



BAPTISM

We welcome into our Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Keeva, Sadie Browne, Surry & Inch St. Lawrence.

Amaya, Rita Ronan, Canada, & Templemichael.

Robyn, Breege O'Donnell, Templemichael.

Alice, Rose Lee, Castlepark.

Congratulations to their parents and families.

The Sacrament of Baptism

- (1) When booking a Baptism five weeks' notice is required.
- (2) Request forms for Baptism are available online at www.ccpp.ie or from our Sacristies.
- (3) Baptism take place on Saturdays at 5pm. and Sundays at 12noon.
- (4) Baptismal Request Form must be completed and returned to the Sacristy in either Church, together with a copy of your child's State Birth Certificate a week before you are invited to attend a Baptismal Preparation meeting.
Parents names MUST be the same as on your child's Birth Certificate.
- (5) Requested date and time for Baptism cannot be confirmed until the request form is received by Baptismal Team.
- (6) When your requested date and time for Baptism has been confirmed by the Priest, a member of the Baptism Team will contact you to confirm this, or to offer you an alternative date if your requested date and time is not available.
- (7) **You are required to** attend a Baptismal Preparation Meeting for Parents/ Guardians which takes place the first Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm in Caherconlish Church, Godparents and family members are welcome to attend.
- (8) Please note this Baptismal Preparation meeting is for Parents/ Guardians who have returned their completed forms, and date for Baptism has been confirmed by Baptismal Team.

Request forms for Baptism cannot be obtained or returned at this meeting.

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LENT – ASH WEDNESDAY 26TH FEBRUARY

This Lent. why not renew your appreciation of what it means to be baptised

Your Baptism was the beginning of a journey. It was the decision by your parents/guardians on your behalf to have you Baptised, to take a road, the road of faith, of following the teaching of Jesus Christ, and joining the family of the Christian community through Baptism. Through the Sacrament of Baptism, you have got to know who Jesus is.

In the early days of Christianity, Lent was the time of final preparation for adults who were to be baptised at the Easter Vigil. **The invitation for this Lent is that all of us**, would take the time to come to a new sense of being baptised in Christ. If we take this opportunity, we can then renew our Baptism promises at Easter in the most meaningful way. Baptism can be something that happened 'back then' rather than something we are living now. This Lent let us move away from thinking that '**I was baptised**' to realising that '**I am baptised.**' Let this be a time for us to reconnect with our own Baptism and to reawaken its power.

A Christian community which has a living sense of being a baptised people will be a more attractive witness to others.

Its attractiveness can prompt others to re-awaken Baptism in their lives.

FEBRUARY FEAST DAYS

Saturday, February 1st: La Fhéile Bhríde- Feast of St. Bridgid.

We invoke her blessing at Mass.

Sunday, February 2nd: Presentation of the Lord-Candlemas Day.

Candles will be blessed for Church and home use during our Masses.

Monday, February 3rd: St. Blaise's Day.

Mass 9.30am and 7.30pm Caherconlish-Caherline 10am. The blessing of throats takes place at these Masses. "Through the intercession of St. Blaise Bishop and Martyr, may God deliver you from all ailments of the throat and from every other evil, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

Tuesday 11th February: Feast Day of our Lady of Lourdes

This day is designated "World Day of Prayer for the Sick and Housebound."

Friday 14th February: Feast of St. Valentine.

St. Valentine gave the greatest gift of love for his beloved faith "He gave his life."

Catholic Schools' Week January 26th- 2nd February.

The Theme for this year is: Living in Harmony with God's Creation.

LENT

Wednesday 26th February: ASH WEDNESDAY.

Mass & Blessed Ashes 9.30am & 7.30pm in Caherconlish: Caherline 10am

This is a day of Fast and Abstinence. We begin a journey of preparation for the great Feast of Easter Sunday on April 12th. TROCAIRE BOXES will be available at the back of the Churches during Lent, please take one. Trócaire's Strategic plan for 2016-2020 is for "A Just and Sustainable Future."

INCH ST. LAWRENCE CEMETERY

Work has been carried out to the entrance and footpaths in Inch St. Lawrence Cemetery, thanks to the grant allocated to us from the Community Enhancement Programme, from Limerick City and County Council. The excellent work done by De Bruin Construction Ltd, has enhanced the cemetery and made it more accessible to all.

DO THIS IN MEMORY MASSES

Masses: Saturday 15th February Caherconlish 6.30pm.
Sunday 29th March, Caherline 10am.

First Confessions/Reconciliation:

Thursday 5th March, Caherline 7pm.
Thursday 12th March Caherconlish 7pm.

Communion Days

Saturday 9th May Caherconlish 11am.
Saturday 23rd May Caherline 11am.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR FEBRUARY 2020

CAHERCONLISH

Saturday 1st Mike Moloney, Oakley Lawn.
Sunday 2nd Margaret and John Murnane, Old Barrack Rd.
Saturday 8th Con and Marie Keogh, 100 Acres East.

MONTHS MIND MASS

Sunday 9th George O'Connell, Newtown.

Anniversaries

Sunday 16th Jim and Madie Purcell, The Square,
Michael Duggan, Beechview Gardens.
Sunday 8th Brendan Styles, Jim and Mary Hourigan, High St.
Breda Carey, Hillview Drive.

CAHERLINE

Sunday 9th Joanna Sheehan (nee Treacy), Gragane.
Sunday 16th Maura Howard, Killeagh.
Sunday 23rd Eddie Ó Meachair, Killeagh, his brother James
and their father Eddie.

We offer prayers and sympathy to the families and friends of
George O'Connell, Newtown, and Mrs. Maura McNamara, Killeagh
who died recently.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

LOURDES YOUTH HELPER/CASHEL AND EMLY DIOCESE 2020

The Lourdes Youth helpers are a voluntary group of young people from our Diocese who accompany the Cashel and Emlý Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes which takes place from 13th to 18th June this year. Youth helpers travel on a voluntary basis raising their costs through fundraising.

One place is available from our Parish for 2020. If you are interested in finding out more about becoming part of this memorable experience. Contact Fr. Roy Donovan or any member of the Parish Pastoral Council for details. Names must be submitted by February 17th if interested.