

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 26th August:

- 10.00am - Matt & Eileen O'Boyle, Boradruma & dec. O'Boyle & Walsh families.
Tom & Mary Daly & son Tomás, Westport Road.
7.00pm - Justin Guthrie, Fr. Meehan Place. (M.M.)
Jack Heraty & dec. family, St. Bridget's Crescent. Maura Carney, Chapel Street.

Tuesday 27th August:

- 10.00am - Mary Staunton, Moneen & dec. Bourke, Staunton, Roche, Maloney & Lynch families.

Wednesday 28th August:

- 8.00am - Private Intention.
10.00am - John Gannon, Westport & Holy Souls.

Thursday 29th August:

- 10.00am - Michael Burns, The Grove.

Friday 30th August:

- 8.00am - Special Intention.
10.00am - Private Intention.

Saturday 31st August:

- 10.00am - Maurice Dowling, Chestnut Grove. Charles Davis, Rathbawn Road.
Marie Beirne, Saleen & dec. Beirne & Duffy families.
Bertie Davoren, Belvedere House, Westport Road.
Dec. Barrett & O'Grady families, Knockthomas.
Rod Tobin, son Sean & parents Dr. Sean & Maureen Tobin, Castlebar.
Fr. Joe Walsh & parents Mary & James Walsh, Frenchill.
6.00pm - Teresa Smyth Price, Newport Road & Westport. (1st Anv.)

Sunday 1st September:

- 11.00am - Joan Corcoran, Spencer Street. (M.M.)



BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

Saturday 31st August:

- 7.30pm - Kathleen Neary, Magherafadda, Ballyheane. (1st Anv.)
John & Julia McDonnell, daughter Sr. Josephine &
son Sean, Ballyheane.
Tommy Quigley, Pontoon Road.

BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy

Sunday 1st September:

- 10.00am - Joe Doyle (1st Anv.), wife Breda & daughter Florina, Doogary.
Martin Boyce, Ashwood.



Rest in Peace

Sarah Stephens, Frenchbrook, Sarnought.

Michael O'Malley, Middlesbrough, UK & late of Commauns.

Patricia Prendergast, Carn, Breaffy.

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

It is not easy to follow Jesus. Sometimes, we can follow not Him, but our own desires and channel them through a thin but insubstantial veil of Christianity. The Jesus we follow is relentlessly loving, not least towards those who hate him, those who spurn him. Can we say the same of ourselves?

Believing doesn't make everything suddenly easy. Belief is not a single-decision way of life. As Christians we must wake up every day and say: yes, today I shall believe. We must renew our belief, renew our devotion to God. Otherwise, we risk what was mentioned at the beginning of this reflection, which is to follow our own desires rather than him. Conversion isn't a one-stop shop; it must be renewed daily, sometimes hourly.

Many walk away from belief in God because of the demands it asks of us. We are asked to believe in something that, at least on this earth, we are never going to figure out ... ever. It is mystery. Yet, with the gift of faith, and a constant renewal of it, we can come to be better followers of Jesus, better emulators of his words and actions.

We pray, then, for the gift of faith, that we may use the gifts that God gives us to walk more wholesomely, more courageously, in his image, to believe where others do not, and to love where others abandon. Amen.

www.msjeroscra.ie (Intercom)

Back to School Blessing

Dear Heavenly Father,

For all the children and young people returning to school, send your Holy Spirit.

Keep them free from danger and unnecessary harm.

Put them in the right place, at the right time, to receive your grace.

Let them learn and grow strong.

May the presence of your Spirit fill their hearts.

Bless their parents, families and teachers.

May God keep each of you safe and well.

In the name of the greatest Son of all, Jesus Christ.

Amen.



We would like to wish every blessing to all Pupils, Teachers, Parents and Boards of Management as they begin another school year.

Holy Hour

- Every Sunday from 7pm to 8pm in the Parish Church.

Adoration of the Eucharist

- Every Friday from 11am in the Parish Church.

Mindspace Mayo

Mindspace Mayo offers a free support service to young people (12-25yrs) in Co. Mayo, presenting with anything from common concerns (e.g. dealing with break-up, exam stress, bullying) to emerging mental health difficulties like mild depression and anxiety. Mindspace is located in Market Square and anyone can make a referral. Visit www.mindspacemayo.ie or tel. 094 9067001.

2025 Jubilee (Holy) Year - Archdiocese of Tuam Pilgrimage to Italy

27th June to 3rd July 2025, 6 nights (3 in Assisi, 3 in Rome) with Spiritual Director, ex Dublin Airport. Early booking advised. Contact 01 2410800.

Mayo Stoma Support Group Meeting - 29th August at 7pm in the Ellison Hotel

If attending, text 087 6275766 with your name and number of people attending. All are welcome.

Anam Cara Online Bereavement Information Evening for Bereaved Parents

Tuesday 3rd September from 7pm to 8.30pm. Guest speaker: Bryan Nolan, Healthcare Chaplain, End of Life and Grief and Loss specialist. The link to join is

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqf-6gqT4vGtf09D7YFGe9vJbbfNz82QEA>