

Baptism of the Lord

1st Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 10, 2021



Gospel of Mark 1:7-11

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed:

“One mightier than I is coming after me.

I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals.

I have baptized you with water;

he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

It happened in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John.

On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him.

And a voice came from the heavens,

“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

1. Consider the words “this is my Beloved Son, in whom I well pleased.” If your parent said that to you, what feelings would that conjure up inside?
2. Have you ever considered that this same sentiment is how God the Father considers you?
3. Why did Jesus go through this Baptism?
4. For the unbaptized, what gifts of Baptism do you look forward to? For the baptized, what baptism gifts/graces do you cherish?

