

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: parish@clarecastleballyeaparis.ie

23rd August 2020, Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

Clarecastle Mass Intentions

Sun	23 rd	Aug	9am	Anniv	Deceased members of Scanlon Family & Pauline West, Maddens Terrace
			12noon	Anniv	Paddy Burke, Derreen
Tue	25 th	Aug	10am	Anniv	Jerry Murphy, Church Drive
Sun	30 th	Aug	12noon	Anniv	Bridget Hickey, Manusmore

Ballyea Mass Intentions

Sun	23 rd	Aug	10.30am	Anniv	Jimmy Devitt, Drumadrohid
				Anniv	Olivia Quinn, Drumquin
Sun	30 th	Aug	10.30	Anniv	Thomas & William O'Connor, Tiermaclane
					Gerry O'Connell, Ballyea



We remember in our prayers the repose of the soul of Teresa Crosby, St. Joseph's Terrace, who died during the week. We offer our sympathy to her family, relatives & friends.

Anniversary Masses: Anyone who wishes to have anniversary masses said for their relatives and friends during this time, and are happy to join the mass on the parish radio link or on webcam, can arrange same by contacting the parish office on 065-6823011

Offertory Collection – Clarecastle: Coin: €219.00 : Envelopes: €579.00 = **€798.00**

Offertory Collection – Ballyea: Envelopes: **€445.40**

Killaloe Benevolent Fund Collection: Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to this collection last weekend. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Míle Buíochas: We wish to acknowledge the contributions that we received from parishioners for church funds and priests collections. Thank you for your support. Contributions can be left into the parochial house, parish office or by post.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Church Services: In a joint statement, the Catholic Church, Church of Ireland, Presbyterian and Methodist Church leaders have said that while governments on both sides of the border have not made face coverings compulsory at religious services, they recommend they are worn. In the statement the leaders state:

“As churches we are committed to maintaining two metre physical distancing between household groups and strict adherence to all government guidance on hand hygiene, cleaning, ventilation etc.” They go on to say, “It is becoming increasingly clear that wearing face coverings, in conjunction with hand washing etc. is likely to reduce the spread of the coronavirus, thus helping to protect others”. The statement goes on to state, “We join with Christian church leaders all over this island in formally recommending and encouraging the use of face coverings at all services of worship, along with maintenance of two metre physical distancing and hand hygiene. The leaders ask that this recommendation be implemented as soon as possible and be the norm in all churches from Sunday 30th August 2020.

We ask that all who attend church services in our parish adhere to this directive, unless they are in the category of people specifically exempt from the wearing of face coverings.

In addition to the above, we point out that the limit to attendance at mass and church services is 50 people. People who are vulnerable to the virus or who feel nervous in communities when the virus is active have no obligation to attend Sunday mass at this time. Please continue to join us on the parish radio link or by the webcam. An alternative might be to attend mass during the week. We appreciate the support of all our people and your presence in person, through radio participation or by viewing on the webcam.

Heritage and Wildlife: Congratulations to Clarecastle/Ballyea Heritage & Wildlife Group who had their Heritage Week 2020 project featured on the main RTE1 News on Monday evening regarding old cine-film of Clarecastle Quay in the 1950's. Eric Shaw did a great job in presenting the material, promoting our heritage and appreciating the Quay as a recreational venue in our community.

It has come to the attention of the Heritage Group that the late Pat Navin recorded film of various events and locations in Clarecastle. Someone might know where these films are. The Heritage Group would love to see that film coverage. If anyone knows where these films are they can contact Eric or any member of the Heritage/Wildlife Group or the Parish Office. All material will be treated with absolute care and will be returned to the owner.

On another matter congratulations to Eric and Breda who celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary lately.

A link to the Clarecastle/Ballyea Heritage site for anyone who wishes to view same is: <https://clarecastleballyea.clareheritage.org>

Clarecastle Covid-19 Support Network (CCSN): 085-8013112 A local helpline for those in need of assistance during Covid-19 restrictions.

Volunteers Needed: Volunteers needed to **usher** during public worship and **clean** and sanitize the church each day. Contact parish council members or telephone the parish office 6823011 or email parish@clarecastleballyeaparis.ie