



The Order of Service for Holy Matins
One Lord One Baptism
January 17, 2021

**LEADER & PREACHER: REV NAVIN K JOHN
CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER**

HYMN

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| 1 | Angels, praise him,
heavens, praise him,
waters, praise him,
Alleluia!
creatures of the Lord,
all praise him
for evermore: | | lightning's, praise him,
clouds, praise him,
for evermore: |
| 2 | Sun, praise him,
moon, praise him,
stars, praise him,
Alleluia!
showers, praise him,
dews, praise him
for evermore: | 5 | Earth, praise him,
mountains, praise him,
hills, praise him,
Alleluia!
green things, praise him,
wells, praise him
for evermore: |
| 3 | Wind, praise him,
fire, praise him,
heat, praise him,
Alleluia!
winter, praise him
summer, praise him
for evermore: | 6 | Seas, praise him,
rivers, praise him,
fish, praise him,
Alleluia!
birds, praise him,
beasts, praise him
for evermore: |
| 4 | Nights, praise him,
days, praise him,
light, praise him,
Alleluia! | 7 | Nations, praise him,
churches, praise him,
saints, praise him,
Alleluia!
all his people,
join to praise him
for evermore! |

PRAISE

Presbyter: Let us worship God.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

Congregation: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Presbyter: O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

Congregation : For He is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. O that today you would listen to His voice

Presbyter: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?

Congregation: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.

Presbyter: To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him, and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by not following His laws, which He set before us by His servants the prophets.

Congregation: **The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

Presbyter: Jesus said, Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

Congregation: **I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.**

All: **Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

CONFESSION

Presbyter: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear Him.

Let us confess our sins in silence (after a moment of silence)

All: **Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Presbyter: May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon and remission for all our sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Collect: **God of new life, You seek to recreate people with holiness, justice, peace and equality. We thank You for the institution of Baptism through which we could be touched by You and be transformed by You. Grant us grace that we who are baptized in Christ may realize that we are clothed with newness through the merits of Jesus Christ the new Adam who lives and reigns with You and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

BIBLE READINGS

Old Testament:	Numbers	11: 23-30
Epistle:	1 Corinthians.	10: 01-04
Gospel:	John	10: 07-18

⁷ So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸ All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹ I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. ¹¹ I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³ He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴ I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶ And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷ For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. ¹⁸ No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

ALLELUIA

CHORUS: Spirit of the Living God

MESSAGE

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ God's only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Presbyter: For the peace that is from above and for the salvation of our souls, for God's guidance, for God's grace, strength and courage. Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of God's holy churches, for the union of all, for God's grace upon all countries of the world who are suffering and fighting the corona virus, for the welfare of all people in all communities and societies, and for the welfare of all those who work in the medical department, for all the paramedical people who serve the sick and suffering. Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For our Bishops and all ministers, especially our Moderator of the CHURCH of SOUTH INDIA, our Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. P.K. Samuel, the Moderator of the Church of North India, The Metropolitan of the Marthoma Church, that with a good heart and a pure conscience they may accomplish their ministry. Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For the President of our Republic of India, for our Prime Minister, for the Governor of our State, for our Chief Minister and all those who serve in the government, especially for all those who are involved in containing the corona pandemic, for all those who serve in the government. Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For the sick, the suffering, sorrowful and dying and especially for all those communities and people, and those districts which are isolated because of the corona virus. Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For the poor, the hungry, orphans, widows, the daily labourers, them that suffer persecution, Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For ourselves who are in our homes, for all those who are getting back to work, children who are struggling with their online study, elders, especially who are home-bound, and all those who struggle to go on in life, that we may continue to show forth the excellencies of God who called us out of darkness into His marvellous light, who gave us grace and hope to go on in our lives. Let us pray to the Lord

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: That, with all his servants who have served him here and are now at rest, we may enter into the fullness of his unending joy, let us pray to the Lord:

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

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, forever and ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN

- 1 May God be gracious to us!
 that your way may be known upon earth
 and your power to save among nations:
 Let the peoples praise you, O God,
 let all the peoples praise you!
- 2 Let nations sing with gladness
 for your judgement of peoples is fair
 and you guide the earth's many nations:
 Let the peoples praise you, O God,

- 3 let all the peoples praise you!
See how the earth is fruitful,
for the blessing of God has been given:
may the whole wide world now revere him!
Let the peoples praise you, O God,
let all the peoples praise you!

