

The Baptism of The Lord

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Roman Missal Readings p180
First Reading: **Isaiah 40:1-5.9-11**
The glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it.
Second Reading: **Letter of St Paul to Titus 2:11-14.3:4-7**
He saved us by the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit
Gospel: **Luke 3:15-16.21-22**
While Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened.

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sat 9th Jan (Vigil 6.00pm) (Months Mind) Jimmy Smyth, Derrygore Terrace

Sun 10th Dec (Lisbellaw) Private Intention

(Next Sunday: Kevin Morris Menapian Way)

(Second Reader: Sinead Cleary; Prayer of the Faithful: Matthew McCarney)

Mon 11th Jan 1st Week in Ordinary Time
10.00am David McElroy, Old Rossorry Road
6.00pm Convent (Months Mind) John Brazil, Drumgay Close

Tue 12th Jan 1st Week in Ordinary Time
8.00am Mary & Jack Hoy, Erne Drive and Paddy & Rosaleen Hoy, Derrygonnelly
10.00am Patrick McDonagh, Drumawill Gardens

Wed 13th Jan 1st Week in Ordinary Time
8.00am Convent Roofe family, Strand Street and Kilmacormick Avenue
10.00am Norman & Peggy Ralph, Mill Street

Thur 14th Jan 1st Week in Ordinary Time
8.00am Convent May George and Philip, Mary, Eileen and Agnes Drumm, Corban Avenue
10.00am Private Intention

Fri 15th Jan St Ita, Virgin
10.00am Margaret Savage, Banbridge
7.30pm (First Anniversary) Maggie Wilson, Old Henry Street;
Frank Lilly, Derrin Road

Sat 16th Dec 1st Week in Ordinary Time
10.00am Madeline Murphy, Galliagh Terrace;
Rooney family, Queen Street and Vera & Paddy
Kavanagh, Moneynoe Park

St Michael's Parish Draw Month 3

Draw will take place on **Monday 11th January**. Promoters please make returns between 7.00-8.00pm to upper room of St Michael's Bookshop.

Reflection (Richard Rohr)

You cannot earn God. You cannot prove yourself worthy of God. Knowing God's presence is simply a matter of awareness, of enjoying the now, of deepening one's own presence. There are moments when it happens. Then life makes sense. Once I can see the Mystery here, and trust the Mystery even in this piece of clay that I am, then I can also see it in you. I am able to see the divine image in myself, in you, and eventually in all things. Finally the seeing is one. How you see anything is how you will see everything. Jesus pushes seeing to the social edge. Can you see the image of Christ in the least of your brothers and sisters? He uses that as his only description of the final judgment (Matthew 25). Nothing about commandments, nothing about church attendance--simply a matter of our ability to see. Can we see Christ in the "nobodies" who can't play our game of success? In those who cannot reward us in return? When we can see the image of God where we are not accustomed to seeing the image of God, then we see with eyes not our own. Finally, Jesus says we have to love and recognize the divine image even in our enemies. He teaches what many thought a leader could never demand of his followers: love of the enemy. The Christian vision is that the world is a temple. If that is true, then our enemies are sacred, too. Who else created them but God? The ability to respect the outsider is probably the litmus test of true seeing. And it doesn't stop with human beings and enemies and the least of the brothers and sisters. It moves to frogs and pansies and weeds. *Everything* becomes enchanting with true sight. **One God, one world, one truth, one suffering, and one love.** All we can do is participate. I hope you enter the New Year with this awareness and an intention to join in with all your heart, mind, and body!

Deaths: *We pray for the recently deceased:* Evelyn Vaughan, Forthill Road; Norma Branley, Drumbeg; Adrian Power, Old Rossorry Road; Joseph Boyle, Hillview Park; Gabriel Moohan, Lover's Lane, Drumlyon; Bernard Boylan, Derrygore Terrace; Dympna Farrell, College Gardens; Sean McElroy, Tempo; Siobhan Lunney, Foxhill Close.
May they rest in peace.

Weekly Offering: 27.12.15 £3,712.58

Monthly Offering: The priests thank parishioners for the monthly collection on 03.01.16

Prayer of Faithful for Sundays available via website www.st-michaels.net on Thursday afternoon and found under 'Parish Ministry' tab.

Adoration: Thank you for your dedication to Adoration in 2015, please continue your commitment to our Blessed Lord in this Year of Mercy. If you would like to give one hour per week to our Blessed Lord and have not yet committed please contact **Mary Boyle 07708262270** or **Owney Curry 07885439903**.

Pioneer TAA: Next meeting is on **Monday 11th January 2016 at 7.30pm** in Ros Erne House. All Welcome.

