

Clarecastle - Ballyea Parish

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Sunday Mass: Clarecastle 9am & 12noon & Ballyea 10.30am

Saturday Mass: Clarecastle 7pm **Weekday Mass:** Clarecastle 10am

All items for Newsletter to Parish Office by 5pm on Wednesday or email: clarecastleballyea@eircom.net

5th May 2019

Clarecastle Mass Intentions

Sat.	4 th	May	7pm	Anniv.	Jackie Canny, Carrrowgar.
Sat.	4 th	May	7pm	Anniv.	Mary & Martin Moroney, Claremount.
Sun.	5 th	May	9am	Anniv.	George & Josie Considine & Ml. Fitzpatrick, Quay Rd.
Sun.	5 th	May	12noon	Anniv.	Martin & Mary O'Grady, St. Michael's Tce.
Tues.	7 th	May	10am	Anniv.	Maureen Collins.
Fri.	10 th	May	7pm	M.M.	Laura Brennan, Hillview.
Sat.	11 th	May.	7pm	Anniv.	John & Mary Brennan, Hempfield.

Ballyea Mass Intentions

Sun.	5 th	May	10.30am	Anniv.	Paddy & Gisela Hogan, Bushypark, Ennis.
Sun.	12 th	May	10.30am	Anniv.	Michael Nagle, Tiermaclane.

Offertory Collection – Clarecastle: Coin: €548.80: Envelopes: €643.10 = **€1,191.90**

Offertory Collection – Ballyea: Coin: € 93.47: Envelopes: €216.80 = **€ 310.27**

Killaloe Invalid Fund Collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend.

Eucharistic Adoration resumes in Clarecastle Church on **Thurs. 9th May after 10am Mass.**

Rosary at Claremount Grotto during the month of May at 8pm. All are welcome.

Rosary at Ballyea Grotto during the month of May at the Grotto outside Ballyea Church at 7pm. All very welcome.

Rosary at Ballybeg & Manus Grotto during the month of May at 8 pm. All are welcome.

Killaloe Diocesan Safeguarding Conference: Wed. 15th May in Oakwood Hotel, Shannon. Finger Food Tea/Coffee from 6.30pm: Start 7pm – 21.30pm, for those involved in safeguarding or ministry with children in the parishes, dioceses and schools. Guest Speakers Kevin Hyland O.B.E. and Dr. Maureen Griffin. Places are limited so please book your place with Mary in the Parish Office **by Thursday, 9th May.** Cost: €5.00 per person.

Annual Mass & Anointing for people with disabilities and chronic illnesses in Ennis Cathedral on Wednesday, 15th May from 2pm - 3pm. Bishop Fintan Monahan is Chief Celebrant and Homilist, joined by Priests to assist with the Anointing. All are welcome.

Congratulations: *To all the boys and girls of Clarecastle National School who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in our parish on Saturday. Thanks to their teachers for all their work, parents who organized the pre communion rituals and the Parents Assoc. for the hospitality. We hope all the boys and girls who received their First Holy Communion, their families and visitors to our parish community enjoyed the day.*



Canon Reuben Butler R.I.P. It was with regret that we heard of the death of Canon Reuben Butler last weekend. Canon Reuben was the assistant priest in our neighbouring parish Newmarket-on-Fergus having served as parish priest in that parish until his retirement from that role in 2006. He had been President of St. Flannan's College prior to his appointment as Parish Priest of Newmarket -on -Fergus. Canon Reuben was a gentleman to the core a distinguished historian an academic of note committed educationalist and a very balanced contributor to discussions and to formulating decisions. The Clarecastle part of our parish must ever be grateful to Canon Reuben. During his presidency of St. Flannan's at a time when Clarecastle GAA had no pitch of its own and were for many years in turmoil over a playing pitch and searching for a field Canon Reuben was the first to really listen to that appeal. When he was approached by members of the then field committee of the GAA to consider selling some land at Clareabbey (at a time when the college was not in the slightest interested in selling land) for the development of a GAA pitch. From the very beginning he was open, interested and honourable in his dealings and through his stewardship guided the proposal to acceptance with the college and diocesan authorities. He also did that in the shortest period of time possible. For that the members of Clarecastle GAA must always remember and be grateful to Canon Reuben for the part he played in the acquisition by the club of the pitch at Clareabbey. This venue was later used very wisely by a far seeing group of committee members to sell to The Clare County Board and purchase the lands which now constitute the present day Club facilities. Well done to them for their foresight. So today we remember Canon Reuben for his kindness, interest and involvement in ensuring that Clarecastle GAA secured a field of their own at a time when that task seemed impossible. This development enabled the club to develop their rich history as a major club in GAA family in County Clare and indeed broader afield.

May his gentle soul Rest In Peace.

Clarecastle N.S. Parents Assoc. would like to thank the people of Clarecastle and surrounding areas who supported their Cash for Clobber. It has turned out to be another worthwhile fund raiser for our school. **Many Thanks.**

Fergus Currach Club will be holding an Open Day on Sunday, 12th May from 12noon – 2pm at the Quay in Clarecastle. We would like to welcome new members or anyone interested in Rowing in a traditional Irish Currach. For more info please contact: Pearse on 087 742 3509 or Pat on 086 394 6561.

Drugs Awareness Talk for the parents/guardians of students in St. Flannan's College Library on Wednesday, 8th May at 7.30pm.

We ask all Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and those entering and exiting the Sanctuary from the church; to enter at the side aisle sides, using the brass handrails to assist them. This is a very important request in the interest of Health & Safety.

Bank Holiday Monday Mass will be at 11am