

**Bless the Lord,
my soul,
Lord God,
How great
you are!**

St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

The Baptism of the Lord - C

12th January 2025

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Pastors Desk Spirit Energy

Today, Jesus' baptism by John, was a special moment - the real coming of God's spirit upon him. It was the same Spirit who had come upon Mary at the moment of Jesus' conception, and would come to Jesus at his last moment on the Cross.



The spirit brings him new energy. The feast marks that something new is happening, and that Jesus is the beloved and son; from eternity and into time.

The Spirit came upon him - but not just for himself. He would send the Spirit later to us - of forgiveness and of perseverance in doing good.

Today is about energy. Jesus found a new spirit in himself after his prayer and he heard words he would never forget. Maybe you have heard words of love from someone you will never forget. They give energy to the heart and soul, making us people always on the go, ready for new life within us.

The Spirit pours the energy of God into bread and wine and they are changed forever. He sends himself forever. It is sending the love and presence and energy of God.

We know that we can get stuck. We need new infusions of the Spirit to give new energy. Can we be the type of people who others think it's good to meet? Open to the Spirit of God, open to new life, new love, being really fully the person I can be?

**May the waters of baptism, O Lord,
bring us the new life of your love. ~ Fr Donal Neary, S.J.**



*Weekday service in St. Paul's is preceded
by the Rosary at 9:40am (Mon, Tue & Thu)*



Mass Times :	Ayrfield	Donaghmede
Saturday (Vigil) :	5:30 pm	6:30pm
Sundays :	10:30 am	9:30am & 11:30am
Weekdays 10am :	Tuesday & Thursday	Mon, Wed & Fri
Service of Word with Communion 10am	Monday	Tue & Thur

Pilgrimage: Book before the end of January
Pilgrimage for the 800th anniversary of the canonisation of **St Laurence O'Toole, May 10th - May 12th, 2025.** Three-day pilgrimage with Fr Ivan Tonge led by Archbishop Farrell. Booking is open and closes at the end of January. **See details on our Noticeboard** Contact Marian Pilgrimages, Dublin, at 01 8788159.

Pilgrimage to Knock

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, **10th February 2025. €699.00 pps.** Price includes return train, 4 nights' in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre, Quiet Man Museum.
Single supplement on Enquiry.
Contact **094 900 6426** or **087 1890 236** or email **knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.**

**Separated, Divorced, Widowed
Are you coping?**

Few people are able to cope alone with the pain and loneliness following the loss of a life partner. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide? Beginning Experience is a peer support group dedicated to helping those who are navigating life alone whether through death, separation or divorce.
A Three Day Coping with Life Alone Programme will take place on: **Saturday 25th, January, 8th & 15th February 2025.** For further information contact Beginning Experience 086 0877379, or email: **bedublin@gmail.com**

See details on our noticeboard.

Notice to Coeliacs: If you are gluten intolerant, we have *Low Gluten hosts available in a chalice at the side of the alter at communion time.*

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*We remember at Mass
and in our prayers
those who have gone
before us*



Saturday 5:30 pm
Rose Kessie 20th Anniversary
William & Cora Gorman Anniv.'s
Betty 'Elizabeth' Fallon Anniversary
Paddy & Kathleen Fitzsimons
Birthday Remembrance
Bert Reaney Recently Deceased

Sunday 10:30 am
Patrick & Liam Byrne Anniversaries
Liam West Recently Deceased
Pat Malone 7th Anniversary
Margaret & Charles Casey Anniv.'s

*Your prayers are requested for the
happy repose of the soul of
Colm Mallon
recently deceased*

Tuesday - 10:00 am
Thursday - 10:00 am

May they rest in peace