St Michael's Parish Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi May 26th – June 2nd 2016.

If you are interested please contact the parish office 028 66322075 for more information.

St Michael's Parish would like to hear from any parents interested in forming a Parent and Toddler group. If you are keen to see a group established in this parish, please leave your name and contact details into the Parish Centre or email parishcentre@st-michaels.net

Divine Mercy Holy Hour every Sunday in St. Michael's Church 7-8pm. Devotions include exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Chaplet and Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image.

Holy Trinity Primary School: Applications can now be made for admission to Holy Trinity Primary School, Nursery and Pre-school for September 2016. The closing date for applications is Wednesday 13th January at 12 noon. For further information please contact the school on 028 66324959 or 028 66323313 or visit the school website at www.holytrinitytps.com

Social Dancing Class resumes every Tuesday night from 12th January 2016 in the Westville Hotel. Everyone welcome!!

Erne Speakers: Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in Fermanagh House. We are a friendly club, of all ages and backgrounds with the common aim of losing our fear of speaking in public and gaining skills to be able to stand in front of people and talk. Visitors always welcome to come and observe – please come and you’ll be warmly greeted. New members always needed! – Contact Bridie 077395045657 or Christine 07570803516.

Equality for St Fanchea's Pupils' campaign group Parents Support day; The Parent Campaign Group will be hosting an open-day at St Fanchea's College on **Sunday 10th January 2016** to facilitate parents in demonstrating their support for the campaign for 'Equality for St Fanchea's Pupils'. This meeting is focussed on engaging parents and assisting them to complete written submissions in response to the CCMS / Trustee proposals for the re-organisation of post primary Catholic education in the Enniskillen area. The deadline for receipt of submissions to CCMS consultation is Monday 18th January 2016. The event will be open to parents to attend at any stage although we have earmarked 2.00pm for parents of children attending the junior cycle (years 8 to 10) and 3.30pm for children in years 11 to 14. The pupils will provide entertainment for parents and the school will be opening its IT facilities to support parents. It is critical that every parent submits a written response to the CCMS / Trustee proposals to ensure that the planning and design of future educational structures for generations to come, are firmly based upon the principles of equality, justice and trust. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Monaghan Charismatic Prayer Group are hosting the January healing Mass in St. Louis Convent Chapel, Monaghan Town at 8pm on **Monday 11th January**. Celebrant is Rev. Fr. Denis O'Sullivan from County Cork. Further details on www.mcpg.net.

St. Michael Parish Bereavement Group continue to hold their Drop in Facility in the side sacristy on the left hand side of the Church on **Monday 11th January 2016 2-4pm**.

Irish Classes for Adults restart on **Thursday, 14th January at 7.30pm** in the Intec Centre.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18TH – 25TH JANUARY

The 2016 theme material was prepared for worldwide use by the Christians of Latvia, and adapted by the Britain and Ireland writers group, based around the verses 1 Peter 2:9-10. Peter's first letter is an encouragement to the newly baptised to live holy lives and to answer the calling shared by all the baptised to proclaim the mighty acts of the Lord. Today, Latvia is a crossroads where Roman Catholic, Protestant and Orthodox regions meet. Because of this unique location, it is home to Christians of many different traditions, but no single one of them is dominant. Gathered together by the Archbishop of Riga, members of a variety of church communities and projects in Latvia where asked to reflect on the chosen theme and the experience of their work. The main service is inspired by the verses from Peter's letter and Jesus' metaphors of salt and light which are important cultural themes for Latvia. Each of the days has been prepared by one of the diverse Church communities. The 8 days are linked principally by the experience of being a Christian in Latvia. This year's service will be held in **Enniskillen Presbyterian Church at 7.30pm on Thursday 21st January**. All are welcome to attend.

St Michael's Parish Enniskillen & Lisbellaw Building Faith, Friendship, Community...

Parish Messenger – 10th January 2016

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The Baptism of Jesus and his manifestation as the Son of God
Luke 3:15-16,21-22

ADORATION

Tuesday & Wednesday: 10am-9pm in the Crypt; **Thursday** 10am - 12 Noon in the Main Church; **Thursday:** 12 Noon - 9 pm in the Crypt;
Friday: 8 pm in the Main Church

Weekend Mass Times:	St Michael's: Vigil - Saturday 6.00pm Sunday – 8.00am; 9.30am; 11.00am; 12.30pm St Mary's Lisbellaw: Sunday 10.00am
Confessions:	Saturday : 11.30am-12.30pm; 5.00pm-5.45pm

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Friday 9.30am - 2.30pm

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