

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

Priests: Fr. Conal Eustace PP, Fr. Shane Costello CC, Fr. Jose Raju CC. **Tel.** 094 9021844

Diocesan Child Safeguarding: More information available at www.tuamarchdiocese.org

Anyone with issues or concerns around the safety of children should tel. 087 9315823 or 087 4070206.



Mass Intentions for the Week

PARISH CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/castlebar

Parish Radio 105.3fm

Monday 17th July:

- 10.00am - Raymond Smyth & son Sean, Liverpool. Patrick & Ann Marie Ward. UK & Castlebar.
7.00pm - Dr. Aodán, Bourke, Maryland. (M.M.)
Beatrice Browne Davies, UK & Castlebar & dec. family.
Patrick (Paddy) Moran, Rush Street & dec. Moran & Devaney families.

Tuesday 18th July:

- 10.00am - Special Intention.

Wednesday 19th July:

- 8.00am - Private Intention.
10.00am - Thomas Durcan & family, Main Street.

Thursday 20th July:

- 10.00am - John Tonra, Ballymacragh & Boyle. (1st Anv.)

Friday 21st July:

- 8.00am - Private Intention.
10.00am - Walter Geraghty, St. Patrick's Avenue. Dermot Foy, Springfield.
Eugene O'Shea, Rathbawn Drive.

Saturday 22nd July:

- 10.00am - Bridget, John & T.J. Lally, Station Road. Ann McDonagh, Halting Site.
Patsy & Kathleen Summerville, Ballintubber. Liam Kilcullen Rathbawn Road.
Hilda Coyne, Snugboro.
7.00pm - Pat Flanagan, Rathbawn Drive. (1st Anv.)

Sunday 23rd July:

- 10.30am - Eileen O'Boyle (1st Anv.), husband Tommie & son Padraig, Curradriish Road.



BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

- Saturday 22nd July:** 8.00pm - Josephine Reilly, Errew, (1st Anv.), husband Tom & son Sean.
Breege & Tom Fahey, Lisnaponra.
Kathleen & Sean Rabbette, Derrywash.

BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy

- Sunday 23rd July:** 10.00am - Private Intention.
11.30am - Joseph Cunniffe, Cottage Road & grandson Conor Keegan, USA.
Frank Byrne, Frenchill.

Rest in Peace

Joe Bourke, Derrew, Ballyheane.

Maureen Tobin, Mallard House, Newport Road.

Matthew Walsh, St. Bridget's Crescent.

John O'Malley, Currane, Achill, father-in-law of Laura O'Malley, Blackfort Manor.

Colleen (Nonie) Curtin, late of Sydney, Australia & Mountgordon, sister of Pat Hoban, Rathbawn Drive.

Tony Fallon, Fr. Meehan Place.



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 13:1-23

Today and in the coming Sundays we will hear the parables from Matthew 13. Parables are more an experience than just a story with a hidden meaning, they are the great wisdom teachings of Jesus. They demand an alertness from us, speaking to our hearts through what is said, and often through what is left unsaid. Parables do not end once we are finished hearing them. They stay with us, often leaving us with unanswered questions that invite us to ponder and reflect on our own experiences; parable awaken our senses.

Today's gospel is in three parts: the parable Jesus taught, an explanation on why Jesus teaches in parables (probably added later), and an explanation of the parable of the sower (definitely added later). The parable itself is well known and concerns seeds, where they land and what happens to them. We might take note of the seeds as representing God's Word and the effect it has, or does not have, on us. What makes the difference in the parable is the type of soil the seed lands on and how suitable it is for growth to take place. Let us consider our hearts the soil for a moment: how open are we to receiving seeds that may be planted there? Any decent gardener will know that good soil is key in order to cultivate anything. Soil is basically rock that has been broken down by various forces such as wind, rain, freezing and thawing. It can be too acidic, or it can be too alkaline. Good soil needs lots of air and water and some manure; it needs to be tended to and prepared. We too are weathered down by various forces in our lives, which can either close us down and harden our hearts or can open us up and help us to grow into greater awareness. How ready are our hearts for sowing? The disciple is one who hears the word and understands it, and it bears fruit.

(The Deep End)

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| <u>Holy Hour</u> | - Every Sunday from 7pm to 8pm in the Parish Church. |
| <u>Adoration of the Eucharist</u> | - Every Friday from 11am in the Parish Church. |
| <u>Lectio Divina</u> | - Every Tuesday from 7pm to 8pm in the Monastery. |



Masses in the Cemeteries

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| <u>Old Cemetery</u> | - 28 th July at 7pm | <u>Ballyheane Cemetery</u> | - 28 th July at 7pm |
| <u>New Cemetery</u> | - 4 th August at 7pm | <u>Breaffy Cemetery</u> | - 4 th August at 7pm |

Castlebar Parish Bank Account Details:

Account: Church of the Holy Rosary **BIC:** AIBKIE2D **IBAN:** IE59 AIBK 9370 8805 7270 35

Visitation to the Sick

The priests visit the sick on the First Fridays. Please let us know if a member of your family or neighbour would like a visit. Tel. the Parish Office at 094 9021844.

Anointing Catholic Ministry Service – Afternoon of Healing

This Sunday 16th July from 1.15pm - 4pm in Church of the Holy Rosary. Led by Eddie Stone, Cloonfert. Thanksgiving, Praise & Worship, Prayers for Healing, Talks, Confession & Eucharistic Adoration. All are welcome. Tel. Carmel 086 3836055, Joseph 089 4888166, Mary 089 4271780.

Jesuit Week at Knock Shrine - 23rd to 30th July

Theme: 'Nourishment for a Hungry Heart'. You are invited to participate in all the events this week, or to drop in for any session. The week can serve as a Retreat for those who wish. No booking necessary. All are welcome. More details available at www.knockshrine.ie

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly - Pilgrimage to Knock

Sunday 23rd July at the Basilica, Knock Shrine. Starting with Anointing of the Sick at 2.30pm, Mass at 3pm, followed by the Rosary Procession. Details at www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org

Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes – 1st to 6th September

From Ireland West Airport. Led by Archbishop Francis. For details and booking tel. 01 2410800.