***Some suitable Bible readings for a Baptism:***

*Jeremiah 1:5-8*

*4Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying,**5Before you were created in the body of your mother I knew you, and before your birth I made you holy; I have given you the work of being a prophet to the nations.**6Then said I, “O Lord God! see, I have no power of words, for I am a child”.**7But the Lord said to me, Do not say, I am a child: for wherever I send you, you are to go, and whatever I give you orders to say, you are to say.**8Have no fear because of them: for I am with you, to keep you safe, says the Lord.*

*From Psalm 139*

*O Lord, you know me, searching out all my secrets.**2You know me at rest and at work, you see my thoughts from far away.**3You keep watch over my steps and my sleep, and know all my ways.**4For there is not a word on my tongue, which is not clear to you, O Lord.**5I am held by you on every side…..**9If I take the wings of the morning, and go to the farthest parts of the sea;**10Even there will I be guided by your hand, and your right hand will keep me……* *13 You are the One who put me together inside my mother's body, and I praise You because of the wonderful way You created me. Everything You do is marvelous! Of this I have no doubt. ……….**15 You saw me and knew my whole life before I was born, while I was still secretly growing in the womb. in your book all my days were recorded, before they had come into being…………………..   ;**17How dear are your thoughts to me, O God! How great is the number of them!**18If I made up their number, it would be more than the grains of sand;.*

*Mark 10:13-16*

*13And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, but the disciples told them off and pushed them away.**14But when Jesus saw it, he was cross with them and said, “Let the children come to me; do not stop them because the kingdom of God belongs to children such as these.**15Truly, I say to you, whoever does not come to the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.”**16And he took them in his arms and blessed them.*