

# The Baptism of Christ

The Barbour's Play:

24 and 25 June 2023 in Holy Trinity Goodramgate

John the Baptist is annoyed that despite his impassioned preaching and baptising mission, the people carry on sinning as they have always done. Angels appear and tell him that Jesus is coming to be baptised by him. John says that since Jesus is sinless, he doesn't need to be baptised. Jesus says he has to be an example for the people to follow. Despite feeling unworthy, John baptises Jesus. A dove from heaven appears, showing God's approval.



Sally Maybridge  
*John the Baptist*



Michael Maybridge  
*Jesus Christ*



Helen Jarvis  
*Angel*



Lydia McCudden  
*Angel*



Paul Toy  
*The Marshall  
Director*

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Director	Paul Toy
Producer	Linda Terry
Production Image	Mark Comer
Photography	John Saunders
Publicity	David Denbigh
Props	Anna Briggs Richard Hampton
Front of House Manager	Gary Bateson
Front of House team	Jennifer Kilmartin Margaret O'Donnell Joan Pritchard Judy Reed Janet Sharpe Marie Taylor

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#### About us

YMPST was set up after the 2012 York Mystery Plays in the Museum Gardens in recognition of the community's wish to see the Plays continue and to participate in them. We are a charitable incorporated organisation which exists to advance the education of the public in the medieval Mystery Plays of York and supports all performances of the Plays in York.

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