



Welcome to

# Kangaroo Island Catholic Community

(Part of the Adelaide Cathedral Parish)

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - YEAR A

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### KANGAROO ISLAND

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WEEKEND MASSES  
Kingscote at 9.30am

CONFESSON  
Kingscote at 9.00am (prior to Mass)

### INTEGRITY & SAFEGUARDING

We are a safeguarding Organisation which is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and adults at risk.

We believe that all God's children, young people and adults at risk have the right to be healthy and safe, and to have their voice heard, respected, and valued. A safe environment for all.

- Mrs Helen Mumford  
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### 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

*Ps 28:1-4, 9-10*

*The Lord will bless his people with  
peace.*

1. 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. <R>

2. 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. <R>

3. 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. <R>

### 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!*  
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## WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

For those of you who wish to make your weekly contributions to the first and second collections by direct debit, these are the banking details for each.

1st Collection (Support for Priests):

BSB 066-782

A/c No 100027201

Reference: Your name

2nd Collection (Support for Parish):

BSB 066-782

A/c No 100000067

Reference: Your name

Thank you for your ongoing support of our Priests and Parish Facilities.

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## PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Brianna Chudlee, Annette Roestenburg, Michelle Glynn, Rebecca Semler, Chris Heath, Simon Laundy, Josh Semler, MaryAnne

## JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Eunice Airton, Eileen Bateman, Dorothy Brook, Monica Buick, May Cairney, Dominic Cash, Maureen Dunn, Marlene Cummins, Pauline Deegan, Jim Dodgson, Lucy Edwards, Colin Fahey, Margaret Flemming, Ralph Florance, Catherine Glynn, Alec Goodwin, Edward Hughes, Ida Jackson, Christina James, Jack Kindellan, John Lavers, Ettie McDonald, Irene Northcott, Ottaviano Orsi, Marj Phillips, Una Reynolds, George Rowen, Ann Smith, Sheila Tabor, Lorraine Laher Storfer, Mary Weatherstone.

## PARISH ROSTERS

Reader	Prayers	Cleaning
11/01	S Heath	TBA
18/01	M Slagter	S Heath
25/01	TBA	K Hammat

## PRIEST ROSTER

11/01 Fr Francis Showri



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## 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.'

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## DID YOU KNOW?

- The Jordan River runs the length of Israel, from north of the Sea of Galilee to the Dead Sea in the south, and is the lifeblood of the land.
- The exact site of the baptism of Jesus by John is unknown, but the traditional site is at el-Maghtas, about ten and a half kilometres north of the point where the river enters the Dead Sea.
- The word baptism comes from a Greek word meaning 'to plunge'.
- The first Christians were baptised by being plunged into running streams or rivers, following the practice of John. Later, large fonts were built in churches, and baptism of the faithful, usually adults, was by full immersion.

## EXPLORING THE WORD

This text introduces Jesus in the first public moment of his adult life. It is significant that the public mission of Jesus begins with his baptism. He has made decisions about his future action, which begins with a long and arduous journey spanning the length of Israel from Galilee to the deep south. This is not a random act. Jesus makes that journey with a single purpose: 'to be baptised by John.' In light of Matthew's presentation of Jesus as the fulfilment and perfection

of all that is good in Israel, the conversation between these two figures is fascinating. The Baptist recognises Jesus' greater role in God's plan. He has played the part of the Old Testament prophet in preparing the way. Now that the main player has appeared on the stage, is it not fitting that the Baptist bows out of the action? But Jesus is aware of a bigger picture and insists that things remain as they are 'for the time being' so that the demands of righteousness can be satisfied. Both Jesus and John show an openness to accept God's plan, and in reward, God himself enters the story with words of affirmation and love for the Chosen One. Heaven and earth have met in the person of Jesus.

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## LIVING THE WORD

Like Jesus, every Christian enters the waters of baptism, or have them poured over them. The symbolism, especially apparent in the practice of full immersion, is that of the tomb. The person enters into the depths and darkness of the tomb and rises to a new life in Christ, symbolised by the white garment worn at baptism. This symbolism also recalls our physical birth from the waters of the womb. In baptism, we are reborn into the life of faith.

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## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(12 - 18 January)

- **Monday, 12:** Weekday Ord Time 1 (1 Sam 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20 )
- **Tuesday, 13:** Weekday Ord Time 1 (1 Sam 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28 )
- **Wednesday, 14:** Weekday Ord Time 1 (1 Sam 3:1-10; Mk 1:29-39)
- **Thursday, 15:** Weekday Ord Time 1 (1 Sam 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45)
- **Friday, 16:** Weekday Ord Time 1 (1 Sam 8:4-7, 10-22; Mk 2:1-12)
- **Saturday, 17:** St Anthony (1 Sam 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1; Mk 2:13-17)
- **Sunday 18:** 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34)

## PASTORAL CARE

If you need a priest for anointing prior to medical treatment, or if you are ill (not necessarily life-threatening) or for last rites please contact: (08) 8210 8155 or in an emergency 0417 080 955.