



**St John  
Vianney**  
Parish Morisset



**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD YEAR C SUNDAY 09 JANUARY 2022**

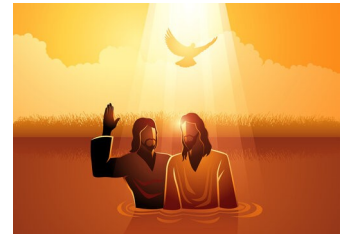
*Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord, which is the final day of the Christmas season.*

*Can you remember your baptism? Not many of us can, because most of us were baptised as infants. In the early church it was adults who were baptised. Only later did it become common to baptise infants.*

*Baptism is not initiation into an exclusive club of rights and privileges. Baptism is initiation into Christ. We “put on Christ.” That is a call and a way of life, not a membership.*

*At baptism we were pointed in a very specific direction. In baptism we are called to share in the life of God, and are called to love one another. God wants us to have life, life in abundance.*

*The ultimate question for a Christian is: Am I being true to the direction in which I was pointed at baptism?*



We Acknowledge the traditional owners of this land the Awabakal Peoples. And pay our respects to the elders past and present, and any that may be with us today.

**PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM:**

Foundation	Leader	In Office
1. Identity and Community		
2. Worship and Prayer.	Uta France	Mon
3. Formation and Education		
4. Mission and Outreach.		
5. Leadership and Structure.	John France & Juliet Hutchins	Sat & Sun Tues

If you have any concerns or questions you can also talk to any member of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) who are: Mal and Pam Melvey, Kerry Lendon, and Rod Hay.

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(Please submit all Bulletin Notice requests to the parish office by 2pm Wednesdays)

**Email the Parish Office to Subscribe for an Electronic Bulletin .**

**UPCOMING WORSHIP TIMES :**

Sunday	9th January 9.30am Liturgy— Morisset
Tuesday	11th January 9.30am Mass— Morisset
Sunday	16th January 9.30am Mass— Morisset
Tuesday	11th January 9.30am Mass— Morisset

Due to still requiring to Physical Distance you need to Register your place via the Book for Services button on the Parish Website, or the Eventbrite App or Website:

<http://vianneymorisset.eventbrite.com> to guarantee yourself a seat.

**CHECK-IN**

Everyone is required to electronically check-in via the Service App using a QR Code when they come to the Church or any Service held by the Parish, or have someone do it for them.

**MASKS ENCOURAGED**

Everyone over the age of 12 is encouraged by NSW Health to wear a Mask that covers the nose and mouth indoors or while waiting to come inside.

### **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

The Parish Office will be closed from 2pm on Friday 24th December 2021 and will re-open at 9am on Monday 10th January 2022. You are still able to call the Parish Office where your call will be redirected to a member of the Parish Leadership Team. We ask that you limit your calls to emergencies and booking in for services only.

**Keep up to date with all the Diocese Events and News at:**  
<https://mnnews.today/>

### **Reflection-The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. -2022**

Today we celebrate the Feast of The Baptism of the Lord. This Feast brings us to the end of the Christmas season.

The start of a New Year brings hope and excitement! An opportunity to start afresh and with a renewed focus. But, before we focus on what the new year might bring, it is often wise for us to reflect on the one we left behind.

Not everyone came through 2021 as they would have liked. Our ability to hold liturgies etc was, interrupted and restricted. Thank you to the parishioners who have supported the parish with your assistance in helping us hold Mass/Liturgies, Covid safe, although in a restricted and limited capacity, to comply with NSW Health orders. The pandemic has highlighted how vulnerable and interconnected everyone is. If we do not take care of one another, starting with the least, and those who are most impacted.

In reflecting on Jesus' baptism, we are also invited to reflect on our own. Most of us remember our birthdays and celebrate them throughout the years. But how many of us even remember, the day of our baptism, when we were incorporated into the life of Christ and the Church? At baptism we were pointed in a very specific direction. Jesus, too, came to realise his calling, and he accepted it, when he stepped into the River Jordan to be baptised. He was called to give his life for others. At baptism, we, too, are called as God's own.

Christ instituted baptism as the gateway to the life of Christian discipleship. Thus, the Christian way of discipleship begins in baptism, and it is the fundamental vocation in which the Church's mission and ministry find full meaning.

