



Words for Wondering

An Advent to Epiphany Course from the
Diocese of Aberdeen and Orkney

Sunday 11th January – Baptism of the Lord **Baptism**



*Scripture: **Matthew 3:13-17***

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptised, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Reflection

Do you remember your Baptism, or perhaps when you affirmed your Baptismal vows (also known as Confirmation) or perhaps when you renewed your vows with your congregation? Today marks the Baptism of the Lord, the first time in the Gospel of Matthew we see the adult Jesus - fully human and fully divine, God with Us, incarnate. Take some time today to reflect on your baptismal vows, what might you be called to do as you live your Christian life this year?

To Listen

All Who Are Thirsty by Brenton Brown and Take My Life and Let It Be by Frances Ridley Havergal