

Baptism of the Lord
January 12, 2025

FAITH @ HOME

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First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 29: 1-2, 3-4, 3: 9-10
Second Reading: Acts 10: 34-38
Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

[Full Readings can be found here!](#)

1. HEAR

Grab your bible and look up the reading. Don't have one? No worries you can find the text [HERE](#).

As an alternative to reading the Gospel, you can watch a short video with the proclamation for adults by clicking [HERE](#).

The children can also watch a video proclamation of the Gospel by clicking [HERE](#).

2. PRAY

Gather all the people in the home (family and friends) around your prayer space. If not already present, place a nice glass bowl with water, the bible and a lighted white candle on the table where you have your prayer space. (You may also create a prayer space with those symbols mentioned aforehand for this reflection.)

Invite all to recite together a prayer of blessing over the water they have on the prayer space. While all pray aloud, someone in the household can hold the lighted candle with their hands.

Lord our God, in your mercy help us recall the wondrous work of our creation and the still greater work of our redemption, by graciously blessing this water. For you created water to make the fields fruitful and to refresh and cleanse our bodies.

By the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan, you have renewed our lives in the bath of regeneration and new life. Therefore, may this water be for us a memorial of the Baptism we have received, and a sharing in the gladness of our brothers and sisters who at Easter will receive their Baptism. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Now, invite each person in the household to bless one another by making the sign of the cross on their foreheads, using the water that has just been blessed. (Important: at the end of the gathering, put the rest of the blessed water on a plant or in your garden.)

3. TALK



Share with your family or a trusted friend:

What does it mean for you to be baptized?

Why is it meaningful to you? Or why is it not?

What does it mean for you that through baptism you...

- became a part of God's family?
- became a Child of God?
- are saved?

Share with us how you are living out your faith at home. Use #LACatholicsBelieve and tag @LACatholics on social media.

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