Pope Francis wants us to go to the margins, to stay close to those on the edges of life and to be that Church which is bruised, hurt, and soiled, because it has been out on the streets and immersed in the coalface realities.

Today, we are challenged to embrace the path of authentic Christian discipleship based on the teaching and example of Christ. The sexual abuse crisis has highlighted a Church culture that is far from the vulnerability and powerlessness that Jesus enacted. We are a battered Church in Australia, and one that is under siege. We can easily feel overwhelmed by the challenges and the negative things around us. Nevertheless, our call is not to

go back to the known securities of the past. It is to risk new frontiers of engagement and accompaniment. We cannot regain our moral credibility without first reclaiming the innocence and powerlessness of Jesus and making it the cornerstone of all that we do and all that we are.

Today as we reflect upon Jesus' Baptism, let us reflect upon our own, praying for a deeper realisation of what it means to be consecrated to God and anointed by his Spirit.

Let us also pray for those whom we have brought to the Church's baptismal font, especially if we have taken on the profound commitment of being a godparent. Let us all, whoever we are, and each in his or her own state of life, renew our commitment to carry on the mission of Jesus

The ultimate question for a Christian is: Am I being true to the direction in which I was pointed at baptism?

John France.

### **HELLO HUNTER, IS HERE TO SUPPORT YOU!**

Hello Hunter is an initiative that partners with churches to mobilise volunteers to help people in need, regardless of their faith background, commitment, or other social standing or identity. It is for people in the Hunter Region experiencing loneliness and or social isolation. Volunteers are available to make a friendly call, deliver essentials, assist in finding specialised help, and pray with you on request. Hello Hunter is available for any person experiencing hardship due to social isolation, poverty, disease, disability, illness, age, mental health, family, social, or other community network breakdown. You can call Hello Hunter on 4948 6837, send a Facebook message, email [help@hellohunter.org.au](mailto:help@hellohunter.org.au) or fill out the online 'Help Request' form at [info.hellohunter.org.au](http://info.hellohunter.org.au)

**The recent Plenary Council survey** has shown that the church in Australia is at a crossroad. If we do not take seriously the Scriptural directive to pass on to our fellow Australians our faith in God, our nation will become ignorant of the fact that a God who loves and forgives even exists. The time has come to give priority to the proclamation of the Good News from God, over all other activities. How we deal with certain issues will determine the course of our church in the years ahead. So, this weekend, let us continue to create a version of the Kingdom of God under the Southern Cross of which we can proudly sing. Australians All, let us rejoice recent Plenary Council survey has shown that the church in Australia is at a crossroad. If we do not take seriously the Scriptural directive to pass on to our fellow Australians our faith in God, our nation will become ignorant of the fact that a God who loves and forgives even exists. The time has come to give priority to the proclamation of the Good News from God, over all other activities. How we deal with certain issues will determine the course of our church in the years ahead.

## **CATHOLIC CUSTOMS AND TRADITIONS.**

**Lent.** The whole church goes on retreat for six weeks, about a month and a half after the Christmas season. It prepares for Easter and new life.

Ash Wednesday officially begins Lent. (This year **2<sup>nd</sup> March**). While the emphasis today is on voluntary Lenten practices, direction still comes from the historical evolution of Lent with its emphasis on baptism, personal conversion, penance and the suffering and death of Jesus. A rather severe Lenten discipline of fasting and abstinence remained in force until 1966. The emphasis today is on positive aspects of discipline and good works.

**Faith Matters** | Share your story Each fortnight Faith Matters aims to explore individuals and communities rich experience of their faith. We invite you to share your faith story. Everyone has a story. No matter how ordinary yours may seem, we all have a story to tell and you never know what it can mean to someone until you share it. You could use the following questions as a guide. • Who are the people who guided your faith journey? How did they do that? • Describe some defining moments of your faith journey? What made them significant? • How has your faith been reflected in your work, your hobbies, your values, your choices, and your priorities at various times

in your life? • In what ways has your faith guided and supported you over your lifetime? How has your church/faith community guided and supported you? We hope to use the stories as part of a Faith Matters. For more information or if you would like to be interviewed, please contact [rose.mcallister@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:rose.mcallister@mn.catholic.org.au) or send your story to [shareourstory@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:shareourstory@mn.catholic.org.au).

