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MASS INTENTIONS:

ST. JOSEPH'S, RATHWIRE.

Saturday 6pm *Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord* Annie, Christy & dec. Heffernan Family

Sunday 11:30am *Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord* Chris Ryan

Wednesday 9am

Friday 9am

Saturday 6pm Ethna & William Macken; Marcella Kelly

Sunday 11:30am Jimmy Rooney MM; Una Kiernan

ST. BRIGID'S, RAHARNEY.

Sunday 10am *Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord* Joe Mooney MM

Tuesday 9am

Thursday 9am

Sunday 10am Missa pro populo

Confessions: Fridays after Mass and Saturdays after the Vigil Mass



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION: ST. JOSEPH'S € 355.00 ST. BRIGID'S €195.00
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (weekly envelopes): €905.50

RIP Marie Collins, England

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
In St. Joseph's Tuesday 1pm-9pm.
& St. Brigid's Wed. 6pm-10pm:
Special Diocesan intention of prayer for vocations and the family.

TO ASSIST NEXT WEEK

ST. BRIGID'S Ministers of Holy Communion 10am Molly Doyle, Clifford Naughton & Paul O'Looney. *Minister of the Word:* 10am. Liz Naughton.

ST. JOSEPH'S Ministers of Holy Communion 6pm Jennifer Flood & Mary Gilsenan. 11:30am Rose Mullen, Erica Hynes & Marie Leavy. *Ministers of the Word:* 6pm Anne Rooney. 11:30am Marguerite McGauran.

PARISH CALENDAR OF IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2019

- March 3rd First Confession, St. Mary's N.S.
- March 4th First Confession, St. Joseph's N.S.
- March 5th First Confession St. Patrick's N.S.
- March 19th Sacrament of Confirmation
- May 9th First Holy Communion, St. Mary's N.S.
- May 17th First Holy Communion, St. Patrick's N.S.
- May 23rd First Holy Communion, St. Joseph's N.S.
- June 28th Cemetery Sunday
- July 14th Feast of St Camillus de Lellis



How are your 2019 resolutions going!!

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM As we celebrate this *Feast of the Baptism of the Lord* it is an occasion to appreciate the gift that is Baptism and the responsibility of us to foster and share the Faith with those around us; principally within the dynamic of family life at home and by extension with the wider family of the Church at parish and universal level. The Sacrament of Baptism in our parish is celebrated on the First and Third Sunday of every month. Baptism is always a parish faith community event. At the Sunday Masses when Baptisms are to be celebrated, we pray for those being presented for Baptism and for their families. To prepare for the Christening celebration parents/guardians are kindly required to attend a pre-Baptism meeting on the last Thursday of every month (*except December*). This takes place at 8pm in the Sacristy of St. Joseph's, Rathwire. To request the Sacrament of Baptism please contact the Parochial House/Office. There is also the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (the RCIA) programme which the Diocese provides for adults who seek to become members of the Catholic Church. Please keep this in mind if ever a friend or colleague who is not baptised expresses a desire to know more of the Faith we share in Jesus Christ the Lord.

"What do you ask for your children?" And you all said: "Faith". You ask the Church for faith for your children, and today they will receive the Holy Spirit and the gift of faith, each within their heart, within their soul. But this faith has to develop, it has to grow. Yes, someone may tell me: "Yes, yes, they have to study it...". Yes, when they will attend catechism classes, they will study the faith well; they will learn catechesis. However, before being studied, faith should be transmitted, and this is a task that is up to you. It is a task that you receive today: to transmit the faith, the transmission of the faith. And this is done at home. Because faith is always transmitted "in dialect": the dialect of the family, in the spirit of the home.

Pope Francis, Mass for the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord, at which he celebrated the christening of some babies, Sistine Chapel, Vatican, 13th January 2019.



GETTING MARRIED! Congratulations to couples who may have become engaged over the Christmas & New Year celebrations. Be assured of the prayers of the parish community as you begin to make preparations for your Wedding Day. Please note that at least six-month's notice must be given if intending to get married abroad, as there are important Church documents to be completed and sent to the place where the Sacrament will be celebrated. **For those intending to celebrate the Sacrament here in Ireland please, before booking any venue for the wedding reception in case the dates are not available, contact the priest who will be assisting you and the parish in which you hope to have the ceremony.** As the new year begins, couples already booked for 2020 should double check that all is okay with their priest and the parish in which the wedding is to take place.

A quote from Pope Francis' Meeting with Engaged and Recently Married Couples at the Pro-Cathedral, Dublin during the World Meeting of Families 25th August 2018

*Of all the kinds of human fruitfulness, marriage is unique. It is about a love that gives rise to new life. It involves mutual responsibility for the transmission of God's gift of life, and it provides a stable environment in which that new life can grow and flourish. Marriage in the Church, that is, the sacrament of matrimony, shares in a special way in the mystery of God's eternal love. When a Christian man and woman enter the bond of marriage, God's grace enables them freely to promise one another an exclusive and enduring love. Their union thus becomes a sacramental sign – this is important – the sacrament of marriage becomes a sacramental sign of the new and eternal covenant between the Lord and his bride, the Church. Jesus is ever present in their midst. He sustains them throughout life in their mutual gift of self, in fidelity and in indissoluble unity (cf. *Gaudium et Spes*, 48). Jesus' love is, for couples, a rock and refuge in times of trial, but more importantly, a source of constant growth in pure and enduring love. Gamble big, for your entire life! Take a risk! Because marriage is also a risk, but it is a risk worth taking. For your whole life, because that is how love is.*

WEEKDAY MASS As we begin this New Year 2020 many people take on to do new things or get into a new routine. How about putting daily Mass into your week! You are invited to join with us for the 9am Mass every Tuesday & Thursday in Raharney and every Wednesday & Friday in Rathwire. If you are a parent dropping your children to school, perhaps bringing your family to Mass before school might become part of your daily routine. If you are retired or on your day-off work, then maybe you could factor morning Mass into your day! We have so much to be thankful for and there is always a need to offer prayers for all in our community; attending daily Mass enables us to thank God and seek intercession for our needs and that of the whole world! It is a most special way to become more familiar with the Scriptures through the Readings at Mass and also to get to know other parishioners who come together every morning for Mass. **Sadly in recent weeks some of our regulars have died and it leaves our number small. Please think about joining us for weekday Mass and bearing witness to our active faith community.**

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2020 From 1-9th June 2020 follow in the Footsteps of Jesus and experience the sacred sites of the Gospel. The pilgrimage will begin in Tiberius/Galilee and the surrounding region where Jesus called His disciples and first proclaimed the Good News. Pilgrims will then continue to Jerusalem and take excursions to the wider district, including Bethlehem. Fr. Mark English will be Spiritual Director for this pilgrimage which is provided by Navan Travel. For more details on full itinerary, costs and booking contact 046-9068600; email: info@travalue.ie or check out www.travalue.ie.

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