The Baptism of The Lord - 9th January 2011



Sixmileoridge + Kilmurry Darish Newsletter

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_____ Baptism – Family – Home – Relationships Parish Office: ≤ Mon - Fri. 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 Noon About eighty children are baptised in our local Church each year. The Baptism itself is a lovely occasion for the family - parents, other children, grant parents, uncles, aunts, cousins etc. In that above the baby is the reason families come together to celebrate. At every baptism now I feel a deep sense of mystery. New life - the mystery of that. With all the advances in technology none can replace the bringing into the world of a new life, another human being. We remember all our loved ones and especially those Valuing that new life – valuing our children. Not just now but in their rearing and nurturing. "Not easy these days", we are told. And it isn't. But there are a few basics we all have to keep in mind in this. There is no place like home. We could survive without a lot of systems but not without the system we call familv and home. How is it in your case now? Whatever age you are, how are relationships at home and with your own people? At this time of year we are all very vulnerable. The 'negatives', bad news keeps pouring out at us. Whatever about the rest of the world maybe the most positive step we could all take is to put things right with one of your own. Which brings us back to the baby, the child. The best way for a man to love and cherish his child is to love and cherish his mother and the other way round. And to say to the son or daughter - you have only one mother, father respect them. The words of the song usually ring true -'A mother's love is a blessing'. And finally make sure we always respect people in the Autumn / Winter of life. They gave a lot, they have a lot of wisdom. Don't marginalise them. The reality is relationships are never easy. We all have our ups and downs. We can all be awkward at times. These times are not easy for a lot of people.

Be sensitive to others. Be there for one another.



Mart Meeting

A gathering of over 400 farmers and members of the wider community, at a meeting in the GAA Hall on Thursday night unanimously endorsed the decision to purchase the Mart at a price of €300,000.00 from GVM. This has to be regarded as an important decision in that it represents a people taking responsibility for their own future. Work will now begin to collect the share holding and put the pieces in place to sign a contract and get the Mart up and running, hopefully by April. Once the proper structures are in place with good management and direction this can eventually grow into other very important issues linked to the whole world of agro-industry and food.

Of course nothing in this will be easy but isn't that the way it should be. Maybe we have got too much soft in the past twenty years. There is no substitute for the development of our own resources, our own talents and taking responsibility for ourselves as individuals, families and community.

St. Senan's Set Dancing Classes resume on Tues. 11th Jan 2011 in the Bellsfort Inn. Beginners at 8.30 p.m. Advanced at 9.30 p.m. Teacher: Mike Mahony. All are welcome.

Pilates at Quin Community Hall commencing on Mon. 10th Jan. 7 - 8 pm. Booking essential. Call 087-2093006

Winter Music Festival Weekend: Music at Mass in Sixmilebridge on Sun. 16th will be provided by Special Consensus (USA) Gospel/Bluegrass Band. A free classical guitar recital featuring the 20 piece Diversus Guitar Ensemble directed by Brendan Walsh will take place in the Church at 1.30 pm on the same day.

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Sat. 15th	7.00 pm	Carmel Morey	С	А
Sun. 16th	10.00 am	Tim Scanlon	Anne Marie Sheedy	F
Sun. 16th	11.00 am	David Deighan	С	А

For booking of Masses, Baptisms & Weddings.

Baptisms take place at 12.00 Noon on Sundays in \leq Sixmilebridge and Kilmurry.

This week we extend our sympathy to David Waters, Cappa Lodge, on the death of his brother George Waters in Limerick.

whose anniversaries occur at this time. Rest in Peace.

Sat. 8th	7.00 p.m.	Bernie + Tommy O'Reilly
Sun. 9th	11.00 a.m.	Henry Hehir
Wed. 12th	9.30 a.m.	Patrick + Mary Callan
Thurs. 13th	9.30 a.m.	Bernard + Sarah Ward
Fri. 14th	7.00 p.m.	Pat Lonergan
Sat. 15th	7.00 p.m.	Eamon Russell
Sun. 16th	10.00 a.m.	Eileen Fitzpatrick
Sun. 16th	11.00 a.m.	John Kelly

Mass times during the week. Mon - Thurs. 9.30 a.m. Fri. 7.00 p.m.

RTE Sunday Mass on 16th January @ 11.15 a.m.

Our Parish will be specially represented on RTE Television for the 11.15 Mass on Sun. Jan. 16th. Fr. Harry will be the celebrant at the Mass and the Shannon Gospel Choir which includes some of our parishioners will take part. At the rehearsal on Thursday night RTE recorded the virtual tour of our Church. They were loud in praise of the beauty of our Church and indicated they would like at some stage to do a live television Mass from here.

They are encouraging us to contact people away from home to tune in on the web at www.rte.ie/live. And if people miss out on this day it can be accessed during the week at www.rte.ie/player

Listening and Praying the Word of God Monday 10.00 a.m. - 10.30 am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament Quiet time - Vigil of Prayer Fri. 3 - 7 pm