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4th Sunday After Epiphany

February 2, 2020

8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, Healing Service & Baptism

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional: *Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah* #565 HB

The Greeting Fr. Simon Pg.151

Children's Time: Fr. Simon

The Collect of the Day (Prayer of the Day)

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for you have sent us your salvation. Inspire us by your Holy Spirit to recognize him who is the glory of Israel and the light for all nations, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: MALACHI 3:1-4

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF MALACHI

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts.

But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Psalm: 84

REFRAIN: Happy are the people whose strength is in you!

How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. **R**

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Happy are they who dwell in your house! they will always be praising you. Happy are the people whose strength is in you! whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way. **R**

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water. They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion. Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob. **R**

Behold our defender, O God; and look upon the face of your Anointed. For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked. **R**

For the Lord God is both sun and shield; he will give grace and glory; No good thing will the Lord withhold from those who walk with integrity. O Lord of hosts, happy are they who put their trust in you! **R**

Second Reading: Hebrews 2:14-18

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death.

For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore, he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
ACCORDING TO LUKE

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah.

Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too." There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher.

She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Gradual: Alleluia

Sermon: Fr. Simon

(Time allowed for Silent Reflection.)

BAPTISM SERVICE:

Presentation of the Candidate for Baptism

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Celebrant: The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented
Parents: **We present *Gemma Honor May Lavender* to receive the sacrament of baptism.**

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Parents: **I will with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents: **I will, with God's help.**

Questions and Promises:

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Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: **I renounce them.**

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: **I renounce them.**

Question: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer: **I renounce them.**

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Answer: **I do.**

Question: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer: **I do.**

Question: Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Answer: I do.

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support **Gemma** in her life in Christ?

People: We will.

Prayers for the Candidate: Pg. 155

Celebrant: Let us now pray for **Gemma** who is to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Celebrant: Deliver Her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Open her hearts to your grace and truth.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Send her into the world in witness to your love.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

The Thanksgiving Over The Water Pg. 156

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your

Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptising them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant (said by all): Pg. 158

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of

sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the earth?

People: I will, with God's help."

THE BAPTISM:

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Celebrant: **Gemma**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Celebrant: I sign you with the cross and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Giving of the Light:

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Celebrant: Receive the light of Christ, to show you have passed from darkness to light.

People: **Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.**

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized, ***Gemma Honor May Lavender.***

People: **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

The Peace:

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: ***Now Thank We All Our God***

#399 HB

Prayer over the Gifts

Almighty God, accept the joyful offering of your Church, and grant that your Son may shine in us as the light that lightens every nation. We ask this in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer #2

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The Lord's Prayer:

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Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

People: **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 thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of Bread #6

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Lamb of God

THE COMMUNION

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| Communion | <i>Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent</i> | #48 HB |
| Hymns: | <i>Take My Life and Let it Be</i> | #435 HB |

Prayer after Communion

God for whom we wait, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon, who did not die till he had welcomed the Messiah. Complete in us your perfect will, that we in Christ may share in your eternal kingdom; for he is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

The Doxology

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever Amen. Amen.

The Blessing

Reminders: *Birthdays/Anniversaries/Announcements*

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| Recessional | <i>Love Divine</i> | #486 HB |
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The Dismissal

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Assisting Rev. Simon today:

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| Celebrant | | The Rev. Simon Bell |
| Preacher | | Rev. Simon Bell |
| Bread | | Fr. Simon, Margaret Paradis |
| Chalice | | Lorraine Chew, Doug Court |
| Anointers – 8:30 | | Carl Dicks |
| | 10:00 | Judy Ellis, Cheryl McPhee |
| Prayer Team: | | Fr. Michael & Beth Mouratidis |
| First Reading | | Joy Packham |
| Second Reading | | Kevin Hamann |
| Prayers | | Lorraine Chew |
| Gospel | | Margaret Paradis |
| Readings 8:30: | | Neil Purcell, Michelle Sinclair |
| Server: 8:30 | | Neil Purcell, Michelle Sinclair |
| | 10:00 | Beth Steffler, Sharon Zacchigna |
| Audio/Visual | | David Paradis |
| Music: | | Craig Snider |
| Chancel Ministry: | | Diane MacCormack |
| Sunday School: | | Eileen Cunningham, Sherrie Osmond |
| Sidespersons | | Maggie Prentice, Kevin Hamann |

This morning in our worship we remember in our prayers those of our family and friends who have immediate needs and concerns:

Marilyn; Linda; Don Flynn; Carrie Snow; Albert Balkwill & Family; Livia & Neil Purcell; Mary; Tucker; Jordan; Margie Mills; Marilyn F.; Nancy B.: Michael Cassin; Lorraine H; Joshua; Jane; Amy P. & Family; Margaret & Husband; Noah; Cathy & Robert; Robert Jessem; Brenda Jessem; Kathy & Brian; Karen Smithers; Bernard Lacey; Brian; Ken & Sheila; Barb Munshaw; Marg Abbott; Doug Shutter.

The names below are people in need of ongoing prayers for various reasons so we ask you to please continue to pray for them and their continuing need of God's healing touch and grace:

Eunice Merrett; Jay; Lorraine W; Adara; Jean Wallace; Nancy Dodds; Martin Bertelsen; Lee & Jeannie Martin; Bill & Cathy Gray; Wendy Goodyer; Michelle Sinclair & family; Donna Wilson; Garn Mennell; Gloria Connolly; Margaret & Gordon Kennedy; Keith Calendar; Paul & Rose McIntyre; Jim Tomkins; Do Saunders; Jefferson Jr.; Jack & June Osolin; Neil & Livia Purcell; Ian Sinclair; Stephen Bertelsen; Tanya Wade-Vargas.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for:

The Diocese of Simcoe County

In the Toronto Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for:

The Eglinton Deanery