

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

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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 27th January:

10.00am - Kitty Hoban & dec. Hoban family, Islandeady.
Michael Steed, Saleen. Claire Cahill, Dublin.

7.00pm - Thomas McGough, Carrowbrinogue. Martin Costello, Riverdale Court.

Tuesday 28th January:

10.00am - John Conway, Victoria Place. Special Intention.

Wednesday 29th January:

10.00am - Anthony Walsh, Ballyneggin. (1st Anv.)
Val, Angela & Tony Donegan, Blackfort.
Joseph Kerins, Lack, Turlough & dec. Kerins family.

Thursday 30th January:

10.00am - Rose & James Burns, daughter Kathleen, son Patrick & dec. family, Kingscourt, Cavan.
Anne Bourke, Moneen. Special Intention.

Friday 31st January:

10.00am - Bernard (Bernie) Roache, McHale Road. (M.M.)
Greg Earls, Knockthomas Drive.
Maura Gilligan, Blackfort & parents David & Elizabeth Gilligan.
Conor & Margaret Gannon, McHale Road.
Mary Gibbons, Davitt's Terrace. Josie Armstrong, Thomas Street.

Saturday 1st February: *Feast of St. Brigid*

10.00am - Phil Quinn, Rathbawn Road. (M.M.)
Jimmy Moran & son Vincent, Boradruma. John Collins, Gladesville & Tralee.
Mamie Cunningham, Richard Street. Bridget & William Ormsby, Snugboro.
Michael Shaughnessy, Spencer Park. P. J. Kelly, Garryduff.

6.00pm - Nancy Conway, Dereenmanus. (M.M.)

Sunday 2nd February: *The Presentation of the Lord*

11.00am - Tommy Haugh, Moneen Bradagh. (1st Anv.)

BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

Saturday 1st February:

7.30pm - Mike, Mai & Margaret King, Knockmoyleen & dec. King, Keane & Quinn families.

BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy

Sunday 2nd February:

10.00am - Kathleen Walsh (1st Anv.) & husband Martin, Curratanavally.
Katie Barrett & dec. Barrett family.
Martin Boyce, Ashwood.



Rest in Peace

Richard King (Snr), Curragh & late of Spencer Street.

Dympna Fagan, Kilkelly, mother of Noel Fagan, Blackfort Avenue.

Paddy McGovern, Tullycommons.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Many organisations have a mission statement. A mission statement could be said to have a two-fold purpose. One purpose is to state clearly to those outside the organisation what is the primary aim of the organisation, its significant values, its vision for the future. Another purpose is more internal, to help those within the organisation to stay focused and to live by the values that the statement proclaims.

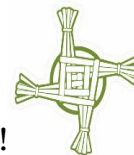
As we know, it is one thing having a mission statement and another matter to live by it. In the opening paragraph of our gospel reading today, we find Luke the evangelist's own brief mission statement. He declares to Theophilus, probably Luke's patron, why he is writing his gospel. Luke's mission in writing his gospel is to give people greater assurance about the faith in which they have been instructed. He is going to tell the story of Jesus in such a way that he will be able to confirm believers in their faith. That is what the gospel of Luke has been doing since it was written about fifty years after the death and resurrection of Jesus. It is many people's favourite gospel. If we did not have the gospel of Luke, we would not have such memorable parables of Jesus as the good Samaritan, the prodigal son, the rich man and Lazarus. We would not have the story of Jesus in the home of Mary and Martha or the story of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. Our faith would certainly be the poorer without Luke's gospel. Luke did what he said he would do in his mission statement.

Intercom - Fr Martin Hogan

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

Irish Children's Pilgrimage Trust

The students from St. Joseph's Secondary School who are going as volunteers to Lourdes at Easter, will be selling St. Brigid's crosses next week to raise funds. Last year they made 1800 crosses and needed more, so this year they are aiming for 2000! Please support their wonderful undertaking.



Celebrate St. Brigid's Day at Knock Shrine from 11am to 3.30pm on Saturday, February 1st

The flame of St. Brigid will be present on the day, courtesy of the Brigidine Sisters, Kildare. Programme includes a global pause for peace at 12noon, a blessing for those named after St. Brigid, a contemplative prayer walk and an exploration of Brigidine spirituality. For more details see www.knockshrine.ie

'Live Life' National Youth Retreat at Knock Shrine

On May 8th students from all over the country will gather in Knock Shrine to celebrate the life of Donal Walsh and to reflect on his message - to 'Live Life!' If you are interested in learning more about the day or registering a group, please email youthministry@knockshrine.ie

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

Would you like this consecration for your home? For more information tel. Mary at 087 7971474.

Errew National School F23 P903 - Open/Enrolment Day

Friday 31st January from 10am-12noon. Enquires to secretary@errewns.com or tel. 094 9030615.

Third World Support Group

Meeting on Tuesday 25th January at 7.30pm in the Monastery, Chapel Street. New members welcome.

Mayo Historical & Archaeological Society

The Congested Districts Board in Mayo - its role in land ownership changes and rural development 1891-1923. Talk by Patricia Conway M.A. on Wednesday 5th February at 7.30pm, ATU Campus, Castlebar. Fáilte roimh chách.