

**Clarecastle - Ballyea Parish****[www.clarecastleballyeaparis.ie](http://www.clarecastleballyeaparis.ie)****Fr. Pat Malone 6823011 / 086 8572023: Fr. Harry Brady 086 2349798****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](mailto:parish@clarecastleballyeaparis.ie)***27<sup>th</sup> September 2020, Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time***Clarecastle Mass Intentions**

Sat	26 <sup>th</sup>	Sept	7pm	M.M.	Sheila O'Driscoll
Sun	27 <sup>th</sup>	Sept	9am	Anniv	Peggy Horan, Manus
			12noon	Anniv	Haulie & Helen Daly, Quay Rd.
Mon	28 <sup>th</sup>	Sept	7pm	Anniv	Carmel Schwab, Moyasta
Sat	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Oct	7pm	Anniv	Chris & Gus Whelan, Main St.
				Anniv	Michael Howard, Patrick St.
Sun	4 <sup>th</sup>	Oct	9am	Anniv	Michael & Margaret Flynn, Clare Road
				Anniv	Lorraine Kelleher, Clareabbey
			12noon	Anniv	Sonny Enright, Hempfield
				Anniv	Phyllis & Moira O'Kane, St. Joseph's Tce

**Ballyea Mass Intentions**

Sun	27 <sup>th</sup>	Sept	10.30am	Anniv	Corry Family, Killerk
Fri	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Oct	8pm	Anniv	John & Bridgett Carrigg, Tiermaclane



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Cora Moloney, Claremount who died and was buried during the week. We offer our condolences to her family, relatives and 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

**First Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October:** Masses for the First Friday in the Parish are as follows:

**Clarecastle – 10.00 am      Ballyea – 8.00 pm**

**Offertory Collection – Clarecastle:** Coin: €181 : Envelopes: €529 = **€710.00**

**Offertory Collection – Ballyea:** Coin: €20.76 : Envelopes: €349.00 = **€369.76**

**Priests' Collection:** Thank you to all who contributed to the Priests' Autumn Collection. Your generosity and support is very much appreciated. The collection is still open for those who wish to contribute to it.

**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.

**First Communion:** Congratulations to the young people in Third Class in Clarecastle School who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday last. After a long wait the day eventually arrived and we had three lovely prayerful and indeed memorable First Communion celebrations. The boys and girls who received the Sacrament were excellent in every way. The reverence they displayed in the presence of the Eucharist was beautiful to see and very memorable. Thanks to their parents, teachers and all who journeyed with them to First Communion Day. We hope they enjoyed the day. We wish them well for the future and look forward to frequently having them celebrate the Eucharist with us in church.

**Ballyea First Communion:** The ceremony of First Holy Communion to the young pupils in Ballyea School will be held next **Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October**. There will be two First Holy Communion celebrations. The first will be at **11.00am** and the second at **1.00pm**. Each student who will receive Holy Communion can have two adults accompany them, to comply with the Covid-19 restrictions.

We wish all these young people a very enjoyable day and pray God's blessings upon them.

**Day for Life:** The Day for Life is celebrated yearly by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The Day for Life 2020 will be celebrated next weekend – **Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> October**.

**Note of Appreciation:** The warmest words of thanks are this weekend extended to the First Year Students in Post Primary School who were altar servers here in our parish for so many years. Since moving to Post – Primary School they have retired from serving at the altar. We thank each one of you for your dedicated service to our church community in the celebration of the liturgy and we wish you every grace & blessing in the years ahead.

**"Ode to Joy"**

*Joy, beautiful spark of Divinity  
Daughter of Elysium,  
We enter, drunk with fire,  
Heavenly One, thy sanctuary!*

*Thy magic binds again  
What custom strictly divided;  
All people become brothers,  
Where thy gentle wing abides.*