# 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



# PARISH CHURCH

# Monday 31<sup>st</sup> December:

10.00am - Special Intention. Jack Lam, Garryduff Drive. Bridget & Paul Kelly, Manchester.

7.00pm - Private Intention.

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January:

10.00am - Paddy & Jo Ryan, Limerick. Thomas, Maeve & Marian Gilboy, Westport Road. **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January:** (No 8am Mass)
10.00am - Frank & Ann Warde, Derrylea.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

10.00am - Ann Kerins, Lower Charles Street & Keelcoil, Breaffy. **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January:** (No 8am Mass)

10.00am - John McDermott, Lakeshore Drive & dec McDermott & Feeney families. Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> January

10.00am - Helen Monaghan, Ballymacragh. Bernie & Ann McDonagh & sons Owenie & Francie.

Thomas & Bridget Bourke, John Bourke & Christine Sammon.

7.00pm - Aoife Flood, Florida & Curragh. (M.M.)

#### **BREAFFY CHURCH**

Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> December	7.30pm	-	Private Intention.
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	7.30pm	-	Private Intention.
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> January	7.30pm	-	Private Intention.
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> January	10.00am	-	Jimmy Lunn & dec Lunn & Flannery families.
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Michael McTigue (1st Anv.) & dec family, Drumcurrabawn. Sun 6<sup>th</sup> January 10.00am

11.30am Fintan & Mary Hayes & dec family.

# **BALLYHEANE CHURCH**

Tues 1<sup>st</sup> January Fri 4<sup>th</sup> January Hayley Vahey, Carrowclogher. 12 noon First Friday & Children's Mass. 7.00pm

Sat 5<sup>th</sup> January 8.00pm Robert & Kathleen Maher, Robert Jnr & Michael, Clonmel.

### **ALTAR SERVERS**

6 <sup>th</sup> Class - Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>				
8.30am - B				
10.30am - C				
12.00pm - D				



## **ALTAR SOCIETY:** 5<sup>th</sup> January T. Coady R. McAlpine

# M. Foy **DAILY READERS**

Tues M. Carroll Wed C. Millett Thurs N. Walshe Fri M. Higgins

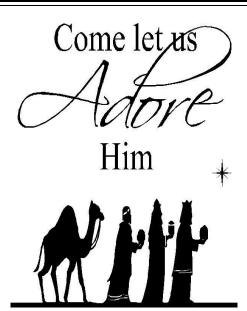


## **MINISTERS OF THE WORD:**

5<sup>th</sup> /6<sup>th</sup> January

7.00pm - N. Finnegan 8.30am - E. Horan 10.30am - R. McGarrigle 12.00pm - P. Glynn

There will be **no 8am Masses** in the Parish Church on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January.



First Friday Mass in Ballyheane Church Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Jan at 7pm (Please note change of time)

## When Jesus Was Small

In primary school we used to sing a song about Jesus' childhood. I don't recall the exact words, but the chorus went something like this:

> Jesus was a happy child When he was small like me He used to laugh and run around And sometimes climb a tree Running here, running there Having fun like you and me.

There was a verse about his mother bringing him to school on his first day. The aim was clearly to remind us that Jesus was a real child who did all

the things that other children do. In theological terms, it impressed on our young minds the humanity of Jesus, even as we heard the stories of the healings and miracles that expressed his divinity.

This hymn came to mind as I reflected on today's Gospel. The story of the finding in the Temple is the only one we have from Jesus' childhood, so it takes on greater significance. It is both an ordinary and extraordinary family story, highlighting a typical family incident while also setting the scene for Jesus' future mission. What parent hasn't felt the panic of discovering their child is missing, and then been overcome with relief when they were found? But the story ends with the realisation that Jesus is far from ordinary. His parents don't understand his cryptic reference to 'my Father's affairs', but Mary stores up 'all these things' in her heart, accepting the mysterious workings of God.

We are left, with Mary and Joseph, to ponder who this child really is.

Tríona Doherty, Intercom



# Happy New Year

The Priests of the Parish wish you all a very happy and peaceful New Year.



#### **Priests' Collection**

Thanks to all those who contributed to the recent collection.

# **Ballyheane Community Council** 25th Anniversary Christmas Party and Children's Concert

After 7pm Mass on Fri 4th Jan in Ballyheane Community Centre. All are welcome.

# **Eucharistic Adoration**

Will resume on Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019.

#### Castlebar Parish Magazine

Thanks to Joe Redmond and all those involved with the publication of the Castlebar Parish Thanks also to all who took out Magazine. adverts. contributed articles, collected the adverts and to those who prepared the magazine for posting.