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People need to belong. We belong to a family, to a school, to a group, to a community, to a club. We belong to God and we live in a faith community. We are members of the Christian faith community. Others are members of the Jewish community, others of the Muslim community and others of the Hindu community. These days we especially remember each other in our thoughts and we hold each in prayer.

We recall for us our baptism. This is the sacrament through which people become members of the Christian community, the Church. We are spiritually connected. We are baptised in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

John the Baptist encouraged people to be baptised and he baptised Jesus. Let us read the story from the New Testament.

The Baptism of Jesus Mt 3:13-17

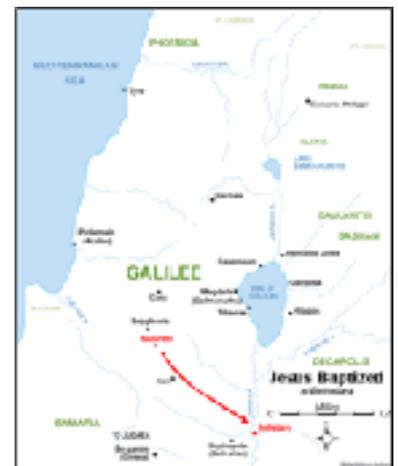
At that time Jesus arrived from Galilee and came to John at the Jordan to be baptised by him. But John tried to make him change his mind. "I ought to be baptised by you," John said, "and yet you have come to me!" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so for now. For in this way we shall do all that God requires." So John agreed. As soon as Jesus was baptised, he came up out of the water. Then heaven was opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God coming down like a dove and lighting on him. Then a voice said from heaven, "This is my own dear Son, with whom I am pleased".

1. Imagine God gazing on you and taking delight in who you are.

Draw a picture or write about God delighting in you

Journey Prayer

Arise with me in the morning,
Travel with me through each day,
Welcome me on my arrival.
God, be with me all the way. Amen



Matha 3:13-17

Tháinig Íosa i láthair ansin: ón nGailíl a tháinig, go dtí an Iordáin ag triall ar Eoin chun baisteadh a fháil uaidh. Ach bhí Eoin ag iarraidh é stop. "Is domsa is gá baisteah a fháil uaitse," ar seisean, "agus an bhfuil tusa ag teacht chugamsa?" Dúirt Íosa leis á fhreagairt: "Lig dó anois: is mar seo is cuí dúinn an fhíréantacht a chuir i gcrích go hiomlán." Lig sé dó ansin. An túsce is a baisteadh é, tháinig Íosa aníos as an usice, agus osclaíodh na flathis dó, agus chonaic sé Spiorad Dé ag teacht anuas mar a bheadh colm agus é ag tuirlingt air. Agus tháinig glór ó na flathis a dúirt: "Is é seo mo Mhac muirneach dár thug mé gnaoi."

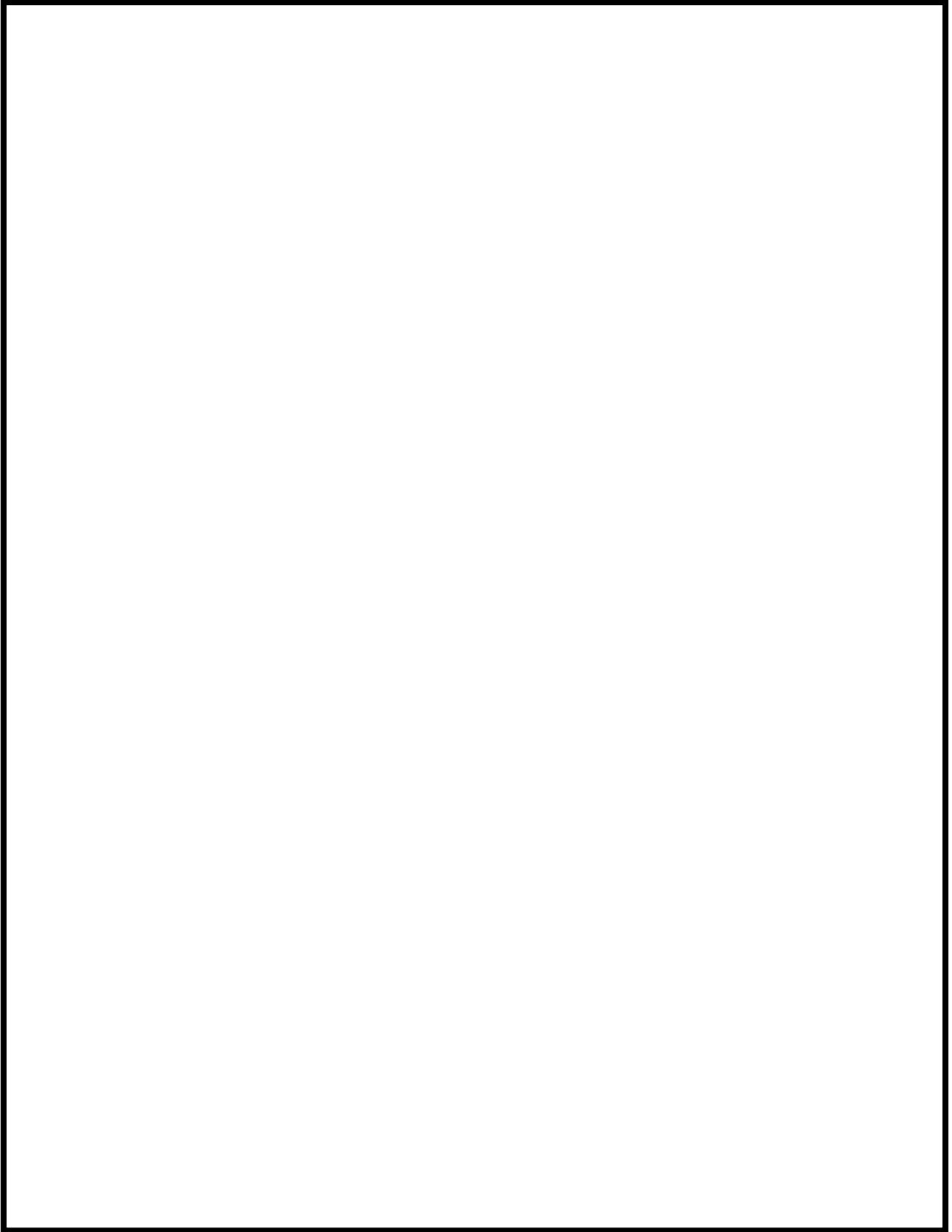
1. Samhlaigh Dia ag féachaint ort i ngrá agus i n-ionadh.
Tarraing pictiúr faoi nó scríobh faoi

Paidir Thurais

Éirigh liom, a Dhia,
Fan liom i rith an lae,
Sa bhaile agus ar gach turas,
Ná lig dom dul ar strae. Áiméan



Dia ag féachaint ort i ngrá/ God gazing on me in love



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