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. 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.

Mass Intentions for the Week		
PARISH CHURCH		
view online at churchtv.ie/castlebar Parish Radio 105.3fm		
Monday 8 th January:		
10.00am - Thomas & Bridget Bourke & dec. Bourke family, Clooncundra.		
Dermot & Pat O'Dwyer, Station Road. Holy Souls. 7.00pm - Bridie Gibbons, McHale Road. Christy & Sadie Keane, Riverdale Court.		
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Martin Costello, Kathleen & Mark Grimes, Patrick & Ellen Cunningham.		
Tuesday 9 th January:		
10.00am - Michael T. Walsh, Skehogue, Burren. Martin & Annie Kate Lawrence, McHale Road.		
John Flynn & dec. Flynn family, Parke. Evelyn Eustace, Galway.		
Wednesday 10 th January:		
8.00am - Dominic, Roseanne & Pat Staunton, Manulla.		
Dec. Cullen, McGrath & Murray families, Co. Tyrone. 🛛 🛛 🏑 💦 💸		
Nellie Jennings, Breaffy & dec. family. Holy Souls.		
10.00am - Private Intention.		
Thursday 11 th January: Thursday 11 th January:		
10.00am - Michael & Tony Fallon, Fr. Meehan Place. Special Intention.		
Friday 12 th January:		
8.00am - Pat & Ellie Connor & Denis McEvilly, Kiltimagh. Special Intention.		
10.00am - Patrick Jennings, Commauns.		
Saturday 13 th January:		
10.00am - Micheál Mullahy, The Brambles. Jimmy & Mary Fitzpatrick, Station Road.		
Una & Jimmy Feeney, Knockthomas & dec. Egan & Feeney families.		
Cathal, Philomena & Ciaran Duffy, Rathbawn Road. William & Bridget Ormsby, Boradruma.		
Nancy Costello, Conloon & London & dec. Philbin family. Teresa Carton, Glenisland.		
6.00pm - Mary Geraghty, St. Patrick's Avenue. (1 st Anv.)		
Sunday 14 th January:		
9.00am - Claire Moore (M.M.) & husband Richard, Drumconlon Close.		
BALLYHEANE CHURCH		
view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane		
Saturday 13 th January: 7.30pm - Private Intention.		
BREAFFY CHURCH		
view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy		
Sunday 14 th January: 10.00am - Dec. Hughes, Keane & McEvilly families.		
Jim & Mary Bourke, Phil & Christy Scannell & dec. Bourke,		
McHale & Scannell families.		



Rest in Peace Jeff Redmond, Springfield. Brid Concannon, Gortnaleice, Curragh. Pat Quigley, 'Anfield', Spencer Park. Mary Russ, Chicago & late of Killawalla, aunt of Tommy Gannon, Moneen. Sally Goodman, Dundalk & late of Errew. Frances Ruane, Kilkenny Cross. Georg Wolff, Stadthagen, Germany, uncle of Thomas Collins & Mary McDonnell, Castlebar.

The Baptism of the Lord

The baptism of Jesus immerses him in the life of the people. He joined the queue of people for John's baptism, wanting to share the joys and sorrows of his people. In the depths of the water he entered into the depths of his own humanity and the depths of his people. We could say that Jesus has entered into that part of all of us which laughs and sings, dances and cries, feels for the sick and the suffering, desires the best for self and others; nothing human is foreign to him as he was baptised into the life of his people and the God of his ancestors.

To untie someone's sandal was a slave's task, but John feels unworthy even to do that for Jesus, because he is so important. Next the Father reveals the identity of this seemingly ordinary man Jesus from Nazareth by declaring him to be his beloved Son in whom he is well pleased. Next the Spirit descends on him like a dove. Lastly the heavens are rent open to indicate that Jesus belongs in the divine realm. Certainly, Mark does his best to help us as disciples to keep in mind the divine reality of Jesus: we will need this help as the story moves on.

Jesus' baptism gives us a window into a powerful religious moment. Jesus knows his identity. The imprint of the Spirit has sealed his life.



Lord, remind me that I too bear your seal of approval. I am marked by your Spirit, called to participate in your mission as your beloved son or daughter.

(Intercom www.sacredspace.ie)

<u>Holy Hour</u>	- Every Sunday from 7pm to 8pm in the Parish Church.
Adoration of the Eucharist	- Every Friday from 11am in the Parish Church.
<u>Lectio Divina</u>	- Every Tuesday from 7pm to 8pm in the Monastery.

Orthodox Liturgy

Saturday 13th January at 2.30pm in the Church of the Holy Rosary.

Ordination to the Diaconate of Mark Quinn Sunday 7th January at 3pm in St. Mary's Church, Westport

As a parish, we rejoice in the good news that Mark Quinn will be ordained Deacon on this Sunday in Westport and we look forward to his ordination to the priesthood in Castlebar later this year. Please keep Mark in your prayers.

Anointing Fire Catholic Ministry Service (AFCM) – Afternoon of Healing

Sunday 21st January from 1.15pm to 3.45pm in Church of the Holy Rosary. Led by Aidan & Noel Byrne. Rosary, Thanksgiving, Praise, Worship, Healing Prayers, Talks, Confession and Eucharistic Adoration. All welcome. Tel. Carmel 086 3836055, Joseph 089 4888166, Mary 089 4271780.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage - September 18th from Knock to Mostar.

Numbers limited. Discount if booked before the end of January. For details contact Detta Molloy at 086 8197111.

Castlebar Al-Anon Meetings

Meeting held every Wednesday at 8pm in the Parish Centre. (Please note change of time)

Mayo Historical and Archaeological Society

"Frederick Cavendish and The Connaught Telegraph". Talk by Dr. Michael O'Connor, Wednesday 17th January at 7.30pm in ATU Campus, Castlebar. Fáilte roimh chách.