



*St. Colman's Parish*  
*The Baptism of the Lord*  
*6<sup>th</sup> /7<sup>th</sup> January 2024*

Recalling the baptism of Jesus and what it meant for him reminds us of our baptism and what it means for us. First, it reminds us of who we are, and to whom we belong. We are Abba's beloved children. He delights in us. He is saying to each one of us, as he said to Jesus: *'You are my beloved child. My favour rests on you'*. This is our deepest and original identity. It is a given, not something we have to earn or prove to anyone. God is Love. He created us in love and cannot but love us. But we have to become aware, acknowledge, and claim our belovedness. According to the Franciscan author, Richard Rohr *'the primary task of religion is to reconnect us with our original identity'*. Sadly, too often, the way we understand and live our Christian faith does not help us to do this. The American poet, Raymond C. Carver, reminds each of us that the most important thing I need in life is *'to call myself beloved/to feel myself beloved on the earth'*. That means taking our baptism seriously and accepting what it signifies.

Secondly our baptism reminds us of our missionary calling as children of God. In acknowledging our inalienable dignity as God's children, we are called to appreciate the Divine Presence in others by honouring them, loving them, and serving them in all humility. We are challenged to live as children of God in thought, word, and action, and to share our faith with others. Our baptism involves much more than simply *'saving our souls'* and *'leading sinless lives'*. It summons us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. It commits us to continue the mission of Jesus, becoming God's co-creators in building up on earth his Kingdom of compassion, justice and love.

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**Recent Deaths:** Please pray for  
**Tommy O' Sullivan**, Milltown/Killarney  
**Parick O' Connor**, Tullig East, Killorglin  
**Baptisms:** We welcome into our Christian community  
**Róisín & Érin O' Reilly**, London

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday evening in Milltown church from 6:00p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

*Masses & Intentions*

Mon. Jan 8 <sup>th</sup>			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. Jan 9 <sup>th</sup>	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Liturgy of the Word</i>
Wed. Jan. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>Liturgy of the Word</i>
Thurs Jan. 11 <sup>th</sup>			
Fri. Jan. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>William &amp; Eilis Daly Woodville</i>
Sat. Jan. 13 <sup>th</sup>	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Norrie, Charlie &amp; Dessie O' Connor and all deceased family members, Kilclogherane</i>
Sun. Jan. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Joe Kneafsey Killarney Road</i>

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Listry Saturday Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> Margaret Gallagher  
Milltown Sunday Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> Anna Clifford

**Minister of the Word**

Listry Saturday Jan 13<sup>th</sup> Sinead O' Donnell  
Milltown Sunday Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> Rosemarie Healy

All Weekend Masses will be streamed online via [www.milltownlistryparish.com](http://www.milltownlistryparish.com) or [churchmediatv.ie](http://churchmediatv.ie). The webcam in Milltown and Listry church captures images of individuals who sit in the first two seats of the church. Please sit in another part of the Church if you do not wish your image to be broadcast in this way.

**Flower Arranger:** Mary Aspell Jan 6<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 2024

**Second Collection:** will be taken up at Masses w/e 13<sup>th</sup> /14<sup>th</sup> January.  
- Needs of the Holy Land

**Monthly Prayer Meeting:** takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sunday January 7<sup>th</sup>, from 8-9.30pm. All most welcome.

### **Diocesan Mission 2024**

The diocesan mission, Hope Alive!, will take place from Sunday Jan 21<sup>st</sup> – Wednesday Jan 24<sup>th</sup>. Each day, you are invited to join in the Mission Talk, Prayer, Mass, Prayer Petition and Family Time. Speakers include Adi Roche, Dr Michael Conway, Dr Keith Gaynor and Mellett. To participate in the Mission, register through the diocesan website, [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

**Listen to Horizons:** on Radio Kerry Sunday Mornings at 9.00am - communicating the Christian message.

**Recovery Haven Kerry:** ( cancer support house) will have a Designer Fashion Showcase event taking place in the Gleneagle INEC Arena on February 1st 2024. The date – St Brigid's Day - is particularly poignant for those involved, with the show set to incorporate the extraordinary Irish saint and mark her 1500th anniversary.

Renowned fashion designer Colin Horgan will be the star attraction of the event, showcasing a number of pieces from his new collection. Tickets are only €30 and are for sale at Recovery Haven Kerry 5 Haigs Terrace Tralee or at the Gleneagle INEC box office, they can also be purchased online. For further information please ring (066) 7192122

**Samaritans:** Freephone 116 123 The Samaritans are available 24/7 to offer non-judgemental emotional support to people experiencing difficulties or times of crisis in their lives.

**Seniorline:** Freephone 1800 80 45 91 Seniorline is a confidential listening service for older people. Trained older volunteers offer a friendly, listening and non-judgemental ear to all callers, 10am -10pm

**Farmers in the ACRES CP co-operation scheme:** are invited to meet with the cooperation team staff to find out about their scorecard results, supporting actions they can undertake and any other queries they have. Meeting taking place in Keel Community Centre V93 R6VA on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January from 14:30 – 20:30.

**Finding Your Voice Adult Singing:** will resume on Tues 9th January at 7.30pm in Mobility Genie, Unit 11, 4 Park , Farranfore. All Welcome!

*Beginning here we glimpse the Three-in-one;  
The river runs, the clouds are torn apart,  
The Father speaks, the Spirit and the Son  
Reveal to us the single loving heart  
That beats behind the being of all things  
And calls and keeps and kindles us to light.  
The dove descends, the spirit soars and sings  
You are beloved,  
you are my delight!'*

*In that quick light and life, as water spills  
And streams around the Man like quickening rain,  
The voice that made the universe reveals  
The God in Man who makes it new again  
He calls us too, to step into that river  
To die and rise and live and love forever.*

***Last weekend's collection - €575.00.00***

***Christmas collection - €3,140.00***

***Thank you for your generous support***

The offertory collection is currently not being taken up during Mass. There are boxes at the front and side entrance of the Milltown church and front entrance in Listry church for your contributions which are greatly appreciated.

**Killorglin Pastoral Area**

**Priest on Duty this Sunday:**

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*In an emergency always ring your own Priest first*

*If he is unavailable, please ring the following:*

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