

Lectio Divina

- **Read and re-read**, out loud and slowly the Gospel
 - **Meditate** on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life
 - **Pray** - Thanksgiving - Repentance - Petition
 - **Action** - Attitude (Call to change / to act / to do)
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January 7th 2018 Sunday Baptism of Our Lord - Year B - Mark 1: 7-11

Jesus wanted to be baptised. The river Jordan was a great river in Palestine, near Jerusalem and he decided this is where he would be baptised. It was no ordinary baptism, it was a baptism of repentance and for the forgiveness of sins. It was the moment that he joined in fellowship with those who were receiving baptism from John. In the same way he is in fellowship with us. By our baptism we are called to shape our lives as Jesus did, by practicing mercy, peace, justice and liberation to our family, friends and community. How do we do this in our lives?

Prayer:

Lord we thank you for the gift of our Baptism and for the privilege of knowing that Your favour rests with us when we put our trust in You.

Forgive us for the times that we were so full of our own importance and status that we lost out on great moments of grace You gave to us.

Help us to become more aware of the knowledge and truth that draws us closer to you when we live as Baptised people of God with the Holy Spirit as our guide.

