

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

PARISH CHURCH

Monday 25th March:

10.00am - Nora Collinson, Charles Street. Dec. McNulty family, Marian Row & Killasser.
Neville McGann, Castlehill Park & Galway.

7.00pm - Michael Joe Craddock, Boradruma, parents James & Nora Craddock & dec. Craddock & O' Malley families, Islandeady. Bridget & Joe McTigue, Burren. Kevin Bourke, Moneen.
Paul Glynn, Dublin & late of Breaffy Road.

Tuesday 26th March:

8.00am - Private Intention.
10.00am - Mary & Thady Thornton & son Sean, Ballina & Castlebar.
Tom Burke, Snugboro & dec. Burke & Quinn families.
Michael & Nora McDonnell, Ballycastle & dec. family.

Wednesday 27th March:

8.00am - Private Intention.
10.00am - Teresa Murray, Derryharriff North.

Thursday 28th March:

8.00am - Private Intention.
10.00am - Pat & Mary Carroll, daughter Josephine & Pat's brother Michael Carroll.

Friday 29th March:

8.00am - Nuala Armstrong, Newtown.
10.00am - Special Intention. Seamus, Elizabeth & Bridie O' Shaughnessy.
Angela McAndrew & Monica Neagle, Horsepark & Huddersfield.

Saturday 30th March:

10.00am - Michael & Teresa Roache, Fr. Meehan Place & dec. Roache & Burke families. Peter Ryan, Station Road.
Frank & Rita Nolan, Rathbawn Road. Pat Finnerty & sons Michael & Sean, Castlebar & England.
Mary & Paddy O'Malley, Pontoon Road.



BREAFFY CHURCH

Mon. 25th March: 7.30pm - Private Intention.
Wed. 27th March: 7.30pm - Christina Walsh & dec. Walsh & Doherty families.
Fri. 29th March: 7.30pm - Private Intention.
Sat. 30th March: 10.00am - Mike & Julia Lavelle & dec. Lavelle & Forde families.
Sun. 31st March: 10.00am - Eadhmonn & Jo Mac Suibhne & Annie & Denis Molloy.
11.30am - Ben Garrett.

BALLYHEANE CHURCH

Sat. 30th March: 8.00pm - John & Alice Coghill, Cloonaghmore.

ALTAR SERVERS

6 th Class - Sun 31 st	
8.30am	- B
10.30am	- C
12.00pm	- D



ALTAR SOCIETY

N. Griffith B. Haugh
G. Maloney T. Quinn

DAILY READERS

Tues - M. Carroll
Wed - C. Millett
Thurs - N. Walshe
Fri - M. Higgins



MINISTERS OF THE WORD

30th/31st March

7.00pm - I. Douglas
8.30am - N. Walshe
10.30am - J. Hanley
12.00pm - P. Glynn

REST IN PEACE

Mary (Phil) Lawless, Ballymacragh.
Paul Glynn, Dublin & late of Breaffy Road.



'It may bear fruit next year'

Today's Gospel brings a thorny question for Jesus, as the people ask why a number of Galileans were killed by the Romans as they made sacrifices to God. The basic question is why do bad things happen to certain people? Some Jewish leaders at the time viewed the Galileans as second-class Jews, and so they are raising more than a question about meaningless suffering here. They want to know if the Galileans suffered because they were not really 'Jewish enough.' Jesus responds with a sharp question about a recent tragedy involving those killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them. Were they worse offenders than others in Jerusalem? No. Jesus responds further by focusing on those who are still living. In the parable of the fig tree we hear that the tree is not producing any fruit and probably should be cut down. However, the owner of the vineyard agrees to one more year, during which it is given special attention.

Jesus' response to the difficult question on suffering is to focus on the living. We are still alive and therefore should be producing much fruit. Perhaps those who are questioning Jesus need, like the fig tree, much fertiliser, nourishment and growth so that they can focus on producing fruit for the world. The fig tree is blessed, and has received much grace in terms of time and care. The parable is a reminder to all of us of the nourishment and time we have been given; it is a call to examine the fruits that we produce in this world, in our communities, our families and in our Church.

(Jane Mellett, Intercom)

Testimony and Healing Prayers

Sat. 30th March from 11am to 5.30pm (break 1.30pm to 2.30pm), in the Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Brendan Walsh, a Lay Evangelist active in the Teaching and Healing Ministry. For more info. tel. 086 4015000 or 089 2271780.

Wanted - Spare Blankets

For youth retreats and trips away. If you have any gently used blankets you would like to donate, please contact the Servant Brothers at lukemaria48@gmail.com Thank you.

Pilgrimages to the Shrines of Lithuania

A seven day 'Divine Mercy' Pilgrimage takes place on Sept. 12th to follow in the footsteps of St. Faustina and St. John Paul II with Fr. Karl Burns as Spiritual Director. Detailed itinerary from Norah tel. 087 2533272 or 094 9021510, email norahwalshe@gmail.com

24th Eucharistic Loreto Vigil

To celebrate the Annunciation of the Lord

March 25th in Knock Parish Church from 8.30pm with Mass at 11.30pm. Celebrant: Fr. Brendan Walsh.

Evening of Spiritual Music, Reflection & Prayer

Led by Deirdre Ní Chinneide accompanied by musicians Orla Cunningham and Tony Hogan in Ballintubber Abbey on Fri 5th April at 8pm. Suggested donation on the door €10

Quiz Night

Fri. 29th March at 9pm in Tolster's Bar, Spencer Street. In aid of Western Care Association Local Services.

Mayo COPD Group Meeting

March 28th at 3pm in the Tennis Club, Lannagh Road.

4 Week Coping Skills Workshop For People with Arthritis

Starts Thurs 28th March from 7.30pm – 10pm in Mayo Education Centre. For info tel. 087 1661271.

Stations of the Cross

The Junior Legion of Mary will lead the Stations of the Cross every Fri. during Lent at 7pm in the Parish Church.

Third World Support Group Meeting

Tues 26th March at 7.30pm in the Monastery. Everybody welcome.

Legion of Mary Meeting

The Legion of Mary meeting has been changed to Tues. 26th March at 8.15pm in the Parish Centre. New members welcome. Tel. 094 9060625.

Mass and Consecration to Our Lady

Mon 25th March at 7.30pm in Ballintubber Abbey. For transport contact 083 8551708.

West of Ireland Mini Marathon - May 5th

If you or a group of friends are taking part in the Marathon and would like to support Mayo Roscommon Hospice Palliative Care Service please contact admin@hospice.ie or tel. 094 9388666.

Western Alzheimers Annual Tea Day

Fri. 12th April. To register and get a tea day pack tel. 094 9364900.

Memorial Tractor Run

Easter Monday 22nd April at 2pm from Julians of Midfield, Swinford. All types of tractors, vintage vehicles and trucks welcome. Entry fee €20. For info tel. Mary on 085 7477678. Proceeds to Mayo Roscommon Hospice.

25 Drive (partners)

Fri. March 29th at 8.30pm in Castlebar Tennis Club. In aid of Chernobyl Children Castlebar Branch