

This Sunday, we celebrate the **Baptism of the Lord**. We are told in the Gospel about how Jesus was baptised as an adult by John the Baptist in the River Jordan. We hear that God the Father gives His public approval and witness to Jesus and says that he is the chosen one through these words: 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.' This is the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus.

This links in with the children preparing for **First Holy Communion** as they will receive their next 'Grow In Love Parish Newsletter which is based on the theme of Baptism. This will help to teach them about Baptism, the sacrament through which new members are welcomed into our parish family. One good way for all of us to recall our Baptism is to use holy water in our homes regularly.

We also continue to remember the children preparing for **Confirmation**. The Confirmation Programme started last Friday for the children in **Kildalkey** and will continue on January 17th, 24th & 31st.

For the children in **Ballivor & Coolronan**, the programme will begin this Monday 13th January and will continue on January 20th, 27th and February 3rd. We hope that this will help the children prepare for Confirmation.

2025 Sacraments



Confirmation: Wed 12th Feb in St James' Church Athboy at 3pm



First Confession:
Ballivor Mon 7th April at 7pm
Kildalkey Tues 8th April at 7pm



First Holy Communion:
Ballivor Sat 10th May at 11am
Kildalkey Sat 17th May at 11am

Meath Diocesan

Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome:
22-27 Sept 2025.

For bookings/enquiries contact Mullingar Travel

Telephone 044 9340587 or

Email: connie.galligan@mullingartravel.ie

Medjugorje Pilgrimage August 27th to September 3rd, reduction if booked before January 31st. For info contact Teresa on 087 9657299

Recently deceased...



Betty Corr (nee Bagnall) formerly of Moyfeigher sister of the late Seán Bagnall.
Pamela Maguire mother of Jeanette Maguire, principal of Coolronan N.S.
Peggy Maguire Rathmolyon, grandmother of Ed McMahon

Social Dancing in Ballivor Community Centre next Fri 17th Jan 9pm-11.30pm. Music by Eddie Quinn. Admission €10 including supper.



Ballivor Library: due to the overwhelming success and popularity of our Tuesday evening adult craft group, we are now seeking expressions of interest in forming a morning session also. If you would like to register your interest, please come along to Ballivor library on Thursday 23rd January @11.30 AM or 046-9567061/ email ballivorlib@meathcoco.ie

Parish Mission Statement

Jesus said "love one another as I have loved you".
As a parish we strive to embrace and promote the message of the Gospel throughout our community in a way that is welcoming, kind and inclusive.



Ballivor & Kildalkey Parish

The Baptism of The Lord

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Parish Office open Tues & Fri 9am-3pm



Mass Intentions & Adoration Times: Sat 11th - Sun 19th Jan

Sat 6pm	Cecil Fitzgerald. Catherine (Kitty) Kirke.
Sat 7pm	Mary & Martin Connolly
Sun 10am	Ellen & James McMahon
Sun 11.30am	Seán Bagnall (1st Anniv) Hester Gavigan, her parents & brother.
Mon 10am	Special Intention
Tues 10am	For all whose anniversaries occur at this time
Tues Adoration	Ballivor 10.30am - 2pm in Ballivor & 6-8pm
Thurs Adoration	Kildalkey 6-8pm
Fri 10am	Mass Card Intention
Sat 6pm	Edward Dunne. Thomas McMahon & decd family.
Sat 7pm	Anne McKeown. Bertie Cunningham. Festus Joyce.
Sun 10am	People of the parish
Sun 11.30am	Bob & Kathleen Sherrock

Holy God We Praise Thy Name

Holy God, we praise thy name
Lord of all, we bow before thee
All on Earth thy sceptre claim,
All in Heav'n above adore thee;
Infinite thy vast domain,
Everlasting is thy reign.

Hark! With loud and pealing hymn
Thee the angel choirs are praising
Cherubim and seraphim,
One unceasing chorus raising,
Ever sing with sweet accord;
Holy, holy, holy, Lord!

St Columbanus' Church

Ministers of the Word

Sat 11th: Kevin McKeon
Sun 12th: Myra McNally
Sat 18th: Claire McLaughlin
Sun 19th: Gerry Sherrock



Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 11th: Diane O'Connor
Sun 12th: Emily McKeon
Sat 18th: Kathleen Faulkner
Sun 19th: Jackie Connor



St Dympna's Church

Ministers of the Word

Sat 11th: Christina O'Neill
Sun 12th: Vivienne Hesnan
Sat 18th: Ed McMahon
Sun 19th: Dermot Ainsworth

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 11th: Sandra Rickard
Sun 12th: Mary Reidy
Sat 18th: Noreen McAuley
Sun 19th: Teresa Potterton