

# 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

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

### **PARISH CHURCH**

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

*Parish Radio 105.3fm*

#### **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:**

10.00am - Bridget & Joe McTigue, Burren.

7.00pm - Michael, Cecelia & Eugene Gannon, Kilkenny Cross & Edward Gilmartin, Tubbercurry.  
Boguslawa Pytlas.

#### **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March:**

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Edward Cusick, Rathbawn Road.

Michael Joe Craddock, Boradruma, parents James & Nora Craddock & dec. Craddock & O'Malley families, Islandeady.

Joe, Eileen, John, Una, Lawrence & Paddy Quinn, Cloonkeen.

#### **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March:**

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Mary Neary, New York.

#### **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March:**

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Patrick & Mary McNulty, Killasser & dec. family.

Tom Burke, Snugboro & dec. Burke & Quinn families.

#### **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March:**

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Dr. Anthony Eustace.

#### **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March:**

10.00am - Mary Carney, Chestnut Grove & Turlough.

Brian, Rose & Sybil Kennedy, Marian Row & Knockaphunta, Bernard Joseph Kennedy  
Heneghan & Kai Heneghan.

Michael Devaney, England & Ellen & John Gibbons, Cashel, Turlough.

#### **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March:**

10.30am - Fr. John McCormack. (1<sup>st</sup> Anv.)



### **BALLYHEANE CHURCH**

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

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March:** 8.00pm - Tom O'Donnell, Creevagh. (M.M.)

### **BREAFFY CHURCH**

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

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March:** 10.00am - Brendan Jordan & dec. Jordan & Taylor families.



## *Rest in Peace*

**Alicoque Hoban**, Rathbawn Drive.

**Anne Quinn**, England & late of Sheeaune,  
sister of Bridie Heneghan, Westport Road.

## **‘We should like to see Jesus’**

Those poor Greeks. Did you notice that they never actually get to meet Jesus? At the start of today’s gospel, some Greeks who are followers of Jesus come to Jerusalem. They are travellers, outsiders, and would like to meet Jesus in person. But when Philip and Andrew relay the request, Jesus begins to talk about how his ‘hour’ is coming. It is the last we hear of the Greeks, who disappear from the story altogether.

But they are important nonetheless. Firstly, they indicate that word about Jesus is spreading. More importantly, they prompt Jesus to reveal that, when his hour comes, he will draw ‘all people’ to himself. In the space of a few short verses, we go from a brief mention of a group of foreigners seeking Jesus, to Jesus making it clear that his saving mission is for all people, of all nations, both Jews and Gentiles – including these Greeks! There is no suggestion from Jesus that some groups are ‘in’ and others ‘out’. All are included. All are invited. All are welcome.

I remember once hearing someone describe their home as a domestic church, a place of ‘indiscriminate welcome’. As we continue our journey through Lent and soon into Holy Week, we listen carefully to these words of Jesus. He came for everyone. He wishes to draw all people to himself. Notwithstanding the current restrictions on gatherings and public worship, let us take this time to reflect on the world we would like to build when things open up again. Are we open to everyone, including ‘outsiders’? Do our homes, parishes and communities radiate welcome, where all who enter experience God’s love?

*‘For some, the good news is that there are insiders and outsiders and they are the insiders. For others, the good news is that there are no outsiders.’ (Rachel Held Evans)*

Tríona Doherty, Intercom



### **Holy Hours**

Every Friday and Sunday from 7pm – 8pm.

### **Lectio Divina**

Every Tuesday at 7pm.

### **Stations of the Cross**

Wednesdays in Lent at 7pm.

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## **Mayo Stroke Support Group**

The Mayo Stroke Support Group, in association with Croí, will hold its next meeting virtually on Thursday March 25<sup>th</sup> from 11.30am – 1.00pm via Zoom. The topic for this meeting will be ‘Engagement in Life after Stroke: Challenges and Strategies.’ This free meeting is for stroke survivors and their partners, family members or carers. For further information and to receive the Zoom link and technical support, please contact Croí on 091-544310.

## **Catholic Young Adult Conference (via Zoom)**

March 27<sup>th</sup> from 5.30pm – 7.30pm. This is a chance for young adults (18 – 40) wherever they are to come together online to build up their hope. The theme “Hope Springs Eternal” will be discussed in a great line up of short talks and testimonies mixed together with music and prayer. The Conference is free to attend just log in to Zoom: ID 847 1984 5205 Passcode: 771328 .