

NUNC

The weekly handout for the parish of Upton cum Chalvey

10th January 2021: THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



Do you reject Satan? **I do.**

And all his works? **I do.**

And all his empty promises? **I do.**

Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty,
source of all being and life? **I do.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our
Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary was
crucified, died, and was buried, rose from the
dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the
Father? **I do.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy
Catholic church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting? **I do.**

If you are a newcomer, welcome to our worship. If you would like to stay in touch, please complete a contact sheet, which you can find at the back of the church. Give the sheet to one of the welcomers. Please note that the Covid sign-in sheet is entirely separate and will only be used by the NHS for track and trace purposes. You can also use the QR code, if you have the app.

Please take this sheet home with you.

Our mass is offered for those preparing for baptism

Our readings today point us to the mystery by which the Holy Spirit is conveyed to the believer through baptism. And so we pray:

For the church: May the church live in accordance with the promises of baptism.

For all Christians: May all who are baptized live in the Spirit

For our new rector: May the person chosen be somebody who is inspired by God.

For the nations: May the Spirit of God be poured on on the whole earth.

For our town: May we see the Spirit at work in our daily lives.

For the sick: May the Spirit give them healing and strength. Especially we remember Liz Kill, John Lane, Clive Gumbs, Julie Gerrish, Barbara Hillier, Gary, Michael Knight, Lyn Walker, Grace Gaskell, Rachel, Bella Bent, Dawn, Vicky Fairbrother, Mike Wright, Ronnie, Dorothy Smith, Jim Lindop, Anna Holmes, Doreen Sharpe, Melanie. We also remember those who are shielding, and unable to join us for worship.

For the departed: May the Spirit give them life.

Especially we remember Dennis Page, Marie Argent, and Dave Perkins who have died recently.

NEWS AND NOTES

Nunc? Why Nunc? It's the Latin for **now**... so it tells us what's on our minds right now. And it's not the mag (ask the organist!)

Worship: Although many churches have closed, we are continuing to worship so that we can participate as fully as possible in the sacramental life of the church. Please help this to continue by maintaining social distance, by sanitizing your hands, by covering your face (masks are available if you have forgotten yours), and by dispersing as quickly as possible at the end of worship. Please leave the laminated sheets in your seats when you leave, to help those sanitizing after worship. The churchwardens of the parish have decided that cash collections will be divided equally between the churches. If you wish to support a particular church please use an envelope.

Forthcoming meetings: The DCC of St Laurence's meets tomorrow (Monday 11th), and the PCC will meet on 18th January both at 7.30pm. All meetings in the parish are currently being held online using Zoom.

Our websites: Please keep an eye on our websites for updates: stpetersslough.org.uk, stmarys-slough.org.uk, www.saint-laurence.com

