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 2nd March:

10.00am - Special Intention. Banville & Geraghty families, dec. relatives & Holy Souls. Special Intention.

7.00pm - Nora Connor, Aughadrina & dec. family. Brendan McTigue, Tullycommons & parents John & Ann. Peggy & Tony Baynes, Main Street.

Tuesday 3rd March:

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Jamie Hopkins, Rowan Drive & Vincent & Kieran Walsh, UK. Ellen Ludden, McHale Road. Elizabeth, James & Bridie Shaughnessy. Special Intention.

Wednesday 4th March:

8 00am - Dec. Cassidy family, Kilboyne.

10.00am - Neville & Cara McGann. Special Intention.

Thursday 5th March:

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Special Intention. Tom, Margaret, Teresa & Tom Rooney, Keelogues & dec. family.

Friday 6th March:

8 00am - Tom Early, Clooney. Margo Foy, Hillcrest, Knockthomas.

10.00am - Michael & Annie Morahan & dec. family, Mountdaisy.

Saturday 7th March:

10.00am - Alice & Seamus Padden, Springfield & dec. Hegarty & Padden families.

Jack & Sarah Marley, Turlough Road & dec. Marley & Gallagher families.

Mike & Christine Murray, Boradruma. John Kearns, Knockthomas Drive.

Joe & Monica Murtagh, Newtown & Paul Cowan.

7.00pm - Eddie Bartley, 114 McHale Road. (1st Anv.)

Sunday 8th March:

10.30am - Sean Gannon, Aughadrina. (M.M.)

BREAFFY CHURCH

Fri. 6th March: 7.30pm - Tom & Claire Tuohy & dec. Conroy & Tuohy families.

Sat. 7th March: 10.00am - Séan Chambers & dec. Chambers & Connor families.

Sun. 8th March: 10.00am - Private Intention. 11.30am - Private Intention.

BALLYHEANE CHURCH

Fri. 6th March:

8.00pm

- Paddy & Julia Walshe, Westland. Richard Staunton, Clooncruel & dec. family.

Sat. 7th March:

8.00pm

- John Patrick Richardson, Derrywash & dec. family. Michael Madden, Killadeer.

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Kate & Martin Dolan, Coolodge.

ALTAR SOCIETY

B. Downes M. Brett M. Rance

DAILY READERS

Mon. - A. Gormley
Tues. - Sr. T. Kilcourse
Wed. - J. Hanley
Thurs. - P. Beirne

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

7th/8th March

7.00pm - DTIM 8.30am - J. Kearney 10.30am - DTIM 12.00pm - M. Mullany

First Friday - 6th March

There will be Mass at 7.30pm in Breaffy Church and 8pm in Ballyheane Church.

REST IN PEACE

Bridie O'Meara, Lwr. Thomas Street & Lightford

Kathleen Lawrence, Rathbawn Avenue.

Attracta Cawley, Aughagower, sister of Mary Cunningham, Breaffy Road.

Extended Adoration

You are invited to Extended Adoration for our unborn in the Monastery, from 7pm on the First Fri. 6th March to 9.30am on Sat. 7th March. If you would like to join the rota please tel. 086 8197111.

Eucharistic Adoration

You are invited to spend one hour per week in Eucharistic Adoration during Lent. Adoration takes place Mon. to Fri. from 10.30am to 7pm. All welcome.

EMBRACE THE WILDERNESS

We journey into the desert as we begin Lent 2020, and we are encouraged to embrace the richness of this time and the possibilities that lie within. The desert can be unappealing, we may feel a resistance to the challenge, but the potential is enormous. Going inward, praying, fasting, taking on, giving – all of these practices offer us opportunities for genuine spiritual growth. It is through this journey that we can deepen our relationship with the One who urges us on. We should not be afraid of the desert for, as the Gospel today tells us, it is the Spirit who leads us on this path.

Let us bring to mind this season the fact that our global community stands at a crossroads, confronted with a frightening environmental crisis, another type of wilderness. We watched in horror this past year as wildfires destroyed vast ecosystems in the Amazon, Indonesia and Australia, killing an estimated one billion animals, destroying homes and taking lives. Ecologists in Ireland also tell us that to look out at the Irish countryside today is to look and see what is no longer there. Another wilderness.

Lent is an opportunity to examine our lifestyles and to think about our relationship with God's creation. As Catholic faith communities, let us embrace the challenge to care for our common home in these weeks, making small changes. We can all do something: eliminate single-use plastics, fast from our cars, plant trees, bring a small group together to read Laudato Si, pray for our world leaders. Let this be a time of discerning our call to care more for this planet, our home.

'Truly much can be done!' (Laudato Si 180)

(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 2nd March.

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

8.45pm - St. Angela's, Scoil Raifteirí

Ballyheane Church: 8.00pm - Ballyheane, Derrywash, Errew

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ALPHA IN CASTLEBAR

ALPHA continues **every Thursday 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. 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.** More information at **ireland.alpha.org**

Orthodox Liturgy

Sun. 8th March at 2.30pm in the Parish Church.

Anointing Fire Catholic Ministry

New Music Ministry for Anointing Fire Catholic Ministries Healing Service on the 3rd Sun. of every month. Singers and musicians welcome to practice on Tues. 3rd March in the Parish Church at 6.30pm. Tel. Maria 087 6575886.

Mayo Cancer Support

Vision Programme at Rock Rose House beginning on 7th March from 10.30am – 12noon for four weeks. For more information tel. 094 9038407.

Free CPR Training

Castlebar Mitchels are running free CPR training courses in An Sportlann on Tues. 3rd March. 3 sessions: 5pm, 6.30pm, 8pm. Book at www.handsforlife.ie or tel. 087-2469331.

Fundraising Breakfast Morning - 17th March

Cuppa Joes Restaurant, Market Square. Proceeds to Motor Neurone Assoc. For reservations tel. 087 2828898.

Mayo Concert Orchestra - 'Absolute 80s' NightFri. March 6th at 8pm in Claremorris Town Hall. Tickets available at the door on the night.

Carers Support Group Meeting

Thurs. 5th March at 8pm in the Family Centre. The meeting is for those who are caring for people with dementia. All are welcome.

Endow Group for Women

In 1995, Pope John Paul II wrote "A Letter to Women" in which he extolled the beauty of the "feminine genius". You are invited to reflect on this Letter over eight weeks on Friday evenings from 7pm - 9pm in the Monastery, Chapel Street, beginning on 6th March. All are welcome. For more info. tel. Ruth at 086 3654324.

Family Centre Course

<u>Understanding & Supporting a Child with Anxieties</u>
Wed. March 18th, 7pm – 9pm. Facilitator: Dr. Sharyn
Byrne. For information and booking tel. 094 9025900.

Mayo Historical & Archaeological Society

An illustrated talk by Dr. Rachel Moss, History of Art Dept.. Trinity College, Dublin 'Art and Patronage in Late Medieval Mayo', in GMIT Campus on Wed. March $4^{\rm th}$ at 8pm. All are welcome.

Castlebar ICA Guild Meeting

Mon. 2nd March at 8pm in the Social Services Centre.

Alzheimer Society of Ireland Castlebar Daycare are urgently looking for a house or premises to rent for use as a Daycare. Can you help? Tel. Mary or Clara on 086 0287401 or 094 9027761.

Irish Night in Castlebar Library

Wed. March 4th from 7pm – 9pm. All are welcome