PRAYER & BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

- 1 When God delivered Israel
from bondage long ago,
they thought that they were dreaming,
but soon they turned to laughing
and sang the song of joy,
and sang the song of joy.
- 2 The godless nations round them
could not deny his power;
they cried, 'O see this marvel!'
'God's work!' replied his people;
and so they sang for joy,
and so they sang for joy.
- 3 O God, restore our nation;
come irrigate dry souls,
that those who sow in sadness
may reap their sheaves with gladness,
and sing the song of joy,
and sing the song of joy!

GOD BLESS YOU ON YOUR BIRTHDAY...

- 17th Mr. Mohan David, Mr. Augustine Kaunds, Ms. Purnavi Sundaram,
Ms. Joanna Durai, Mr. Samuel Francis, Mas. Kevin David.
- 18th Mr. Joel Francis, Ms. Tina King, Ms. Heather Philipsz, Ms. Esther Arul,
Ms. Sandrine Seelan, Ms. Shanthakumari Babu.
- 19th Mr. Deepak Abraham, Dr. Sujatha Abraham, Mas. Nishant Sondhi,
Mas. Joshua Ebenezer.
- 20th Ms. Sarah Jeyakumar, Mr. Praveen Manohar, Ms. Geetha Vergis,
Ms. Bhavana Mercy, Ms. Hannah Surendher, Ms. Elisha Bose.
- 21st Capt. Sandford D'Mello, Mr. Sean Lincoln, Mr. Niranjana Ravi,
Mr. Danie Subramaniam, Mr. Arun Wilson, Mr. Rajkumar Stephen,
Ms. Cynthia Luther, Ms. Tara Kuruvila, Ms. Johanna Norman, Ms. Ashika Raj.
- 22nd Ms. Reena Mohan, Mr. Arun Hubert.
- 23rd Mr. Sudhir Selvaraj, Ms. Swapna Padole, Mas. Benny Samuel,
Ms. Renuka Seelan, Ms. Sarah Mathews, Mrs. Prema Raju.

... AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

- 18th Mr. & Mrs. M. Stanley Manickam, Mr. & Mrs. Abraham Mathews.

- 19th Mr. & Mrs. J. Dinesh Chakravarthy, Mr & Mrs. Samuel Arun kumar ,
Mr. & Mrs. Amit Nirmal.
- 20th Mr. & Mrs. Wilson Leonard Sigamoney
- 21st Mr. & Mrs. Philip Manickam,
Mr. & Mrs. Vandan Christian, Brig. & Mrs. Daleep K George.
- 22nd Mr. & Mrs. Frank Robert, Mr. & Mrs. George Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Enoch Jayakaran.
- 23rd Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Samuel , Mr. & Mrs. Rajeswar Rao,
Mr. & Mrs. Dikshit Manohar

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WELCOME to all the members of St. John's Church and families, those attending the service in the church as well as those participating from your homes. And also visitors in church, and on our YouTube Channel. Thank you for worshipping with us.

EVERY SUNDAY, REGULAR SERVICE AT 9.00 AM. Screening of members, who are attending the service, begins at 8.30 am. The guidelines for attending the service, in the church, are on the website/notice board of the Church.

THE LINK FOR THE LIVE STREAMING OF THE SERVICE is posted on all official WhatsApp groups of the church, the YouTube channel, and the website.

THE RECORDING OF THE LIVE STREAMED SERVICE will be available on the YouTube channel of St. John's Church. Kindly subscribe to the channel or visit the website for the link.

Visit the **CHURCH WEBSITE** <http://www.stjohnschurchblr.com/> for the pew slip, announcements and **Pulse** newsletters.

Offertory: Rs. 24,810.00

NEW CHURCH EMAIL IDS

For better co-ordination and to streamline mails, St. John's Church has three new email ids, in addition to the existing email id sjchurchblr@gmail.com

- presbyter@stjohnschurchblr.com – for your pastoral needs (membership, baptism, marriage, burials, prayer meetings, counseling requests, etc.)
- accounts@stjohnschurchblr.com – for matters relating to accounts
- churchoffice@stjohnschurchblr.com -- official requests and correspondence of wings and sub-committees

PRAY FOR Mr. Joshua OKelly, Ms. Letitia Luther, Mr. John Luther, Ms. Joan Kishander, Mrs. Dorothy Fowler, Mrs. Nalini Christudoss, Mrs. Geraldine Lincoln, Mrs. Sarojini Williams, Mrs. Violet Salins, Mrs. Sheela Das, and Mr. Winston Gonzago.

OBITUARY: Mrs. M Daisy Gunavathi slept in the Lord on January 16, 2021. Please pray for her family -- husband Cecil Williams and children Danny, Clement and Hema.

Funeral service will be held on Monday, January 18, 2021, at St. John's Church Cemetery, Kalpally.

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