



# NEWSLETTER

**Baptism of the Lord**

**10th January 2021**

**YEAR B**



## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

***The Parish of Bunclody/Kilmyshall shall be a Community:***

- Of renewed faith and commitment to Christ expressed in prayer and genuine Eucharistic worship where all participate fully.
- With deep respect for and interest in each and every person.
- Flourishing in love, care, support, co-operation, education and communication, building to the unity of the Body of Christ.
- Reaching out the hand of welcome to all who do not belong to our faith and worshipping community.



**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**  
Sat 9th Jan - Sun 17th Jan 2021



**Most Holy Trinity Bunclody**

**Saturday 9th January 11:00am**

Ada Doyle.

**Sunday 10th January 11:00am**

Bridget Lennon, Anniversary, Main Street.

**Saturday 16th January 11:00am**

Aidan & Philomena Mahon, Irish Street.

**Due to Current Level 5 Restrictions  
Weekend Masses will be held at 11:00am  
Saturday Mornings & 11:00am Sunday  
Mornings, Masses During the week will  
take place at 9:00am. All Masses will be  
live streamed and can be viewed on  
[mcnmedia.tv/bunclody](http://mcnmedia.tv/bunclody).**

### **Bunclody Parish Office Opening Hours**

Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Friday: 8:30am - 1:00pm

Closed for lunch 1:00 - 1:30pm Tue & Wed

Parish Office Contact No: 053 93 76190

E-mail: [mostholytrinitypo@gmail.com](mailto:mostholytrinitypo@gmail.com)

Fr O'Connor Contact No: 053 93 77319

Sisters Contact No: 053 93 75398

### **2021 Contribution Envelopes**

Are available to be collected from the Parish Office. Please drop in to collect.

### **COVID-19 Support Line for Older People**

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus).

Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling

**0818 222 024.**

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Today we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus, the moment when God reveals who Jesus is. Our readings are rich with water imagery. Water is a powerful symbol throughout the Scriptures, from the story of creation and the crossing of the Red Sea, to the wedding feast at Cana and Jesus' encounter with the woman at the well. It is a symbol of life and newness, an opportunity for God to reach out to us, be present with us and teach us something, as well as an opportunity for cleansing and a fresh start.

Our gospel today tells of Jesus being baptised by John in the river Jordan. This immersion in water marks the beginning of Jesus' ministry. By approaching John for baptism, along with all the others, Jesus is identifying with the people and allowing himself to be counted among sinners. It is a sign that he submitting to God's will. At this crucial moment, as soon as he emerges from the Jordan, Jesus sees the heavens open and the voice of God confirming him as 'Beloved Son'. It is a moment of divine approval, confirming Jesus' identity and launching him on his new mission.

The baptism of Jesus is a reminder of our own identity and mission. We are beloved daughters and sons of God, sisters and brothers of Jesus, members of God's family. In today's first reading we are invited: 'Come to the water all you who are thirsty'. We are called to the water, to that moment when we recognise who Jesus is, who we are, and our mission to live as children of God.

*'In order to live a life of holiness, we must first receive new life from God - we must be born from above.'*

**J. Vernon McGee**

*Triona Doherty*

## Livestreaming

Mass is available to watch online. To view go to [mcnmedia.tv](http://mcnmedia.tv) and search: **Bunclody**. All masses available live. Contact the Parish Office on 053 9376190 with any queries you may have.

- \* **Alcoholics Anonymous:** Meetings held Tuesday & Saturday at 8:30pm in Brennan's Market Square.
- \* **Whist:** Monday night 8:45pm in Day Care Centre.
- \* **St Vincent de Paul :** Local Confidential helpline 087 3696883, please call if you need help.
- \* **S.V.P. request Box now located at back of shop.** There is a new newspaper recycling bin beside SuperValu in aid of S.V.P.

### **THE HOOK OF FAITH THIS WEEK**

The Second Sunday of the New Year celebrates the Baptism of the Lord. Fr Denis Brown offers the homily and we also have an article that explores the connection between Jesus' baptism and our own. There is the usual newsletter insert and details of how to access Mass with audio and video recordings of the Word of God online. We have the second in the series of 'Understanding the Mass' and words of hope from Bishop Denis Nulty for those vulnerable to domestic violence at this time of lockdown. Check out these and other resources available at [www.thehookoffaith.com](http://www.thehookoffaith.com)

### **CMT programme schedule**

Simply Divine 9th Jan 10.04am- 10.30am

Maria Colfer speaks with Fr. Jim Hammel about the Centenary celebration of the Uí Cinsealaigh, History's Society and their new publication 'The Past'

Sounds For Sunday 10th January 9.04am - 10.00am

Sounds for Sunday, is presented by Patricia McNally, with reflection from Reverend Canon Ian Cruickshank, and includes requests, hymns and sacred songs

Sunday Reflection 10th January 8.30pm - 9pm

Fr. James Cullen shares Reflection on the Lord's Baptism and gives an opportunity to renew your own Baptismal promises.

Music Box 11th January 8.04pm - 8.30pm

Jim Roberts shares a selection of musical favourites.

Faith Matters 11th January 8.30pm - 9pm

Reverend Canon Ian Cruickshank shares a reflection on his own faith journey.

Diocesan Diary 12th Jan 8.04pm - 8.30pm

Martin Colfer and Betty Breen hear an amazing vocation story from Martina Purdy and chat to Brian Cleary about beautiful Cribs around the Diocese.

### **Special Ministers for January 2021**

#### **Ministers of the Word:**

7:00pm: John Varghese  
9:00am: John Byrne  
12 Noon: Sarah Burke

#### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

7:00pm:  
9:00am:  
12 Noon:

#### **Altar Servers:**

7:00pm : Altar servers  
9:00am : are not currently  
12 Noon : attending mass.

**Flower Society:** Margaret Byrne & Monica Mernagh

**Shrine Rota:** Mary Canning & Kitty Jordan

### **Sponsorship of Newsletter for January 2021**

**Elegance Ladies Fashion Boutique**  
**Main Street, Bunclody**  
**(053) 93 76911**

### **KILMYSHALL NOTES**

**Choir:** Is not currently being held due to COVID19.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Tuesdays in the Church on 10:00am to 4:00pm. New Adorers always welcome.

**Hall bookings and use of hall equipment MUST** be booked through Denis O' Neill at 087 2196565.

**Split the Pot:** Envelopes available at HWH, Steemers, Cahill's, D & M Laundrette, Glanbia, Byrnes Hardware Ryland Lower & Kilmyshall Parish Office.

**Split-the-Pot will resume when restrictions allow.**

**Parish Finances:** Many thanks to parishioners who continue to donate by dropping in their envelopes into the Parish Office, Church or Parochial House . Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

**Due to Covid-19 restrictions**  
**No Public Masses will take place in**  
**Kilmyshall Church until**  
**further notice.**

**The Church will remain open**  
**for private prayer.**

### **Adoration**

continues on Tuesdays  
10:00am—3:00pm

Please inform Fr Duffy or Kilmyshall Parish Office  
if a relative is sick or in hospital  
Contact: 053 9377188 / 086 4460232

### **Bunclody Library**

We Deliver: Book Call Service for elderly or vulnerable citizens. You can request a bag of books and we will deliver directly to your door. Phone: 053-9196566  
9.30am - 5.30pm Monday to Friday.

### **PARISH INFORMATION**

#### **Most Holy Trinity Bunclody**

**V. Rev. Laurence O' Connor P.P. 053 9377319.**

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday: 11:00am & 7:00pm  
Sunday: 9:00am & 12 Noon.

**Weekdays:** Monday - Friday 9 :00am.

**Confessions:** Saturday 11:30am & 6:30pm.

**Please inform us if a relative is sick in hospital or at home**

#### **Parish Office Opening Hours:**

Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Friday: 8:30am - 1:00pm

Closed for lunch 1:00 - 1:30pm Mon - Thurs

Contact: 053 9376190 E-mail: [mostholymostholyparish@gmail.com](mailto:mostholymostholyparish@gmail.com)

**All notices for newsletter to be in before 4:30pm on Wednesday or we can not guarantee inclusion that week.**  
**Visit our website at [www.bunclodyparish.org](http://www.bunclodyparish.org)**

#### **St. Mary Magdalene Kilmyshall**

**Fr. Pat Duffy C.C. 053 9377188 / 086 4460232**

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday: 8:00pm & Sunday 10:30am.

**Weekdays:** Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:30am  
Monday & Wednesday 7:30pm

**Confessions :** Saturday 6:30pm to 7:30pm. Anytime by request.

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**Kilmyshall Parish Office is open every Tuesday & Friday 9:00am-1:00pm. Email: [kilmyshallparish@gmail.com](mailto:kilmyshallparish@gmail.com).**  
**PLEASE LET FR. DUFFY OR THE PARISH OFFICE KNOW IF ANYONE IS SICK OR IN HOSPITAL PHONE 053 9377188.**

#### **DESIGNATED SAFE GUARDING PEOPLE**

**Bunclody:** Susan Norris 087 0525440

**Kilmyshall:** Barbara Anne Murphy 087 9580705