

The Weave of Manquehue Prayer

The Baptism of the Lord
Monday Motivation for Sunday 10th January

Mark 1: 7- 11

This Sunday we will celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In our Baptism we too were submerged in water as in a tomb, we died, and were raised back to life in Christ by the Spirit. This baptismal sequence of death and resurrection is repeated throughout the pilgrimage of our lives. When everything seems lost, baptismal grace converts a situation of death into one of resurrection, an apparent deadlock into a necessary breakthrough. Sown in us a seed in our Baptism, life in Christ is pushing from within to emerge, tearing away dead skin until we are completely transformed into Him. As you prepare to listen to this Gospel, let go of everything that is not Christ. Cling to nothing but Him. With Him, go well down into the depths of your Jordan today. Be buried with Him in your Baptism. From there, be called back to new life with Christ in the Spirit. And pay attention to the words of Father, because now they are being addressed to you.