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



Monday 10th February:

10.00am - Kitty Griffith & dec. Griffith & Merrick families, Balla.

Nora, Paddy & Peter Geraghty & dec. relatives. Holy Souls.

7.00pm - Linda Jensen, 16 McHale Road.

Tuesday 11th February:

10.00am - Mai & Jim Hernan & son-in-law Vinny Geelan, Chapel Street.

Mary McDonagh, Halting Site & Springfield Court.

Kevin, Stasia, James & Noel Banville & dec. relatives, Wexford. Holy Souls.

Wednesday 12th February:

8 00am - John & Annie McAlpine, Lightfort.

James, Martha & Charlie Foy & dec family, McHale Road.

10.00am - Nora Collinson, Charles Street.

Thursday 13th February:

10.00am - Kathleen McDonnell, Ballycastle.

Friday 14th February:

8 00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Ann & Joseph Blair, Carrickmacross, Martin Moylette & parents, Castlebar.

Saturday 15th February:

10.00am - Breege Corley, Aughadrina. (M.M.)

Margaret & Paddy McHale, Snugboro & dec. Quinn & McHale families.

William & Bridget Moran, Pheasant Hill, sons James & Ml., Patrick Gibbons & Katie Fahey, Cloonkeen.

Alison, Frank & Elizabeth McDonald, Main Street. Bridget Kelly, Castlegrove.

Paddy Bourke, Westport Road & dec. Bourke family, Ballymacragh.

7.00pm - Nora Reilly, Mountdaisy. (1st Anv.)

Sunday 16th February:

10.30am - Agnes Staunton, Garryduff Drive. (M.M.)

BREAFFY CHURCH

Wed. 12th February: Fri. 14th February: Sat. 15th February : 7.30pm Martin Rice & dec. family. 7.30pm Jimmy Nally, Milebush.

10.00am Private Intention.

Sun. 16th February : 10.00am Mass for Fr. John McCormack.

11.30am Sally Hett & dec. family.

BALLYHEANE CHURCH

Sat 15th February: Rita, Tony, Patrick and Helena Flynn, Lisnacurley. 8.00pm

ALTAR SOCIETY

S. Hopkins H. Ryder

DAILY READERS

Mon. - A. O'Hara Tues. - C. Casey Thurs. - B. Watkin - Ú. Ryan Fri.



MINISTERS OF THE WORD

15th/16th February

7.00pm - DTIM 8.30am J. Gaffney 10.30am - DTIM - M. Cresham 12.00pm

REST IN PEACE

Maeve Hughes, late of Foxford & Straide, mother of Tommy Hughes. 10 Knights Park.

Lenten Booklet

Prayers and reflections to enhance your Lenten journey. To order tel. 094 9060625 or 083 1178071.



Personally Reading the Bible

There are any number of "methods" out there to read the Bible. This one comes from St. Ignatius of Loyola, one of the great teachers of the spiritual life. Don't get too wrapped up in the question of method. The Word of God doesn't need a method to speak to us. It may be helpful to us, to receive the Word of God and that it may make its impact.

When you've selected a short passage from the Bible try to find a quiet place and begin this time of prayer which can go as follows:

- I. For the space of one Our Father consider how God looks at you.
- II. Ask for God's grace to help listen to His Word. Offer God the use of your mind, imagination and will for this time of prayer.
- III. Imagine yourself present there in the scene from the Bible you're going to pray with.
- IV. Read through the text slowly twice or three times.
- V. Use your imagination (this is called contemplation) or your intellect (this is called meditation) to pay attention to the words. Using your imagination you might put yourself in the place of one of the characters in the reading. Using your intellect you might search for different truths which you can learn and take to heart from the reading.
- VI. Engage in a conversation with God the Father, Son or Holy Spirit, or the Blessed Virgin Mary or one of the saints about what you experienced in that text.
- VII. Conclude with gratefully praying an Our Father.

God bless, Fr. Shane

Do This in Memory

The parents/guardians who volunteered to help with the above programme are invited to a preparation meeting on **Monday 10**th **February**.

The Monastery: 8.00pm - St. Patrick's, Snugboro, Educate Together

8.45pm - St. Angela's, Scoil Raifteirí

Ballyheane Church: 8.00pm - Ballyheane, Derrywash, Errew

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 **Thursday**, **February 20 in Castlebar Parish Centre from 8pm to 9.30pm**. Each night begins with food, followed by a 30 minute video and then, time for small group discussion in a relaxed atmosphere.

Maybe you have given up on Church, belief, Mass, prayer as many have done. ALPHA is designed for you whether or not you have anything to do with the Church. ALPHA is run free of charge. To help us cater for the food and limited numbers it is essential to register by calling the Presbytery at 094 9021844. For information on ALPHA see: ireland.alpha.org

Healing/Anointing Catholic Ministry Service

Sun. 16th Feb. from 1.30pm to 5.15pm in the Church of the Holy Rosary. Led by Con Diver U.K. Praise, Worship, Holy Mass, Individual Hand on Healing, Talks, Eucharistic Adoration. All are welcome. This is a return visit for Con Diver. He visited previously in November 2016.

Ballyheane NS Enrolment Day

Mon. 17th Feb. from 9.30am – 11am and 5.30pm – 6.30pm or by appointment with the Principal. Please bring child's Birth Cert and PPS No. For details tel. 094 9030803 or visit www.ballyheanens.ie

Sr. Consilio's Cuan Mhuire - Fundraising Concert Sat. 22nd Feb. in the Castlecourt Hotel, Westport at 8pm. Tickets €25 (available at hotel & other outlets).

Castlebar Mitchels - Registration

This Sun. 9th Feb. from 5pm-7pm in An Sportlann.

Family Centre Courses

<u>Understanding & Supporting a Child with Anxieties</u> - Thur. Feb. 13th, 10am – 12noon. Facilitator: Dr. Sharyn Byrne.

Goals, Vision, Empowerment & Change

Thur. Feb. 13th, 7pm-9pm. Facilitator: Neil Shanahan Venue: Mayo Education Centre.

<u>Follow-up</u> <u>Workshop</u> <u>to</u> <u>the</u> <u>Introductory</u> <u>Workshop on Centering Prayer</u> - Sat. Feb. 15th, 10am - 4.30pm. Facilitator: Niamh Brennan

<u>Positive Parenting: Harnessing the positive</u> <u>within Children</u> - Tues. Feb. 18th, 7pm - 9pm. Facilitator: Shane Martin. Venue: Mayo Education Centre.

For booking and further information tel. 094 9025900.