Scathe Na Sionnaine Pastoral Area – Castleconnell - Clonlara – Killaloe

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The Baptism of the Lord.

Jesus is anointed with the Spirit and his power. He is proclaimed Messiah. He now goes about doing good, working the signs that make him known as the Servant of God. He is the one who brings good news to the poor and tells of salvation.

Mass Intentions this weekend

Castleconnell	<u>Saturday January 8th</u>
6.30pm.	Mary Collins and Jimmy Coffey(Ann)
6.30pm.	Mary Moloney (Ann)
Castleconnell	Sunday January 9th
11.30am.	Pauline Fitzpatrick (1 st Ann)
11.30am.	Carrie Clancy (1 st Ann)
11.30am.	John Travers (1 st Ann)
	and deceased family members.
Ahane	Sunday January 9th
10.00am.	Patrick, Katie and Con Collins (Laught) (Ann)
10 00am.	Michael Ryan and deceased family members.

Mass Intentions next weekend

Castleconnell	Saturday January 15 th
6.30pm.	Seamus Ryan (Annaholty) (1st Ann)
6.30pm.	Helen Quinn (Lisnagry) (1 st Ann)
6.30pm.	Mary Ryan (Belmont Cottage)(Ann)
6.30pm.	Kitty, Annie and Madge Ryan (Ann)
6.30pm.	Sheila Burke (Woodpark) (Ann)
Castleconnell	Sunday January 16th
11.30am.	Darragh Hourigan (Months Mind)
11.30am.	John Frewen (1 st Ann)
<u>Ahane</u>	Sunday January 16th
10.00am.	Private Intention.

Pray for the repose of the soul of: James Delahunty, St Vincent's Lisnagry and late of Ballinahinch who died recently. May he rest in Peace.

Masses from St. Joseph's Church, Castleconnell are being streamed for Live viewing on our Webcam. www.castleconnellparish.ie. Mass can also be heard on Radio 106.3fm. Social distancing and wearing of facemasks will be an ongoing requirement.

Money Matters - Offertory Collection €1,075. Many thanks for your ongoing support.

On-line Donations to Parish

It is now possible to make a contribution by credit or debit card directly to your Parish using the Diocesan Website <u>www.killaloediocese.ie</u>. Go to the Diocesan Website and click on the red "*Donate to your Parish*" button on the top of the page. You will be invited to select your parish you wish to contribute to.

Parish Envelopes - 2022

Parish Envelopes are available for collection in both churches. For people who are not receiving them, but wish to get them, contact Majella 086-4047823 or the Parish office during opening hours.

Baptismal Information Meetings

The next Baptismal Information Meeting will be held on January 12th on Zoom. Our Baptismal team will help you to become familiar with the ceremony itself and with what is expected of you. They will explain the practicalities of the day and answer any questions you might have. They would like to help you plan and prepare for the baptism in the best possible way. These meetings take place on the 1st Wednesday of every month from 8-9 p.m. It is a lovely, informal chat over a virtual cup of tea!

ALONE - Support Line for Older People - COVID-19

Alone national support line 0818 222 02 and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 is open seven days a week 8am- 8pm

Reflection - Baptism.

Baptism was not over and done with the day we were taken to the font. We are baptised by all that happens to us in life. We are baptised by hardship; in its turbulent waters we are purified of all that is false and useless. We are baptised by suffering; in its murky waters we grow in humility and compassion. We are baptised by joy: in its gurgling waters we experience the goodness of life. We are baptised by love: in its singing waters we blossom like flowers in the sun. Baptism is like the planting of a seed. It will take a lifetime for this seed to grow and ripen.

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