

# CASTLEBAR PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## Sunday Mass Times

Parish Church: 7pm (Sat), 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30pm Ballyheane Church: 8.00pm (Sat.) Breaffy Church: 10am, 11.30am

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

### PARISH CHURCH

view online at [churchtv.ie/castlebar](http://churchtv.ie/castlebar)

Parish Radio 105.3fm

#### Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August:

10.00am - Special Intention.

7.00pm - May, Gerry & Patrick Walkin & dec. Walkin & Quigley families, Nottingham & Rathbawn.

#### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August:

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Mary, Tom & Paddy McDonagh, Galway.

#### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> August:

8.00am - Martin Moylan.

10.00am - Joseph & Margaret Campbell. Patrick & Mary Coleman.

#### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> August:

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Kathleen Finnerty, Fortfield, Teresa & Eamon Duffy & dec. family.

#### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August:

8.00am - Private Intention.

10.00am - Liam Coady, Knockthomas.

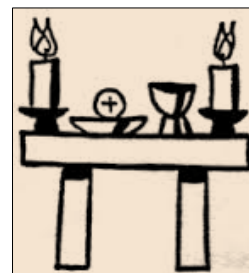
#### Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> August:

10.00am - Nora Cafferkey, The Brambles.

7.00pm - Alicoque Hoban, 35 Rathbawn Drive. (M.M.)

#### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> August:

10.30am - Mary Burke, Ballinvilla. (1<sup>st</sup> Anv.)



### BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at [churchtv.ie/ballyheane](http://churchtv.ie/ballyheane)

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> August: 8.00pm - John Gilmore, Ballyheane & dec. Gilmore & Lydon families.

### BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at [churchtv.ie/breaffy](http://churchtv.ie/breaffy)

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> August: 10.00am - Martin Walsh.

- Maura Martyn, Corheens.

11.30am - Packie & Annie Cunnane.

## Rest in Peace



**Martin McDonnell**, Doogary, Kilkenny.

**Eileen McTiernan** nee Hopkins, Croydon, Surrey  
& late of Keelcoil, Breaffy.

**Gerald Sweeney**, Curraun, Achill,  
father of Ann Sweeney, Springfield & Gerry Sweeney, Breaffy.

## Consecration of Home and Family to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary

Would you like this consecration for your home? If so, please tel. Kathleen at 087 9850267.

## Uphill struggle

Have you ever felt like giving up? Elijah certainly did. In today's first reading we meet a prophet who has had enough. He is fleeing from trouble and things seem so hopeless after a day's journey that he sits under a bush and begs God to take his life. Life has a way of getting on top of us, such as when we are grieving a loss, when we are hurt by a friend, when illness strikes, or when we are simply exhausted. We experience the feelings described in the famous anonymous poem Don't Quit: 'When things go wrong as they sometimes will/ When the road you're trudging seems all uphill...'

At these times of struggle, it is helpful to pause and to refuel for the journey. Elijah was visited by an angel who offered him comfort and respite, giving him the strength, he needed to carry on. In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again say he is the living bread. Some people have been complaining about his teaching. Surely this is the son of Joseph, they say, demonstrating their lack of understanding of who Jesus really is. Again, he explains that he is the bread of life – more than physical food, more than an ordinary man, he is the living bread and he is God. In all our struggles, especially when we feel like giving up, Jesus offers us nourishment for the journey. This gift is there for us especially in the Eucharist, offering comfort and strength.

*'The Eucharist, although it is the fullness of sacramental life, is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak.'* (Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*)

Tríona Doherty, Intercom.

## Church of the Holy Rosary



### Holy Hour

Every Sunday from 8pm to 9pm

### Lectio Divina

Every Tuesday at 7pm

### Exposition

Every Friday from 11am to 7pm

## Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. Accord is seeking registration of interest from those who have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church and the enthusiasm to be part of a team supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally in accordance with best practice.

The closing date for receipt of registration of interest forms to be included in Selections for this year is Friday 27 August. Contact Aisling on 01 5053112 or by email to [info@accord.ie](mailto:info@accord.ie). Additional information is available on [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)



## Youth 2000 Summer Festival 13 – 15 August

For more information and to register please visit [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)

## Grandparents' Faith Café - *An online social and spiritual space for grandparents*

Tuesday 10 August at 7.30pm via Zoom. Theme: 'The Joy of the Lord is my strength'. Special guest: John Michael Talbot. Registration is open now and is free. To receive the Zoom log in details please email [info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.com](mailto:info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.com)