

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 29th April:

10.00am - Martin & Bridget McNicholas, Derrywash & dec family. Holy Souls.

7.00pm - Tommy Clarke, Castlehill Park & Foxford.

Tuesday 30th April:

10.00am - Patrick Sammon, baby Bridget Teresa & Marian Dillon.

Wednesday 1st May:

8.00am - Ned & Bridget Moran, Riverdale Court.

10.00am - Kathleen & Roger Tighe, Creevagh.

Thursday 2nd May:

10.00am - Michael Rice, Swinford. (1st Anv.) Maria Jeyarani David, Frenchpark.

Friday 3rd May:

8.00am - Ned & Mary Mongan & dec. relatives, Belcarra.

10.00am - Jim & Mai Hernan & son-in-law Vincent Geelan. Durkan & Loftus families, Callow.

Saturday 4th May:

10.00am - Charles & Lily Egan & dec. family, Main Street. Tom Cuffe, Chestnut Grove.

Martin Colleran, Snugboro & daughter Caroline Redmond, Marie McGovern, Rowan Drive, Martin &

Rose Murphy, Riverdale Court. John & Mary Dunne, St. Patrick's Avenue.

Paddy & Monica Mellett, Rathbawn Road. Madeline McGuire, Hazel Grove.

7.00pm - Pat Ruane, Brookhaven. (1st Anv.)



BREAFFY CHURCH

Mon. 29th April: 7.30pm - Mary & Patrick McHugh & dec. McHugh & Davis families.

Wed. 1st May: 7.30pm - Private Intention.

Fri. 3rd May: 7.30pm - Brigid McDonnell & dec. McDonnell & McAndrew families.

Sat. 4th May: 10.00am - Liz Hawkins & dec. family.

Sun. 5th May: 10.00am - Peter, Chrissie & Vera Carroll & dec. family.

11.30am - Eddie & Geraldine Egan & dec. Egan & Dunleavy families.

BALLYHEANE CHURCH

Sat. 4th May: 8.00pm - Sean & Kathleen Rabbette, Derrywash.

ALTAR SERVERS

6 th Class – Sun. 5 th	
8.30am	- A
10.30am	- B
12.00pm	- C



ALTAR SOCIETY

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

DAILY READERS

Mon - A. Gormley
Tues - Sr. T. Kilcourse
Wed - J. Hanley
Fri - A. O'Boyle



MINISTERS OF THE WORD

4th/5th May

7.00pm - DTIM
8.30am - T. Carney
10.30am - T. Monaghan
12.00pm - First Holy Communion

REST IN PEACE

Angela McConway, Lough Lannagh House.

Declan Murphy, McHale Road.

Philip McLaughlin, Lakeshore Drive.

Kathleen McManamon, Knights Park.

Gerry Sheil, Cois Lough.

Teresa O'Malley nee Londra, Philadelphia & late of Logaphuill, sister in law of Ann Bourke, Ballyheane.

Celsus McDonnell, Dublin, son of the late Thomas & Angela McDonnell, Blackfort.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Parish Church:

Sunday 5th May at 12 noon

St. Angela's N.S.

First Friday – 3rd May

There will be Mass at 7.30pm in Breaffy Church and 8pm in Ballyheane Church.

Extended Adoration for the Unborn

You are welcome at the Monastery from 7pm on the First Fri. 3rd May to 9.30am on Sat. 4th May. If you would like to join the rota please tel. 086 8197111.

A SAINT FOR DARK TIMES

It's perfectly understandable: Thomas is having trouble believing that Jesus has returned to be with his friends again. The disciples, who witnessed Jesus' arrest, torture, death and burial, are now talking about having seen Jesus in the flesh again. It sounds impossible. Thomas was not there when Jesus first appeared to the disciples, so of course he is doubtful.

Thomas' moment of doubt earned him the nickname 'Doubting Thomas', and I sometimes think this is a little unfair. Or rather, I feel that Thomas' wobble of faith does not necessarily cast him in a negative light – it makes him easier to relate to. He is grieving after the death of his master and friend. He is not ready to hear the words of comfort and consolation offered by the others, when they tell him 'We have seen the Lord.' His pain is too deep. He can't believe it, or won't believe it, until he experiences it for himself. And when he does finally encounter Jesus, an agonising eight days later, his declaration of faith is swift: 'My Lord and my God!' We can almost hear the relief and joy in this exclamation.

We all know that life can be painful and messy at times. It can be hard to hang onto our faith when we are in pain, or grieving, or anxious. It might be difficult to accept the assurances of others that God is with us and will help us through it. We might also struggle to pray. In dark times, sometimes we just can't see the light. Thomas is a saint for those times of darkness and doubt. In our darkest days, may we, like Thomas, encounter the healing presence of the Risen Christ.

Triona Doherty, Intercom.

Do This in Memory

The parents/guardians who volunteered to help with the above programme are invited to a Preparation meeting on **Monday 29th April.**

The Monastery: 8.00pm - Scoil Raifteirí, St. Patrick's, Snugboro



Priests' Collection

Thanks to all who contributed to the recent collection.

Thanks

Special thanks and appreciation to all who helped and took part in the Easter Liturgies.

Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

Sun May 5th, commencing with the Sacrament of Anointing of the sick at 2.30pm. Archbishop Michael Neary will lead the Pilgrimage.

First Saturdays Devotion

Knock Old Parish Church on Sat 4th May, starting at 11am with Rosary, meditations and concluding with Holy Mass at 12noon, confessions and enrolment of the free brown scapulars. All are welcome.

GROW

Community Mental Health Movement in conjunction with Mayo County Council host a free Big Hello coffee afternoon in the Harlequin Hotel from 12 – 2pm on Fri. 3rd May. All welcome. Contact Emily at 086 4183543.

Darkness Into Light – Sat. 11th May at 4.15am

In aid of Pieta House. Registration in Supervalu on Thurs. 2nd May. This is the final date to guarantee complimentary T Shirts, which will be posted out.

Castlebar Prayer Meeting

Resumes on Wed. 1st May at 8pm in the Social Services Centre, Castle Street. All are welcome.

Breaffy Community Council

Clean Up Breaffy Morning – Sat. 4th May

Meet at Breaffy GAA Clubhouse at 9am. Please give 2 hours of your time. Tel. 087 2585216. All are welcome.

Rosary at the Parish Church Grotto

The children from the junior Legion of Mary will pray a public Rosary at the Parish Church Grotto every Fri. at 7pm for the month of May. All are welcome.

Third World Support Group Meeting

Tues. 30th April at 7.30pm in the Monastery. Everybody welcome.

Turn Mayo Pink!

Organisers of the Mayo Pink Ribbon Charity Cycle are asking people to show their support for those whose lives have been touched by breast cancer, and those who are cycling for breast cancer research, by decorating their homes and neighbourhoods in pink on Sat. May 4th and by supporting bucket collections on the day. Details on www.mayopinkribbon.ie

West of Ireland Womens Mini Marathon

Sun. 5th May starting and finishing at the Mall. There will be road closures in place from 9.30am. More details at www.westofirelandwomensminimarathon.com

Car Boot Sale

This Sun. in Main Street Car Park from 8am-3pm. In aid of Snugboro Development Association

Carers Support Group Meeting

Thurs. 2nd May at 8pm in the Family Centre. The meeting is for those who are caring for people with dementia. All are welcome.

Pre-loved Clothes Sale

For women and teenage girls on Sat. May 4th from 11am-6pm in The Ivy Tower. Fundraising event in aid of Aisling McDonagh treatment for Lyme disease.

Free Concert in the Parish Church

This Sun. 28th April at 4pm. All are welcome.