

CASTLEBAR PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday Mass Times

Parish Church: 7pm (Sat), 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30pm

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Mass Intentions for the Week

PARISH CHURCH

Monday 5th October:

- 10.00am - Sean Kilcoyne, Castle Street & dec. Quinn & Kilcoyne families. Alan Carey, Blackfort Manor.
- 7.00pm - Martin & Annie Quinn, sons John, Mike & Christopher, daughter Marguerite & aunt Ellie Gannon.

Tuesday 6th October:

- 8.00am - Private Intention.
- 10.00am - Special Intention. Ellen & Martin Maughan & dec. Maughan & Collins families.

Wednesday 7th October:

- 8.00am - Private Intention.
- 10.00am - Mary & Thomas Foy & dec. family, Thomas Street.
Mary & Michael Shea & son Vincent, Ardagh Ballina. Nora John & Michael Joyce, Glenisland, son Michael & daughter Philomena Doyle, her husband Willie & their son David, London.

Thursday 8th October:

- 8.00am - Private Intention.
- 10.00am - May & Dr. Moran & parents, The Marsh.

Friday 9th October:

- 8.00am - Holy Souls.
- 10.00am - Kathleen & Michael Togher, Binghamstown.
Clara Nally, New York & late of Ballyheane.

Saturday 10th October:

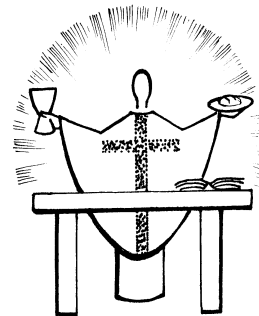
- 10.00am - Paddy Joyce, Station Road. Rose McCarthy, Knights Park.
Mary Hayes, Fortfield. Cathal Duffy, Rathbawn Road.
Padraig & Bernie, McDonald, Greenfields. Tom & Bridie Byrne, Buncom.
- 7.00pm - Nora Kennedy, Rathbawn Road. (M.M.)

Sunday 11th October:

- 10.30am - Sr. Marie Walsh. (M.M.)

**Masses and Ceremonies in the Parish Church are broadcast live
at castlebarparish.ie/web-cam and on the Parish Radio at 105.3 FM.**

**7pm Mass on Monday and 8am Mass from Tuesday to Friday
are not public Masses.**



Rest in Peace

Janie Foster, Manchester,
sister of Breege Halligan, McHale Road.

Clara Nally (nee McNicholas), New York & late of Ballyheane.

Sr. Anne Marie Bourke, San Antonio & late of Aughadrina.



Guided Holy Hour with Meditation and Music

Every Sunday at 7pm in the Church of the Holy Rosary.

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

An hour of Prayer and Reflection will be held at 7pm in the Church of the Holy Rosary on Wednesday October 7th. All are welcome.

Online Mass from Breaffy Church

On Sunday 11th October at 10am, Mass will be broadcast live **online only** from Breaffy Church on www.churchtv.ie/breaffy

Volunteers needed for the re-opening of Breaffy Church.

If you can help, please tel. 094 9021844 or email castlebarparish@gmail.com

Day for Life – 4th October 2020

There were 6,666 abortions in the Republic of Ireland in 2019 and over 200,000 in Great Britain, including significant numbers from the island of Ireland. We, the Catholic Church, have a message of hope and a story of love; together, we can promote a culture of life.

We grieve the loss of life due to abortion. We seek a change of minds and hearts about the innate dignity of the child in the womb and the care of pregnant women. Pope Francis writes, 'The gift of a new child, entrusted by the Lord to a father and a mother, begins with acceptance, continues with lifelong protection and has as its final goal the joy of eternal life ... For God allows parents to choose the name by which He himself will call their child for all eternity.' (*Amoris Laetitia - The Joy of Love, 166*)

How can Catholic parishes and communities be places of welcome, assistance and support?

On this 25th anniversary of St John Paul II's letter *Evangelium Vitae (The Gospel of Life)*, we renew the call for respect and celebration of all life.

The parish is a 'family of families,' (*Amoris Laetitia, 87*). We ask our parishes to be places of welcome, where we can support pregnant women and celebrate the precious gift entrusted to them. We recognise that family is often 'a challenging mosaic made up of many different realities, with all their joys, hopes and problems.' (*Amoris Laetitia, 57*).

We want to provide support for women and men who face difficult circumstances, as well as those who have experienced abortion and seek comfort in the Lord and their community.

Our pledge

'As a Catholic, I promise to foster a culture of welcome and acceptance of new life. I will pray and work for better legal protections for pregnant women and the child in the womb.'

Hope and Healing after Abortion

God does not withhold his forgiveness from those who seek it with a sincere heart. But, even when we confess our sins and receive absolution, we are not always ready to forgive ourselves. There are many women and men still living, years later, with the emotional and spiritual scars of abortion. Our mission to promote a culture of life must include helping these women and men to be reconciled with themselves, with their lost child, and with the God who has never stopped loving them.

In the Lord we can find peace: 'Hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.' (Romans 5:5)

'My name is Caitlin and I am 28 years old. When I became pregnant for the first time five years ago, I had an abortion. I have carried the pain from this experience, as well as feelings of loss, confusion and loneliness. When attending a Rachel's Vineyard retreat, I was given the time and space to name the child that I lost and to find healing and forgiveness in the Lord.'

To learn more about Rachel's Vineyard go to www.rachelsvineyard.ie If you are concerned about an unborn child with a with a life-limiting condition, go to: www.everylifecounts.ie or www.onedaymore.ie

About Day for Life

Day for Life is celebrated yearly by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition.

Eucharistic Adoration on Friday in the Church of the Holy Rosary from 11am – 7pm.

Family Rosary Crusade

Archbishop Eamonn Martin is asking families to pray the Rosary together for the month of October.

On Sunday October 11th, the Rosary on the Coast for Life and Faith in Ireland will take place. See www.coastalrosaryireland.ie to see locations near you or to register a location.