In Communion with the Saints
May he make of us an eternal offering to you, so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect, especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her Spouse with your blessed Apostles and glorious Martyrs, with Saint *N*: *patron saint* and with all the Saints, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unfailing help.

Intercessions: For the Church
May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity your pilgrim Church on earth, with your servant *N.* our Pope and *N.* our Bishop, the Order of Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you have gained for your own.

For the Living
Listen graciously to the prayers of this family, whom you have summoned before you: in your compassion, O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the world.

For the Departed Souls
To our departed brothers and sisters and to all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom. There we hope to enjoy for ever the fullness of your glory through Christ our Lord, through whom you bestow on the world all that is good.

Concluding Doxology
Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours,
for ever, and ever. **Amen.**

Communion Rite ***STAND***

The Lord's Prayer
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.
Priest:
Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant us peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
People:
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Sign Of Peace
Priest : Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.
People : ***Amen***
Priest : The peace of the Lord be with you always
People : ***And with your Spirit***
Priest : Let us offer each other the sign of peace

Breaking of the Bread
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Grant us peace.

Reception of Communion ***KNEEL***
Priest : Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
People : ***Lord, I am not worthy***
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.
Priest : The body of Christ.
Answer : **Amen**
Priest : The blood of Christ.
Answer : **Amen**

Communion

Prayer after Communion
[Children in Truth] ***STAND***
Nourished with these sacred gifts, we humbly entreat your mercy, O Lord, that, faithfully listening to your Only Begotten Son, we may be your children in name and in truth. Through Christ our Lord. **R/ Amen.**

General Announcements ***SIT***

Blessing ***STAND***
At his baptism in the Jordan Jesus was invested with his mission of bringing God's liberating love to people. The Spirit guided him to carry out that mission in uncompromising faithfulness.
R/ Amen.
At our baptism with water and the Spirit, we have received the mission to live like Jesus, to go about doing good as he did, to be faithful and just to God and to people. **R/ Amen.**
May the God in whose name we have been baptized protect, guide and bless you for this task: the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit. **R/ Amen.**
Let us go in the name of the Lord.
R/ Thanks be to God.

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD < C

Feast

January 11-12, 2025

MC: Greeting

Entrance song ***STAND***

Introduction by the Celebrant

ENTRANCE ANT. ***[Beloved Son]***
After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

Penitential Act
It is not easy to live up always
to the challenges of our baptism.
Let us seek the Lord's pardon
for the times we failed:

(pause)

Lord Jesus, faithful servant,
God's spirit was upon you
to bring true justice to the nations:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Jesus Christ,
you do not break the crushed reed
nor extinguish the wavering flame:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord Jesus, light of the nations,
you were sent to open the eyes of the blind
and to free captives from prison:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Have mercy on us, Lord,
forgive us all our sins
and make us a free people.
Lead us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Glory to God in the highest

C: **Collect** ***[Children by Adoption]***
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. **R/ Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word ***SIT***

First Reading *Is 40:1-5, 9-11*
[Promise of Salvation]
Isaiah's central message is an announcement of salvation for the people of God. He reveals God as a Shepherd-King, attracting and ever caring for his people.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah
Comfort, give comfort to my people,
says your God.
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to
her that her service is at an end,
her guilt is expiated;
indeed, she has received from the hand of the
Lord double for all her sins.
A voice cries out:
In the desert prepare the way of the Lord!
Make straight in the wasteland a highway
for our God!
Every valley shall be filled in,
every mountain and hill shall be made low;
the rugged land shall be made a plain,
the rough country, a broad valley.
Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together;
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.
Go up onto a high mountain,
Zion, herald of glad tidings;
cry out at the top of your voice,
Jerusalem, herald of good news!
Fear not to cry out
and say to the cities of Judah:
Here is your God!
Here comes with power
the Lord God,
who rules by a strong arm;
here is his reward with him,
his recompense before him.
Like a shepherd he feeds his flock;
in his arms he gathers the lambs,
carrying them in his bosom,
and leading the ewes with care.
The word of the Lord.
R/ Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 104*
[Creator and Redeemer]
R./ O bless the Lord, my soul.
O Lord, my God, you are great indeed!
you are clothed with majesty and glory,
robed in light as with a cloak.
You have spread out the heavens like a
tent-cloth. **(R.)**
You have constructed your palace upon the waters.
You make the clouds your chariot;
you travel on the wings of the wind.
You make the winds your messengers,
and flaming fire your ministers. **(R.)**
How manifold are your works, O Lord!
In wisdom you have wrought them all-
the earth is full of your creatures;
the sea also, great and wide,

in which are schools without number
of living things both small and great. **(R.)**

They look to you to give them food in due time. When you give it to them, they gather it; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. **(R.)**

If you take away their breath, they perish and return to the dust. When 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*
[Called through Baptism]

Paul proclaims that the "grace of God has appeared" in Christ. This has set us on the road to salvation by giving us gifts from God, especially Baptism, and by calling us to lead lives dedicated to Christ.

