

CASTLEBAR PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday Mass Times

Parish Church: 6pm (Sat), 9am, 11am Ballyheane Church: 7.30pm (Sat.) Breaffy Church: 10am

Priests: Fr. Conal Eustace PP, Fr. Shane Costello CC, Fr. George Kappen 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.



Mass Intentions for the Week

PARISH CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/castlebar

Parish Radio 105.3fm

Monday 5th May:

- 10.00am - Maura Murphy, 'El Vista', Pontoon Road. (M.M.) Liam & C.J. Gavin, Charles Street.
Charles & Lily Egan & dec. family, late of Main Street.
Pat Ruane, Castlebar. Special Intention. Teresa & John O'Haire, Pontoon Road.
7.00pm - Sean Staunton, Aughadrina (1st Anv.), parents Celia & James & dec. family.
Josephine Ruane, Breaffy.
Mai & Jim McNally, Blackfort & Tom, Kate & Matt Patton, Dunmore.

Tuesday 6th May:

- 10.00am - Nora Geraghty, dec. relatives & Holy Souls. Special Intention.
7.00pm - Grazvydas Artiomovas, Drumindoo Lodge, Westport & The Curragh.

Wednesday 7th May:

- 10.00am - Mark & Kitty Gormley & dec. Corcoran & Gormley families, Westport.

Thursday 8th May:

- 10.00am - Ellen McDonagh, Glenisland. (M.M.) Pat & Agnes Gibbons, Derryharriff.
Brian, Rose & Sybil Kennedy, Marian Row & Knockaphunta & babies Kai & Bernard Joseph
Heneghan. Michael & Peggy Shoevlin-Heneghan, Tourmakeady.

Friday 9th May:

- 10.00am - Seamus & Alice Padden & dec. Padden & Hegarty families, Springfield.
Maudie Kerins, Lack, Parke & dec. Kerins family. Seamus Lally, Castlebar & Belmullet.

Saturday 10th May:

- 10.00am - Vinnie & Breege Redmond & daughter Linda Jensen, McHale Road.
Gerry Hughes, Thomas, Mary & Patrick Plunkett & Ian Hegarty.
Michael McCormack, Garryduff. Scahill family, Kennedy Gardens.
John & Bea McHale, Lower Chapel Street & dec. McHale & Syron families.
Catherine Walsh Sweeney, Turlough & Harmony Heights.
6.00pm - Michael O'Brien, Watersville. (M.M.)

Sunday 11th May:

- 11.00am - Sr. Mary Johnson, Árd Bhríde. (1st Anv.)



BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

- Saturday 10th May:** 2.30pm - Seamus Joyce, Ballyheane. (M.M.)
7.30pm - Private Intention.

BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy

- Sunday 11th May:** 10.00am - Mary & Billy Gavin, son Frank, daughter Catherine & grandson
David, Liscromwell.



Rest in Peace

Chris O'Donnell, Rathbawn Drive.

Maura Hamrock, Garryduff Drive.

Third Sunday of Easter

They finished through the darkness but their nets were empty. 'That night they caught nothing.' The darkness, however, was not just about the night sky. The darkness was also in the disciples. In the same way, the empty net is not only descriptive of the disciples themselves. They are as empty as their nets. Who hasn't experienced that darkness and emptiness here? You know what that's like. You fish, you work, you do your best but you still come up empty. In those times we have come to the limits of our own self-sufficiency. We have nothing to show for our efforts and nothing left to give. We're empty.

That's when Jesus, still unrecognised by the disciples, shows himself and says, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' That's not so much a question as it is a statement. Within Jesus' words I hear the echo of Mary's voice at the wedding in Cana when she said to Jesus, 'They have no wine' (John 2:3). Empty nets. Empty jars. No wine, no fish, no life. That's when Jesus showed himself.

Nets and jars cannot be filled unless they are first emptied. In the same way we can never be filled with Jesus until we are first emptied of ourselves, until we come to recognise the limits of our own self-sufficiency. The emptiness is not the end of a failure but a beginning. The miracle begins when the wine runs out. Jesus shows up when the nets are empty.

Intercom – Michael K. Marsh interruptingthesilence.com

<u>Guided Holy Hour</u>	- Every Sunday from 7pm to 8pm in the Parish Church.
<u>Adoration of the Eucharist</u>	- Every Friday from 11am in the Parish Church.
<u>Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet</u>	- Every day at 3pm in the Parish Church.

Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, this Sunday 4th May

Led by Archbishop Francis. Commencing with Anointing of the Sick at 2.30pm. Mass at 3pm.

Rosary at McHale Road Grotto

The Legion of Mary will recite the Rosary each evening at 6.30pm during the month of May. Local residents are welcome to join in.

Latin Mass

Sunday May 11th at 6pm, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Knock.

Four Week Bereavement Programme (8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th May)

For those who are struggling after the death of a loved one, in St John's Rest & Care Centre, Knock Shrine, starting on Thursday 8th May from 8-9.30pm and presented by Monica Morley. There is no fee for the course. For further information or to book a place contact Monica on 094 9375320.

Lough Derg

This Jubilee Year of Hope provides a fresh opportunity for people to go on pilgrimage. Lough Derg offers pilgrims a choice of three-day pilgrimages, a one-day retreat or a residential retreat. The 2025 Pilgrimage season runs from May to September. For more details visit www.loughderg.org or tel. 071 9861518. Knock Shrine, Croagh Patrick and Lough Derg have been designated by our Bishops as national places of pilgrimage in this Jubilee Year. Pilgrims are invited to visit all three shrines during 2025 and can have a "Pilgrim Passport" stamped upon completion of each pilgrimage.

Drop-In Listening Service at Knock Counselling Centre

The Centre offers a confidential single session listening service with no appointment needed, on Thursdays and Sundays from 11am to 3pm. Sessions are on a one-to-one basis. Contact counsellingoffice@knockshrine.ie or tel. 094 9375032. Situated next to the Chapel of Reconciliation

Society of St. Vincent DePaul

For anyone who needs assistance, please contact SVP tel. 094 9023207.

Chair Yoga in Castlebar Library

Join Dan Keegan on Tuesday 6th May from 3pm to 4pm. Aimed at over 55's. Free event. Book Via: Orlagh Heverin oheverin@mayococo.ie or tel. 094 906 4010. "