"Amoris Laetitia Family Year " 19 March 2021- 26 June 2022 The "Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love) Family Year" is an initiative of Pope Francis, which aims to reach every family around the world through several spiritual, pastoral and cultural

proposals that can be implemented within parishes, dioceses, universities, ecclesial movements and family associations. Over the course of ten monthly episodes, hear the Holy Father talk about each of the chapters of the Apostolic Exhortation Amoris Laetitia, along with the testimonies of different families who will share some aspects of their daily lives. This initiative is a joint collaboration between the Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life and Vatican News, and aims to facilitate the reading of the Apostolic Exhortation, with the aid of downloadable material prepared for personal and community reflection. To access this resource: <http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia/iniziativa-e-risorsa/10-video-amoris-laetitia.html>

## **LITURGICAL YEAR C- THE GOSPEL OF LUKE:**

The four Gospels in our Christian Scriptures all tell of the ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus.

Each Gospel has its own flavour and vision and each were written at a different time and community.

This year we are in Year C and we draw on the wisdom of the Gospel of Luke. Fr George Smiga is a nationally recognised author and lecturer in Scripture and Homiletics and he poses that there are three main themes in the Gospel of Luke.

From Luke's perspective they are: **WORLD-AFFIRMATION, WEALTH AND THE SALVATION OF THE POOR.**

### **WORLD-AFFIRMATION:**

Throughout history, and even today, Christians have adopted various attitudes to the world that we live in. The reality is, that it is God's creation and it can be seen positively as a place of grace, where we encounter God and grow in God's love, OR, it can be seen negatively as a place of sin and damnation and the enemy of the Gospel. Some writings speak that way- opposing the way of the faith to "the world".

The Gospel of Luke pulls in the direction of affirming the world. It is both God's creation and the space where history and human action happens. In Luke's time the Roman Empire was the reality and structure of political space. It was neither evil or sin, it just was the reality in his time. It was the context in which his Gospel was preached. Luke saw that Christianity was compatible with the culture and reality of his day.

In Luke's Gospel he makes a point of placing the narrative precisely in a set time and place, with known people and events for example in the Bethlehem narrative.

*"In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled.*

*This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David. (Luke 2:1-4)"*

The names of Caesar Augustus and Quirinius lock Jesus' birth into a specific moment of human history.

Luke uses the same approach when John the Baptist appeared and Jesus began his ministry, and also at his death. He places all the events in the reality of the time. Jesus' life was not lived in a forgotten corner, Luke places him firmly on the world's stage.

The world is the arena of God's grace.

To be continued.....

**HOW NEW WHS LAWS AFFECT US**

Under the New WHS Laws regarding managing the risk of COVID-19 we are required to maintain physical distancing of 1.5m between seated persons who do not live together, on each row. This means that everyone needs to sit in the marked spots as directed by our ushers, we are also unable to kneel due to this requirement.

We also must have safe hygiene practices, cleaning and disinfecting high traffic areas and shared surfaces. This means that we need people to sanitise their hands upon entry, directly before communion and when asked to by a COVID Safety Team Member, Parish Leadership or Staff. There is also to be no communion from the Chalice or on the tongue. We also need to clean after each service.

**SUPPORTING OUR PARISH**

We thank everyone who has continued their support for our Parish during these very different times. As cash is deemed a transmission hazard by NSW Health they recommend that donations and payments be made electronically.

There is an online parish payments button on the Parish Website Home page or alternatively you can deposit directly into the Parish Account our details are: Account Name: CDF 96014 Morisset Parish BSB:062815 Account Number: 00328161 Ref: 5004 2nd Collection or 5004 PG and Giver Number.

