

Sunday, 7 January 2024 – 11.00 am Solemn Mass (livestreamed) The Baptism of the Lord

Prelude

"To the thirsty I will give water without price from the fountain of life", Eleanor Daley

The Procession

Please stand when the bell is rung.

Deacon: Let us go forth in peace. Alleluia!

People: In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia!

Processional Hymn 56 ST EDMUND (Green New English Hymnal)

ST EDMUND 77 77 D Charles Steggall 1826–1905

SONGS of thankfulness and praise, Jesu, Lord, to thee we raise, Manifested by the star To the sages from afar; Branch of royal David's stem In thy birth at Bethlehem; Anthems be to thee addrest, God in Man made manifest.

- Manifest at Jordan's stream,
 Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
 And at Cana wedding-guest
 In thy Godhead manifest;
 Manifest in power divine,
 Changing water into wine;
 Anthems be to thee addrest,
 God in Man made manifest.
- Manifest in making whole
 Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
 Manifest in valiant fight,
 Quelling all the devil's might;
 Manifest in gracious will,
 Ever bringing good from ill;
 Anthems be to thee addrest,
 God in Man made manifest.
- 4* Sun and moon shall darkened be, Stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee; Christ will then like lightning shine, All will see his glorious sign; All will then the trumpet hear, All will see the Judge appear; Thou by all wilt be confest, God in Man made manifest.
- 5 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, Mirrored in thy holy word; May we imitate thee now, And be pure, as pure art thou; That we like to thee may be At thy great Epiphany, And may praise thee, ever blest, God in Man made manifest.

CHRISTOPHER WORDSWORTH 1807-85

The congregation is sprinkled with water as a reminder of our baptisms.

Station at the Font

Celebrant: There is one body and one Spir<u>it</u>.

People: There is one hope in God's call to us.

Celebrant: One Lord, one faith, one bap<u>tism</u>.

People: One God and Father <u>of</u> all.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who by the baptism of thine only-begotten Son hast been pleased to sanctify the streams of water for our regeneration: Grant that we who are born again of water and the Holy Spirit may cleave unto thy promises and receive eternal joy at thy right hand on high; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

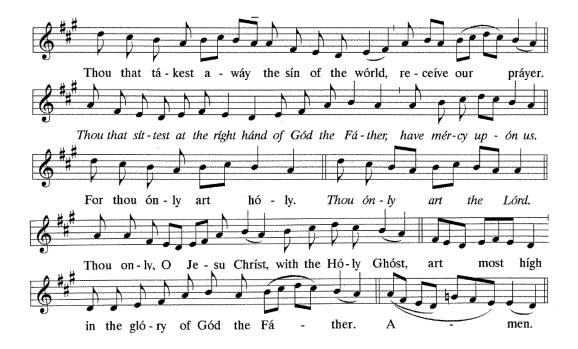
Introit

Thou hast loved righteousness, and hast hated iniquity; wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

Kyrie eleison *Missa brevis XI (Sancti Johannis Baptistae)*, Healey Willan *Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.*

Gloria in Excelsis MISSA DE ANGELIS (The choir sings the text in italics.)





Celebrant: Let us pray.

Please remain standing.

Almighty, everlasting God, who at the baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan didst anoint him with thy Holy Spirit and reveal him to be thy beloved Son: Grant unto us, who have been born of water and the Spirit, that we may be continually renewed in thine image, and rejoice to be called thy children; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Lector: The word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Thou hast loved righteousness, and hast hated iniquity. Wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness.

Second Reading Acts 19:1-7

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?' They replied, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.' Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.' Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.' On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

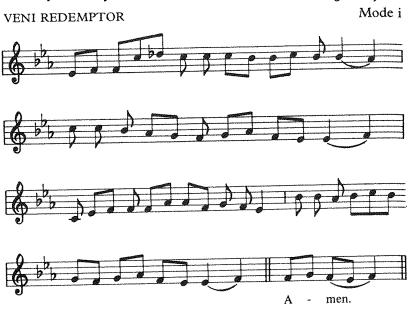
Lector: The word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

Alleluia. I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him. Alleluia.

Please stand.

Sequence Hymn 46 VENI REDEMPTOR (*Green New English Hymnal*)



Latin, Caelius Sedulius c 450 Tr Percy Dearmer 1867-1936 WHY, impious Herod, shouldst thou fear Because the Christ is come so near? He who doth heavenly kingdoms grant Thine earthly realm can never want.

