

# CASTLEBAR PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## Sunday Mass Times

Parish Church: 7pm (Sat), 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30pm Ballyheane Church: 8.00pm (Sat.) Breaffy Church: 10am, 11.30am

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

### PARISH CHURCH

view online at [churchtv.ie/castlebar](http://churchtv.ie/castlebar)

Parish Radio 105.3fm

#### Monday 16<sup>th</sup> August:

- 10.00am - Paddy & Mary Jo Deasy, Rathbawn.  
Sheila Brennan, Tawynalaheen, Pontoon Road.  
John & Betty McGoldrick, Pontoon Drive.  
Rose & Martin Feeney & dec. family, Graffymore.
- 7.00pm - Dec. members of the Organisation of National Ex-Service Personnel, Mayo Branch.

#### Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> August:

- 8.00am - Private Intention.  
10.00am - Special Intention.

#### Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August:

- 8.00am - Private Intention.  
10.00am - Brendan Bourke, Rowan Drive.  
Paddy & Mary McDermott, Ballymacragh, daughter Patricia Custy & son Michael.

#### Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> August:

- 8.00am - Private Intention.  
10.00am - Private Intention.

#### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> August:

- 8.00am - Thomas, Mary & Patrick Plunkett, Kathleen & Gerry Hughes & Ian Hegarty.  
10.00am - Josephine Moore, Riverdale Court. (M.M.)

#### Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> August:

- 10.00am - Barrett & O'Grady families, Knockthomas.  
Esther Flaherty, Lightfort.  
Kathleen Conneely, Snugboro & dec. Sweeney & Conneely families.  
Shane Henry, Ballinrobe Road.
- 7.00pm - Nora Kennedy, Rathbawn Road. (1<sup>st</sup> Anv.)

#### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August:

- 10.30am - David McHale, The Curragh (1<sup>st</sup> Anv.), parents Margaret & Mike & sister-in-law Breege Leonard.



### BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at [churchtv.ie/ballyheane](http://churchtv.ie/ballyheane)

- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> August: 8.00pm - Private Intention.

### BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at [churchtv.ie/breaffy](http://churchtv.ie/breaffy)

- Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August: 10.00am - Carmel Heneghan & dec. Heneghan & Mannion families.  
11.30am - Eileen McTiernan nee Hopkins, Croydon, Surrey & Keelcoil.



## Rest in Peace

**Fr. P. J. Nyland**, Salesian Order of Don Bosco, Crumlin, Dublin  
& formerly of Springhill, Ballyvary.

## ***Feast of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

*“Taken up into Heaven,  
Mary shows us  
The way to  
**GOD**  
The way to  
**HEAVEN**  
The way to  
**LIFE.**”*



*- Pope St. John Paul II*

### **The Slow Work of God**

*‘Only God could say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be. Give Our Lord the benefit of believing that his hand is leading you, and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself in suspense and incomplete.’ (Pierre Teilhard de Chardin)*

These beautiful words from French philosopher Pierre Teilhard de Chardin SJ speak to the sometimes-tortuous experience of waiting. In it the author gives us permission to not have all the answers, to allow our faith time to grow and develop. Above all, he invites us to do that most difficult of things: live in the present moment, and surrender ourselves to God in that moment.

This poem comes to mind as I think about today’s celebration of the Feast of the Assumption, when we recall Mary’s role in the life of Jesus and in salvation. In our Gospel extract we meet Mary, pregnant and celebrating with her relative Elizabeth. Given the circumstances, it would be understandable if she was unsure and fearful. Her future is uncertain, as is that of her soon-to-be-born son. She cannot yet comprehend the enormity of what is to come. But Mary seems content to wait. When Elizabeth proclaims Mary as ‘blessed’, Mary bursts into prayer, praising God for his greatness and for ‘looking upon his lowly handmaid’.

In modern terms, it is a lesson in mindfulness. When we find ourselves impatient, struggling to comprehend or to trust God’s ways, let us turn to Mary who accepted God’s plan with trust and hope, allowing it all to unfold one step at a time.

*Tríona Doherty, Intercom.*



### **Church of the Holy Rosary**

#### **Holy Hour**

Every Sunday from 8pm to 9pm

#### **Lectio Divina**

Every Tuesday at 7pm

#### **Exposition**

Every Friday from 11am to 7pm