**SUPPORTING THE DIOCESE CLERGY**

If you would like to make contributions to support the Diocese Clergy / 1st Collection the Bank Account Details are: Account Name: CDF 96020 Morisset Presbytery BSB: 062815 Account Number 00328161 Ref: 5016 1st Collection

<b><u>WEEKEND ROSTERS</u></b>			
		<b><u>THIS WEEK</u></b>	<b><u>NEXT WEEK</u></b>
<b><u>Presiders</u></b>	9.30	Liturgy	Mass
<b><u>PROCLAIMER:</u></b>	9.30	U France	J Hutchins
<b><u>PSALMIST:</u></b>	9.30	L Hutchinson	R Hay
<b><u>UNIVERSAL PRAYER</u></b>	9.30	L Hutchinson	R Hay
<b><u>SERVERS</u></b>	9.30	XXXX	V Paulo
<b><u>AV:</u></b>	9.30	T Alexander	M Foo
<b><u>SOUND/ VIDEO:</u></b>	9.30	G & L Hutchinson	G & L Hutchinson
<b><u>SIGN-IN</u></b>	9.30	K Amon J Vipan	L McRae L McRae
<b><u>USHERS</u></b>	9.30	K Lendon B Hutcheson	A Walker G Walker
<b><u>CLEANING</u></b>	9.30	COVID TEAM	COVID TEAM

**UPCOMING FEAST DAYS MEMORIALS AND SOLEMINITIES**

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD—9TH JANUARY  
 SAINT ANTHONY—17TH JANUARY  
 SAINT AGNES— 21ST JANUARY  
 SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES— 24TH JANUARY  
 CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL— 25TH JANUARY  
 SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS— 28TH JANUARY  
 SAINT JOHN BOSCO— 31ST JANUARY  
 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD—2ND FEBRUARY  
 SAINT AGATHA— 5TH FEBRUARY

**Please pray for those who are sick, in hospital or recovering at home:**

Ian Douglas, Maureen Phillips, Dan Joyce, Bruce Gillett , William Eggins, Robert Jay .Patricia Jones

**Please pray for those who have been called to eternal life may they always be in our prayers.**



**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE BULLETIN**

If you would like the parish to pray for a family member who is sick, recently deceased or you would like remembered please call or email the parish office or complete a prayer card for each person and place in the mail box near the parish office door. Cards are available at the back of the church and at the Parish Office.

All prayer requests require permission from a family member or the person. Due to Australian privacy laws.

**AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

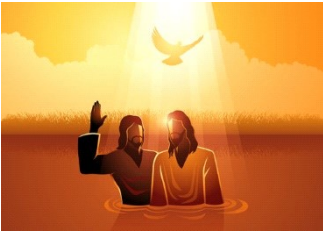
My Jesus,  
 I believe that You  
 are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
 I love You above all things,  
 and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
 Since I cannot at this moment  
 receive You sacramentally,  
 come at least spiritually into my heart.  
 I embrace You as if You were already there and unite  
 myself wholly to You.  
 Never permit me to be separated from You.  
 Amen.



**Live stream Mass every Sunday at 9.30am at <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream/>**







# SUNDAY PRAYER SERVICE

The Baptism of the Lord Year C

Sunday 09 Jan 2022

## The Introductory Rites

### Gathering

The Lectionary/Roman Missal or a Bible may be placed on a table together with a candle and a cross.

### Sign of the Cross

Leader:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All:

**Amen.**

### Greeting

Leader:

Blessed be Jesus who makes us one,  
and strengthens us  
by the power of his Spirit.

All:

**Blessed be God forever.**

## Introductory Remarks

Leader (in these or similar words):

Friends in Christ,  
although we cannot celebrate the Eucharist this day,  
we gather in God's name  
for when two or more come together  
God is always with us.

We worship in union with the whole Church  
keeping this day of the Lord holy.

## Opening Rite

### LITANY OF PRAISE

Leader:

Before listening to the Word of God  
let us praise the Lord Jesus Christ.

A brief period of silence follows.

Leader:

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and Prince of Peace: Lord, have mercy.

**All: Lord have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are son of God and Son of Mary: Christ, have mercy.

**All: Christ have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are word made flesh and splendour of the Father: Lord, have mercy.

**All: Lord have mercy.**

Leader:

May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life.

All:

**Amen.**

## Opening Prayer

Leader:

Let us pray.

All pause for silent prayer.

Almighty ever-living God,  
who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan  
and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him,  
solemnly declared him your beloved Son,  
grant that your children by adoption,  
reborn of water and the Holy Spirit,  
may always be well pleasing to you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

All:

**Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading

**Is 40:1-5. 9-11**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it.*

‘Console my people, console them’  
says your God.

