

CASTLEBAR PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday Mass Times

Parish Church: 6pm (Sat), 9am, 11am Ballyheane Church: 7.30pm (Sat.) Breaffy Church: 10am

Priests: Fr. Conal Eustace PP, Fr. Shane Costello CC, Fr. George Kappen CC. **Tel.** 094 9021844

Diocesan Child Safeguarding: More information available at www.tuamarchdiocese.org
Anyone with issues or concerns around the safety of children should tel. 087 9315823 or 087 4070206.



Mass Intentions for the Week

PARISH CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/castlebar

Parish Radio 105.3fm

Monday 23rd February:

- 10.00am - Teresa Browne, Fr. Meehan Place. Holy Souls. Eugenie Perceval. Special Intention.
- 7.00pm - Michael & Nora Reilly, Mountdaisy.
Tom Dunne, Windsor & dec. parents. Pat & Maeve Duane, Spencer Street.
Paddy & Betty Kerrigan, Fr. Meehan Place & dec. Kerrigan & Feeney families.

Tuesday 24th February:

- 8.00am - Special Intention.
- 10.00am - Mairéad Ní Ghabhláin, Saleen, dec. parents & family.
Bridie & Tommy Byrne, Blackfort. Special Intention.

Wednesday 25th February:

- 8.00am - Private Intention.
- 10.00am - Kevin & Imelda Brennan & dec. Brennan & Austin families.

Thursday 26th February:

- 8.00am - Joe & Margaret Coleman, Mountgordon. Peggy & Michael Shoefflin-Heneghan.
- 10.00am - Kathleen Lawrence, Rathbawn Avenue.
Phil Heenan, McHale Road, daughter Joan Maree & her husband Sean & dec. Heenan, Fallon & Maree families.

Friday 27th February:

- 8.00am - Private Intention.
- 10.00am - Private Intention.

Saturday 28th February:

- 10.00am - William Waldron, Greenfields. Bill & Sarah Murrphy, Pontoon Drive.
Betty Mac Neely, Riverdale Court. Tony Higgins & dec. Higgins & Loftus families.
Frances Carter, Mountdaisy & parents Michael & Annie Morahan.
Michael Fadden, 'St. Joseph's', Knockthomas.
- 6.00pm - Patricia Halligan, McHale Road. (1st Anv.)

Sunday 1st March:

- 9.00am - Eoin McCarney, Foxfield & Snugboro. (M.M.)
- 11.00am - Josie Scott, Derryhariff. (M.M.)

BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

Saturday 28th February:

- 7.30pm - Richard & Phyllis Staunton, Clooncruel, Ballyheane.
Michael Kerrigan, Birmingham & dec. family.

BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy

Sunday 1st March:

- 10.00am - Michael & Rhona Heverin, Ellison Street & dec. Heverin, Moore & McTigue families.
Therese Deacy, Turlough Road.
John Connor, Drumcorraun, Breaffy & son Tomás.



Rest in Peace

Jack Flynn, Cappagh.

Michael (Jack) Duffy, Barney, Breaffy.

Pauline Kilcoyne Walsh, Louisburgh, sister of Michael & Pat Kilcoyne, Castlebar.

First Sunday of Lent

The story of sirens in Greek mythology describes the negative and positive ways of fighting temptations. The Sirens are creatures with the heads of beautiful women and the bodies of attractive birds. They lived on an island (Sirenum scopuli – a group of three small rocky islands). With the irresistible charm of their song, they lured mariners to their destruction on the rocks surrounding their island. They sang so sweetly that all who sailed near their home in the sea were fascinated and drawn to the shore only to be destroyed. When Odysseus, the hero of the Odyssey, passed that enchanted spot he escaped the temptation from sirens by ordering himself to be tied to the mast and ordering his sailor comrades to put wax in their ears, so that they might not hear the luring and bewitching strains. But King Tharsius chose a better and positive way of conquering Sirens' temptations. He took the great Greek singer and lyrist Orpheus along with him. Orpheus took out his lyre and sang a song so clear and ringing that it drowned the sound of those lovely, fatal voices of the Sirens.

Today's readings advise us that the best way to break the charm of this world's alluring voices during Lent is not trying to shut out the music by plugging our ears, but to have our hearts and lives filled with the sweeter music of prayer, penance, the word of God, self-control, and acts of charity. Then temptations will have no power over us.

Intercom - Fr. Anthony Kadavil www.frtonyshomilies.com

Parish Church

Guided Holy Hour: Sunday from 7pm to 8pm. **Holy Face Devotion:** Tuesday at 3.30pm.

Adoration of the Eucharist: Friday from 11am. **Rosary:** Daily at 9.30am.

Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet: Daily at 3pm. **Confessions:** Saturday 12pm – 1pm.

Daily Mass Times For Lent - Parish Church

Monday: 10am, 7pm

Tuesday to Friday: 8am, 10am

Saturday: 10am

Mother and Baby Institutions Payment Scheme

This Government scheme provides financial payments and health supports to eligible people who spent time in Mother and Baby and County Home Institutions in Ireland. Applications can be made online or by post. All applications are treated with confidentiality.

Visit: www.gov.ie/en/department-of-children-disability-and-equality/campaigns/mother-and-baby-institutions-payment-scheme/ or call the Helpline 01 522 9922 to request an application pack.

Crib Donations

Thank you for donating €2250 to Castlebar Order of Malta.

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will be held in the Parish Church every Friday during Lent at 7pm. Led by the children of the Junior Legion of Mary. All are welcome.

Legion of Mary Meetings

Meetings are held in the Parish Centre every Tuesday evening at 7pm. New members welcome. For more information tel. 085 1676438.

Come And See Vocations Day at Knock House Hotel (F12 R6Y5)

Saturday 28th March, 11am to 4.30pm (including Eucharist). A day to explore priesthood: talks, time for prayer, answering your questions, discerning a vocation. For more information contact: carol.king@vocations.ie

Hosanna! Singing in God's Name

A school choirs concert featuring over 400 students from across the diocese will take place in the Basilica at Knock Shrine on Thursday 5th March from 7–8pm. Tickets are €10 via Eventbrite. A percentage of proceeds will go to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. For details visit knockshrine.ie

Eucharistic Healing Retreat, St. John's Welcome Centre, Knock Shrine

Saturday March 7th, 10am-6.30pm and Sunday March 8th, 10am-4.30pm. Led by Croatian Priest, Fr Rozo Palic. For details tel. Patricia on 089 9466193 or Fiona on fionatjennings@yahoo.com