- Lo, sages from the East are gone
 To where the star hath newly shone:
 Led on by light to Light they press,
 And by their gifts their God confess.
- The Lamb of God is manifest Again in Jordan's water blest, And he who sin had never known By washing hath our sins undone.
- 4 Yet he that ruleth everything
 Can change the nature of the spring,
 And gives at Cana this for sign—
 The water reddens into wine.
- Then glory, Lord, to thee we pay
 For thine Epiphany to-day;
 All glory through eternity
 To Father, Son, and Spirit be. Amen.

Deacon: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with thy spirit.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Gospel Reading Mark 1:4-11

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.' In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Homily

After the homily, we sit in silent reflection. Please stand when those in the sanctuary stand.

The Celebration of Holy Baptism

Please remain seated.

Celebrant: The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsors: I present Henry Stephen to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that Henry is nurtured in the faith and life of the

Christian community?

Answer: I will, with God's help.

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

Answer: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against

God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the

creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

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

Answer: I renounce them.

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

Answer: I do.

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

Answer: I do.

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

Answer: I do.

Please stand.

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Henry in his life in Christ?

People: We will.

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

Intercessor: Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Open his heart to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptised 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 procession moves to the font. All are encouraged to join the baptismal candidate at the font.

Motet Sicut cervus, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad te Deus. Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 of the Son, and of 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 forever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Let us join with Henry who is committing himself to Christ, and renew our own

baptismal covenant.

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 God's creation, and respect, sustain and

renew the life of the Earth?

People: I will, with God's help.

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

People: Amen.

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

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 him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him 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.

People: Amen.

Deacon: Receive the light of Christ, to show that 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 baptised.

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.

Hymn during the Procession to the Nave CROSS OF JESUS



- 1. Child of blessing, child of promise, God's you are, from God you came. In this sacrament God claims you: Live as one who bears Christ's name.
- 2. Child of God, you bear God's image; Learn to listen for God's call; Grow to laugh and sing and worship, Trust and love God more than all.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

We share a sign of God's peace with our neighbours.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 58 SOLEMNIS HAEC FESTIVITAS (Green New English Hymnal)
SOLEMNIS HAEC FESTIVITAS LM Paris Gradual 1685



THE sinless one to Jordan came To share our fallen nature's blame; God's righteousness he thus fulfilled And chose the path his Father willed.

2 Uprising from the waters there, The voice from heaven did witness bear That he, the Son of God, had come To lead his scattered people home.

- 3 Above him see the heavenly Dove, The sign of God's the Father's love, Now by the Holy Spirit shed Upon the Son's anointed head.
- 4 How blest that mission then begun To heal and save a race undone; Straight to the wilderness he goes To wrestle with his people's foes.
- Dear Lord, let those baptized from sin Go forth with you, a world to win, And send the Holy Spirit's power To shield them in temptation's hour.
- On you shall all your people feed
 And know you are the Bread indeed,
 Who gives eternal life to those
 That with you died, and with you rose.

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Please be seated.

Offertory Sentence

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Benediximus vobis de domo Domini. Deus Dominus et illuxit nobis. Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God, and he gave us light. Alleluia, alleluia.

Motet Intonuit de Coelo, Franceso Usper

Intonuit de coelo Dominus, et altissimus dedit vocem suam. Hic est Filius meus dilectus in quo mihi bene complacui; ipsum audite. Alleluia. The Lord thundered from heaven, and the most High gave his voice. This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased; listen to him. Alleluia.

Please stand when the thurifer turns to cense the congregation.

Celebrant: Pray, my brothers and sisters, that this, my sacrifice and yours, may be acceptable to

God the almighty Father.

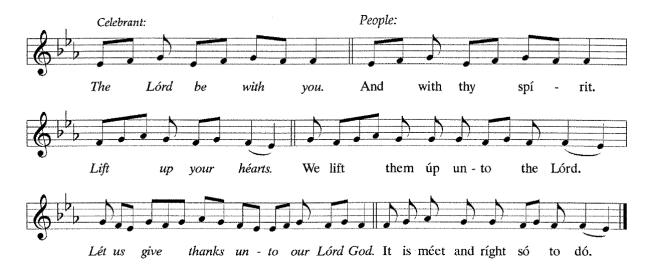
People: The Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his holy

name, to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Giver of our life and goal of our freedom, who didst reveal Jesus of Nazareth to be the Christ who maketh all creation new: Grant us so to be quickened with the Spirit which we received in baptism that we may be worthy to celebrate this mystery of our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.



