

# St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield



The Baptism of  
The Lord  
7<sup>th</sup> January 2018

## Mass Times

Saturday : 6 pm Vigil  
Sundays : 10:30 am & 12:30 pm  
Weekdays : Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri. 10 am  
Service of Word : Tuesday 10 am

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*We remember at Mass  
and in our prayers  
those who have gone  
before us*

### St Paul's Junior & Senior Schools

Our Schools re-open on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January.  
We wish all the children well in the coming year.

### Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration returns to  
normal times next week.

**Mon-Fri 9:30 am – 10:00 am**  
**Mon & Wed 10:30 am – 12:00 noon &  
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm**



**Reminder:** The next mass in  
the "Do This In Memory"  
programme will be held **next  
Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January at  
12:30pm** for all children making their First  
Holy Communion in 2018.



### Sacrament of Marriage

Congratulations to  
*Sarah Hayden* and  
*James Wolverson* on the occasion  
of their recent marriage in our church.



### Christmas Dues

Sincere thanks to all who have subscribed to  
our Christmas Dues. Envelopes can be  
placed in the boxes provided in the church  
or given to your outdoor collector.

### Thought For The Day – The Baptism of the Lord

The great scenes in the Bible, precisely because of their greatness and indeed  
uniqueness, can be difficult to access personally. For the Baptism of Jesus,  
there are at least two potential approaches.

Firstly, we could go back in our minds to a life-changing turning point in our own  
lives, so that we can speak of *before* and *after*.

Secondly, we could also turn to our own experience when we felt deeply the  
affirmation of our identity and worth as "the beloved" of someone. In the case  
of Jesus, these are combined: his identity and life are one, something we would  
like to be able say about ourselves too.

### Prayer

Abba, Father, let us hear again today your words of affirmation to  
Jesus and in Jesus to us all. As your beloved sons and daughters, draw  
us more closely into your own life of love. Amen.

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm  
(Vigil Mass)

**Martin O'Grady**  
Birthday Remembrance

**Josephine & Paddy Muldoon**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary  
& Deceased Family Members

**Annie & George O'Sullivan**  
Birthday Remembrance

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> 12:30 pm

**Ann & Christy Kearney**  
Anniversaries

*May they rest in peace*

### You Shall Be My Witnesses



You Shall Be My Witnesses is the Parish Preparation Programme for  
Confirmation. For those of you who have volunteered to be Leaders in  
the programme we say a big thank you. This programme will give you  
the opportunity to get more actively involved with your child's  
preparation for Confirmation.

The following are the important dates for your diary.

The first two meetings will be facilitated by Rosemary Lavelle, who will explain the  
course to you. These will take place in Clonliffe College on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>** and  
**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> of January** from **7:30pm – 9:30pm**. You will be picked up from the  
church car park at **7pm** on both nights.

The programme for the children will take place in the Pastoral Centre over four  
weeks, on the following dates.

- **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018 8:00pm – 9:00pm**
- **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018 8:00pm – 9:00pm**
- **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018 8:00pm – 9:00pm**
- **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018 8:00pm – 9:00pm**

**Notice to Coeliacs:** *If you have been advised to abstain from Gluten, please contact the Priest before Mass so that we can try to accommodate your requirements.*