SUNDAY GOSPEL STORIES

# At the River Jordan

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



**Sunday 10 January 2027**

Mark 1:7-11

A FAMILY BOOKLET

READ TOGETHER

# The Gospel story



John was baptising people at the Jordan. He told them that someone stronger than he was would come after him. John felt unworthy even to undo the straps of that person's sandals. He used water to baptise, but the one who was coming would baptise with the Holy Spirit.

Jesus travelled from Nazareth in Galilee to meet John. In the Jordan, John baptised him. As Jesus rose from the water, he saw the sky torn open and the Spirit coming down towards him like a dove.

A voice from heaven spoke to Jesus. The Father called him his beloved Son and told him how deeply pleased he was with him. At the river, Mark shows us Jesus, the Father's voice and the Holy Spirit together.

*An original retelling of Mark 1:7-11*

# Draw or write

## Who helps you remember you are loved by God?

Draw the Jordan with Jesus in the water. Add a dove in the sky and write one word you remember from the Father's words.

AT HOME

# Talk and pray

SAY TOGETHER

*Jesus, beloved Son of the Father, thank you for showing us God's love. Holy Spirit, help us share that love with others. Amen.*



WONDER TOGETHER

What did Jesus see and hear when he came up from the water?

TRY ONE THING

If you have a family baptism photo or candle, look at it together. Or find the baptismal font in church and ask a grown-up what it is used for.

Liturgy Office calendar

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