Celebrant: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things, who by water and the Holy Spirit hast made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; thou dost renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth thy glory in all the world. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

At the sound of the bells, please kneel or remain standing.

Sanctus Missa brevis XI (Sancti Johannis Baptistae), Healey Willan Holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, for the remembrance of me."

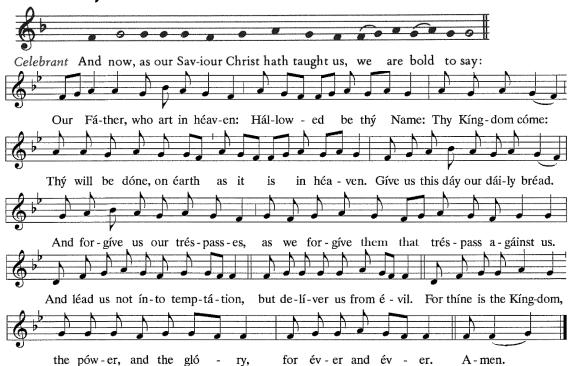
Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

People: We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

Celebrant: And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; and we pray that by the power of the Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People: Amen.





The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. **People:** Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei Missa brevis XI (Sancti Johannis Baptistae), Healey Willan O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.

The Communion

At this time you are invited to come up to communion. Please follow the directions of the sidespeople. If you would prefer to make a spiritual communion, please remain in your pew. We invite you to use the following words as inspiration: My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Communion Motet *Tribus Miraculis*, Carlotta Ferrari

Tribus miraculis ornatum, diem sanctum colimus: Hodie stella Magos duxit ad praesepium: Hodie vinum ex aqua factum est ad nuptias: Hodie in Jordane a Joanne Christus baptizari voluit, ut salvaret nos, Alleluia. We observe this holy day, ornamented with three miracles: Today a star led the Magi to the manger; Today wine was made from water at the wedding; Today in the Jordan Christ desired to be baptised by John, so that He might save us, Alleluia.

Communion Sentence

Omnes qui in Christus baptizati estis, Christum induistis. All who are baptized in Christ, will put on Christ. (The Ritual Choir repeats the Communion sentence, interspersed with verses from Psalm 29)

The Sending Forth of the Community

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Please stand.

O God, who by this holy sacrament dost make us to be one family in Christ thy Son, one in the sharing of his body and blood, one in the communion of his Spirit: Help us so to grow in mutual love and charity that we all may come, in the unity of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto the perfect glory of his body; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

The Epiphany Blessing

Celebrant: May Almighty God, who led the magi by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the

Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-Begotten at his baptism in

the river Jordan, pour out that same Spirit upon you who have come to the waters of

new birth.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: May God, by the power which turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana of

Galilee, transform your lives and make glad your hearts.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon

you and remain with you for ever.

People: Amen.

Here follow any announcements.

Dismissal



During the singing of the final hymn the sanctuary party moves to the statue of our Lady. After the final hymn we will say the Angelus, then the sanctuary party will disperse.

Final Hymn 52 WAS LEBET (Green New English Hymnal)

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

The Angelus

Celebrant: The angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary;

People: And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and

blessèd is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

People: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.

Celebrant: Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

People: Be it unto me according to thy word.

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and

blessèd is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

People: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.

Celebrant: And the Word was made flesh;

People: And dwelt among us.

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and

blessèd is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

People: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.

Celebrant: Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God:

People: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Celebrant: Let us pray. We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross † and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

People: Amen.

Postlude Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kamm BWV 684, Johann Sebastian Bach

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We wish to acknowledge this land on which the Church of St Mary Magdalene stands. For thousands of years it has been the traditional land of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, the Anishinaabe, and the Mississaugas of the Credit. This land is part of the Dish with One Spoon Treaty, and the Two Row Wampum Belt. Today, this meeting place is still home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to care for the plants and creatures provided by the Creator, and to live and worship on this land. (Compiled by Jo-Ann Dawson and Richard Woolrich)