

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

Priests: Fr. Conal Eustace PP, Fr. Shane Costello CC, Fr. Jose Raju CC. **Tel.** 094 9021844

Diocesan Child Safeguarding: More information available at www.tuamarchdiocese.org

Anyone with issues or concerns around the safety of children should tel. 087 9315823 or 087 4070206.



PARISH CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/castlebar

Parish Radio 105.3fm

Monday 31st July:

10.00am - John, Breege & Cathal Kelly, Rita & Brendan Quinn & dec. Quinn family.

7.00pm - Private Intention.

Tuesday 1st August:

10.00am - Private Intention.

Wednesday 2nd August:

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - John & Mamie Jordan & Kate Concannon, Ballynew.

Thursday 3rd August:

10.00am - Special Intention.

Friday 4th August:

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Mary Geaney, New Jersey & Frenchill.

Saturday 5th August:

10.00am - Michael Keane, Snugboro (1st Anv.) & dec. Keane & McTigue families.

Brendan Hopkins, 12 Knockthomas Drive.

Joe Hamrock, Newtown.

John & Mary Monaghan, St. Patrick's Avenue & dec. Brennan family, Errew.

Jim & Anne Tolan & dec. Tolan & Murray families, Liscromwell.

Paddy Jennings, Mountain View & dec. Jennings & Cannon families.

7.00pm - Baby Jamie Jackson Grealis, Manor Village. (M.M.)

Sunday 6th August:

10.30am - John Rabbette, Mountgordon. (M.M.)



BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

Saturday 5th August:

8.00pm - Joe Bourke, Derrew. (M.M.)

BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy

Sunday 6th August:

10.00am - Private Intention.

11.30am - Madeline Tuffy, Lightford.

Rest in Peace



Tommy Lyons, Dublin & late of Castlebar.

Frances Blendell, Ballina, mother of Stephen Blendell, Castlebar.

Mary Connor, Pine Grove, Rathbawn Road.

Shelia Keane, Listowel, Co. Kerry, sister-in-law of Patsy Dowling, Chestnut Grove.

Paul M. Rowland, Boston & late of Westport Road.

Sergey Zuev, Lios na Circe.

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 13:44-52

Point to Ponder

The demands of the Gospel seem so total: to obtain the kingdom one has to sell everything. Yet it is also a process, a journey. What is most important is the movement and the direction of my life. Only the one who searches can find, those who are happy with where they are will never find anything worth giving their life for. Am I in a stagnant phase or am I still searching, digging deeper in the field of my heart?

Selling everything to obtain what they really desired so deeply filled both men in the parables with deep joy. This seems a contradiction, but this is what our experience tells us. As the prayer of St. Francis puts it, it is giving that we receive. I ask for a heart full of freedom, freedom to give all and to receive all. Have I found the pearl of great value, for which I am ready to sell all I have to buy it? Am I still looking for it, or am I resigned to a life of mediocrity in my relationships with others, with God in my prayer, in my work life? If I have found it, am I ready to see all that I have to obtain it? Jesus compares this pearl to the Kingdom he came to proclaim and inaugurate, and this gives me joy and hope.

The parable is not inviting you to think about somebody else – some random trespasser. Jesus is inviting you to recognise where your heart is. For whom or for what would you go without everything else?

(Intercom www.sacredspace.ie)

Holy Hour

- Parish Church, every Sunday from 7pm to 8pm.

Adoration of the Eucharist

- Parish Church, every Friday from 11am.

Lectio Divina

- The Monastery, every Tuesday from 7pm to 8pm.

Adoration

- Parish Church, First Thursday of every month, 11am to 7pm.

Devotions

- Parish Church, First Saturday of every month, 12noon to 3pm.



Masses in the Cemeteries

New Cemetery - 4th August at 7pm

Breaffy Cemetery

- 4th August at 7pm

Visitation to the Sick

The priests visit the sick on the First Fridays. Please let us know if a member of your family or neighbour would like a visit. Tel. the Parish Office at 094 9021844.

Pilgrimage to Máméan

The annual Pilgrimage takes place on Sunday 6th August. Turas na Croise at 3pm followed by Mass.

National Novena at Knock Shrine, 14th to 22nd August

The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock offers you the opportunity to step away from everyday life and immerse yourself in prayer in the beautiful, peaceful grounds of Knock Shrine. Over the course of the nine-day Novena, guest speakers each day will offer insights on a variety of topics, from personal faith stories, to how we are responding to a changing world. You are invited to take this time to reflect and explore within yourself on how to embrace the challenges we face in our faith. The theme for this year is 'Caring for Creation'. See the full programme at www.knockshrine.ie

'A Journey to Our Lady Queen of Peace'

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje, 5th to 12th October

Spiritual Director: Deacon Con Divers (UK). For more information tel. Carmel on 087 9702506.

John Tiernan Memorial Greenway Cycle from Westport to Tiernaur – 6th August

Registration and departure from Westport Leisure Park from 9am. All proceeds to Mayo Cancer Support. For more information tel. 094 9038407.

Car Boot Sale

Sunday 30th July, from 8am to 3pm in Main Street Car Park. In aid of Castlebar Scouts.