#### CASTLEBAR PARISH NEWSLETTER email: castlebarparish@gmail.com Website: www.castlebarparish.ie 24th January 2021 **Sunday Mass Times** Parish Church: 7pm (Sat), 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30pm Breaffy Church: 10am **Ballyheane Church:** 8pm (Sat.) PRIEST ON CALL: Tel 094 9021844 Mass Intentions PARISH CHURCH view at churchtv.ie/castlebar Parish Radio 105.3FM Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January: 10.00am - Pat & Dermot O'Dwyer, Station Road. Margaret & Thady Loftus & dec. Loftus family, Bofeenaun. 7.00pm - Private Intention. **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January:** 8.00am - Private Intention. 10.00am - Martin Costello, Riverdale Court, Knockthomas. Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January: 8 00am - Private Intention. 10.00am - Josie Armstrong, Thomas Street. Mary McDonagh & her sons Jimmy & Tom McDonagh, Ennis. Claire Cahill. Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January: 8.00am - Private Intention. 10.00am - Dec. Corcoran family, 2 Marian Row. Pat & Kathleen O'Haire, Newport Road. Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January: 8 00am - Private Intention. 10.00am - David, Elizabeth & Maura Gilligan, Blackfort. Conor & Margaret Gannon & dec. McGreal family, McHale Road. Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January: 10.00am - Greg Earls, Knockthomas Drive & parents Harold & Maureen Earls, Rathbawn Road. Paddy & Christine Gibbons, Ballinaglough. 7.00pm - Cyril Killeen, Derreenmanus. (M.M.) **BALLYHEANE CHURCH** view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January: 8.00pm **BREAFFY CHURCH**

# view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January: 10.00am - Martin & Margaret Clarke, Ballinvoash, Breaffy.



Rest in Peace

Martin King, Derrynagooley.

Marguerite Mulcahy, Galway & late of Breaffy.

Angela Colgan, Spencer Park.

Marian McGreal, Garryduff Court.

Anna Loughran, Carrowbrinogue.

### Now is the time

More than 50 years ago, in his famous 'I have a dream' speech, Martin Luther King Jr talked about 'the fierce urgency of now'. He urged people to take positive action and to march forward together to address inequality and injustice, and his energy and conviction brought about massive change.

That sense of 'fierce urgency' seems to grab Jesus and the disciples in today's Gospel. In the opening chapters of Mark's Gospel everything happens 'at once' or immediately. There is a sense of hurry; the time has come, the kingdom of God is near, and Jesus needs helpers to work alongside him. Simon, Andrew, James and John are certainly ready, so ready that they are prepared to leave behind their livelihoods, and even their families, to attend to the urgent business of spreading the Good News.

Jesus asks the same of us, his modern-day disciples: 'Follow me'. We are summoned too. We are challenged to set aside our worldly concerns, to see the world in a new way, and to begin a new adventure with Jesus. For every person in our world who is suffering or oppressed or in need, there is a 'fierce urgency of now'. The work of the kingdom is too immediate to wait.

'This is no time to engage in the luxury of cooling off or to take the tranquilising drug of gradualism. Now is the time to make justice a reality for all of God's children... The whirlwinds of revolt will continue to shake the foundations of our nation until the bright day of justice emerges.' Martin Luther King Jr

Tríona Doherty, Intercom Magazine

## Holy Hour (online only)

Every Sunday from 7pm – 8pm in the Parish Church. View at churchtv.ie/castlebar

## **Catholic Schools Week**

We will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week virtually at the 10am Masses in the Parish Church from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January. View at churchtv.ie/castlebar The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2021 is: Communities of Faith and Resilience. On Wednesday we will praying particularly for Grandparents.

## Free online Living Well Programme

If you are living with a long-term health condition you may be interested in doing the '*Living Well' Programme*'. This is a six-week programme delivered in 2.5-hour weekly sessions where you will learn new skills to manage your health condition on a day to day basis. Programmes will commence on 18<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> February . You must register in advance as places are limited to 10/12 participants. Please note you do not have to disclose your health condition on the programme. Please contact Liam Gildea on 087 349 0393 or by email at liam.gildea@mayocil.ie