‘Speak to the heart of Jerusalem  
and call to her  
that her time of service is ended,  
that her sin is atoned for,

that she has received from the hand of the Lord  
double punishment for all her crimes.'

A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness  
a way for the Lord.

Make a straight highway for our God  
across the desert.

Let every valley be filled in,  
every mountain and hill be laid low,  
let every cliff become a plain,  
and the ridges a valley;  
then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed  
and all mankind shall see it;  
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.'

Go up on a high mountain,  
joyful messenger to Zion.  
Shout with a loud voice,  
joyful messenger to Jerusalem.

Shout without fear,  
say to the towns of Judah,  
'Here is your God.'

Here is the Lord coming with power,  
his arm subduing all things to him.  
The prize of his victory is with him,  
his trophies all go before him.  
He is like a shepherd feeding his flock,  
gathering lambs in his arms,  
holding them against his breast  
and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

To indicate the end of the reading, the reader acclaims:

The word of the Lord.

All reply:

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 103:1-2. 3-4. 24-25. 27-30. R. v.1**

**(R.) Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!**

1. Lord God, how great you are,  
clothed in majesty and glory,  
wrapped in light as in a robe!  
You stretch out the heavens like a tent. **(R.)**
2. Above the rains you build your dwelling.  
You make the clouds your chariot,  
you walk on the wings of the wind,  
you make the winds your messengers  
and flashing fire your servants. **(R.)**

3. How many are your works, O Lord!  
In wisdom you have made them all.  
The earth is full of your riches.  
There is the sea, vast and wide,  
with its moving swarms past counting,  
living things great and small. **(R.)**
4. All of these look to you  
to give them their food in due season.  
You give it, they gather it up:  
you open your hand, they have their fill. **(R.)**
5. You take back your spirit, they die,  
returning to the dust from which they came.  
You send forth your spirit, they are created;  
and you renew the face of the earth. **(R.)**

## Second Reading

**Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Titus

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good.

When the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

To indicate the end of the reading, the reader acclaims:

The word of the Lord.

All reply:

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel

Reader:

From the holy Gospel according to Luke.

All:

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Lk 3:15-16. 21-22**

*When Jesus had been baptised and had been praying, the heavens were opened and the Holy Spirit came upon him.*



A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.'

Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

Reader:

The Gospel of the Lord.

All:

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

All are seated.

## Reflection on the Word

A short period of reflection may be observed.

Q. Why might people have begun to think that John might be the Christ; the Messiah?

Q. What reasons can you suggest for why people had difficulty believing Jesus was the Messiah?

Q. What phrase or image from today's gospel captures your attention? Why?

Q. For whom do you need to give reassurance that your 'favour' rests on them?

## Profession of Faith

Leader:

In union with the whole Church  
let us profess our faith.

All:

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,**

At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow.

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I 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. Amen.

## Prayers of the Faithful

Leader: Renewed by the Word, let us turn to God and offer prayer for those in need.

Reader: That the Church be an instrument of the Holy Spirit and faithfully proclaim the good news.

(pause)

In your goodness:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That all peoples will be bound together in peace.

(pause)

In your goodness:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That those who are broken and suffering will be renewed by Christ's saving love.

(pause)

In your goodness:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That this community, enlightened by Christ and filled with the Spirit will live out our baptismal calling as disciples of Jesus.

(pause)

In your goodness:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That young people beginning their working lives may find Jesus as a role model of justice and righteousness.

(pause)

In your goodness:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That the Lord will bless all the sick with peace, especially those in our community and families.

(pause)

In your goodness:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That all those who have died will be given the life promised to those born again of water and the Spirit, especially those in our community and families.

(pause)

In your goodness:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: God of all creation, your favour rests upon your beloved Son, the anointed one. Hear our prayers and send your Spirit that, like Jesus, we may be instruments of your goodness and truth. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Leader:

At the Saviour's command  
and formed by divine teaching,  
we dare to say:

All:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## The Concluding Rite

### Blessing

Leader:

May the Lord be with us  
and protect us  
now and for ever.

All make the sign of the cross during the blessing.

All:

**Amen.**

### Dismissal

Leader:

Let us go in peace.

All:

**Thanks be to God.**

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