lord in his holy court.

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

The Lord's voice resounding on the waters,
 the Lord on the immensity of waters;
the voice of the Lord, full of power,
 the voice of the Lord, full of splendour.

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

The God of glory thunders.

 In his temple they all cry: 'Glory!'

The Lord sat enthroned over the flood;
 the Lord sits as king for ever.

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Second Reading – Acts 10:34-38

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household:
'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is
that God does not have favourites, but that
anybody of any nationality who fears God and
does what is right is acceptable to him.'

'It is true, God sent his word to the people of
Israel, and it was to them that the good news of
peace was brought by Jesus Christ – but Jesus
Christ is Lord of all men. You must have heard
about the recent happenings in Judaea; about
Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee,
after John had been preaching baptism. God had
anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power,
and because God was with him, Jesus went
about doing good and curing all who had fallen
into the power of the devil.'

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The heavens were opened and the Father's voice
was heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.
Alleluia!

Gospel - Matthew 3:13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be
baptised by John. John tried to dissuade him. 'It
is I who need baptism from you' he said 'and yet
you come to me!' But Jesus replied, 'Leave it like
this for the time being; it is fitting that we should,
in this way, do all that righteousness demands.'

At this, John gave in to him.

As soon as Jesus was baptised he came up
from the water, and suddenly the heavens
opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending
like a dove and coming down on him. And a voice
spoke from heaven, 'This is my Son, the Beloved;
my favour rests on him.'