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# Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

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### **MASSES THIS WEEK**

Normal weekday Mass times resume from next Monday, 8th January:

Mon. Wed. Thurs, Fri: 9.00 am

Saturday: 10.00 am Tuesday: NO MASS

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**Eucharistic Adoration resumes** on Monday next, Jan 8th: Monday: 9.00 am to 1.00 pm. Wednesday; 2.00 to 8.00 pm. Consider giving an hour a week to this ministry if you can. Invitation cards are available now in the three porches.

## Children's Mass Next Sunday 10.30 am.

Altar Society Rota New rota available in the sacristy now

### Ladies Group

Ladies Group meeting on Monday 8th January at 8.30. Guest speaker will attend showing a Slide Show on S. E. Asia. New members most welcome.

#### **Blood Bank**

On behalf of The Irish Blood Transfusion Service please pass on our thanks to all who contributed to the running of this Clinic. 237 Donors attended our Blood Donor Clinic in Bandon GAA Pavilion. This generosity and commitment to helping others is very much appreciated. Donating Blood is a precious gift that brings life and hope to patients, their families and friends.

## Alpha Youth Invitation

The Parish Assembly is issuing an invitation to our young people, particularly to 1st and 2nd year Secondary Pupils those who were candidates at our last

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BAPTISMS:

Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Mon 9 to 1: Wed 2 to 8

Confirmation in 2016. We would also welcome any other young people to next Wed night's presentation as detailed below

Alpha-Youth is a contemporary exploration of the Christian Faith that is being used by groups all around the world to help young people explore the character and claims of Jesus. Over a series of interactive sessions Alpha-Youth looks at topics from 'Who is Jesus?' and 'Why did Jesus die?' to 'How & why should I read the Bible?

### Introductory Presentation

Kilbrittain Parish Assembly invites all those who were Confirmed here at the last Confirmations, the classes of 2016 and 2017, to a presentation introducing Alpha Youth.

Kilbrittain Parish Where? Hall

Wednesday 10th When? --January 2018 at 7.00 pm.

Come along to watch a short video presentation, meet Alpha leaders and enjoy food and friendship afterwards.

No Pressure, no follow-up, no charge.

You are not committing yourself beyond this night. Come along for a look:

Bring a friend! Check out: http://www.alphayouth.ie/what-isalph~vouth/

## The Baptism of the Lord

Today is a day of celebrating beginnings in the liturgy: the beginning of the preaching and the public ministry of Jesus which is announced with the great cry from heaven of the Father's joy in the work of his beloved Son. We also are now at a beginning: the beginning of a year. The initial excitement of New Year is over so we can now stop and reflect that a new period of our lives in the world is beginning.

The public ministry of Jesus, which began with his baptism, today is that which is carried out by you and me, the individuals that go to make up the Body of Christ, the church. Preaching the truth, doing the truth in love, bearing witness to the Father, caring for the poor, being attentive to the Spirit, offering thanksgiving to the Father in the liturgy — all these are the public works of the Son carried out by his people. Now is the time to take stock and ask are we being attentive to this public ministry with which we are charged.

There is no end to the variety of public ministry to which we are called in imitation of Christ, to do the will of the Father, being empowered by the Spirit.

Items for the Bulletin can be given or emailed to Denis and Margaret Collins: killeenskilbrittain@yahoo.ie or to Fr Cremin: mail@frcremin.com. Deadline for receipt of submissions each week is Thurs night 9.00 pm. Weekly Bulletin online at http://www.frcremin.com/news.html