

CASTLEBAR PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday Mass Times

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

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Mass Intentions for the Week

PARISH CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/castlebar

Parish Radio 105.3fm

Monday 27th March:

10.00am - Stasia, James, Kevin & Noel Banville, dec. relatives & Holy Souls.
Tom Burke, Snugboro & dec. Burke & Quinn families.

7.00pm - Benny Martin, Rathbawn Road. (M.M.)
Mollie & Martin Walsh, St. Bridget's Crescent.

Tuesday 28th March:

8.00am - Private Intention.
10.00am - Maureen Higney, Belfast. Special Intention
Martin Murphy, Wexford, dec. relatives & Holy Souls.
Dec. Treacy & Connaughton families. Galway.

Wednesday 29th March:

8.00am - Richard & Mary Ryan, dec. relatives & Holy Souls.
10.00am - Peter & Geraldine Ryan, Station Road.
Billy Brogan, Carlow. Kevin P. Bourke, Moneen.

Thursday 30th March:

8.00am - Private Intention.
10.00am - Nuala & Monty Armstrong, Newtown.
Mick & Josie Brennan, Inistioge, Kilkenny, dec. relatives & Holy Souls.

Friday 31st March:

8.00am - Tom Banville, dec. relatives & Holy Souls.
Patrick & Mary McHugh & dec. Davis & McHugh families. Co. Galway.
10.00am - Nora Collinson, Lower Charles Street.
Johnny Burke, Ballymacragh.

Saturday 1st April:

10.00am - Tom & Noreen Groonell, sons Kieran & Finian & daughter Emer, Newport Road.
Thomas & Catherine Walsh & daughters Mary, Anne & Lucy, Railway Terrace.
7.00pm - Andrew Verity, Carrabeag. (M.M.)

Sunday 2nd April:

8.30am - William (Bill) Waldron, Greenfields. (M.M.)
10.30am - Martin Hopkins, Newport Road. (1st Anv.)

BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

Saturday 1st April: 8.00pm - Tom & Breege Fahey, Lisnaponra & dec. Fahey, Killeen & Donnelly families.
Kate & Martin Dolan, Coolodge.
Mary Joe & Johnny Kilcoyne, Ringeraun & dec. family.

BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy

Sunday 2nd April: 10.00am - Tommy Jennings & dec. Jennings & Bourke families. Rocklands.
James Walsh, Ballykill, Breaffy.
11.30am - Ben Garrett, Breaffy.



Rest in Peace

Dominic Reddington, Kinturk Upper, Ballyheane.

John Heneghan, UK & Ballintubber, brother of Shelia McTigue, Tullycommons.

Fifth Sunday of Lent

John 11:1-45

In today's dramatic narrative we read how Jesus is surrounded by a culture of death. The disciples are afraid to go back to Bethany because Jesus' opponents want to stone him to death. Mary and Martha are distraught over the death of their brother, and Lazarus himself lies bound in the darkness of the tomb. It appears as if there is no hope as even Jesus weeps, sharing in this grief and distress as he stands before the tomb of Lazarus. If Lazarus represents anything, he represents all of humanity, and the tomb holds all of the situations of death in our world: grief, poverty, heartache, war, injustice, despair, brokenness.

In our own lives, feelings of anxiety, resentment and worry can imprison us. The good news is we do not have to live in despair. The story of Lazarus invites all of us to resurrection in the here and now! Jesus calls us out of the tomb and into fullness of life, to experience the consolation of God's love and peace today, not somewhere far off in the future. It is often easier to remain in the tomb, we tell ourselves. 'This will do', but Jesus wants more for us and says, 'Lazarus, come forth.' To the people Jesus demands, 'Unbind him, let him go', and then, 'They took away the stone.' In this story of liberation, we are given a new insight into the power of faith and love. During Lent, this is a message for us all to turn away from a culture of death, to help unbind one another and to allow ourselves and others to emerge into the light. To be saved in this sense is to be made well, to experience restoration. In the global sense it means acknowledging that 'Injustice is not invincible' (Laudato Sí, 74). At the heart of this story is the fact that love can conquer all, even death and despair. We can all share in this risen life, in love and peace, today. Jesus comes so that we may live life to the full (Jn 10:10).

(The Deep End)

Holy Hour

- Every Sunday from 7pm to 8pm in the Parish Church.

Adoration of the Eucharist

- Every Friday from 11am in the Parish Church.

Lectio Divina

- Every Tuesday from 7pm to 8pm in the Monastery.

Stations of the Cross

- Every Friday during Lent at 7pm in the Parish Church.



Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes led by Archbishop Francis, 5 nights, September 1st to 6th from Ireland West Airport. For details and booking tel. 01 2410800.

Bereavement Course at Knock Shrine

A four-week course on 'Understanding grief, a journey towards healing' will be held in St John's Welcome Centre, Knock, on April 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th beginning each evening at 8pm. It will be presented by Monica Morley. Admission is free but booking is essential on 094-9375320.

Trócaire Collection

We acknowledge with gratitude all anonymous donations to the Trócaire Collection.

Anam Cara Mayo – Parent Evening

The organisation that supports bereaved parents is holding a Parent Evening on Tues. 28th March at 7.15pm in the T.F. Royal Hotel. For information email info@anamcara.ie or tel. 085 2888888.

Mayo COPD Support Group Meeting – Thursday 30th March at 3pm

Venue: Tennis Club. Exercises classes every Thursday at 1.30pm. New members welcome.

Third World Support Group Meeting

Tuesday 28th March at 7.30pm in the Monastery, Chapel Street. New members welcome.

Mayo Historical & Archaeological Society

"Bullaun Stones - Popular Religion and the Reconstruction of Early Irish Pilgrimage Landscapes". Talk by Archaeologist, Dr. David McGuinness on Wednesday 29th March in ATU Campus at 8pm. Fáilte roimh chách.

AGM of the Retired Civil and Public Servants Association (Mayo Branch)

Thursday March 30th beginning at 11am in the Ellison Hotel, Castlebar (F23 V279).