CASTLEBAR PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday Mass Times

<u>Parish Church</u>: 7pm (Sat), 8.30am, 10.30am, 12pm <u>Ballyheane Church</u>: 8.00pm (Sat.) <u>Breaffy Church</u>: 10am, 11.30am

PRIEST ON CALL: Tel. 094 9021844



PARISH CHURCH

Monday 27th December:

10.00am - George & Nancy Hyder, Lucan Street.

Seamus & Maureen Byrne, Spencer Street & dec. Byrne family.

Julia Reilly, St. Bridget's Crescent.

Mary & Anthony Granaghan & dec Granaghan & Cawley families.

7.00pm - Mary Haugh & Mary O'Boyle, Springfield.

Declan Naughton & son Damien, Springfield & dec. Naughton family.

Tuesday 28th December:

10.00am - Bridie & Georgie Bartley, 114 McHale Road.

Ann Duggan nee Fergus, Cork & Dernadiva. James & Bridget Morrison, Kennedy Gardens.

Babs & Thomas McTigue & Breege & Tom McTigue, Breaffy.

Kevin Taylor.

Wednesday 29th December:

10.00am - Mary, Breege & John Corley, Aughadrina.

John Groarke, Station Road, brother Patrick, London &

Mary & Peter McCormack, Claremorris. Special Intention.

Thursday 30th December:

10.00am - Attracta Moran, Westport Road. Special Intention.

Ann Dunne, Mountgordon & dec. Flynn & Dunne families.

Friday 31st December:

10.00am - Mayo Tree of Remembrance (Castlebar Rotary in association with Western Care).

Saturday 1st January

10.00am - Tom, Maeve & Marion Gilboy, Westport Road & dec. Gilboy & Finlay families.

7.00pm - Ann Loftus, Lower Charles Street. (M.M.)

Sunday 2nd January:

10.30am - Seamus King, The Orchard. (M.M.)

BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

Saturday 1st January: 12noon - Hayley Vahey.

8.00pm - Mary, Tom & Jack McGough, Derrynagooley.

Tony Denning, Ballyheane. Nancy Jennings, Aughadrina.

BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy

Saturday 1st January: 11.00am

Sunday 2nd January: 10.00am - Private Intention.

11.30am - Luke Kelly, Springfield Road.



Rest in Peace

Marita O'Boyle, late of Achill, sister of Helen Collins, Derrylea.





The True Meaning of Christmas

"Whilst I was tidying up after Fr. John's Mass in the Church of the Holy Rosary, three little girls between the ages of 4 and 8 years suddenly appeared out of the darkness on the left-hand side of the church, into the light of the High Altar.

They asked me a question with a low respectful whisper – 'Please sir, can you give this money to the poor people?'. They had a plastic bag of coins containing 10 and 20 cents (which it seems they gathered up over the past week or so). Then their sister aged 11 years came up the centre aisle of the church to check if her younger siblings were speaking to me in the proper manner and instructing me properly where the money was to go. I brought them over to Fr. John and told him of their request. He accepted the money and gave them each a blessing (in full robes to show respect and love for the children).

I can honestly say I was in the presence of four angels. This is truly Christmas. I offered them a present of some money myself but they said – 'No sir, give it to charity'. This is one happy man and also Fr. John was a very happy man leaving the church because we experienced the real Christmas spirit."



(A parishioner)



We would like to thank everyone involved in the various ministries of the parish both inside and outside the church for all your help throughout the year.

Vocations

"Did you not know I must be busy with my father's affairs?" Do you find yourself drawn to do God's work among his people, guiding them in holiness of life? Speak to your local Vocations Director, or contact the National Vocations Office – email: info@vocations.ie



Church of the Holy Rosary

Holy Hour

Every Sunday from 7pm to 8pm

Exposition

Every Friday from 11am to 7pm

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

If you or someone you know needs support this Christmas, please call the ALONE National Support and Referral Line on 0818 222 024 from 8am – 8pm, seven days a week. ALONE operates 365 days a year.

Happy New Year 2022

We would like to wish you all a very happy and peaceful New Year.