

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 4th November:

10.00am - Yanis, Olga, Alexander & Gita Sviksa.

Anthony & Mary Conway, Newport, daughters Mary Kelly & Katie Hamilton & son Tommy.

7.00pm - Una Begley, Facefield, Billy Keohane, Nora & John McCormack, Mollie & Miko Begley, John & Margo Corley, Austin O'Donnell & Tommie McCormack. Eileen & Norman Convey, New Antrim Street.
Michael Vahey, Castle Street & dec. Vahey family, Ballyheane & O'Brien family, Graffymore.

Tuesday 5th November:

10.00am - Frank & Nan Blake, McHale Road. Nora, Paddy & Peter Geraghty, dec family & Holy Souls.

Tomás & Bríd Doran, Rathbawn Drive, grandson David Leonard & dec. family.

Nora, Paddy & Peter Geraghty & dec. relatives & Holy Souls.

Wednesday 6th November:

8.00am - Holy Souls. James, Stasia & Kevin Banville & dec family & Holy Souls.

10.00am - Special Intention. Anthony, Margaret, Rosaleen & Noreen Kilcoyne, Sally & Tommy O'Sullivan.

Thursday 7th November:

10.00am - Dr. Myles Jordan, Main Street. Carmel Ryan nee Boland, Coventry, UK. Tony O'Malley, Commauns.

Friday 8th November:

8.00am - Nancy, Ellen & Dan Walsh.

10.00am - Bridget Walsh & relatives, Linenhall Street.

Saturday 9th November:

10.00am - Ann & James Carney, Chestnut Grove & dec. Finnerty & Carney families.

Michael & Teresa Murphy, Lucan Street. Nan Conway, 41 Lower Charles Street.

C. J. Gavin, Charles Street. Jack Lam, Garryduff Drive. Carl O' Boyle, Newport Road.

Willie Moran, New York. Kenneth & Ollie Roache, McHale Road.

7.00pm - Fr. Pat Waldron & Mary Waldron, Station Road. (1st Anv.)

Sunday 10th November:

10.30am - Therese O'Brien, Watersville, Pontoon Road. (1st Anv.)

BREAFFY CHURCH

Mon. 4th November: 7.30pm - Mary, Kevin, John, Mary & Martin Dunne & dec. family, Liscromwell.

Wed. 6th November: 7.30pm - Mary & Pat Duffy & dec. family, Barney.

Fri. 8th November: 7.30pm - Private Intention.

Sat. 9th November: 10.00am - Paddy & Kathleen Minogue, Mary Moran, Paddy Gilger & dec. family.

Sun. 10th November: 10.00am - Mary & Jim Bourke & dec. Bourke & McHale families.

11.30am - Julie Canny & dec. Canny & Cunney families.

BALLYHEANE CHURCH

Sat. 9th November: 8.00pm - Bridie & Joe Flynn, Lishacurley & dec. Flynn & Foy families.

Daniel, Mairead & Donal Kennelly, Cloonsionna.

Sadie McGovern & dec family, Ballyheane.

John & Kathleen Thomas, Cloonaghmore & dec family.



ALTAR SOCIETY

A. Irwin

DAILY READERS

Tues - M. Carroll

Wed - C. Millett

Thurs - N. Walshe

Fri - M. Higgins



MINISTERS OF THE WORD

9th/10th November

7.00pm - M. Morley

8.30am - B. Kelly

10.30am - T. Monaghan

12.00pm - L. Nyland

REST IN PEACE

Bridie Scott, Derryharriff.

John Quinn, Newport Road.

Lorraine Kilbane, Liscromwell.

Kathleen Hopkins, Ballina, sister of Gus Tierney, Mountgordon.

Maura Clarke, Blackfort, formerly of Islandeady.

Zacchaeus

In today's Gospel we hear the familiar story of Zacchaeus. It is a story that may remind us of our childhood, our first confession, or, as in my case, it might bring a school song to mind that you can't get out of your head! As with all familiar Gospel stories, we are invited to read again with fresh eyes and hear again as if for the first time. For this story is very rich and we risk losing the meaning due to our familiarity with it.

