# CASTLEBAR PARISH NEWSLETTER

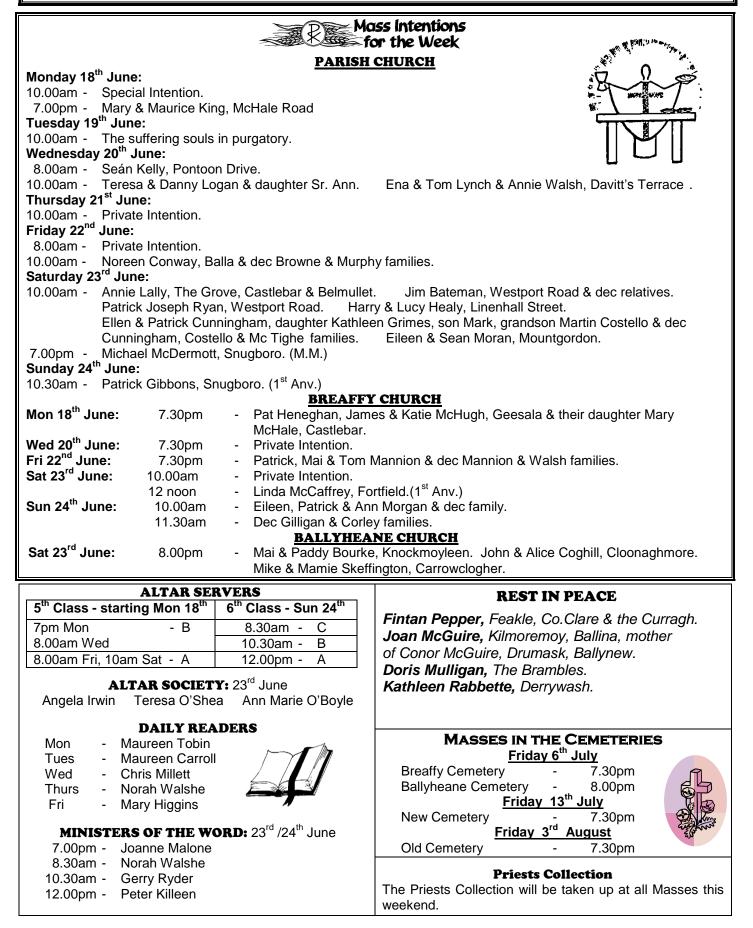
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**Sunday Mass times** 

Parish Church: 7pm (Sat), 8.30am, 10.30am, 12pm Ballyheane Church: 8pm (Sat) Breaffy Church: 10am, 11.30am

PRIEST ON CALL: tel 094 9021844





A man found a cocoon of a butterfly. One day, a small opening appeared. He sat and watched the butterfly for several hours as it struggled to squeeze its body through the tiny hole. Then it stopped, as if it couldn't go further. So the man decided to help the butterfly. He took a pair of scissors and snipped off the remaining bits of cocoon. The butterfly emerged easily but it had a swollen body and shrivelled wings. The man continued to watch it, expecting that any minute the wings would enlarge and expand enough to support the body. Neither happened! In fact the butterfly spent the rest of its life crawling around. It was never able to fly.

What the man, in his kindness and haste, did not understand: the restricting cocoon and the struggle required by the butterfly to get through the opening was a way of forcing the fluid from the body into the wings so that it would be ready for flight once that was achieved. Sometimes, struggles are exactly what we need in our lives.

Going through life with no obstacles would cripple us. We will not be as strong as we could have been and we would never fly.

(Pioneer Magazine)

## **CELEBRATION OF FAMILY IN THE TUAM DIOCESE**



Come along and join us in Ballinrobe Racecourse on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July. Mass at 3pm. Gates open at 1pm. Children activities with face painting, bouncy castle, balloon formation and playground. Lots of fun for everyone with traditional music, art display, ice cream and food hall, display and information stands. Free event. all are welcome.





### Church Collection Envelopes 2018/2019

Thanks to everyone who helped with the distribution of boxes.

Areas still awaiting delivery or collection include: Snugboro, Wheatfield Manor, Coarsepark, Bailenagloch, Sarnaught, Ballymacrath, Burren, Curradrish, Ballinaboll, Ballinvilla, Tullycommons, Rowan Drive, Cloonkeen, Lakeshore Drive, Boradruma, Aglish, Station Road, Spencer Street, Aughadrina, Ardvarney, Dereenmaunish, Patrician Park, Lakeview, Rathbawn Avenue, Rossmór. If you did not receive a box or would like to distribute boxes

in your area please call to the Presbytery, tel. 9021844. Thank you.

### **Defibrillator Training**

There is a defibrillator in the sacristy of each of the Churches in the Parish. Anyone interested in defibrillator training, please contact the Parish Office tel 094 9021844.

### Tochar Phádraig Pilgrim Walk

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>June. Departing Ballintubber Abbey at 8.30am. A back up car will accompany all walkers to the end. For more details tel 094 9030934.

#### **Children's Liturgy**

The Children's Liturgy will finish this Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June for the summer and will resume again in September.

#### **Free Men's Health Evening**

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm in the TF Hotel. To book a place tel Rachel 091 893318.

### NCBI Charity Shop, Main Street

Donations of good quality clothing, shoes, bric a brac furniture etc needed. Tel 087 1613138

### Mayo Stoma Support Group

Meeting will be held in Rock Rose House on Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> June at 7pm. All welcome. Call 094 9038407.

### **Christianity in Ireland before Saint Patrick**

Mayo Abbey, in collaboration with the Tochar Valley Rural Community Network (TVRCN), will host a talk by Alf Monaghan, on the influence of the ancient Egyptian Coptic Church on early Irish Christianity on Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> June at 8pm in Mayo Abbey Community Centre. All are welcome.

#### **Holy Land Pilgrimage**

Oct 26<sup>th</sup> to Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> with Fr. Rob McNamara. Contact Anne at 074 9551438 for more details.