

Diocese of
Killaloe



KILMALEY-CONNOLLY-INCH PARISH



Críocha Callan
Pastoral area

PP: Fr. John McGovern 065-6839735. Fr. Donagh O' Meara Mullagh & Miltown Malbay 087-2322140 Fr. Martin Shanahan, Inagh 087-7486935

IBAN numbers for personal banking donations: Parish Current Account: IE09 BOFI 9042 1030 1660 28

Priests' Salary Account: IE56 BOFI 9042 1073 5476 56.

Mass times ~ Kilmaley: Saturday 7.30pm, Thursday and Friday 10am. **Connolly:** Sunday 10.30am, Monday and Tuesday 10am. **Inch:** Sunday 9.15am, Wednesday at 8pm

THE PARISH OFFICE IS TEMPORARILY CLOSED.

For all Parish business please contact Fr John on
065 68 39735 or email kilmaleyparish@gmail.com.
Website: www.kilmaleyparish.ie



MASS CARDS:

For your convenience, mass cards
are now available for sale in **all three
churches** in the parish.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK:

KILMALEY—SATURDAY AT 7.30PM:

Sat 6th Jan: **Gerard McNamara**, Fortville.
Martin and Nora O'Sullivan, Furroor.
Sat 13th Jan: **Michael Lynch**, Bealcragga.

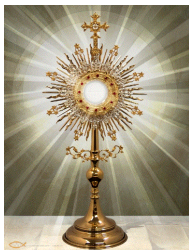
INCH—SUNDAY AT 9.15AM:

Sun 7th Jan: No intention booked
Sun 14th Jan: **Paddy O'Malley**, Cappalea South.

CONNOLLY - SUNDAY AT 10.30AM:

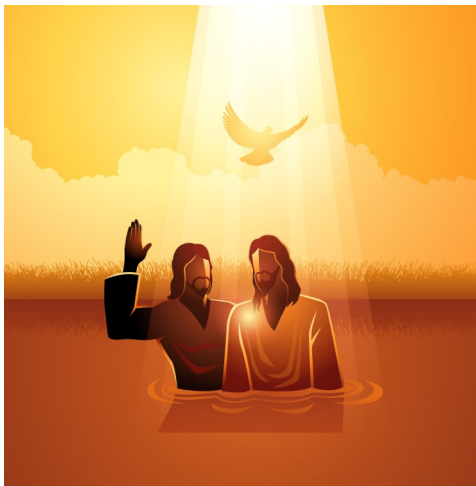
Sun 7th Jan: No intention booked
Sun 14th Jan: **Catherine (Gemma) Lernihan**, Connolly
and formerly of Kilmihiil and Dublin.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES can be booked for at 065
68 39735 or email kilmaleyparish@gmail.com.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION resumes
on Tue Jan 9th and continues each
Tuesday from 2 to 8pm in the "crying
room" at Kilmaley Church. If you can
commit to an hour please contact Mary
on 0872399797.

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord



Today the Church celebrates the **Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord**. This feast brings to an end the season of Christmas. Ordinary Time lasts from the day after this feast to the Tuesday before Lent.

The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

In the Eastern Church this feast is called *Theophany* because at the baptism of Christ in the River Jordan God appeared in three persons. The baptism of John was a sort of sacramental preparatory for the Baptism of Christ. It moved people to sentiments of repentance and induced them to confess their sins. Christ did not need the baptism of John. Although He appeared in the

"substance of our flesh" and was recognized "outwardly like unto ourselves", He was absolutely sinless and impeccable. He conferred upon the water the power of the true Baptism which would remove all the sins of the world: "Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him Who takes away the sin of the world".

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolical of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin.

Excerpted from Msgr. Rudolph G. Bandas

BASKET & ENVELOPE COLLECTIONS:

Weekly Envelopes €725.

Priests Collection €190.

Other collections €22.

We sincerely thank you for your generous contributions, they are vital in keeping our parish going. As well as during the offertory at mass, contributions can also be dropped into the Parochial House or the "**mass card donation boxes**" or online using the DONATE button on Kilmaley Parish Website or the IBAN numbers above.

Notices for Newsletter can be sent by email to
kilmaleyparish@gmail.com or drop them in the letterbox at
Kilmaley presbytery by **1.00pm on Wednesday**. We include
notices for parish and church related events. Where space
permits we also include notices for local not-for-profit groups.