Like many people today, Zacchaeus was a 'seeker.' We read that he was anxious to see what Jesus was like. Clearly he was drawn to Jesus in some way, was searching for something or someone. Zacchaeus was an outcast, a tax collector, considered a sinner by the community. Yet Jesus reaches out to him in a gesture of hospitality and friendship. In return, Zacchaeus offers the strictest requirement, as noted in the Jewish scriptures, for restitution: 'four times the amount' of money he had taken from people. But notice that Jesus reaches out in love before Zacchaeus offers compensation for his crimes.

The encounter with Jesus had led Zacchaeus to be a witness to restoration and solidarity. He wants to *restore* justice where he has acted unjustly. Whether it was the crowd, greed, politics or corruption that was preventing Zacchaeus from seeing Jesus, he has been welcomed back to the table. Jesus is waiting to be invited to his home *today*. Complaints and negativity continue in the background, but none of that matters. This man is a 'son of Abraham'. It was the affection of Christ, not the condemnation of the town, that reversed the situation.

Who do you need to reach out to today in a similar way?

(Jane Mellett, Intercom)

PRAYER CAMPAIGN FOR THE HOLY SOULS DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

- * **Week 1** Pray for the souls of family and ancestors.
- * **Week 2** Pray for the souls of Popes, Cardinals, Bishops, Priests and Religious.
- * **Week 3** Pray for the souls who have no-one to pray for them.
- * **Week 4** Pray for the souls of faiths who do not believe in purgatory.

When visiting a grave or graveyard, sprinkle holy water.

In a large graveyard ask the Angels to take the drops of water to every soul in the graveyard.

Ecumenical Service

For Those Bereaved Through Suicide

The Ecumenical Service will be held in the Church of the Holy Rosary on Fri, Nov 8th at 7.30pm. Contact The Family Centre at 094 9025900 for more information.

Orthodox Liturgy

Sun 10th November at 2.30pm in the Parish Church.

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Collection

9th and 10th November. Please support those less fortunate in our parish.

Rosary in the New Cemetery

Sun. 10th Nov. at 3pm. All are welcome.

Autumn Faith Renewal Event at Knock Shrine

'Quiet Days for Busy People' – Day Retreat
Sat 23 Nov: 'Promise of new life' with Sr. Moya Hegarty.
11am-4pm at the Prayer Centre, Knock Shrine. To book tel. 094 9375355 or email: faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie

Davitt College, Castlebar

Open/Enrolment Evening for First Year Students Academic Year 2020/2021, Mon, Nov 11th, 6-9pm. All are welcome. Tel: 094 9023060.

Bowling Fundraiser Evening

Mayo Leisure Point on Mon. 4th Nov. at 7.30pm. In aid of Crumlin Children's Hospital. Teams of 6 (€60 per team)

Le Chéile Family Resource Centre

For info on activities and classes Tel 094-9025126.

Mass for all who have died in our parish during the past year

Fri. Nov. 29th at 7pm in the Parish Church. We will remember by name at the Mass all those who have died in our Parish during the past year. We invite their families and friends to this Mass.

Mayo Historical & Archaeological Society

An illustrated lecture by Prof. Daibhi O'Croinin, NUIG. "Before the Book of Kells. How the Irish invented the decorated Gospel - Book" on Wed. Nov 6th at 8pm in GMIT, Castlebar. All are welcome.

ESB Talk at the Museum

Learn about the fascinating ESB archives and the electrification of rural Ireland on Sat. 9th Nov. at 3pm in the Museum of Country Life, Turlough. Admission is free. Booking required. Tel: 094 9031751 or email: educationph@museum.ie

21st Annual Remembrance Sunday Mass

Sun. 10th Nov. at 12noon in the Church of the Holy Rosary. This Mass remembers men, women and children from Co. Mayo who died in the World Wars on UN. Peacekeeping Operations and conflicts. All are welcome.

Bereaved Parents Mass

The annual Mass for bereaved parents will take place on Sun.10th Nov. at 3pm in the Rest and Care Centre, Knock Shrine. All are welcome.