



St. Colman's Parish
The Baptism of the Lord
11th /12th January 2025

The film *Gandhi* is a three-hour epic, depicting the life of Mahatma Gandhi in India. In order to lead the oppressed people of India to freedom from British rule, Gandhi adopted non-violent means such as fasting from food, vigils of prayer, peaceful marches, protests, and civil disobedience. One of the reasons why Gandhi put on a loincloth and fasted from food, almost to the point of death, was to show solidarity with the Indian people, identifying with them in their physical sufferings. This finally brought independence to India.

Jesus' baptism, as described in this weekend's Gospel, was his identification with God's chosen people who became aware of their sinful lives and need for God's forgiveness.

The baptism of Jesus reminds us of our identity and mission. First, it reminds us of who we are and Whose we are. "Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other Sacraments" (CCC, #1213). Most of us dipped the fingers of our right hand into the holy water font and blessed ourselves when we came into Church today. Why? This blessing is supposed to remind us of our Baptism. And so, when I bless myself with Holy Water, I should be thinking of the fact that I am a child of God; that I have been redeemed by the Cross of Christ; that I have been made a member of God's family; and that I have been washed, forgiven, cleansed and purified by the Blood of the Lamb.

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Recent Death: Please pray for
Sr. Canisius Collins. Presentation Sisters, Milltown/Abbeyfeale
Michael Buckley, Meadow Park, Milltown/Tralee
Baptisms: We welcome into our Christian community:
Oliver Owen, Hong Kong
Patrick O' Shaughnessy, Milltown

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday in Milltown Church from 5:00p.m. -7:00p.m.

Masses & Intentions

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| Mon. Jan. 13 th | | | <i>No Mass</i> |
| Tues. Jan. 14 th | Listry | 7:00 p.m. | <i>Teresa Clifford Rosnacarton Beg</i> |
| Wed. Jan. 15 th | Milltown | 10:00 a.m. | <i>People of the Parish</i> |
| Thurs. Jan. 16 th | | | <i>No Mass</i> |
| Friday Jan. 17 th | Milltown | 7:00 p.m. | <i>Peggy & Paddy Leane Kilburn, Kilderry</i> |
| Sat. Jan. 18 th | Listry | 6:00 p.m. | |
| Sun. Jan. 19 th | Milltown | 11:15 a.m. | <i>Pa McCarthy, 1st Anniversary and his father Patrick The Square, Milltown</i> |

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday Jan. 18th Marie Donnelly
 Milltown Sunday Jan. 19th Dorothy Casey & Eamon Donnelly

Minister of the Word

Listry Saturday Jan. 18th Elizabeth Griffin
 Milltown Sunday Jan. 19th Christiane Spillane

- 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.

Flower Arranger: Doris Mangan 11th January – 24th January 2025

Second Collection: will be taken up at Masses this weekend 11th /12th Jan
- Needs of the Holy Land

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

Diocesan Mission 2025:

The diocesan mission, Pilgrims of Hope, will take place from Sunday Jan 19th – Wednesday Jan 22nd. Each day, you are invited to join in the Mission Talk, Prayer, Mass, Video Reflection, Prayer Petition and Family Time. Speakers include Br Richard Hendrick, Caoimhe de Barra, David Wells and Martina Lehane Sheehan. To participate in the Mission, register through the diocesan website, www.dioceseofkerry.ie

Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima: led by Fr Noel Spring 11th – 15th May 2025. Return coach included from Kerry to Shannon – Direct flight ex Shannon Airport to Porto.4* Hotel Fatima/Half Board Basis with lunch on the Feast Day. Porto City Tour From €899pp.For details call Barter's Travelnet Cork 021 4851700 or Maureen Harty 066 7131328

Samaritans: Freephone 116 123 The Samaritans are available 24/7 to offer non-judgmental 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-judgmental ear to all callers, 10am -10pm

Refreshments after Sunday Mass in Milltown: Please join us for refreshments after Mass on Sunday January 19th in Milltown church This will be a monthly gathering, offering a wonderful opportunity to strengthen our parish community.

Yoga Classes: with Angelika will commence in the Nagle Rice Community Centre, Milltown on Wednes 15th Jan. from 7:30pm – 8:45pm Suitable for all levels. €80 – 6weeks or €17.00 drop in. Booking essential (087) 2176068. Email info@yogawithangelika.ie

Dance Classes for Adults: A fun way to learn how to dance (waltzing, jiving, quick step etc.) every Wednesday night in St. Brendan's Pastoral Centre. Beginners 7.30pm–8.30pm. Advanced 8.30pm-9.30pm. Classes commencing Wednes Jan. 15th Further information contact 087-7541631.

Lord Jesus, you did not need to be baptised. You were always sinless. You were baptised like the others for our sake, to remind us that you had become one of us and that just as the Spirit of God came upon you at baptism, so des that same Spirit come on each of us at our own baptism. You were anointed with divine power at your baptism. In the power of the Spirit, you brought new hope to the human race. The power of God that was in you was mightier than the Spirit of evil that causes sin, suffering and death. You have given all who believe in you that same Spirit. You have told us not to fear, but to have courage, to recall at all times that the Holy Spirit withing us can do great things for us.

We thank you, Lord Jesus, for your baptism and for ours. Help us to really believe in our baptism and to live our baptismal promises.

Last weekend collection - €325.00
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:

Fr. Kieran O' Sullivan (087) 2432155

In an emergency always ring your own Priest first

If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

Monday: Fr. Kieran O' Sullivan (087) 2432155

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Wednesday: Fr. Fergal Ryan (087) 2408540

Thursday: Fr. Danny Broderick (087) 9061255

Friday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638