

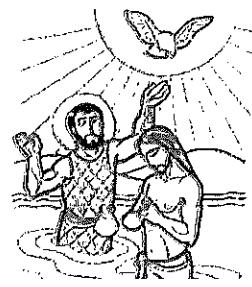


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Baptism of the Lord

12th January 2025

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Your Prayers are asked for the Sick

Gwen Stanton, James & Louise Clark, Jack Prendergast, Norma Walsh,

Lately Dead

Ann Beard, Kathleen Fitzpatrick.

Anniversaries

Dorothy Dearden, Kevin Moran, Eric Winstanley, Bernard Boardman,
John Fitzgerald, Michael Maleedy



The Baptism of the Lord

**Today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord- it is the last day of the
Christmas season liturgically.**

**The baptism of Jesus marked the end of his quiet years in Nazareth
and the start of his public ministry.**



1st Reading

**The Church believes Isaiah 's words refer to Jesus,
who is ' the glory of the Lord' and like a shepherd.**

2nd Reading

**Salvation is possible for all people because of
God's great compassion, which we see in the gift of baptism.**

Gospel

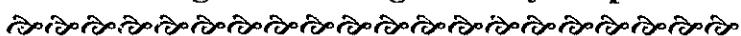
The events celebrated are described in today's Gospel.



A prayer for peace. - FATHER FORGIVE ME

**God of mercy and compassion - when I have not loved my neighbours
as I love myself, or done to others what I would want them to do to me,
held grudges or tried to get even after I have been hurt....**

Father forgive me and grant us your peace.



Mass Intentions

Week beginning Sunday 12th January 2025

Saturday 6 pm Michael & Ivy Moran

Sunday 8 am Parishioners

9.30 am Martin Owen

11 am Lillian Lawrenson

Mon 9.15 am Anne Higgs

11 am Requiem Mass Jack Case

Tues 9.15 am Sally Jackson

Wednesday 10 am Michael & Maureen

Thursday 9.15 am Stephen Power -

Private Intension

Friday 9.15 am Kevin Moran

Saturday 6 pm Andrew Walker

Sunday 8 am Angela Platt

9.30 am Parishioners

11 am Eric Winstanley



During the week

Monday to Friday Mass at 9.15 am

Monday at 11 am

Requiem Mass for Jack Case

May he rest in peace.



Confessions 11.30 - 12 noon.

Saturday 6 pm which fulfils the obligation to attend Mass

Sunday Mass Times
8 am 9.30 and 11 am.



Rosary at 7.30 pm on Monday evening.

The Clarke Family thank all who attended Norman's Requiem Mass.

For the cards received , Mass cards and sympathy cards, Vera and the family are so grateful,
May God bless you all.

Feasts this week

Monday - St Hilary Bishop and Doctor of the Church - interpreted the Sacred Scriptures and published works which are outstanding in their wisdom and learning.

Tuesday St Kentigen Bishop and Secondary Patron of the Archdiocese ,Scotland.
He vigorously defended the Church against Pelagianism. Preaching in North-West England and Wales, he eventually returned to Scotland where he was born. He is buried in Glasgow.

Monday 13th January World Day of Peace -Pope Francis' message is
'Forgive us our trespasses: Grant us your peace'
Pope Francis' message in the year of Jubilee inspires us to seek the liberating justice of God in our world and by ' opening our hearts to all we will restore of God's justice on earth and move forward to achieve the goal of peace.'



The Deanery Synod Council event for clergy and invited parishioners is due to take place at Birchley St Mary's Club on Saturday 8th February 11 am -1.30 pm.
Lunch will be provided.

It is suggested that each parish aim to send 10 Parishioners to this meeting.

Some Parishioners have offered to attend ...if you are interested please contact Fr. Dooley or Jimmy McNamee-our Parish representative.

