

January 2025

Wed 1st Mary Mother of God
 Thu 2nd Ss Basil & Gregory
 Fri 3rd Holy Name of Jesus
 Sun 5th 2nd of Christmas
 Mon 6th Epiphany
 Sun 12th Baptism of Jesus
 Fri 17th St Anthony
 Sun 19th 2nd in Ordinary Time
 Fri 24th St Francis de Sales
 Sat 25th Conversion of Paul
 Sun 26th 3rd in Ordinary Time
 Tues 28th St Thomas Aquinas
 Wed 30th St Aidan
 Fri 31st St John Bosco

Parish Office Opening Times

Tuesdays 10.15am—1.15 pm

Thursdays 10.15am—1.15 pm

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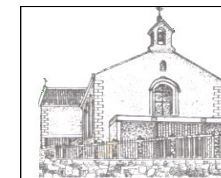
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Please inform priest if family member or neighbour is ill.

Cappoquin, Modeligo & Affane

Newsletter January 2025



:Let us pray: for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

Happy and Peaceful New Year to everybody! “ Our Faith is based on the promise of salvation kept in the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem: our faith is sustained by our annual remembrance of that mystery; our faith is deepened by the years of our preparation for Christ’s coming in glory.” No one whether shepherd or wise man, can approach God here below except by kneeling before the manger at Bethlehem and adoring him hidden in the weakness of a new-born child. (CCC 563).

I hope everyone has got a copy of the Jubilee Prayer. It is very nice. It ends “May the grace of the Jubilee **reawaken** in us, Pilgrims of Hope, **a yearning for the treasures of heaven.** May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

1st January: Solemnity of Mary Mother of God Octave of Christmas. ‘Hope does not disappoint’ (Rom:5, 5) this is the theme of the jubilee that the Pope has proclaimed. The first sign of hope should be the desire for peace in our world, which once more finds itself in the tragedy of **war...** May the jubilee remind us that those who are peacemakers will be called **children of God** (Matt:5:9). Meditate on this grace of the Jubilee , sing with the choirs of Angels: “glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men: he loves them so much that he gave them his Son.”

“Hail, Mary, our icon of trust in God’s Word,
 In faith you conceived and God’s life in you stirred,
 O woman of wisdom, now show us the way;
 Let our hearts be open to Christ day by day
 Hail Mother of Jesus, of all mothers blest,
 To you joyful praises and prayers are addressed.
 The saints and the angels your glory proclaim
 The faithful in confidence call on your name”

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Affane 7pm Vigil
Sunday: Modeligo: 10. am
Cappoquin 11.30 am.

No Mass on Saturdays or Monday

First Friday 10 am Cappoquin

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: on request.

Baptism times

Affane 6.15 pm Saturday
Modeligo 10.45 am Sunday
Cappoquin 12.15 pm Sunday

2nd Ss Basil and Gregory Nazianzen. Basil converted as a young man and founded a community on the Rule of St Benedict. Gregory was a friend of his and he invited him to join. Gregory was so well suited to contemplative life that he postponed his ordination as a priest. He did become a priest and himself and Basil were key figures in monastic spirituality and defenders of the Faith against 4th century Arianism

3rd Holy Name of Jesus & First Friday. The name of Jesus contains all... his name is the only one that contains the presence it signifies. (CCC2666). Thus his name is suitable for any circumstance: : joy and gratitude; cross or trial ; when we have sinned—"Jesus have mercy" There is "no other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved". (Acts 4:12) O Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth !

5th 2nd Sunday of Christmas. When Christmas is here with its joy and its glory, when greetings like gold on your pathway will fall, for you may kind blessings be ceaselessly spoken; and the Blessing of Bethlehem over them all! (*Brian O Higgins*)

6th Epiphany of the Lord. The kings were overjoyed and presented their offerings before returning by another way.

12th Baptism of Jesus. Why did Jesus the all-holy Son of God, seek John's Baptism of repentance? according to St Maximus of Tourin it was to make water holy. for us it was forgiveness of sin and a share in his divine sonship! we are now privileged of God.

17th St Anthony. He was one of the first to lead an austere life of prayer and fasting as a hermit in the desert. He died in 356. St Athanasius wrote his biography. Don't confuse him with the finder of lost things. I'd never manage without him!!!

19th 2nd in Ordinary time. Jesus saved the embarrassment of the Wedding couple at Mary's request! He changed water into wine. We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us (I John 4:16) (Water to wine & wine to blood).

21st St Agnes. With love she gave her blood on earth.

Fri 24th St Francis de Sales He overcame his father's resistance to take Holy Orders, he served as a bishop in exile at Annecy during the Reformation. he was declared doctor of the Church in 1877.. He served as bishop in exile during the height of the Reformation and was a much sought out spiritual director.

Sat 25th Conversion of St Paul. Isn't the mercy of God more powerful than human sinfulness!! Paul's rescue from sin made him all the more conscious of the love of Jesus. The voice of Jesus which revealed to Paul his great need for mercy, transformed him into a zealous apostle for the rest of his days.

Sun 26th 3rd in Ordinary time. Paul reminds us the we are Christ's Body. Some people he has designated to be apostles, prophets, teachers, mighty deeds; then gifts of healing, assistance, administration and varieties of tongues.. Jesus read Isaiah "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor...." Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life. (Jn 8 12)

Tues 28th St Thomas Aquinas. Saint, Theologian, Philosopher, Doctor of the Church. He was a Dominican a brilliant young man assigned to serve as a teacher. Many of his works were written for the classroom. At the request of Pope Urban IV He composed texts for Corpus Christi and other feasts. he died in 1274 and was canonised in 1567. He gave us some beautiful hymns. We pray at Offertory "taught by him, we, too, give ourselves entirely to you in praise ."

Fri 31st St John Bosco died in 1888 canonised in 1934.

Please pray for

John Walsh, Sunlawn Affane

Tanya Fleming-Mason, Dublin /Shanbally Cappoquin.

For them we humbly pray, perfect them in your love

May we share Eternal Day with them in heaven above