St Mary's Church



Ballyheigue

The Baptism of The Lord

11th-12th January 2025

For emergencies only please 'phone: During the week

Fr Gerard Finucane (087) 0554874 Fr Pat Crean-Lynch (087) 2200114

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From 1pm Sunday -9am Monday this weekend only

Fr Declan O'Connor – (087) 0908949

Anniversaries

Timeen Lucid, Phyllis Clarkson, Arnie Quinsey Sr. Mary & Patrick Dillane Eithne O'Sullivan

Mass intentions for this weekend

Saturday Vigil... Fr Paddy and Patsy Godley & Special Intention Sunday Mass..... Patrick & Kathy Kenny

Mass intentions for the coming week.

Tues....7.00pm Philomena & Michael Houlihan

Thurs...700pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7.30pm Eithne O'Sullivan & Grandparents & Fr.Pierce

Fri.....7.00pm John & Kitty Kenneally & dec. family members

Sat.....8.00pm Kitty, Christy & William Horgan

Sun....10.00am Frankie Cantillon

Offertory Collections € 602.60. Thank you for your support and generosity to our Parish. You may continue to hand in your Parish Envelopes to the Post office and we thank the Post Office for continuing to provide this facility to us. Their assistance is greatly appreciated.

Address: Chapel Rd., Ballyheigue, Tralee Co Kerry Eircode: V92 HY57

Live streaming of masses on: wwwdioceseofkerry.ie-Parishes - Ballyheigue -click on picture of the Church.

Under GDPR, the recording of Requiem/Funeral Masses, is a decision for the next-of-kin of the deceased and must be requested via the undertaker. The undertaker will make the family aware of this.

Church Open: 11am -4.30pm Tuesday to Sunday

The Parish Office is open in the Presbytery, 9.40am-1.00pm Wednesday & Thursday mornings (closed on Holy Days). All bookings for Masses, Baptisms and Weddings to go through the Parish office Mass cards also available. Email: ballyheigue@dioceseofkerry.ie phone number (066) 7133110 (office hours)

Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month.

Celebration of The Sacrament of Reconciliation takes place on 1st Thursday of every month at 7pm. Individual Confessions available on request.

Baptism of Jesus.

Today's feast reminds us of our own baptism and presents us with the opportunity to reflect on the implications of leading the life of a Christian in the world today. Baptism marks our spiritual birth and the start of o Christian journey. It sets the tone of our lives. What God said to us on the day of our baptism, he says to us every day of our lives. We are God's 'beloved sons and daughters on whom God's favour rests.' We are called, like Christ, to spend our lives revealing the kindness and love of God. Like Jesus, we are called to share with others the favour of God which rests upon us

Diocesan Collection -Needs of the Holy land will be taken up at all Masses this weekend 11th & 12th January. A basket will be available near both exits. This collection provides assistance to Christian Communities in the Holy Land to help them to continue to live there It helps fund Dispensaries, Charitable institutions and Centres of Education and housing projects for the deprived.

Munster Dioceses "Seeds of Hope" Conference. An initiative of the dioceses of Kerry, Limerick, Killaloe, Cashel and Emily. Learn how your local parish can respond to the ecological crisis. This biodiversity conference will take place on Saturday 25th Jan 2025 in Springfort Hotel, Mallow. Further details and to register please email maia.murphy@trocaire.org and www.dioceseofkerry.ie

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

Grow Mental Health Support Group meetings are returning on Wednesday 15th January 2025 in the Shanchai Centre, 24 The Square, Listowel, Co. Kerry. V31 RD93 at 8pm, it was well supported in 2024, for more information contact Jerry Cronin 0860271990.

First Communion Corner

Thank you, loving God, for loving me and for welcoming me into your family when I was baptised. Help me to share your love With the people I meet today. Amen

Confirmation Students Window:

The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus in bodily shape, like a dove.

A voice came from heaven, 'You are my beloved; my favour rests on you.'

- Q. Who has shown God's love to you today?
- Q. With whom have you shared God's love?

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Wednesday January 22nd. This year's theme is *Pilgrims of Hope*, picking up the theme of the Pope Francis' Jubilee Year. These days offer us a time to gather in reflection and in prayer, online, in parishes and at home. Like the traditional Parish Mission, all are welcome to participate, whatever your age or whether you are actively involved in your local parish community or more on the fringes of organised faith.

Each day, you are invited to join in

- Daily Prayer outlined in the Mission Booklet
- Mission Mass livestreamed from 4 different churches in the diocese
- Schools
 Programme –
 online
- Prayer Petitions online
- Family Time suggestions in the Mission Booklet
- Mission Talk each evening at 8pm
- Sunday Jan 19th Br
 Richard Hendrick, OFM
 Cap, poet and mindfulness
 teacher
- Monday Jan 20th –
 Caoimhe de Barra, CEO of Trocaire, passion for development and global justice
- Tuesday Jan 21st David Wells, author, international speaker, teacher

Wednesday Jan 22nd –
 Martina Lehane
 Sheehan, author, spiritual
 guide, psychotherapist

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation

when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

of a new heaven and a new earth,

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen ~Pope Francis

The Jubilee Prayer 2025

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled

in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.