

Priest on Duty: Fr. Robert Young: 021 4773700. EMERGENCY No.: 086 3339063

St. John the Baptist Church and Carmelite Friary

The churches are open for personal prayer only.

Monday to Friday

Carmelite Friary: 10.30am to 5.00pm **Parish Church:** 9.00am to 5.00pm

Saturdays

Carmelite Friary: 10.30am to 5.00pm **Parish Church:** 11.30am to 5.30pm

Sundays

Carmelite Friary: 12 noon to 5.00pm **Parish Church:** 1pm to 5.00pm

ROSARY

Parish Church: Monday to Friday at 12noon.



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Parish Church: Mondays: 9am to 1pm; Tuesdays: 9am to 6pm.

MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED BEHIND CLOSED DOORS AND LIVE-STREAMED.

You can participate through the webcams:

Parish Webcam (log on to www.kinsaleparish.org and click on Live Church Streaming)

Carmelite Friary Webcam (log on to www.churchservices.tv/kinsalecarmelites)

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Parish Church: Vigil 6.30pm (Saturday), 10.00am and 12 Noon

Carmelite Friary: 8.30am and 11.00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Parish Church: Mondays and Tuesdays: 8.30am. Wed, Thurs and Fri. NO MASS

Carmelite Friary: Monday to Friday: 10.00am

SATURDAY MASS TIMES

Parish Church: 11.00am

Carmelite Friary: 10.00am

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EASTER

The season of Christmas ends with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord this Sunday.

▶ **Ash Wednesday** will fall on 17th February 2021.

▶ **Easter Sunday** will fall on 4th April 2021.

Fr. Robert writes...

ASKING THE LORD'S HELP IN THE TIMES WE ARE IN



The Lord encourages us to pray regularly every day. Invoking the Holy Spirit is a great source of inspiration to encourage you to have your own personal conversation with The Lord today.

Lord, You are our refuge and our strength. You are our ever present help in times of trouble. When it seems our world is in difficulty and we are thrown by the storms of life, take away our fear. When we are weak, You are our strength. When we are vulnerable, You are our refuge. When we cry for help, You will answer. Remind us, Lord, that You are always with us; You will never leave or forsake us.

Lord Jesus, You are the name above every other name. Your name is like a fortified tower in which we can find safety and security. When we are troubled we can find peace in Your name. When we are weak we can find strength in Your name.

Lord, we pray for all the people of our community. Protect us and keep us safe. We pray for all who are working on the front line – doctors, nurses, carers, pharmacists, therapists, ambulance personnel. Bless the work that they all do.

PARISH OFFICE

Hours: Mon–Fri 9.30am to 12.45pm **Tel:** 021 4773821

• **Address:** Frenchfield, Lower Catholic Walk, Kinsale, Co. Cork

• **Email:** parishoffice@kinsale-parish.org

• **Website:** www.kinsaleparish.org

• **Webcam for streaming Masses & Services:** Open website & click on Live Church Streaming

• **Facebook Page:** <https://www.facebook.com/kinsaleparish/>

CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP

The Kinsale Parish Children's Liturgy Group have kindly prepared resources and ideas for parents and guardians to help explore this Sunday's Gospel with children. These resources are available on the parish website www.kinsaleparish.org and the parish Facebook page www.facebook.com/kinsaleparish/

ANNIVERSARIES

We remember in our prayers:

**Jim Murphy,
John Hurley,
Judy Boland,
Teddy McCarthy,
Peter Woods,
Patrick O'Regan.**

May they rest in peace.

OBITUARY

Mary Cummins Mandeville Terrace

The death took place on Tuesday 15th December 2020, peacefully at Haven Bay Care Centre, of **Mary Cummins**, Mandeville Terrace.

Mary was a quiet unassuming person, held in great esteem in the local community. She loved her family.

The funeral Mass was celebrated by Fr. Peter Kehoe O.Carm and the burial was to St. Eltin's cemetery. We extend our deepest sympathy to Mary's daughters Nora and Mary, son Oliver, sons-in-law Simon and William, daughter-in-law Cathriona, brothers Peter, Tim and Donie, sister Abby, grandchildren Sean, Roisin, Ciara, Tadhg, Fionn, Craig and Aaron, nephews, nieces, extended family, neighbours, relatives and friends.

May she rest in peace.

OBITUARY

Colum McCarthy, Glenbrook

The death took place, peacefully in Marymount Hospice, on Wednesday 23rd December 2020 of **Colum McCarthy**, Glenbrook. A wonderful family man, Colum was treasured by all who knew him. He was a proud past pupil of Presentation Brothers school in Cork. He loved the sea and made many voyages to various parts of the world.

The funeral Mass was celebrated by Canon George Murphy accompanied by Fr. Robert. The burial was to Dunderrow cemetery.

We extend our sincere condolences to Colum's wife Monica, daughters Maeve, Claire and Kate, son Denis, daughter-in-law Aoife, son-in-law Peter, grandchildren Lucy, Tim and Matthew, brothers Brian and Kevin, sisters Eleanor, Carmel and Patricia, nephews, nieces, extended family, neighbours and many friends.

May he rest in peace.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

Sincere thanks to all who support the parish financially and those who give of their time voluntarily to the parish.

ONLINE ALPHA COURSE

What is Alpha?

The Alpha course is open to everyone interested in discovering what Christianity is really all about. It's a place where people can get together, share thoughts, ask questions and explore the meaning of life in an open and respectful way. If you are a shy person, you can just sit and listen. Alpha is a series of contemporary weekly talks, discussion and shared Q&A.

Who is Alpha for?

The Alpha course is designed for people who may not be regular churchgoers, people who struggle with Christianity in the modern world or in their own lives, or anyone with questions about faith and its relevance (or not) in today's complex world.

How Alpha works

Alpha is based around small groups of 6-12 people, led by one or two local hosts whose role is to facilitate and encourage discussion. The Kinsale course will be held on Zoom while we are unable to meet in person. Each session lasts about 90 mins. There are no right or wrong answers, and everyone's contribution is respected throughout. Each session begins with a time to chat, or just listen in, and then a short video looking at a different aspect of the Christian faith each week. This is followed by a time of discussion, when everyone can ask any questions and share their opinions and experiences. Or simply listen – there's no obligation to speak.

Online information Q&A sessions (approx. 45 mins)

- Tuesday 12th January at 8.30pm or
- Thursday 14th January at 11am or
- Monday 18th January at 7.30pm.

The Alpha course starts on Thursday 21st January at 8.15pm.

To register, or for more information, email alphakinsale@gmail.com or call Gearoid on 086 2564069



FEAST OF OUR LORD'S BAPTISM – SUNDAY 10th JANUARY 2021

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Lord's Baptism. It is the last day of the Christmas season. The Baptism of Jesus marked the end of His quiet years in Nazareth and the start of his public ministry. We recall our own baptism and what it means.

REFLECTION

Baptism was not over and done with the day we were taken to the font. We are baptised by all that happens to us in life. We are baptised by hardship; in its turbulent waters we are purified of all that is false and useless. We are baptised by suffering; in its murky waters we grow in humility and compassion. We are baptised by joy: in its gurgling waters we experience the goodness of life. We are baptised by love: in its singing waters we blossom like flowers in the sun. Baptism is like the planting of a seed. It will take a lifetime for this seed to grow and ripen.