

# 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**

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### PARISH CHURCH

#### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March:

10.00am - James Moran, Ballynew & dec. Moran & Doyle families. John Reilly, Knockaphunta Park.

7.00pm - Dec. McDonagh family, Clooncundra & dec. Lally family, Aughadrina.

#### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March:

8.00am - Dan Callaghan, Cashel & dec. family.

10.00am - John & Maria Quinn, Sheeaune & dec. family.

Frank & Nora McLoughlin, son Jimmie & daughters Maureen & Nora, Co. Galway.

#### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March:

8.00am - Dec. Cassidy family, Kilboyne.

10.00am - James & Mary K. Deere & grandson John Campbell, St. Bridget's Crescent. Special Intention.

#### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March:

8.00am - Stasia, James & Kevin Banville, Wexford & dec. family.

10.00am - Mary & Patrick Bennett, McHale Road & dec. Bennett family. Michael Halligan, Pontoon Drive.

P.B. Deacy & sons John Joe & Thomas, St. Patrick's Avenue.

#### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March:

8.00am - Holy Souls. Joe, Julia, Marty, Tony & Mary Walsh & Philomena Ward & dec. family, Derrygorman.

Sean Gallagher, Curragh & dec. Gallagher & Griffith families.

10.00am - Peter McGough, Mountgordon. Michael Jennings, Knocknaskibbole.

#### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March:

10.00am - Florita O'Sullivan & dec. Sullivan, Carpio & Myers families & Mary Farlane. Elizabeth Ebbs.

Brian, Rose & Sybil Kennedy & babies Bernard Joseph & Kai.

Dr. Richard & Dr. Charles Tobin, The Mall.

1.00pm - Memorial Mass for Fr. Michael Brady SMA.

#### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March:

10.30am - Una Kenty nee Barrett. (M.M.)

### BREAFFY CHURCH

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> March: 7.30pm - Jack Duffy & dec. family, Kilmacraide.

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> March: 7.30pm - Winnie Lawrence & dec. family. David Monaghan & dec. family.

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> March: 7.30pm - Louis & Veronica Mongan & dec. family.

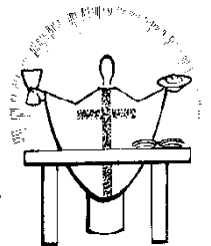
Sat 16<sup>th</sup> March: 10.00am - Claire & Tom Tuohy & dec. Conroy & Tuohy families.

Sun 17<sup>th</sup> March: 10.00am - Pat & Molly Bourke & dec. Bourke & Hopkins families.

11.30am - Walter Barrett & dec. family.

### BALLYHEANE CHURCH

Sat 16<sup>th</sup> March: 8.00pm - Pat & Sarah Mughan & dec. Mughan family, Cloonaghmore.



### **ALTAR SERVERS**

6 <sup>th</sup> Class - Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>	
8.30am	- D
10.30am	- A
12.00pm	- B



### **ALTAR SOCIETY:** 16<sup>th</sup> March

M. Foy      T. Coady      R. McAlpine

### **DAILY READERS**

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



### **MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

16<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> March

7.00pm - DTIM  
8.30am - T. Carney  
10.30am - DTIM  
12.00pm - U. Ní Ghabhlainn

### **REST IN PEACE**

**Sean Bourke, Castlegrove.**  
**John Reilly, Knockaphunta Park.**



## Into the Wilderness

Lent is a great season where we are called to fasting, almsgiving and prayer. While our motivations may vary from weight loss to genuine spiritual journeying, this is a season where we take time to stop and take stock of our lives. What's there? What's there that shouldn't be there? Are there things in my life that I need to change, to move around, to let go of? Are there obstacles in the way of my relationship with Jesus and with the world around me?

Given the extent of the climate crisis that the world now finds itself in, and Ireland's dismal record on climate action, Lent would be an excellent time for each of us to examine our relationship with the earth in the hope that we might recognise the interconnectedness of all things. We might fast from our cars when we can, or look at how much food, clothes and energy we consume. How are our recycling habits? You might pledge to read *Laudato Si*, Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment, during Lent, and perhaps to ask a few friends to join you.

Whatever you decide to do, embrace this very special time. In the Gospel we are given encouragement as we read that Jesus is being led by the Spirit into the wilderness. The wilderness is not a place to be feared: it can be a place of transformation; a place where God is ultimately in control. We might encounter our demons and temptations there, but that is part of the journey. As with all things, we will get out of Lent what we put in. The more we put in, the greater the celebration on Easter Sunday morning.

*(Jane Mellett, Intercom)*

### Do This in Memory

The parents/guardians who volunteered to help with the above programme are invited to a preparation meeting on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March**.

**The Monastery:** 8.00pm - St. Angela's, Scoil Raifteirí  
8.45pm - St. Patrick's, Snugboro

**Ballyheane Church:** 8.00pm - Errew, Derrywash, Ballyheane



### Memorial Mass for Fr. Michael Brady SMA

A Memorial Mass for the late Fr. Michael Brady SMA will be held in the Parish Church on Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> March at 1pm.

### Stations of the Cross

The Junior Legion of Mary will lead the Stations of the Cross every Fri. during Lent at 7pm in the Parish Church.

### Pioneer Afternoon of Prayer

This Sun. March 10<sup>th</sup> from 3pm to 6pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Knock. All are welcome.

### Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage To Lourdes

Departing from Knock Airport on 19<sup>th</sup> July for five nights. Led by Archbishop Michael Neary. For more info and booking contact Sheila Davin 093 24639 or 086 866 4633.

### Knock Shrine Society Seeks New Members

Knock Shrine Society is seeking new members to join Our Lady's Volunteers to assist pilgrims who visit the Shrine. For info tel. John at 087 6891422 or email knockshrinesociety@gmail.com

### GROW Support Group

GROW is a free confidential support group, promoting positive mental health using a 12 step program. Meetings run weekly in Westport Family Resource Centre every Tues. at 2pm. Tel. Emily at 086 4183543 www.grow.ie

### Pilgrimage/Tour to Shrines & Sites in Sicily

June 22<sup>nd</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>. Accompanied by a Spiritual Director from the Archdiocese. Details and booking forms available from John at 093 28337.

### Welcome

Welcome to the group of University students from the United States. They are helping our NET team working with young people from the parish. They will also be hosting a coffee morning and Bible study from Wed. to Fri. of next week in the Monastery after 10am Mass. Parishioners of all ages welcome.

### Healing/Anointing Catholic Ministry Service

Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> March from 1.15pm to 5.30pm in the Parish Church. Led by Fr Thomas Bobit and Fr Angelo Joy. Praise and Worship, Healing Prayers, Talks and Eucharistic Adoration after 12noon Mass. All welcome.

### Guided Meditation for Lent

With Sr Angela in Ard Bhríde on Monday nights from 8pm to 9pm. All are welcome.

### Older Road Users Information Day

Are you aged 50 and over? Do you enjoy driving, cycling and walking but sometimes feel anxious on the road with all the changes there has been over the years? An information day will be held on Thurs. 14<sup>th</sup> March from 9.30am to 1pm in Breaffy House Hotel. Adm: free.

### Singing Group for Cancer Survivors

If you have had a cancer diagnosis at any stage and you like to sing or play an instrument, the Rock 'n' Roses singing group would like you to join them. An open night will be held in Rock Rose House on Wed. March 20<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm.