

Our Parish Newsletter

9 January - 2022 - The Baptism of Jesus

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Mass Times

St. Mary's - Sunday - 10 am; Mon, Tues - 10 am; Thursday & Friday - 7.30 pm
St. Joseph's - Saturday - 7.30 pm; Wednesday - 10 am
St. Patrick's - Sunday - 11.15 am.

We Pray For The Deceased:

St. Joseph's:

Friday 7th	6.30 pm	Andy McGivney, Crenew 4th Anniversary Mass
Saturday 8th	7.30 pm	Patsy Lynch Drumbrath, 2nd Anniversary Mass
Saturday 15th	7.30 pm	Andrew and Bridie Galligan, Drumackinoe

St. Mary's:

Friday 7th	7.30 pm	Peggy McInerney, Kilnaleck 1st Anniversary Mass
Sunday 9th	10.00 am	Maureen Dowd, Latnadrona, Months Memory Mass
Friday 14th	7.30 pm	Patrick and Molly Smith and Anna Rock
Sunday 16th	10.00 am	Seán Dowd, Latnadrona 3rd Anniversary Mass

Recessional Hymn

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hands hath made
I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Chorus

Then sings my soul, my saviour God to thee. How great thou art. How great thou art!
Then sing my soul my saviour God to thee: How great thou art!

Q. I would be grateful if you could give me any guidelines about godparents at Baptism. Must there be two? Should they be Catholics? What is their role?

A. The role of the godparents is clear from the ceremony. They are asked if they are willing to help the parents in the Christian duties which involves the responsibility of bringing up the child in the practice of the Christian faith. Only a practising Catholic can take on that role with honesty. It is desirable to have two sponsors. Male and female, although in certain circumstances one sponsor is sufficient. This wonderful sacrament is downgraded when the religious responsibility of the godparents is overlooked.

Fr. Silvestor Flynn OFM Cap.

Baptism - Sponsor: The most important day in a child's life is the day of the baby's baptism. The child is baptised on the strength of the faith of the community and so each baby should be baptised in the church of its parents parish. The role of the sponsor is not just one of making a lovely balanced photograph but a very serious role. The sponsor has the obligation of training the child in the practice of the faith especially if the child's parents don't go to mass. For this reason the sponsor should be chosen from the local mass going population, as a sponsor who is standing for a child who lives across the sea is not in a position to give the child good example or to bring the child to pray with the local parishioners. The sponsors should be a reflection of the parents one female one male. A sponsor ought to be 16 years of age so that when the baby becomes more aware of his/her family relationships the sponsor may become an influential person for them.,

The Clouds Veil

1. Even though the rain hides the stars,
Even though the mist swirls the hills,
Even when the dark clouds veil the sky,
You are by my side.
2. Even when the sun shall fall in sleep,
Even when at dawn the sky shall weep.
Even in the night when storms shall rise,
You are by my side,
You are by my side.

Entrance Hymn

Morning has broken

Morning has broken like the first morning,
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the word.

Mine is the sunlight, Mine is the morning
born of the one light! Eden saw play
Praise with elation, praise every morning.
God's re-creation of the new day.

