



ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF
SACRED HEART & ST GERARD
BELLSHILL ~ EST. 2018

Baptism of the Lord

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Streamed Services this Week

Tuesday	11.00am	Funeral Mass for Kevin Clancy RIP from St Gerard's
	7.00pm	Mass from Sacred Heart
Wed	10.00am	Mass from Sacred Heart
Thursday	10.00am	Mass from St Gerard's
Friday	10.00am	Mass from St Gerard's
Saturday	4.00pm	Vigil Mass from St Gerard's
Sunday	10.00am	Mass celebrated by the Bishop from St Gerard's
	11.30am	Mass from Sacred Heart

The Scriptures

First Reading
Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7

Psalm 28
The Lord will bless his
people with peace.

Second Reading
Acts 10:34-38

Alleluia, alleluia!
The heavens opened
and the Father's voice
resounded: This is my
Son the beloved.
Listen to him.
Alleluia.

Gospel
Mark 1:7-11

Our Parish Website

www.sacredheartandstgerards.org

Please visit our parish website to keep up to date with parish news. The bottom of the homepage also shows the regular updates posted to facebook and twitter if you do not have social media.

We are adding short reflections to facebook every day or two based on the readings or feasts being celebrated at Mass. On the website and facebook you will find links to the streamed masses on youtube or www.youtube.com/sacredheartstgerardsparishbellshill

Thank You

Many thanks to those who have put contributions to the parish through the house doors in recent days and have transferred money to the parish account

Thank you for your generosity and continued support to the Parish.

Please Pray for those who have died recently

Kevin Clancy RIP

whose funeral will be celebrated on Tuesday 12th January

Albert Matusavage RIP

Whose funeral will be celebrated on Tuesday 19th January

Catherine Boyce Howard RIP

*Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen*

Please remember in your prayers

Sick:

Baby Felix Durnion, Matt McDonald, Kathleen Grant, Jackie Chinskie, Jane Downie, Betty McDermott, Betty McAuley, Anne Taggart, M. A. Musgrave, Martin Burns, Margaret Quinn, Megan Carlin, Kirsty White, Gerard Foley, Tony Maschinsky, Elizabeth Ann Curtis, Michelle Miller (Cleary), Maureen Griffin, May Dick, Lauren Nicol, Joseph Townsley, Peter Mitchell, Thomas O'Donnell, John Hamilton, Michael Rennie, Rosemary Walsh, Jayne Murphy, Jim McLroy, Lorraine McCarthy, Mary McCardle, John McKendry (Coatbridge), Albert Matusavage, Jane Curran, Cathie Tobin,

Recently Dead: Fr Paddy Walsh, Kevin Clancy, Mary Higgins, Albert Matusavage, Catherine Boyce Howard, Charles Docherty, Helen Connor, Joe Corella, Mary Higgins,

Months Minds:

Anniversaries: William Lockhart, Gerard Devlin,

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Bank of Scotland, Account No. 15939268, Sort Code 80-22-60 or
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Cry Chapels

The cry chapels have been removed from Sacred Heart Church and as hoped it really opens up the entrance to the Church and it feels much more spacious. I will now investigate improving the sound in the church.

Some have asked if the cry chapels are being replaced? I have never felt that cry chapels fitted with the welcome that we should offer to all in the church and many churches do not have them. We gather for Mass not as individuals getting on with our own prayers but as Church, as a community of faith with each member created in God's image and likeness, praising God. I do not think anyone should be excluded for being who they are, nor should anyone ever be considered a distraction by someone else in the church. I think children should be able to see what is happening and encouraged to be involved rather than at the back of the church.

Maybe putting it simply I would say, let babies be babies and children be children. I think as a parish community we must show a welcome and understanding to all, particularly the young and families.

