



Tramore & Carbally Parish Newslink



Sunday 10th January 2016
Baptism of the Lord

MASS TIMES

Holy Cross Tramore

Saturday

10am

& 7.30pm (Vigil)

Sunday

8.30am, 10.30am and
12 noon

Monday – Friday

10am only for month of
January

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 10.30am & 7pm
and upon Request

**NOVENA OUR LADY
OF PERPETUAL HELP**

Mondays after 10am
Mass

**EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSED
SACRAMENT**

Thursday after 10am
Mass until 5pm

Our Lady's Carbally
Sunday at 11.30am

**OTHER LOCAL
CHURCHES MASS
TIMES**

*Church of the
Immaculate Conception
Fenor*

Saturday Vigil at 6pm

Sacred Heart Dunhill
Sunday at 9.30am



Baptism of Our Lord

This weekend we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. For all of us, our own journey of faith began at our baptism. With the pouring of the water and the words of the priest, we became a new creation at that very moment, when our souls were given the gift of divine life from God. At that moment, the Holy Spirit was given to us, to be our constant companion all through life and to guide us in the ways of the Gospel.

The word 'Baptise' comes from a Greek word (*baptizein*) which means to immerse or submerge in water. Water is a powerful symbol, for it represents cleansing and purification. John the Baptist used the waters of the River Jordan for this purpose, as he offered a baptism of repentance. Large crowds would have flocked to him where they would confess their sins and re-emerge from the water with a clean conscience. Jesus affirms John's ministry by choosing to be baptised himself by the prophet. Yet we may wonder why he chose this because as the divine Son of God incarnate, he was completely without sin. Why was it necessary?

Firstly, by doing so, Jesus was highlighting the importance of baptism for us, as the 'gateway' sacrament for us to receive divine life. Secondly, Pope Benedict XVI says that while Jesus had no sins of his own to be washed away, he took upon himself all our sins, those of the whole world, as he stepped into the river Jordan: 'Jesus loaded the burden of all mankind's guilt upon his shoulders; he bore it down into the depths of the Jordan. The Baptism is an acceptance of death for the sins of humanity, and the voice that calls out "This is my Beloved Son" over the baptismal waters is an anticipatory reference to the Resurrection.' At that moment, then, Jesus transforms baptism into something far more powerful. John's baptism was merely a sign of the true baptism that Jesus would inaugurate, where the Holy Spirit is given to us, and where the merits of Christ's death and resurrection are applied to us. Jesus would command his disciples to baptise in the name of the Blessed Trinity, so that all of us might have true life in his name; the very life we need to spend eternity with him.

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Please remember in your Prayers.....

Those who have died recently:

Thomas Ryan
 Patricia Coady
 John Linehan
 Claire Bowman
 Michael Hickey
 Bobby Power
 Peggie Burns nee O'Brien (Died in UK)

Those whose months mind occurs:

Bella Reichard
 Sally Feehan
 Michael McDermott
 Bryan O'Donnell Jnr

Those whose anniversary occurs:

Maura Kane
 Bernard Coffey (Westown)
 John & Margaret Maher
 Chrissie Kiely (Kennedy Park)
 Chrissie King (Moonvoy)
 John O'Brien
 James Walsh
 James & Mary Mackey
 John & Margaret Doyle
 Brendan Hally
 Pascal Cuddihy

Those who were baptised recently:

Erin Whelan
 Libby Walsh
 Geimhreadh Jordan
 Sophia, Daniel & Clara Huldberg
 Lily Grace McGrath

Congratulations to their parents and godparents

For those who were married recently

Gavin Carroll & Catherine Power
 Mark Curran & Deirdre Gillane
 Andrew Barry & Hayley King



We wish them every happiness for their married life together.

Collections Last Weekend:

Tramore €3577
 Carbally €325

Thank you for your continued support for the upkeep of our Churches.

Saturday 9th Jan	10.00am	Catherine Dick, Paddy, Nellie, Agnes & Julie Crowley
	7.30pm	Tommy Doyle
Sunday 10th Jan	8.30am	Elizabeth & Geoffrey Spencer
	10.30am	Joe Fitzgerald
	12.00 noon	Elizabeth Duggan
Monday 11 th Jan	10.00am	Terrie & Jimmy Higgins
Tuesday 12 th Jan	10.00am	Johanna Power
Weds 13 th Jan	10.00am	Kathleen Sean & Michael Dunphy
Thursday 14 th Jan	10.00am	Michael Creagh
Friday 15th Jan	10.00am	Holy Souls
Saturday 16 th Jan	10.00am	Jack Cashman
	7.30pm	Bernadette, Harry, Berni Hogan, Patrick & Mary Burke & Beryl Hogan
Sunday 17 th Jan	8.30am	Annie Keoghan & sons Tom, Pat & John
	10.30am	Paddy Talty, Michael & Eileen O'Riordan
	12.00noon	Michael Dunphy
CARBALLY		James and Mary Haberlin, Slieverue
Sunday 10 th Jan	11.30am	Kitty Bracken, The Rower
Sunday 17 th Jan	11.30am	Tom and Kitty Whittle

Tramore Knitting Group meet every Friday at TRAMORE LIBRARY from 10.15am-12noon. Come along and have a chat in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Social Dance Classes
 Learn to Waltz, Quick step and many more dances. Get fit and have fun while you learn to dance
 Classes held every Tuesday night starting on 12th Jan 2016
 Venue: Tramore GAA Centre
 Time: 7.30pm to 9pm
 For more information contact :
 Yvonne, 087-2448535

Sea Horse Commemoration
 This month marks the 200th anniversary commemoration of the sinking of the Sea Horse in Tramore bay in 1816 with the loss of 363 lives. There will be an ecumenical Liturgy of the Word in Holy Cross Church, Tramore on Saturday 30th January at 11.30am, followed by a wreath-laying ceremony at Christ Church Tramore at 1pm. There will also be refreshments at the National Lifeguard Training Centre at 2pm, with a brief service of dedication on Tramore beach at 3pm. All are welcome.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
 The first meeting of the New Year will take place in the Parochial House on Monday Jan 11th at 7.45pm.

CONFIRMING OUR CHILDREN
 Next weekend, we welcome the children who are making their confirmation this year, and their parents to the next Mass of our Parish Preparation Programme.
 At the Mass Sat 16 January 7.30pm we welcome the Children from Glór na Mara & Gaelscoil Philip Barún.
 On Sunday 17 January at 12.00 noon we welcome the children from Holy Cross School.
Please remember them in your prayers

Tramore ICA
 Our first meeting for 2016 is on Wed 13 January at 8pm in Tramore House.
 For anyone looking to make new friends why not come along to our meetings? You will receive a warm and friendly welcome, so join us for a cup of tea and a chat. There are outings to places of interest, shopping at the outlet villages, also a variety of crafts, fun activities, and social evenings.
Next Week's Teams: 9/10 Jan
Readers: Team A
Ministers: Team 3
Cleaners: Stella Grace & Joan Geary & their team
Altar Servers St Patrick