A reading from the Letter of Paul to Titus

Beloved: The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

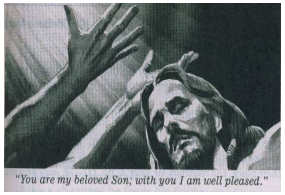
When the kindness and generous love
of God our savior appeared,
not because of any righteous deeds we had
done but because of his mercy,
he saved us through the bath of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit,
whom he richly poured out on us
through Jesus Christ our savior,
so that we might be justified by his grace
and become heirs in hope of eternal life.

The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

Alleluia *Cf. Lk 3:16*
[Baptism with the Spirit] ***STAND***

R/ Alleluia, alleluia.
John said: One mightier than I is coming;
he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.
R/ Alleluia, alleluia.



Gospel *Lk 3:15-16, 21-22* ***[Beloved Son]***

The Spirit of God is seen coming upon Christ. The words of Isaiah are beginning to be fulfilled.

R/ The Lord be with you.
R/ And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.
R/ Glory to you, O Lord

The people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily ***SIT***

I believe in God ***STAND***

General Intercessions

With gratitude in our hearts for the gift of baptism, let us turn to the Father and pray:

(Pause)

For our Bishops and Pastors: that they may be true shepherds, immersed in the needs of their flocks, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear your people.

For all those to be baptized, especially those preparing for baptism this year: that they will find in the sacrament joy, peace, hope, and faith, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear your people.

For us and all our Christian communities, that the eucharist may strengthen in us the gifts of the Holy Spirit and make us ever more faithful to our vocation as God's beloved children, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear your people.**

Lord Jesus, You are the head of the Church, we humbly seek Your providence of the St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish, the grace to live our baptismal promises with fervour and deeper authenticity and to be the Light to the nations. Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear your people.

We pray for those intentions offered for the Mass and for our personal intentions …

(Pause)

Let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear your people.

Lord our God, you have called us to become new when we were baptized. Forgive us our cowardice and keep renewing us through your Spirit, that we may have the courage to go with Christ all the way, for he is your Son and our Lord for ever. **Amen.**

Offertory hymn ***SIT***

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Bread
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you:
fruit of the earth and work of human hands,
it will become for us the bread of life.
All : ***Blessed be God for ever.***

Preparation of the Wine
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you:
fruit of the vine and work of human hands,
it will become our spiritual drink.
All : ***Blessed be God for ever.***

Invitation To Prayer ***STAND***

Priest : Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People : May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Holy Church

Prayer over the Offerings
[Christ's Revelation] ***STAND***

Accept, O Lord, the offerings we have brought to honor the revealing of your beloved Son, so that the oblation of your faithful may be transformed into the sacrifice of him who willed in his compassion to wash away the sins of the world. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **R/Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer ***STAND***

Introductory Dialogue
The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts
We lift them up to the Lord
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just

Preface ***[New Gift of Baptism]***

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For in the waters of the Jordan you revealed with signs and wonders a new Baptism, so that through the voice that came down from heaven we might come to believe in your Word dwelling among us, and by the Spirit's descending in the likeness of a dove we might know that Christ your Servant has been anointed with the oil of gladness and sent to bring the good news to the poor.

And so, with the Powers of heaven, we worship you constantly on earth, and before your majesty without end we acclaim:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts....

Eucharistic Prayer No.3 ***KNEEL***

Praise to the Father
You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

Invocation of the Holy Spirit
Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration that they may become the Body and ✠ Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

The Lord's Supper
For on the night he was betrayed he himself took bread, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and eat of it,
for this is my Body,
which will be given up for you.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it,
for this is the chalice of my Blood,
the Blood of the new and eternal covenant,
which will be poured out for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in memory of me.

Memorial Acclamation
Priest : The mystery of faith.
All : When we eat this Bread
and drink this cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

The Memorial Prayer
Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven, and as we look forward to his second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice.

Invocation of the Holy Spirit
Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church and, recognizing the sacrificial Victim by whose death you willed to reconcile us to yourself, grant that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son and filled with his Holy Spirit, may become one body, one spirit in Christ.