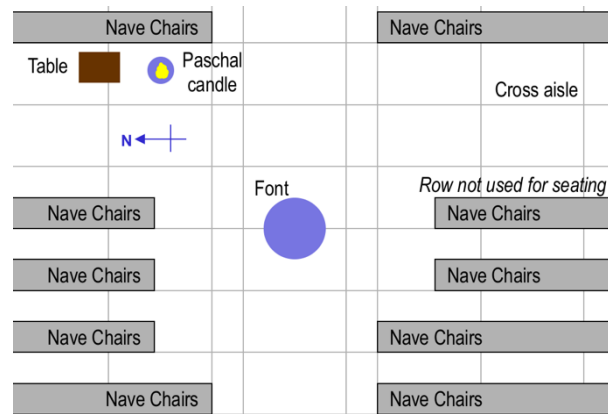


HOLY BAPTISM AT NAVE ALTAR SUNG EUCHARIST



PREPARATIONS

- 1 Special orders of service for, "The Cathedral Eucharist with Holy Baptism," are used.
- 2 In an area cleared in the middle of the Nave west of the cross aisle are:
 - a. The portable font (empty) in the centre of the cleared space.
 - b. The Paschal Candle at the north-east corner. It should be lit before the service.
 - c. A chair or table next to the Paschal Candle on which are:
 - i. an order of service
 - ii. certificate(s) of baptism
 - iii. a snuffer (or taper) and matches
 - iv. a ewer of water
 - v. one towel and one candle, unboxed, for each baptism candidate
 - vi. scallop shell (if required)
 - d. The baptism candidate(s) and supporters sit at the front of the Nave.
 - e. NB: extra chairs on the north side of the font will need to be removed to allow the South Side Acolyte to pass the MC freely to the north between the Blessing and Dismissal.
- 3 An extra chair is taken out at the Gospel station for the offertory table. It is the chair at the main aisle end of the row immediately to the west on the south side. The offertory table remains there for the duration of the service.
- 4 Orders of service on the Nave Altar for whichever minister is not baptising and at the seat of the remaining Acolyte.
- 5 An oil stock (unscrewed most of the way) and a purificator on the credence table.



