



# Feast of All Saints

## Baptism of **Maeve Violet Griesche**

November 3, 2024 - 10:00 PM  
Epiphany Parish, Walpole  
Rite II



We gather with joy in the power of Jesus' name, to care for one another and to include all people through our fellowship, education & outreach.

### The Prelude

### Opening Hymn

## The Word of God

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*  
The Celebrant continues  
There is one Body and one Spirit;  
People *There is one hope in God's call to us;*  
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
People *One God and Father of all.*  
Celebrant The Lord be with you.  
People *And also with you.*  
Celebrant Let us pray.

**The Collect** (in unison) Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

### The First Reading

**Isaiah 25:6-9**

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 24

**Domini est terra**

<sup>1</sup> The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,  
the world and all who dwell therein.

<sup>2</sup> For it is he who founded it upon the seas \*  
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.

<sup>3</sup> "Who can ascend the hill of the LORD? " \*  
and who can stand in his holy place?"

<sup>4</sup> "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, \*  
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud.

<sup>5</sup> They shall receive a blessing from the LORD \*  
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."

<sup>6</sup> Such is the generation of those who seek him, \*  
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

<sup>7</sup> Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; \*  
and the King of glory shall come in.

<sup>8</sup> "Who is this King of glory?" \*

"The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle."

<sup>9</sup> Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; \*  
and the King of glory shall come in.

<sup>10</sup> "Who is he, this King of glory?" \*

"The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory."

## **The Epistle Reading**

**Revelation 21:1-6a**

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gradual Hymn**

## **The Gospel**

**John 11:32-44**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I

knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## The Homily

The Rev. Christen H Mills



## Sacrament of Baptism

### Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

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The Celebrant says: The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.  
Parents and Godparents say: *I present Maeve to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.*  
Celebrant asks the parents and godparents: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?  
Parents and Godparents say: *I will, with God's help.*  
Celebrant says: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?  
Parents and Godparents say: *I will, with God's help.*

Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: *I renounce them.*

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: *I renounce them.*

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

Answer: *I renounce them.*

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer: *I do.*

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

Answer: *I do.*

Question: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer: *I do.*

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this child in its life in Christ?

People: *We will.*

### The Baptismal Covenant

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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 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 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 neighbor 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.*

### **Prayers for the Candidates**

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Celebrant Let us now pray for Maeve who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized 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 forever. Amen.

### **Thanksgiving over the Water**

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The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying: The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it 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, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water:

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## **The Baptism**

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The candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying:

**Maeve**, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

When this action has been completed, the celebrant, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying:

Let us pray. 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 her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her 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. Amen.

Then the celebrant places a hand on the child's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying:

**Maeve**, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and 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.*

## **The Peace**

### **Offertory Hymn**



### **The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer B**

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#### **The Lord's Prayer**

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#### **The Breaking of the Bread**

#### **Communion Hymn**

#### **The Blessing**

#### **Birthday and Anniversary Blessing for November**

**For a Birthday** - O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**For an Anniversary** - O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may continue to love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, and that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**For Thanksgiving and Celebration** - *Adapted from the prayer 'For Joy in God's Creation' in the BCP*

O heavenly Father, who has filled the world with beauty:

Open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works;

that, by celebrating together with these your servants and rejoicing in your whole creation, we may learn to serve you with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**The Dismissal**

**Closing Hymn**

**Congratulations Maeve!**

