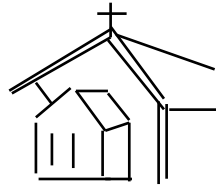


GLANMIRE PARISH

10th January, 2016

The Baptism of the Lord



St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church
Mon. Fri 10.00 am	Thursday & Friday 9.20 am
Saturday (Vigil) 6pm	
Sunday 9.00, 10.30; 12.00	Sunday 10.00 am

St Joseph's Church Adoration Monday night 8.30 pm – 9.30 pm. Fri 10am – 10pm. St Michael's Church Thursday 10 am – Noon

Fr John Newman Tel.087. 2485684, Fr John Heinhold Tel.087 1689292.
 Parish website: www.glanmireparish.ie/
 Parish office open Tues. Wed. & Thurs. 10 am to 1 pm. Tel:4820654

Baptism: identify with God's poor ones

The film *Gandhi* is a three-hour epic, depicting the life of Mahatma Gandhi in India. In order to lead the oppressed people of India to freedom from British rule, Gandhi adopted non-violent means such as fasting from food, vigils of prayer, peaceful marches, protests and civil disobedience. One of the reasons why Gandhi put on a loincloth and fasted from food, almost to the point of death, was to show solidarity with the Indian people, identifying with them in their physical sufferings. This finally brought independence to India.

Martin Luther King, Jr, identified with his enslaved and maltreated people and became the voice of the voiceless in the name of God. Consequently, he was maligned, beaten, jailed, and assassinated while he preached peace, justice and non-violence on behalf of the downtrodden Afro-Americans in the U. S. His heroic example definitely passes as Christian living with tens of millions of the poor and alienated Afro-

Americans in the U.S. and the oppressed millions worldwide. To better appreciate his struggles against the sins of our culture, you are invited to read Dr King's "*Letter from a Birmingham Jail*" readily available on the internet (http://www.africa.upenn.edu/Articles_Gen/Letter_Birmingham.html).

Jesus' baptism, as described in today's Gospel, was his identification with God's chosen people who became aware of their sinful lives and need for God's forgiveness.

Deaths: Sincere sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Tom Bray, Millbrook Close who died on 2nd January and Caitlín Ivers, Forest Park who died on 4th January.

Weddings: Congratulations to Ronan Foley and Valerie Kelleher Glencairn Upper, and also to Eoin Doyle, Knockraha and Karen French, Sallybrook who were married recently.

Medjugorje Conference and Day of Prayer Sunday, 7th February 2016, Montenotte Hotel, Cork.

Ideal for anyone who wants to hear about Medjugorje and hear from those who work there and have been positively influenced from going there . Keynote speaker: Mr. Philip Ryan (Medjugorje Guide for 27 years). Afternoon prayers led by Canon Michael Fitzgerald (Mitchelstown) Tickets €12.00, covers light lunch and entry in draw on the day for pilgrimage to Medjugorje. Limited tickets available so advance booking advisable Contact: Seán O'Shaughnessy 086 29 59 380 for details.

NAOMI PRE-MARRIAGE COURSES

One full day on Saturday 10 am – 5 pm. Cost: €130 per couple .

Pre-marriage course dates : Sat 6th February and Sat 12th March.

Also counselling to achieve/postpone a pregnancy and couples counselling.

Contact: NAOMI, 119 Patrick Street, Cork Tel: 021-4272213

Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9.30 am – 1 pm.

Are you pregnant?

Would you like to prepare for becoming a parent?

Why not attend an Information Afternoon entitled "Preparation for Parenthood" delivered by experienced Public Health Nurses in your area.

If you are interested, please contact : Public Health Nurses, Riverstown Health Centre, Glanmire. Tel 021 4822307

Upper Glanmire Active Retirement Association re-commencing on Monday 11th Jan at 10am in the Community Hall. New members welcome.

Glanmire Macra Winter Woodcutting takes place this weekend 9th and 10th of Jan. Any names of people or families deserving of wood blocks for burning can be given to Dónal O Callaghan on 087-6834403. Blocks will be delivered to names and addresses given to us.