## "Feast of The Baptism of the Lord" Children's Liturgy Activity January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022



'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.' - Luke 3: 22

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16,21-22

In the gospel today, we see John the Baptist baptising in the River of Jordan. He was giving the baptism of Repentance. The crowd being fascinated by what John was doing and saying, began to expect him as the Messiah to come. Realizing this, John the Baptist declared and testified to the truth that, someone who is more powerful than him is coming, and he will baptize all with Holy Spirit and Fire. John humbled himself and said that he is not even worthy to untie his sandals. Jesus enters the scene and asks John to baptize him. Jesus, the son of God did not need baptism, but he asked John to baptize him to fulfill all plans of heaven. When Jesus was baptized and was praying, the heavens opened, the holy spirit descended upon him in the form of a dove and a voice was heard from heaven testifying to Jesus that 'HE was his Beloved son; upon on whom God's favour rests.'

When the crowd was fascinated by John and expected him to be the messiah, John the Baptist never boasted for what he was not? He never expected any recognitions. Instead, John stood up to testify to the truth. He declared the truth. He humbled and prepared the way for the real one. Like the crowd, do we sometimes get fascinated or get carried away? Or do we try to reach the reality and the truth through what we see or hear? Like John, do we humble ourselves to testify and make way for the truth, the real one? Or do we try to get recognitions for the things we do? Let us humble ourselves, prepare way and testify for the Truth, the real one. John the Baptist never forgot His mission. To prepare way for the powerful, real one by preparing peoples heart to receive him through repentance. John revealed that the one coming is more powerful and he will baptise with Holy Spirit and Fire. He testified to the Real one- the powerful one-in all things he did. John baptized Jesus to reveal him to the world. How was Jesus revealed through Baptism? What happened when Jesus was baptised? Heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended on him, like a dove and a voice came from heaven testifying that: Jesus is Gods beloved son and his favour rests on him.' FATHER IN HEAVEN TESTIFIED TO JESUS AS HIS BELOVED SON ON WHOM HIS FAVOR RESTS- HE IS THE POWERFUL ONE WHO BAPTISES EACH OF US WITH HOLY SPIRIT AND FIRE.

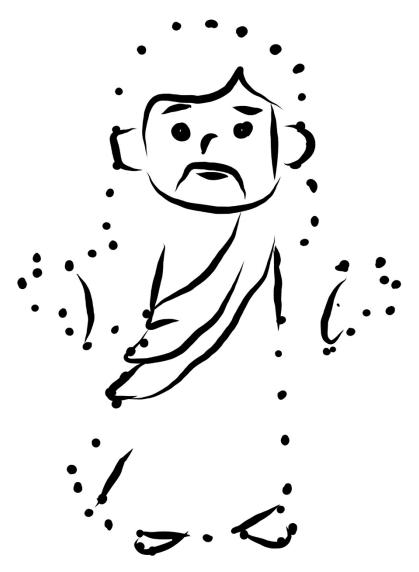
We are too baptized in the name of Father, son, and Holy Spirit. Do you remember your baptism? Ask your parents to narrate about your baptism. We are made children of God by Baptism. Are we living our call through Baptism? Are we living our mission as children of God? Let us not forget our mission. Let us reflect on Our Baptismal Call: 1. Live as a Child of God: by seeking his wish, obeying his word, trusting in him, and always seeking help of Holy Spirit and also to 2. Testify to Jesus (God's love) by our life: by sharing our faith, by loving one another as Jesus loved us, by living the gospel and bringing more children to God's love and thus preparing the hearts to receive Jesus in his second coming.

## Colour the given picture and complete the verses given. Something very important is missing in the picture, can you find it and draw it?

**CLUE: To get the answer unscramble the word 'SHOPLIRITY** 

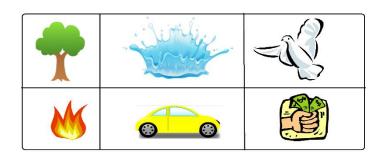


'Someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am'. Join the dots below to find out whom John was talking about.



Complete the following verses by sticking the right pictures from below.

'He will baptise you with the ----- and ------



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## Circle the right items needed for the Sacrament of Baptism.















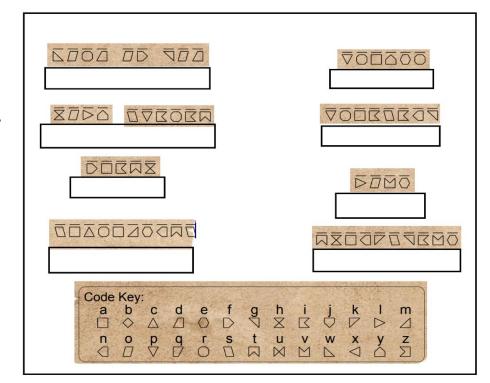






## **Our Baptismal Mission**

Crack the codes to find out the treasures to live our our Baptismal mission.



Let us pray,

Dear Lord Jesus, we thank you for coming down for us and taking all our sins away. Thank you for making us the children of God by your sacrifice and baptizing us in Holy Spirit and fire. Give us your grace to be humble and to live out our call in Baptism; by testifying to you, reflecting your love and preparing the whole world to receive you in your second coming.

In Jesus' name we pray, amen