

# Darver & Dromiskin Parish

**January 7th 2018 The Baptism of the Lord**

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## **BAPTISMS**

**First weekend of each month.**

St. Peter's Dromiskin, Sat. evening at 6.00pm.

St Michael's Darver Sun. morn at 11.15am.

One month's notice must be given at Darver prior to Baptism. Parents to avail of Parish Baptismal Programme.

**Parish Collection: Weekend of Dec. 31st**

St. Michael's Env. €477.50 Cash €65.00

St. Peter's Env. €337.56 Cash €103.16

**Our Cardiac First Responder :** Did you know that Castleblinham and Dromiskin have an active CFR (**Cardiac First Responder**) group since April 2016? A CFR assists the National Ambulance Service in our community with certain medical emergencies e.g. chest pain, stroke, and choking. When a heart stops – seconds count! We can help. We provide full training and support for you to become a successful CFR member. Find us on Facebook: Castleblinham/Dromiskin CFR, or contact Karen Dowling at **087 270 6849. What great work!**

## **SHAKESPEARE SAID:**

I always feel happy.

You know why?

Because I don't expect anything from anyone.

Expectations always hurt...Life is short,

So love your life, be happy...& keep smiling.

Just live for today &

Before you speak, listen:

Before you write, think:

Before you spend, earn:

Before you pray, FORGIVE:

Before you hurt, feel:

Before you have, love:

Before you quit, try:

Before you die, live.

## **St. Michael's Darver**

Sun Jan. 7th 10.30am Families of our Parish.

Sun. Jan. 14th 10.30 am Av. James & Annie Carolan & Lily O'Callaghan

## **St. Peter's Dromiskin**

Sat. Jan. 6th 7.00pm Av. Margaret & Johnny Matthews.

Wed. Jan. 10th 9.30am Av. James, Clare and Jim Reilly.

Sat. Jan. 13th 7.00pm Av. Brendan Mathews & son Brendan.

## **Recently Deceased**

Alice Curtis, May McGeough, Eugene Quigley, Gabriel Bell & Mary Hamill

## **Mar íosa Prayer Hour**

St Peter's Tues. @ 7.30-8.30p.m. Time of Prayer - Reflection - Adoration.

## **Gospel Matters**

Baptism is commitment, putting our whole selves in, saying to God,

"Here I am, Make me what You want. Send me where You will."

Paul described Baptism - death and rebirth. Jesus wants us to die to our old life so that

He can re-create us in a new life. *So we needs to note.*

Before God is centred in our lives. God must be centred in our religion.

*Can you find God in these comments/attitudes?* If it suits me I will.

If it is convenient I will. If it is nice and easy I will. If Mass is interesting I will.

If homily is humour-laden, I will. If it is not too long I will. If I have nothing else to do, I will.

If there is nothing else on, I will.

*Where are you with Christ?*

*What are you willing to give Him.*

*An hour on Sundays.*

*A few euros now and then to your faith community.*

*He wants more.*

*He wants your heart*

*If you give him your heart,*

*He will take it into his workshop and repair its brokenness.*

*Then He will give your heart back to you, strong and new.*

*Let him make more of you than you could ever make of yourself.*

## **God, help me to pray my prayers. (Repeat)**

May my prayer not just be nice words spoken carelessly: or nice thoughts that occupy empty moments, reducing my "prayer" to pretence. May my prayer not just be nice words or nice thoughts dropped in the empty space of resolutions with no resolve and good intentions that are not real. May the seeds of God's Word take root in the bare soil of my being and grow into a rich and fruitful faith and disciple of Jesus. May I walk the talk. Live the life. Faithfully follow Your way. May my prayer be offered with all my faith, with all my love, with all my heart, all my soul, with all my mind and with all my strength Amen.

## **PARISH €OTTO RESULTS**

**Monday Dec. 18th 2017**

**Numbers drawn: (03) (07) (08) (12)**

# **JACKPOT**

# **€3,000**

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**OFFICIAL FAMILY PRAYER FOR WORLD  
MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018**

**TO BE PRAYED DAILY WITH FAMILY**

God, our Father,

We are brothers and sister in Jesus Your Son, one family in the Spirit our Your love.

Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous

Welcoming to those in need.

Help us to live Your forgiveness and peace.

Protect all families with Your loving care especially those for whom we now pray...

*(We pause and remember family members and others by name)*

*Increase our faith, Strengthen our hope*

*Keep us safe in Your love.*

*Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.*

*This we ask through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*Mary, Mother and guide, pray for us.*

*Saint Joseph, Father and protector, pray for us.*

*Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.*

*Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.*