



On Epiphany, we celebrate the Baptism of Our Lord by John on the Jordan River. John's baptism was for repentance and preparation for the Kingdom. Even though Jesus is the Most Holy he did go through it to institute the Mystery of Baptism as the first step of belonging to the Church. It is the day of our spiritual birth.

In the Gospel of this feast (Luke 3:15-22), we see the manifestation of the Most Holy Trinity. On the day of our baptism, we are anointed in the name of the Trinity. May we always recognize and cherish the honor bestowed on us.

This Epiphany, let us remember our mission as Christians, to spread the Word of God, the message of Salvation, and to be kind and generous to those in need.

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THE GLORIOUS EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

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Zechariah's son looked out at the crowds who came to him. Longing to be sanctified, they approached to be baptized. And when Jesus came, John cried:

“Behold the Lamb, Jesus Son of God!” He, who takes away all sins, humbly stood to be baptized.

The Father proclaimed: “This is my beloved Son!” And the Holy Spirit came from heaven's heights, resting on the head of Christ.

Sedro-Liturgy of the Word for the Glorious Epiphany of Our Lord

