

February 2025

Cappoquin, Modeligo & Affane
Newsletter



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Parish Office Opening Times

Tuesdays 10.15am—1.15 pm

Thursdays 10.15am—1.15 pm

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We also have a variety of items for sale including Mass cards, candles & other items. please call

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Alcoholics Anonymous	051 37317
Gardai Cappoquin	058 54244
Health Centre	058 54406
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Please inform priest if family member or neighbour is ill.

Sat 1st	St Brigid
Sun. 2nd	Presentation of Jesus
Mon 3rd	St Blaise
Wed 5th	St Agatha
Fri 7th	St Mel
Sun 9th	5th Sunday
Mon 10th	St Scholastica
Tues 11th	Our Lady of Lourdes
Fri 14th	Ss Cyril & Methodius
Sun 16th	6th in Ordinary Time
Fri 21st	St Peter Damien
Sat 22nd	Chair of S Peter
Sun 23rd	7th in Ordinary Time

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

:Let us pray: for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

I have to start with St Brigid, one of our Patrons she is patroness of many things, poetry, learning, healing, protection, and blacksmithing. livestock and dairy production. In her honour a perpetual fire was kept burning at Kildare for centuries. Some suggest that Brigid is a Christianisation of the Celtic goddess Brigid. Traditionally people make crosses on February 1st. and put them out for St Brigid to bless, They would be put inside on door or over a window. Sometimes they would be put in the animal sheds for protection. We welcome Spring and celebrate her. People believe it protects the home from evil,

fire and hunger. St Brigid Pray for us! She had a convent in Kildare. Our boys and girls are preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation, so don't forget to call on her. She will be delighted to help! We will pray for you on your big days.

Sunday 2nd Presentation of Jesus. "Mary, bring this little one, yours and the Father's only Son through whom our offering is made, by whom our ransom is paid" "As by the sun in splendour, the flags of night are furled, so darkness shall surrender to Christ who lights the world: to Christ the light of day; who once was small and tender, a candle's gentle ray." Let us seek the Lord with all our hearts like Simeon and Anna.

3rd St Blaise Armenian Priest. We recall a miracle cure and have the blessing of throats associated with him. He was imprisoned by the Roman Emperor Licinius who had begun imprisoning Christians. St Blaise miraculously cured a boy from choking while he was in prison himself. We have Blessing of throats after Mass Affane. – Saturday night: Modeligo and Cappoquin after Mass—Sunday.

5th St Agatha. Pope St John Paul offered her as a saintly example for young people. She is named and prayed to in the canon of the Mass—a saintly example for young people.

Sunday 9th 5th in Ordinary time. Isaiah sees the Lord on a high and lofty throne, his garment filling the Temple. The Seraphim cried out Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts! all the earth is filled with his glory! Poor Isaiah was terrified. An Angel touched his mouth One of the seraphim flew to him with an ember he had taken from the altar with a tongs. He touched Isaiah's lips, "Your wickedness is removed, your sin is purged". Then Isaiah volunteered for the job "send me"! Jesus gave a great catch of fish to Simon and James and John and they became his followers. Jesus changed Simon's name to Peter.

10th St Scholastica. She was a twin sister of St Benedict. She preceded her brother in a life of prayer, he was visiting her and her prayers brought a torrent of rain that forced Benedict to stay with her in holy conversation. She died in 542 . Benedict buried her in the tomb that had been prepared for him.

Tuesday 11th Our Lady of Lourdes. Fr Keogh PP will pray for us all in Lourdes and will celebrate the Blessing of the sick here later. *"Hail Mary, poor and humble Woman, blessed by the Most High! Virgin of hope, dawn of a new era, we join in your song of praise to celebrate the Lord's mercy, to proclaim the coming of the Kingdom and the full liberation of humanity"* (St John Paul II 2004).

Friday 14th Ss Cyril & Methodius. They brought the Good News to Moravia which is now the Czech Republic. The brothers translated the Scriptures into the old Slavonic language and celebrated Mass in Slavonic (controversial at the time!) After Cyril's death in 869 Methodius was made Papal delegate for the Slavs and archbishop of Moravia. He carried out a ministry of hardship and imprisonment.. St John Paul II said he was a living model for the Church and for missionaries of all ages.

Sunday 16th 6th in NT. From a stretch of level ground Jesus reveals that sanctity is attainable by all! Don't seek strength in the flesh! Blessed is he whose hope and trusts are in the Lord. We will all be risen from the dead Jesus was the first! We have the Gospel of the Beatitudes and what will happen to us...woe to the rich!, those who are filled now!, who laugh now! when all speak well of you!

Friday 21st St Peter Damian In 1057 He left his hermitage to serve as Cardinal bishop of Ostia. He tirelessly sought to reform clerical life. After 10 years he got permission to go back to the hermitage but the Pope continued to use him for important diplomatic missions. He died in 1072.

Saturday 29th Chair of St Peter. "It is the Magisterium's task to preserve God's people from deviations and defections and to guarantee them the objective possibility of professing the true faith without error so that the People of God abides in the truth that liberates" The Chair represents the Pope's mission to guide the people of God. *"You eternal shepherd, do not desert your flock, but through the blessed apostles watch over it and protect it always so that it may be governed by those you have appointed as shepherds to lead it in the name of your Son."*

Sunday 23rd 7th Sunday in NT. David finds King Saul asleep but refuses to take advantage. After all "Saul is God's anointed" so David will not harm him. Jesus tells his disciples "love your enemies, do good to those that hate you, bless those that curse you, pray for those who mistreat you... and he goes on... stop judging, condemning. Forgive, Judge not; give and you'll be given in good measure!...

27th St Gregory of Narek. Born around 950 Armenia's doctor of the Church (Turkey) He died in around 1003. Wonderful religious poet

Pope Benedict XVI (For First holy Communicants) "I understood that Jesus had entered my heart. And with him God himself was with me. And I realised that this is a gift of love more than all the other things that life can give. So on that day I was really filled with great joy, because Jesus came to me.... I promised the Lord as best I could "I always want to stay with you" and I prayed to him "but above all stay with me". So I went on living my life like that; thanks be to God, the Lord has always taken me by the hand and guided me even in difficult situations. Thus, that day of my First Communion was the beginning of a journey made together. I hope that this Eucharist is a beginning of a lifelong friendship with Jesus, the beginning of a journey together.

(to First communion children 15th October 2005)