



St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

The Baptism of the Lord - C

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Pastors Desk

On today, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord we see how the use of water in Baptism provides a powerful symbol of the Holy Spirit at work. Water cleanses, and washes away dirt. Water is vital for life. Without it we will dehydrate and become ill. And, like the Holy Spirit, water is a God-given resource that cannot be destroyed.

In the world it is estimated that there are about 320 million cubic miles of water. The water-cycle brings us the evaporation of sea water through the heat of the sun. The water condenses as clouds and then falls back to earth as rain. Then it either flows in rivers back into the sea or eventually sinks into the ground.

So ever since the creation of the world, that water has been recycled, re-used, countless millions of times. If God loves us enough to give us free life through water, how much more will he provide for us spiritually? The waters of Baptism use that never-ending water supply to welcome us into the never ending life in the spirit.



You Shall Be My Witnesses

We welcome all candidates and their families who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2022.

Mass Times Saturday : 6 pm Vigil
Sundays : 10:30 am & 12:30pm
Weekdays : Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu & Fri 10:00 am

From 3rd January 2022 : Service of Word will be held each Monday at 10am



Anam Cara North Dublin,

the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Wednesday 19th January at 7:20pm** in the **Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin.**

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us

on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any queries.

Eucharistic Adoration

takes place on:

Monday & Friday

10:30 am – 11:30pm

and **Wednesday Evening**

from **7:00 pm – 8:00 pm**



*We remember
at Mass and
in our prayers those
who have gone
before us*



Saturday 8th (Vigil) 6:00pm

John & Elizabeth O'Brien
Remembrance

Jack & Mona Mullett
Remembrance

Sunday 9th 10:30 am

Sunday 9th 12:30 pm

Pat Nolan 4th Anniversaries

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Your prayers are also requested for the happy repose of the souls of **Cierán Monaghan, James Whelan, Susan Sheehy, Betty Mannion, Sarah Harris & Collette Dunne** recently deceased.

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am

**Paddy Fitzsimons** Birthday Rem.

*May they rest in peace*

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