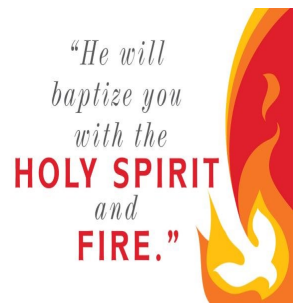


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**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD, YEAR C**  
**9th January 2022**



<b>All Saints</b>	
Monday	7.30 p.m. Mass with Novena
Tuesday	9.30 a.m. Eucharistic Service
Wednesday	9.30 a.m. Mass
Thursday	9.30 a.m. Eucharistic Service
Friday	9.30 a.m. Mass
Saturday	4.30 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday	10.30 a.m.
Sunday	5.30 p.m.
<b>St. Stephen's</b>	
Tuesday	10.00 a.m. Mass
Wednesday	10.00 a.m. Mass
Thursday	10.00 a.m. Mass
Saturday	5.30 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday	12.15 p.m. Mass

**The Car Park adjacent to St. Stephen's Church will be closed for the foreseeable future to accommodate the building of a new primary school.**

*Sr. Frances Reilly RIP:*  
*We remember with great gratitude to Almighty God the life and pastoral ministry of our dear and beloved Sr. Frances, who devoted her life to God and the care of the people of St Stephen's entrusted to her pastoral care. For over thirty years Sr. Frances worked as Pastoral Assistant in St Stephen's, and although she shone in so many different ways, her work and devotion with the school children and altar servers stand out. She will be greatly missed and our sense of loss is great, but we pray that the Lord will reward this good and faithful servant who for so many years work in the vineyard of the Lord.*  
*May she rest in peace, Amen.*

**Financial upkeep of the Church:** thank you for your on-going support of the parish in these difficult times. I understand the anxiety of many families, as the cost of living and especially of heating and lightening seem set to increase. I understand the sacrifice that many are facing when giving to the parish, and thank you for the continued commitment. I would also thank those who make their offering to the church via the Gift Aid scheme, and also those making payment by bank transfers.

**Thank you** most sincerely for the good wishes and many kindnesses shown to me over the Christmas period. They are most gratefully received and deeply appreciated. I assure you of my prayers. God reward you for your wonderful kindness, and may God bless you and your families in the New Year ahead.

**ST. MARGARET'S CHILDREN AND FAMILY CARE :** “As with most charities, we've not been immune to the difficulties surrounding Covid-19. The pressures of the pandemic led to an increase in the need for our services and at the same time, the restrictions have led to us facing major funding gaps which threaten our ability to continue to offer these much needed-services”. Any donations in the SVDP boxes will be given to St. Margaret's this week.  
**All donations to the crib will be given to St. Margaret's.**

**The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**  
**18th to the 25th January.**

This year the materials has been prepared by the churches of the Middle East, the history of which was, and still is, characterised by conflict and strife, tainted with blood and darkened by injustice and oppression. The Christians of the Middle East offer these resources conscious that the world shares many of the travails and much of the difficulties that it experiences, and yearns for a light to lead the way to the Saviour who is the light that overcomes darkness. This is a call for churches to work together so that young people can build a good future, according to God's heart, a future in which all human beings can experience life, peace, justice, and love.

**FEAST DAYS: Thursday 13th: St. Kentigern**

**Pope Francis calls us all to participate in the Synodality.** What is Synodality? The word comes from the two Greek words syn and hodos which mean journeying together. Synods have met since the earliest Christian times to consider new issues facing the Church. They were necessary since the Lord did not leave a detailed blueprint for the Church; rather, he imparted the Holy Spirit with the assurance that through the Spirit the Church would be led into all truth. Synods are characterised by prayer, listening, and discernment, to hear this voice of the Holy Spirit revealing the will of God for the Church. Over time, Synods became restricted to bishops and other Church leaders. Pope Francis now invites all the baptised to have their voices heard during this synodal process which will culminate with the Synod of Bishops in 2023. Pope Francis further hopes that this synodal experience will create a fresh way of being and working as Church. *To be continued.*