

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 6th October:

- 10.00am - Paul Roche, Garryduff Drive. Special Intention.
7.00pm - Willie Jennings, Commauns, Burren & Sion Hill & dec. Jennings family.
Mary & Eddie Munnely, Milebush, Maisie & Packie Carey, Springfield.
Niall O'Shea, Rathbawn Drive.

Tuesday 7th October:

- 10.00am - John Coyne, Clonbur, Co. Galway. Pat & Mary Boyle, Coarsepark & dec. family.

Wednesday 8th October:

- 10.00am - May & Dr. Moran & parents, The Marsh. Ellen McDonagh, Glenisland.

Thursday 9th October:

- 10.00am - Michael & Kathleen Togher, Lurgacloy, Belmullet.
Sheila & Paddy Walsh, Monaghroary, Belmullet. Special Intention.

Friday 10th October:

- 10.00am - Peggy Flannery, Sion Hill.
John & Anne McHugh, Errew, daughter Gretta Brett & dec. family.

Saturday 11th October:

- 10.00am - Rose McCarthy, Knights Park. Sean Tobin, Church View Villas.
Cathriona Kelly, Brookhaven & Knockthomas Drive.
Padraic & Bernie McDonald, Greenfields. Bernie Egan, Athlone.
Seamus Kilgannon, Sligo. Dan, Mary & Nicholas Fox, Blackfort.
6.00pm - Ann Lavelle, Moneen. (M.M.)

Sunday 12th October:

- 11.00am - Eamon Joyce, Turlough Road. (M.M.)

BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

- Saturday 11th October:** 7.30pm - Frank Griffin, Castlebar & dec. Griffin & Moran families.

BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/Breaffy

- Sunday 12th October:** 10.00am - Mary Kennedy, Dernacross, Breaffy (1st Anv.) & dec. Kennedy & Maughan families.
Bridget Kelly, Cregganavar, Breaffy.
Katie Walsh, Kilkenny Cross.
Mary Hayes, Fortfield.



Rest in Peace

Ann Geraghty, Richard Street.

Padraic Costello, Mountgordon.

Kevin Gallagher, Aughadrina.

Halyna Ospiova, Lios na Circe & Ukraine, mother of Olga Melnychuk.

Anthony (Tony) Walsh, Garryduff Drive.

Barry Dolan, Germany & late of Derrylea.

Mary Frances Morrisroe, Barnacogue, Swinford, mother of Kieran Morrisroe, Turlough Road.

Úna Connolly née Duffy, Dublin & late of Turlough, aunt of Imelda Duffy Abberton, Watersville.

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

By our own strength, to live the full demands of Christ's teachings is impossible. We are too weak. Like the disciples we have to recognise our weakness and helplessness. This is essential to our sanctification. St. Therese of Lisieux whose feast we celebrated last week knew this, but with St. Paul she could say 'When I am weak then I am strong' – when I see my weakness more and more, I discover I need God more and more. This is a wonderful discovery. Why?

Emptied of ourselves, God then fills us with Himself when we trust in Him, have faith in Him. 'It is trust and only trust that will lead us to God' St. Therese famously said. She trusted so much in God that she asked for all the grace that others did not or could not receive – 'the waves of infinite tenderness' trapped within Jesus' Heart to overflow into her soul. That is quite a lot!

Was that too bold a request? St. Therese was not too bold – it is we who are not bold enough.

While on earth, the saints were greedy for one thing – grace. The saints are sponges for grace, like dry weary lands without water, being emptied of themselves, they soak up every last drop of the dew that fell from heaven – that 'dew' which is the Holy Spirit, they were filled with God's fullness. But we can only pray for this grace if we have faith. 'We must believe in order to pray' says St. Augustine – he continues 'we must ask God that the faith enabling us to pray may not fail'.

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ALPHA IN CASTLEBAR

ALPHA is an invitation from Castlebar Parish to come and explore the meaning of life and faith today in a friendly and informal setting.

It is a 10-week programme starting next **Tuesday, October 7th from 8pm to 9.30pm in Castlebar Parish Centre, F23 XK68.**

Each night begins with food, followed by a 30-minute video and then, time for small group discussion in a relaxed atmosphere. **ALPHA** is run free of charge but a donation is always welcome.

For information on **ALPHA** see: ireland.alpha.org

To register please tel. the Parish Office at 094 9021844 or email castlebarparish@gmail.com

Parish Church Devotions

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.

Annual Celebration of Marriage Anniversaries

Archbishop Francis will celebrate the Annual Diocesan Marriage Anniversaries Mass in Tuam Cathedral on Sunday, October 12th at 3pm, for couples celebrating a significant marriage anniversary in 2025. Refreshments will be served afterwards in St. Jarlath's College. If you plan to attend, please send names and the number attending to info@tuamparish.com or 093 24250 by October 8th.

Rosary in the Parish Church

The Junior Legion of Mary will lead the Rosary every Tuesday in October at 6.30pm. All welcome.

Latin Mass

Sunday October 12th, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Knock at 6pm.

Castlebar Regional Meeting of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association

Monthly meeting will be held in Balla Community Centre on 8th October at 8pm.

The Family Centre, Castlebar

Enneagram Part 1: 15th, 16th, 22nd & 23rd October, 8pm-10pm. Facilitator: Fr Benny McHale. Booking essential, tel. 094 9025900.

Mayo School Leaver Information Fair - "Where to From Here"

This event is to help support young people with a disability and their families with making informed decisions about post school options. The Fair will be held on Wednesday 15th October in Breaffy House Resort from 11.30am and 3pm. All are welcome and entry is free.