# Liverpool Cathedral

## Baptism of Christ (Year A) Sunday 11 January 2026

# **FAMILY RESOURCES**

# WATER

THE GOSPEL READING FOR THIS WEEK IS: Baptism of Christ (Matthew 3: 13-17)

Core extract from the Gospel (Matthew 3: 16-17; for reflection throughout the week)

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.'

#### Gospel prayer (for use throughout the week)

Lord Jesus Christ, you were baptised by John in water. Wash us in the pure water of your love, so we may serve you with clean hearts; now and always. Amen.

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#### Things to think about

- Why is water so important?
- How is water used in the Bible?

#### Things to do

- Look at the work of charities such as Water Aid to see how they help people.
- Make a chart of how much water you use every day.
- Baptism of Jesus craft

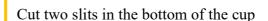
You will need: paper cup, blue paper, craft sticks, glue, paper





Cover the paper cup with blue paper

Draw or print an image of a dove and Jesus. Cut out and stick to the craft sticks...





Push the craft sticks through the slits and show Jesus going into the water and the dove appearing.

Why not share your creations with us? We would love to see what you have been up to! Please email any photos to <a href="mailto:education@liverpoolcathedral.org.uk">education@liverpoolcathedral.org.uk</a> or tag @LivCathedral on social media.

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