

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.



PARISH CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/castlebar

Parish Radio 105.3fm

Monday 28th September:

- 10.00am - Dec. Sisters of Mercy. Holy Souls.
- 7.00pm - Helen & Mark Maughan & dec. Maughan & Collins families.
Sheila Joyce, Derrylea & dec. Joyce family. Martin Moran, 'Iona', Newport Road.

Tuesday 29th September:

- 10.00am - Thomas & Sarah Staunton, Snugboro. Aidan Bunyan, Castlebar.

Wednesday 30th September:

- 10.00am - Bridget Morrison, Kennedy Gardens.
Martin & Julia Gallagher, Achill & dec. Gallagher & McManamon families.

Thursday 1st October:

- 10.00am - Kitty Dulleau, Cork.
Pat & Mary Boyle, Coarsepark & dec. family.

Friday 2nd October:

- 8.00am - Edward Gibbons, Mountdaisy.
Jimmy, Stasia, Kevin & Noel Banville, Nora Geraghty, dec. relatives & Holy Souls.
Nan & Wally Tighe & dec. family, Gallows Hill, Christy McGrath, Tom Lee & dec. family.
- 10.00am - Charles McDonagh U.K. (1st Anv.) & dec. McDonagh family.
Frank Burke, Ballymacragh, dec. Burke & Mulchrone families & Mary Kelly, Westport.

Saturday 3rd October:

- 10.00am - Yvonne McHugh Landry, Castlebar & U.S.A. (1st Anv.)
Willie Jennings, Commauns, Burren & dec. Jennings family.
Kathleen & Eamonn Jennings, Ballyheane. James (Jimmy) Keane, Newtown.
Tommy Robinson, Westport Road & son Tommy.
Sean & Mamie Cunningham, Richard Street. Andy Gillespie, Turlough Road.
- 6.00pm - Bernie Mongey, Sarnaught. (M.M.)



BALLYHEANE CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/ballyheane

Saturday 3rd October: 7.30pm - Elizabeth McNicholas, Kinturk. (M.M.)

- James & Ann McGing, Aghagower & dec. McGing & O'Malley families.
- James & Bridget King, Derrynagooley & dec. family.

BREAFFY CHURCH

view online at churchtv.ie/breaffy

Sunday 4th October: 10.00am - Bridget Kelly, Cregganavar.

- Lorna Bourke, Cottage Road & dec. Bourke & Cowman families.
- Paddy & Kathleen Minogue & daughters Mary & Therese, Charles Street.
- Gina Carney, Corheens.



Rest in Peace

Danny O'Donnell, Co. Tyrone,
brother of Susan Keane, Pontoon Road.

Walter Carter, Mountdaisy.

Seamus Tuohy, Doogary, Breaffy.

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel we find the two sons, each doing the opposite to what they declare; while Jesus tells us that tax collectors and prostitutes paid attention to John the Baptist and they changed too. There is plenty of common ground between those bible figures and our own fickle behaviour.

One day we can be full of fervour and keen to profess our Christian faith, come what may. The next we can't pray. We ask where is the God of yesterday? Is all our time wasted? Those who reject belief, faith, Church, religion and moral responsibility continue life as contented, apparently, as everyone else. Many of them were our classmates with whom we received our First Holy Communion and Confirmation. They don't darken the door of the Church anymore. They changed their minds!

Of all the gifts given to us by God, the freedom of choice is perhaps the greatest. We're not pre-determined beings; our choices are sacred and are literally our making, our doing and undoing. When we respond positively to God's grace as also reflected in the best and noblest inspirations and aspirations of our environment, we're shaping ourselves more firmly in the image and likeness of God our Creator.

Part of the challenge of our day is to ignore the choices made by others and content ourselves with our own good choices which uplift, and determine a better tomorrow for ourselves and society.

Let us pray for those who have changed their minds or way of life and turned away from God. May they experience afresh the fervour of their early faith and experience anew God's gifts of peace and joy.

Intercom: Fr. Maurice Henry SMA sma.ie

Parish Church

Guided Holy Hour: Sunday from 7pm to 8pm. **Holy Face Devotion:** Tuesday at 3.30pm.

Adoration: Monday 11am-12noon, Tuesday 7pm-8pm, Thursday, Friday 11am-8pm.

Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet: Daily at 3pm. **Confessions:** Saturday 12pm – 1pm.

Archdiocese of Tuam - Celebration of Marriage Anniversaries

Archbishop Francis will celebrate the Marriage Anniversaries Mass in Tuam Cathedral on Sunday, 11th Oct. at 3pm. Couples celebrating a marriage anniversary in 2026 are warmly invited especially those marking a significant one. Please send the names of the couples attending and the number of family members accompanying them to info@tuamparish.com or tel. 093 24250 by 7th Oct.

Castlebar Parish Magazine 2026

Articles and photos are now being sought for inclusion in this year's Parish Magazine. All enquiries to Joe Redmond, email joeredmondspring@gmail.com

Youth Praise Night

For the young and young at heart on Sunday 4th October at 7pm in Holy Trinity Church, Westport. All are welcome. For details tel. 083 8003233.

Family Carers Ireland - Castlebar Carers Support Group Meeting

Wednesday October 7th, from 10am-11.30am in Castlebar Library. The group meets on the first Wednesday of the month. No need to register, just turn up on the day.

Retreat for Men

"Iron Sharpens Iron" is a two-day retreat for men of all ages, taking place on Sat. October 24th and Sat. November 21st near Abbeyknockmoy, Co. Galway. Through lectures, workshops, prayer and discussions, this retreat seeks to enable Catholic men to become free and noble actors, leaders, protectors and builders of Irish society. For details and to register visit www.theirishforge.com

Came to Believe Recovery

Came to Believe Recovery is the original practice of the 12-step recovery programme as set out by the Oxford group, following Christian principles offering complete recovery from all addiction and in overcoming other issues, as well as an opportunity for everyone to grow personally and spiritually. Join their Zoom meeting every Friday at 8pm. Meeting ID 89832679707 or tel. 083 8928006 for more details.