



St. Colman's Parish

The Baptism of The Lord

10th /11th January 2026

Identified with victims:

When leprosy broke out among the people of the Hawaiian Islands in the middle of the 19th century, the government authorities responded by establishing a leper colony on the remote island of Molokai. The victims were snatched by force from their families and sent to this island to perish. However, moved by their terrible plight, a young Belgian priest, Damien De Veuster, asked permission from his superiors to minister to them. Straightaway he realised that there was only one effective way to do this, and that was to go and live among them. Having got permission, he went to Molokai. At first, he tried to minister to the lepers while maintaining a certain distance. But he soon realised that he had to live among them in order to gain their trust. As a result, he contracted leprosy himself. The reaction of the lepers was immediate and wholehearted. They embraced him and took him to their hearts. He was now one of them. There was no need, no point anymore, in keeping his distance. The lepers had someone who could talk with authority about leprosy, about brokenness, about rejection and public shame. Today's Gospel tells us how, by receiving the baptism of repentance, Jesus became identified with the sinners whom he had come to save.

This is the day for us to remember the graces we have received in Baptism and to renew our Baptismal promises:

On the day of our Baptism, as Pope John Paul II explains, "We were anointed with the Oil of Catechumens, the sign of Christ's gentle strength, to fight against evil. Blessed water was poured over us, an effective sign of interior purification through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

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Recent Death: Please pray for

Eileen Roche née Twiss, Callinafercy East

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday in Milltown Church from 6:00p.m. -7:00p.m.

Masses & Intentions

Mon. Jan. 12 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. Jan. 13 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>For all the deceased members of the O' Connor Family, Kilcolgherane & Breda Healy</i>
Wed. Jan. 14 th	Milltown		<i>No morning Mass in Milltown</i>
Thurs. Jan. 15 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Friday Jan. 16 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Pa (Patrick) McCarthy The Square, Milltown</i>
	Milltown	7:30 p.m.	<i>Sr Eucharía (Angela) Carmody Presentation Sisters</i>
Sat. Jan. 17 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Bridget (Bridie) Higgins – 1st Anniversary London/Laharn</i>
Sun. Jan. 18 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Bob Dan & Lizzie McKenna, Callinafercy and all deceased members of the McKenna family</i>

Offertory Collector

January

Liam Hurley

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday Jan. 17th

Margaret O' Sullivan

Milltown Sunday Jan. 18th

Dorothy Casey & Fionnuala O' Leary

Minister of the Word

Listry Saturday Jan. 17th

Family Readers

Milltown Sunday Jan. 18th

Fionnuala O' Leary

All Weekend Masses will be streamed online via www.milltownlistryparish.com or 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.

Second Collection: will be taken up at Masses next weekend 17th/18th Jan
- Needs of the Holy Land

This collection provides assistance to Christian communities in the Holy Land to help them to continue to live there. It helps fund 36 Dispensaries, 21 Charitable Institutes, 120 Education Centres and housing projects for the deprived.

Refreshments after Sunday Mass in Milltown: Please join us for refreshments after Mass this Sunday Jan. 11th in Milltown church This will be a monthly gathering, offering a wonderful opportunity to strengthen our parish community.

ALONE the organisation that enables older people age at home are looking for Telephone and Visitation Volunteers to support older people in the community. 1hr a week can make all the difference! Call 0801 222 024 please or see ALONE.ie/Volunteer for more info.

Samaritans: Freephone 116 123 Samaritans Ireland offers free 24/7 emotional support 365 days a year for anyone who needs someone. Samaritans are there, day or night, for anyone who's struggling to cope. who needs someone to listen without judgement or pressure.

Chime: will be holding an outreach clinic on Wednesday 14th of January 2026 from 2pm – 4pm at the Day Care Centre, Market Street, Killorglin. Our FREE service of support and advice, cleaning and basic maintenance of hearing aids, Technology equipment and information on entitlements. Please make an appointment before 13th of January on 087-3747327.

Prayer for the New Year

*Lord in this New Year
which we have begun
may we have*

Enough happiness to keep us agreeable

Enough trials to keep us strong

Enough freedom to keep us happy

Enough failure to keep us humble

Enough success to keep us eager

Enough wealth to meet our needs

Enough faith to banish depression

Enough hope to look forward

Enough love to give us comfort

and

Enough determination to keep going

Amen

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We were then anointed with Chrism to show that we were thus consecrated in the image of Jesus, the Father's Anointed One. The candle lighted from the Paschal Candle was a symbol of the light of Faith which our parents and godparents must have continually safeguarded and nourished with the life-giving grace of the Spirit." This is also a day for us to renew our Baptismal promises, consecrating ourselves to the Holy Trinity and "rejecting Satan and all his empty promises," which our profane world is constantly offering us through its mass-media of communication. Let us ask Our Lord today to make us faithful to our Baptismal promises. Let us thank Him for the privilege of being joined to His mission of preaching the "Good News" by our transparent Christian lives of love, mercy, service and forgiveness.

Offertory Collections

Last weekend's collection €760.00
Thank you for your generous support.

Killorglin Pastoral Area

Priest on Duty this Sunday

Fr. Kieran O' Sullivan (087) 2408540

In emergency always ring your own Priest first.

If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

Monday: Fr. Kieran O' Sullivan (087) 2408540

Tuesday: Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (087) 2432155

Wednesday: Fr. Fergal Ryan, (087) 2408540

Thursday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638

Friday: Fr. Timothy Kiplagat, (087) 0009181