

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 18th May:

- 10.00am - Derek & Sadie Wearn, Chapel Street.
Rommel Razon, Fairways.
7.00pm - Nancy Fadden, Westport Road.
Michael, Bridget & Patrick Kilcourse, Clogher, Turlough & dec. family.

Tuesday 19th May:

- 10.00am - Private Intention.

Wednesday 20th May:

- 10.00am - Sean & Kathleen Gallagher, Martin & Delia Walsh.

Thursday 21st May:

- 10.00am - Myles Cresham, Maple Lawn.
Mick Kilkelly, McHale Road & dec. Beashal & Kilkelly families.

Friday 22nd May:

- 10.00am - Patrick & Margaret Carden, Kilglass, Enniscrone.
William & Ann Mongan, Mount Gordon.
Special Intention.

Saturday 23rd May:

- 10.00am - Benny Martin, Rathbawn Road. Marianna O'Dowd, Breaffy.
Mary Neary, Rathbawn & dec. Neary & Devaney families.
Judy Mitchell, Derrymaunis & dec. Mitchell & Crowe families.
Brian Hoban, Gallows Hill & parents Brian & Kathleen, Newtown.
Michael, Donal, Seamus & Christopher Kennelly, parents & dec. Jennings family, Cloonsunna.
Ellen McDonagh, Glenisland. Owen Harte, The Curragh.
6.00pm - Patrick Quinn, Snugboro. (M.M.)

Sunday 24th May:

- 9.00am - Peter Madden, Ballykill Lower, Breaffy. (M.M.)
11.00am - Ellen Regan, Cloonaghmore, Breaffy. (M.M.)



BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

- Saturday 23rd May:** 7.30pm - James & Mary Murphy, Parkboy.

BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy

- Sunday 24th May:** 10.00am - Faye Lavin, Breaffy.
Kevin & Kate Lally, Breaffy, daughter-in-law Pauline, sisters
Nancy & Patricia, their parents & dec. family.
Darragh Sloyan, Ballykill Lower.



Rest in Peace

Helen Coyne, 'Westleigh House', Rathbawn Road.

The Ascension of the Lord

A disciple is a learner – a student – a person committed to learning what the master has to teach. A modern parallel would be an apprentice – or a student musician asking a master musician to be his/her teacher. The disciple is expected not only to learn what the master teaches, but also to put it into practice. Making disciples is about bringing others to embrace a new way of living, to become devoted followers of Jesus, and to imitate his way of life. This is a slow process that cannot be rushed, a process that requires patience and personal involvement (accompaniment) on the part of the teacher.

The commission of the Risen Lord to his still fearful and confused disciples must have seemed overwhelming, impossible even. But Jesus assured them that they will not be alone. To enable his disciples to carry out his commission, he assures them of his continuing presence with them. Jesus remains Emmanuel – God is with us – as much after his ascension as before. Yes, his physical presence among them ceases. This was limited to the period of his earthly life. Now, as the Risen Lord, he is present to them through his Spirit, a presence without limitation.

Significantly, Jesus did not say, 'I will be with you' but rather 'I am with you,' promising an always –current presence. And so, the disciples of Jesus will not be overwhelmed, but rather emboldened and empowered to carry out the commission they have received. And we, too, his disciples today, struggling to continue his mission in these uncertain and difficult times will not be overwhelmed, for he who has sent us remains with us 'until the end of time.'

Intercom – Michael McCabe, SMA sma.ie

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.

Church Collection Envelopes

The 2026/2027 Church Collection envelopes are now ready for distribution. We would be very grateful for your help in distributing the boxes. Please tel. the Parish Office at 094 9021844.

Anointing Fire Catholic Ministry (AFCM) – Afternoon of Healing

This Sunday 17th May, 1.15pm to 4pm in the Church of the Holy Rosary. Service led by Pat and Noreen, Newmarket, Co. Cork. Rosary, Thanksgiving, Praise and Worship, Talks, Eucharistic Adoration and One to One Prayer. All are welcome.

Legion of Mary - Rosary

Rosary will be recited at McHale Road Grotto every evening at 7pm during the month of May. The Junior Legion of Mary will recite the Rosary at the Church Grotto every Tues. in May at 6.30pm.

33 hours of Eucharistic Adoration, Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Knock Shrine

Commencing with Mass at 9am on Friday 22nd May. Closing with Benediction and Mass at 5.15pm on Saturday 23rd May. Castlebar Parish hour of Adoration is 8pm on Friday 22nd. All are welcome.

Organ Donor Awareness Week, 16th to 23rd May

Organ donor cards are available at the back of all Churches.

Knock Youth Leadership Programme at Knock Shrine

For adults interested in setting up or developing youth ministry initiatives in their parish. Starting in September (application deadline May 22nd). For details email: youthministry@knockshrine.ie

Meditate in Pink - Sunday 24th May from 11am-3pm

Online meditation retreat led by Mary Lally, in collaboration with the National Breast Cancer Research Institute. Cost €28 – all proceeds to charity. Tel. Mary at 087 2764539 for details.

Anam Cara - Bereaved Parent Support Evening

The Support Evening will be held on Tuesday 26th May at 7.30pm in the TF Royal Hotel.

Mayo County Library Bealtaine Celebrations

Mayo County Council's choir will perform on Thursday 21st May at 1.15pm in Castlebar Library. Free event, aimed at over 55's. Bealtaine - Ireland's National festival celebrating the arts and ageing.