

MASS INTENTIONS

(Saturday 7th January to Sunday 15th January 2023)

MYNA CHURCH

- SUN 11.30am. Martin O'Grady (A), Clooneen and deceased family members.
Liam and Margaret Sammon and deceased family members, Ross.
- TUE 9.30am Mass for the People of the Parish.
- WED 9.30am Mass.
- FRI 8.00pm Eddie and Bridie Madden, Mayour and deceased members of Madden and McIntyre families.
Ellie McGill and son Henry, Roscahill and deceased members of McGill and Gavin families.
- SUN 11.30am. Nellie and Tom McLoughlin and deceased family members, Shandrim.

FAHY CHURCH

- SAT 7.00pm Mass.
- MON. 8.00pm Mass.
- THU 9.30am Mass.
- SAT 7.00pm Mass.

PRIESTS' CHRISTMAS COLLECTION:

Envelope for the Priests' Christmas Collection is the Christmas Day envelope in your box of Sunday envelopes. The collection at Christmas, Easter, Summer and Autumn are the only collections used to support the priests. Some envelopes for the Christmas Collection have still to be returned. Should you wish to pay on-line, the Priests' Revenue account - (iban IE95AIBK93716917205014). Please remember to include your name and envelope number.

We deeply appreciate the generosity of all who have already contributed. Sincere thanks to all of you for your kindness and generosity in so many ways and not just financially. Your continued support is most deeply appreciated and needed. Thank You.

SUPPORT OF YOUR PARISH:

Some people do not have a box of Offertory Collection envelopes and so don't have a chance to support their own parish. It is that collection which pays for the maintenance and insurance on both churches and parish houses. If you wish to support your parish you may do so by a once-off payment by cheque or banker's order and the parish will bless you for it.

If you wish to set up a Direct Debit in the bank, the account details are as follows: (iban IE96AIBK93716916736001). Please include your name and/or envelope number.

KILMEENA - FAHY PARISH

NEWSLETTER

Sunday 8th January 2023

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.



ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH, MYNA.



CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, FAHY.

Jesus was baptised by John in the Jordan. Suddenly the heavens opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming down on him. And a voice spoke from heaven, 'This is my son, the Beloved; my favour rests on him'.

Fr. Jim Walsh, P.P.

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PARISH NEWS

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD:

St. Maximus of Turin in the fourth century set the birth and baptism of the Lord side by side as equal reasons for joy: 'At Christmas, Christ's mother, Mary, held him close to her heart. Today, God the Father embraces Christ'. This feast is a continuation of the Epiphany and the conclusion of the Christmas season. The Baptism is also an epiphany, a revelation of Christ's divine nature.

Jesus entered the river of life to associate with all sinners and set them at rights with God.

ORDINARY TIME THROUGH THE YEAR:

'Ordinary Time Through the Year' begins on Monday. During this season of the Church's calendar no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ is celebrated.

FEASTS OF THE WEEK:

Friday: St. Hilary, bishop and doctor of the church (315-367). He was bishop of Potiers and strongly opposed the Arian heresy. He was a distinguished theologian who wrote about the Trinity.

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK (18th to 25th January):

The Universal Week of Prayer for Christian Unity began in 1935. Not only do Christians of all denominations join together in prayer for unity but they are also involved in projects aimed at changing the world by teaching respect for the rights and needs of everyone especially the poor, the lonely and the defenceless. This year's theme is "Do Good, Seek Justice". As we join with other Christians around the world for the Week of Prayer we pray that our hearts will be open to see and hear the many ways in which racism continues to destroy lives and to discern the steps we can take as individuals and communities to heal the hurt and build a better future for everyone.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

First Holy Communion for the pupils of Fahy National School will be on Saturday, 6th May 2023 at 12 noon. First Holy Communion for the pupils of Myna and Carrowholly National Schools will be in Myna Church on Saturday, 13th May 2023 at 12.00 noon.

CONFIRMATION IN THE PARISH:

Archbishop Francis Duffy will administer the sacrament of Confirmation to 28 children from Fahy N S, 24 children from Myna NS and 23 children from Carrowholly N S on Tuesday, 21st March 2023.

SACRED SILENCE:

Sacred Silence, as part of the celebration of Mass is to be observed at the designated times. Even before the celebration itself it is a praiseworthy practice for silence to be observed in the church so that all may dispose themselves to carry out the sacred celebration in a devout and fitting manner. (General Instruction of the Roman Missal).

PARISH STATISTICS FOR 2017:

Baptisms 15: Deaths 21:
Marriages in the parish 6:
First Holy Communion- 34: Confirmations: - 13.

FAMILY CENTRE:

The Family Centre in Castlebar continues to offer a wide range of supports for individuals, families and communities. Should anyone need any support please contact 0949025900 particularly during these testing times.

IRELAND LIGHTS UP is returning to Kilmeena on Wednesday 11th January 2023 at 7.00pm from Midwest Furniture. Bring a hi-viz jacket and a torch. Walks will continue every Wednesday at 7.00pm and Sunday at 10.00am. 5km walk along the greenway. All are welcome.

KILMEENA GAA/LGFA CLUB are organising a clothes collection to raise funds for the ongoing ground development and in support of underage Gaelic football in the club. The collection will run until the 21st of January, Items should be put into black sacks and can be dropped at the clubhouse dressing room (car park side). **Items Accepted-** All women's, men's & children's clothing, Shoes, Handbags, Belts, Bed Linen, Curtains, Towels, Cushion Covers, soft toys. **Items not Accepted** - Mats, Carpets, Cushions, Pillows, Duvets.

DEATH:

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of John Moore, Buckfield whose funeral took place in Myna on Thursday.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE

At the end of another Year 2022
and the beginning of a New Year,
May God grant us Peace of Mind
and the Grace to Cope with
whatever 2023 may bring and....Happy New Year