CASTLEBAR PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday Mass Times

Parish Church: 7pm (Sat.), 8.30am, 10.30am, 12pm Ballyheane Church: 8.00pm (Sat.) Breaffy Church: 10am, 11.30am

PRIEST ON CALL: Tel. 094 9021844



PARISH CHURCH

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Parish Radio 105.3fm

Monday 17th April:

10.00am - Special Intention.

Edward & Ellen McDonagh, Tuam.

7.00pm - Nora McCormack, Saleen. (M.M.)

Paddy & Kathleen McDonnell & dec. family, Ballynew.

Joe Kerrigan, Chestnut Grove.

Tuesday 18th April:

10.00am - Michael Gaughan, The Oaks.

Dec. Staunton family, Castlebar.

Wednesday 19th April:

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

Thursday 20th April:

10.00am - Private Intention.

Friday 21st April:

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Martin Lawrence, McHale Road.

Saturday 22nd April:

10.00am - Michael McGarry, Rinshinna. (M.M.)

Shaun Murphy, Riverdale Court & dec. Vahey & Murphy families.

Mick & Breege Ruane, Main Street & dec. Ruane & McCarthy families.

John Kelly, Cornanool.

Cian Kearney, Westport Road.

7.00pm - Padraic Walsh, Hollyhill. (M.M.)

Sunday 23rd April:

10.30am - Bridie Jordan, Springfield. (M.M.)

BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

Saturday 22nd April: 8.00pm - Dominic Reddington, Kinturk. (M.M.)

BREAFFY CHURCH

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Sunday 23rd April: 10.00am - Private Intention.

11.30am - Michael Kilbane, Turlough.

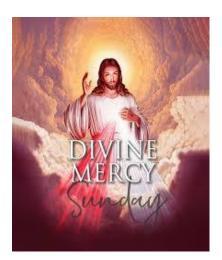


Rest in Peace

Kitty Vallence, England, sister of Nancy Moylette, St. Bridget's Crescent. **Patsy Doyle,** Mountdaisy & Sean Bhaile, Castle Street.

Healing/Anointing Catholic Ministry Service

This Sunday 16th April, from 1.15pm to 4pm in the Church of the Holy Rosary. Led by Con Divers UK. Full Divine Mercy Service and Devotions, Rosary, Confessions, Healing, Eucharistic Adoration. All are welcome. Tel. Carmel 086 3836055, Joseph 089 4888166, Mary 089 4271780.



Second Sunday of Easter John 20:19-31 **Shalom**

We do not come through suffering and difficult times unscarred. We are changed by them. Often, they bring some sort of growth into our lives and usually it is not a pleasant experience. The risen Jesus bears the wounds of his suffering and in today's gospel invites Thomas to get in touch with this reality. Would it not have made more sense for John to write the wounds out of this story? No, because here we tap into the great mystery of this narrative: we can experience resurrection and still bear the signs of 'wounded-ness'. The cross and new life are deeply intertwined. We can be healed, fully transformed, yet the scars of what has happened remain, almost like a reminder of how far we have come. When we recall times of our own 'wounded-ness' do we also hear Jesus' 'peace be with you'? This peace, this Shalom, is more than a wish for a peaceful day. It expresses the desire the person receiving the blessing might be whole in body, mind and spirit. The risen Jesus brings a peace that is life-giving.

In difficult times, becoming aware of Christ's presence amongst us can open our hearts. We keep going in confidence that any suffering we are experiencing is not the end of the story. For the disciples this experience moves them from being closed off to the world to rejoicing, and this in turn opens up the mission for them to be unending witnesses to God's love, to be for others what Jesus has been for them. The risen Jesus is active in all our lives and in the world around us. May we be open to transformation, to growth and to sharing this life-giving Spirit with others.

(The Deep End)

Holy Hour

- Every Sunday from 7pm to 8pm in the Parish Church.

Adoration of the Eucharist - Every Friday from 11am in the Parish Church.

Lectio Divina

- Every Tuesday from 7pm to 8pm in the Monastery.



Keeping Children Safe

The Archdiocese of Tuam is fully committed to keeping children safe. Information is available about diocesan child safeguarding at www.tuamarchdiocese.org Anyone with issues or concerns around the safety of children should tel. 087 9315823 or 087 4070206. Concerns and complaints may also be passed on directly to TUSLA and/or An Garda Siochána.

VAKS (Volunteer at Knock Shrine)

VAKS gives young people (15+) an opportunity to step out of their comfort zone, to learn more about their faith, to meet new people, gain new skills, and of course, to have fun. Weekends available over July and August. Places are limited so booking is essential. For more information or an application form please contact youthministry@knockshrine.ie or tel. 094 9375321.

Prayer Meeting

Resumes on Wednesday 19th April at 8pm in the Social Services Centre, Castle Street. All welcome.

Anam Cara Mayo - Parent Evening

The organisation that supports bereaved parents is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday 25th April at 7.15pm in the T.F. Royal Hotel. For information email info@anamcara.ie or tel. 085 2888888.

National Community Engagement Week

Ballyheane Branch IFA, An Garda Siochána and members of The National Rural Safety Forum will join forces to host a community event in Ballyheane Community Centre on April 18th at 12noon. Agenda: farmer and rural safety, protecting your home and farm, road safety, crime prevention in your community. All are welcome.

Mayo Historical & Archaeological Society

"The Story of Rathcroghan. Its Archaeology and Mythology through the Ages". A presentation by Mike McCarthy, on Wednesday 19th April, ATU Campus, Castlebar at 8pm. Fáilte roimh chách.

Mayo Stoma Support Group Meeting – Thursday April 20th at 7pm

Meeting will be held in the Ellison Hotel. Please text JJ on 087 2300580 if attending.