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## Parish Office-The Baptism of the Lord. 7th January 2018.

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## We wish everyone a very happy and blessed New Year.

The year to come will concentrate on the spiritual wellbeing of all families. Ireland is the destination for families from all over the world coming together for the world meeting of families which will be attended by Pope Francis. In the days to come, every family will be given a family prayer which they are asked to share, perhaps when they gather for their evening meal. At Mass, we intend to use the same prayer after Holy Communion. Copies will be available with Parish Envelopes and at Church doors.

The idea has been suggested that one of the weekend Masses in both Churches might be presented (reader and / or offertory procession) by members of one family either weekly or monthly. Any family who would like to take part should contact the Priest or Parish Office.

The Family Petition Boxes for the World Meeting of Families will be in Clogher Parishes over the coming weeks and especially in our Parish of Magh Ene from January 19 – 26th. 2018.

You are invited to place your petitions in the Box available in each Church. The petitions will be brought to Clogher on 24th March, Feast of St Macartan and from there they will be brought to Houses of Religious Orders where the petitions will be included in the prayers of those communities. They will then be brought to the World Meeting of Families in Dublin in August 2018 where Pope Francis will celebrate Mass.

Petition Leaflets have been circulated with Parish Calendars and Envelopes.

Other petition leaflets will be available in both Churches.

Please note that ALL envelope and cash donations within our Church collections in 2018 are presumed to be for the upkeep of our Churches and Parish needs.

Because the number of full-time clergy within our Diocese has recently greatly lessened, it is important for Parishioners to appreciate that the contribution of laity to the life of any Parish is becoming more and more important. If you can help in any manner, please offer to do so. As Bob Dylan once put it "the times they are changing". The traditional approach of laity and clergy to Parish life will change in the next few years. We need to anticipate that change and approach it in the best possible way.

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Saturday (Vigil) 7pm. Philip Connolly (Sheil Avenue),

Dec Mbs Duffy & McKenna Families,

Hugh, Philomena & Dec Mbs Mc Gowan Fam (West End)

Sunday 8.30am. Private Intentions.

11am. People of the Parish.

10am. Peg & John Loughlin Monday Tuesday 10am. Private Intention Wednesday 10am. Prayer Service.

Thursday 10am. James & Mary Ann Murray (East End).

10am. Private Intention. Friday

10am. Private Intention Saturday

Vigil 7pm Sally O'Gorman (Tullan Strand Rd).

Patrick Mc Namara (East End)

Sunday 8.30am. Private Intentions.

11am. Patricia Page M.M.

Sunday 10am. Josie White (Dunmuckrum)

Gretta Freeburn MM (Belleek).

James, Frank & Dec Mbs Gallagher family

(Higginstown).

Monday 10am. Prayer Service Tuesday 10am. Prayer Service. 10am. Private Intentions. Wed Mass Thursday 10am. Prayer Service. Friday 10am. Prayer Service Saturday 10am. Prayer Service.

Sunday Jan. 14th. 10am. Joe & Annie Keon (Askill)

Bennie Maguire (Manger), Jim Freeburn (Belleek) Shane Goan (Saimer Drive).

Joseph "Joe" Sheeran (West Port) M.M.

Mary White (Dunmuckrum) M.M.

Special Ministers for January

M. Duffy, A. McGrath, A. Davey. 7pm. 8.30am. H. Gallagher, M. Doherty.

11am. B. Ward, R, Doherty, M Gaffney.

January Ministers of the Word

Lucy Ryan. 7pm. 8.30am. Maura Walsh. Rhya Doherty. 11am.

**January Altar Society:** 

Angela Gaye & Kathleen Cunningham.

Weekly Ministers 08/01/2018

Minister of the Eucharist Mary Carty. Ozanam House Lucy Ryan. Minister of the Word Mary Carty.

**Church Collectors for January.** 

Cindy O'Beirne, Kathleen McGrath, Gerry Fox.

8.30am. Patricia Brennan, Maura Walsh.

11am. Padraig Davey, Danny Breslin, Joe Smyth, Mary Carty.

Altar Servers January 13/14th 2018

Sat. 7pm. Ciannna San Pedro, Garath Carr, Rhianna Flanagan, Molly Flannagan & Ava Fallon.

Sun. 11am. Anton Govorov, Alexia Mc Guinness, Lee Smyth, Niamh Barrett & Madison Mc Guinness.

Parish Social Supper in aid of Parish Funds in Holyrood Hotel on Thursday Feb 8th. 7.30pm - 11pm.

Adm: €10. All welcome.

**Liturgy Teams for January** 

Minister of the Word. .

Special Ministers of the Eucharist.

**Church Collectors** 

Front. Eamon Daly Back. Patrick Mc Kenna

Altar Society.

**Important Future Dates for the Rock.** 

First Holy Communion Sat April 21st at 11am. Confirmation Sunday Bundoran April 29th. at 2pm.

Life-Saving Classes are beginning again in Ballyshannon leisure Centre on Sunday Jan 7th. at 5pm. All welcome - minimum age 11.

Our being a coastal area makes it very important for people to learn about the sea, how to keep yourself safe and how to help others.

A statue of Padre Pio has been donated to St. Joseph's Church by the Smollen family. It will be placed near the shrine also donated by them, when the Christmas Crib is removed.

We remember all those who have died recently. Breege Lennon (Ardfarna). Very Rev. Tom Finnegan P.P. Magheracloone, Co. Monaghan. May they rest in peace.

Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Finances. December 30/31 Offertory Collection. 95 Envelopes Returned Env. € 1,016.00 Baskets €624.00 Total €1,640.00

Thanks to those who have made separate donations to Church Funds.

On-going Church Loan approx €1.3 million. Monthly Bank repayment €10,692. All donations to this fund are greatly appreciated. New envelopes are available in the Office or Sacristy. St Joseph's Church Finances. December 31st, 2017

59 Envelopes Returned Offortory Collection. Envelopes €320 Baskets €172 Total €492.00 **Dev. Fund €263.00 Total €755.00** 

Please leave a note in the sacristy if you would like to receive a set of Parish Envelopes to support the work of the Rock. Envelopes are presently being delivered to those using them in the past three years.