Clarecastle - Ballyea Parish www.clarecastleballyeaparish.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@clarecastleballyeaparish.ie

17<sup>th</sup> January 2021, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## <u>Clarecastle Mass Intentions</u>

Sat	$16^{\text{th}}$	Jan	7pm	Anniv	Thomas & Susan Madden, Church Drive
				Anniv	Nora Corry, St. Flannan's Ave.
Sun	$17^{th}$	Jan	12noon	Anniv	Eithne Cleary, St. Joseph's Tce.
				1 <sup>s†</sup> Anniv	Ita Eyres, Ballybeg
Tue	19 <sup>th</sup>	Jan	10am	Anniv	Mickey & Kitty Russell, Quay Rd.
Wed	$20^{\text{th}}$	Jan	10am	Anniv	Kevin Kocik
Sat	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Jan	7pm	Anniv	John J.J. McCarthy, Ballybeg
				Anniv	Catriona Barry, Knocknamana
				Anniv	Tommy Kelly, Greenlawn
Sun	24 <sup>th</sup>	Jan	9am	Anniv	Pat & Kitty Cahir, Buncraggy
			12noon	1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv	Martha Kennedy, St. Joseph's Tce.
<b>Ballyea Mass Intentions</b>					
Sun	24 <sup>th</sup>	Jan	12noon	Anniv	Jimmy & