

The Baptism of the Lord

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First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4.6-7

Here is my servant in whom my soul delights.

Second Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38

God anointed him with the Holy Spirit.

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

As soon as Jesus was Baptised he saw the Spirit of God coming down on him.

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sat 11th Jan (Vigil 6.00pm)(First Anniversary) David McElroy, Old Rossorry Road

Sun 12th Jan (Lisbellaw) Alice Martin, Old Rossorry Road and deceased members of Farry and Martin families

(Next Sunday: Kevin Morris, Menapian Way)

(Second Reader: Aidan McKenna Prayers of the Faithful: Hannah Sharkey)

Mon 13th Jan

10.00am

6.00pm Convent

Tue 14th Jan

8.00am Convent

10.00am

Wed 15th Jan

8.00am Convent

10.00am

Thu 16th Jan

8.00am Convent

10.00am

Fri 17th Jan

10.00am

7.30pm (First Anniversary)

Sat 18th Jan

10.00am

1st Week in Ordinary Time

Norman & Peggy Ralph, Mill Street

Eileen Melly, Sligo

1st Week in Ordinary Time

Private Intention

Teresa & Henry Crawford, Laragh

1st Week in Ordinary Time

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Jimmy Keith, Christine Corrigan, Ernie & May

Corrigan, Corban Avenue

1st Week in Ordinary Time

Private Intention

May George and Eileen Drumm, Corban Avenue,

Philip & Mary Drumm, Head Street

St Anthony, Abbot

Margaret Hicks, Tempo Road

Tommy McGurn, Drumbeg;

Frankie, Paul, Tony & Margaret Shannon,

Hillview Walk

1st Week in Ordinary Time

Rooney Family, Queen Street and Vera & Paddy

Kavanagh, Moneyhoe Park;

Cathal Morris, Drumclay, William & Violet

Crozier, Kesh and Claire Hodgson Enniskillen and

Manchester.

Reflection

It often fascinated me that Jesus, who gave Baptism to His followers as their rite of initiation and entry into the community of believers, should Himself be baptised by John. It took me a while to realise that Christ's baptism was not about Him really but about us. Jesus shares in all our experiences so it is appropriate that He should undergo Baptism before us. It is significant too that we look at what happened once Jesus was baptized. As He comes up out of the water the Spirit of God descends upon Him and those who are listening hear the voice of God describe Jesus as God's Son, and hear too that the favour of God rests on Jesus. This is the important element to baptism. As we come from the water of our Baptism the Spirit of God descends upon us too and the favour of God comes to rest on us just as on Christ. Jesus, in His baptism, is showing us what happens in our baptism and in His following ministry He shows us how we must live out our baptism if we are to inherit the LIFE baptism offers. Let us rejoice in God's gifts given to us in our Baptism and say a prayer of thanks at the font for all we receive in Jesus.

Deaths: *We pray for the recently deceased* Margaret McKeaney, Drumod, Lisbellaw; Anna Gunn, Derrin Road and Newtownbutler; John Bannon, Stacksteads, Bacup, Lancashire formerly Mountdrum, Lisbellaw; Sean McCluskey, Lisgoole Park and Derrygonnelly. *May they rest in peace.*

Monthly Offering: The priests thank parishioners for the Monthly Offering 05.01.14

Altar Servers 18th / 19th Jan Vigil – Team 1; 9.30am – Team 2; 11.00am – Team 3; 12.30pm – Team 4.

Readers of the Prayer of the Faithful *Prayer for Sundays available from the Parish website www.st-michaels.net on Thursday afternoon and found under the "Parish Ministry" tab. Also available in paper form at the back of the Church every Thursday.*

The Sick and Housebound will not be attended during the month of January.

St Joseph's College Students are resuming their tea/coffee morning on Friday, 10th January after 10.00am Mass. Thank you for your support!

St Michael's Parish Newsletter December 2013 now available at the back of the Church. Do please take a copy home and read about our Parish **St Michael's Parish Draw** takes place Monday, 13th January at 8.30pm. Promoters please make returns 7.00pm – 8.00pm.

Census Forms available at the back of the Church after all Masses. Please leave completed forms in the box at the back of the Church.

AN INVITATION.....

To join St Michael's Parish Welcoming Group for tea and coffee in the Parish Centre this Sunday, 12th January after 9.30am and 11.00am Masses.

A warm welcome awaits all especially:

- * those new to the parish, or without family nearby
- * single people, older people and those who live alone
- * families and parishioners who would like to welcome others to St Michael's

PIONEER TAA Next meeting is on Monday, 13th January at 7.30pm in Parish Centre. All welcome.

Irish Language during Mass: It is proposed that some elements of the Mass should be celebrated in Irish during the same Mass on the 1st Sunday of each month, and possibly during the celebration of Holy Mass on other occasions. Naturally we must respect the fact that not everyone is familiar with the Irish language and may not know any prayers in Irish. Wherever the Irish language is used it is hoped that those who do not have any knowledge of it will still feel fully a part of the celebration and will continue to pray within the community using whatever language for prayer they feel most comfortable with.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage - leaving Enniskillen Wednesday 11th June, 2014

- €50.00 Deposit Secures €599 - **After 17th February Price Of €649 Applies.**

For Details Contact Dermot Tierney 028 66342683 Or Mobile 07926747169.

St Michael's Parish, Enniskillen & Lisbellaw - Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults. Copies of Good Practice Procedures and Code of Conduct available in the Parish Office Monday – Friday 10.30am – 2.30pm.

Céili Dancing Class – Starting February. If you are interested in joining the class please contact the Parish Office (028 66 322075) and leave you name.

SUPPORT Services – If you are in distress or despair, struggling with life's difficulties or feeling vulnerable the following services are available:

- **LIFE-LINE** 24 Hour Help Line 08088088000
- **NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS 'Forget Me Not'** meets every Wednesday in Aisling Centre at 8.15pm.
- **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMUS Group** meets Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Aisling Centre. For details contact 02866325811.
- **LIVING WITH ADDICTIONS** meets monthly in Aisling Centre. For details contact 02866325811.
- **SUPPORT GROUP FOR THOSE BEREAVED THROUGH SUICIDE** Meets on the 1st Monday of each month in the Aisling Centre. Contact Fidelis 02866382112.
- **AWARE** Defeat Depression Support Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Aisling Centre HELPLINE 08451202961
- **ADVICE NI – Debt Management Service** Daily from 9.00 – 5.00pm. in the Aisling Centre. Contact 02866329045.
- **AISLING CENTRE:** Offers one-to-one **Counselling** 02866325811.
- **ACCORD – Counselling** available for anyone experiencing difficulties in their relationship. Contact ACCORD Secretary 02866325696.
- **ST MICHAEL'S PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** Contact Parish Office 02866322075.

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- Building Faith, Friendship, Community...

Parish Messenger – 12th January 2014

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*The Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan
Matthew 3:13-17*

<u>Weekend Mass Times:</u>	St Michael's: Vigil – Saturday 6.00 pm Sunday – 8.00 am; 9.30 am; 11.00 am; 12.30 pm St Mary's Lisbellaw: Sunday 10.00
<u>Confessions:</u>	Saturday – 11.30am – 1.30pm & 5.00 – 5.45pm

Masses available to view via our Parish Website at www.st-michaels.net

The Parish Messenger is published each week on www.st-michaels.net

Email: parishcentre@st-michaels.net

Office Tel No: 028 66322075 – Open Monday – Friday 10.30am – 2.30pm

Copies of St Michael's Choir CD – "Age to Age" and copies of a Pictorial History of St Michael's Church Choir available in the Parish Centre and St Michael's Bookshop. A nice Christmas gift for family or friends.

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NI Cancer Pilgrimage to Lourdes – Thursday, 22nd May to Tuesday, 27th May, 2014. We aim to help cancer patients and their carers make a pilgrimage to Lourdes and to provide nursing and medical support for them. Further information from the Committee on 07516759646 or email mail@nicancerpilgrimage.org.uk

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Papal Blessing Parchments – A lovely Wedding Gift. For more information contact St Michael's Bookshop telephone 028 66324771 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10.30am – 5.00pm and Saturday 10.30am – 1.00pm

5 an organisation that provides drug free treatment to 15 – 21 year old drug and alcohol addicts. Our country is struggling with young addictions and families are at a loss in how to cope. For further information contact Geraldine on 0868050446 or geraldineh@aislinncentre.com

St Michael's Bookshop: Selection of Wedding Candles, Eucharistic Congress Rosary Mementoes, beautiful Cards for all occasions

The Sick and Elderly will be attended this week, usual days and areas. If you would like a priest to call with someone in your family circle who is house-bound please let us know. Phone 028 66322075 or 028 66322627.

Aware Defeat Depression Meetings on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month in the Aisling Centre at 7.30 pm.

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Divine Mercy Holy Hour in St Michael's Church each Sunday from 7.00-8.00pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament each Friday after 7.30pm Mass to 9.00pm and Tuesdays after 10.00am Mass to 1.00pm in St Michael's Crypt.

Census Forms are available at the back of the Church after all Sunday Masses. If you have not already filled in a form please take one for your family or for a neighbour. Please leave completed form in the box at the back of the Church. We very much appreciate your co-operation in filling in and returning the forms.

Misalettes: The Parish Missal is now superseded by the Roman Missal, which is available from the Parish Bookshop. However, for those who need to follow the Mass in another way, Misalettes (including some in larger print) will be available at the back of St Michael's Church for a trial period. We would suggest that these Misalettes be reserved for those who especially need them and that they be returned to the back of the Church for others coming to later Masses.

Christmas Flowers If you would like to contribute to the cost of decorating the Church, please make donations in the 'Renovations Box' at the back of the Church.

Donations for the Crib This year's donations will be for Motomo Hospital in Kitui, Kenya run by the Sisters of Mercy. The hospital is in a poor area of Africa where many people, especially children, suffer from malnutrition and where HIV/AIDS is also treated. They need our help.