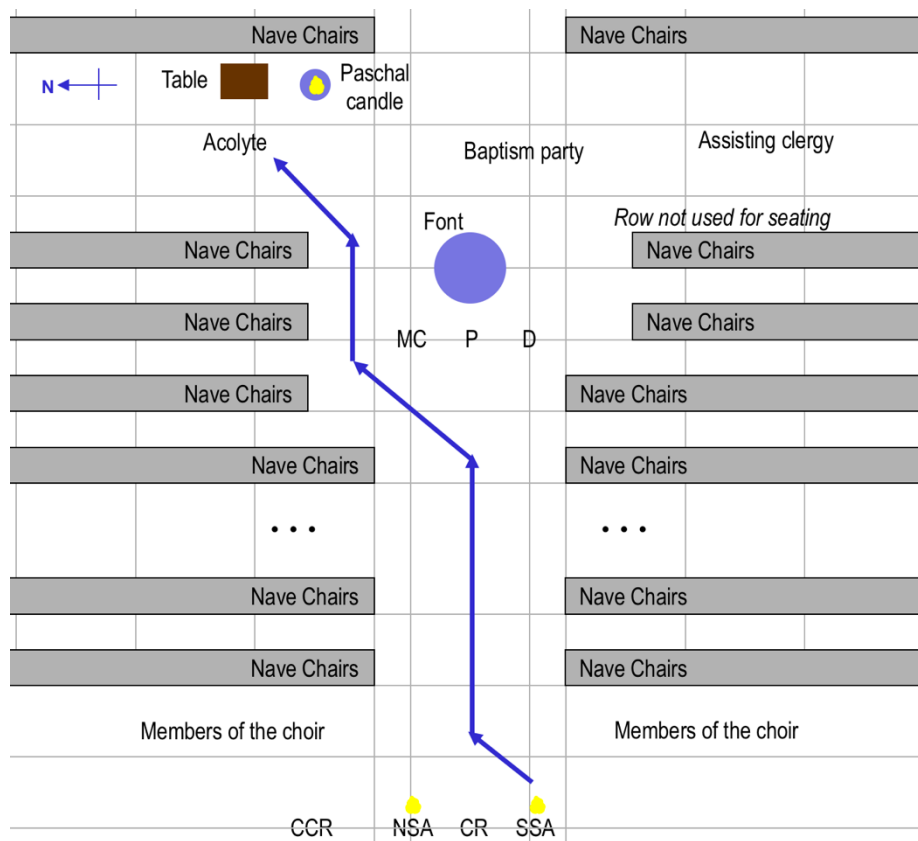
THE SERVICE

1. The service proceeds as usual up to and including the [Sermon](#). The table on which the Offertory elements are placed should not be moved out into the aisle by the stewards after the Introit; it should be left in the south-west corner, clear of the Gospel station, in place of the extra chair that has been taken out.
2. After the [Sermon](#), the baptism candidates and supporters gather in the Crossing at the foot of the quire steps. The MC presents the Missal to the minister as usual when the minister is the President, otherwise the minister moves to the middle of the second step down from the quire, in front of the President and the MC three steps down just to the south.
3. After the [Decision](#), the South Side Acolyte brings the oil stock and purificator to the minister, who moves down to the Crossing for the [Signing with the Cross](#).
4. The South Side Acolyte returns the oil stock to the credence table then at [A Litany of the Resurrection](#) leads the MC followed by the baptism candidate(s) and supporters, then the

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minister, to the font.

5. Other clergy and the North Side Acolyte remain in the quire.
6. The minister stands west of the font facing east. The MC stands south of the font facing the minister and the South Side Acolyte stands at the table by the Paschal Candle.
7. As the choir sings the Gloria in the middle of [A Litany of the Resurrection](#), the South Side Acolyte takes up the Ewer of water and brings it to the minister. After the minister has poured water into the font, the South Side Acolyte returns to the table with the Ewer.
8. During the last section of the [Profession of Faith](#), the South Side Acolyte brings the scallop shell (if required) and one towel for each candidate to the minister for the [Baptism](#).
9. After the [Commission](#), the South Side Acolyte leads the MC followed by those just baptised and their supporters and then the minister to the quire steps. The MC moves alongside the President. The others assemble in the Crossing at the foot of the quire steps.
10. Meanwhile the North Side Acolyte moves to the processional torch.
11. The MC presents the Missal to the President who introduces the [Prayer of Intercession](#). The MC moves back alongside the President during the Intercessions.
12. After the [Peace](#), the newly baptised and their supporters return to their places and the service continues as usual.
13. The procession assembles at the [final hymn](#) as usual and moves west. However, the minister peels off at the front of the nave so as to shepherd those newly baptised and their supporters to join the procession to the font behind the President.



14. The procession passes the font.
 - a. The Crucifer and Acolytes stop two flagstones beyond the end of the nave seating and turn about.
 - b. The CCR goes to their north.

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- c. Members of the choir turn outwards along the back of the nave seating on each side and face the font.
 - d. Assisting clergy move south into the cross aisle at the font.
 - e. The President takes up position west of the font facing east with the MC to the left (north) and Deacon to the right (south).
 - f. The baptism party assembles in front of the font.
15. Once the members of the choir have cleared the main aisle and whilst the hymn is still being sung, the North Side Acolyte takes the South Side Acolyte's processional torch (or vice versa). The South Side Acolyte moves back up the aisle to the Paschal Candle and round the MC (ie to the north) uses the snuffer to take a light from the Paschal Candle and lights a candle for each person baptised earlier.
16. After the **Blessing** the South Side Acolyte gives a lighted candle for each person baptised earlier to the President. The South Side Acolyte immediately re-joins the Crucifer.
17. After the **Dismissal**, the President gives the Baptism certificates to the parents.
18. The Crucifer and Acolytes turn about and lead the CCR, Choir and MC via the west end and south aisle to the ambulatory.

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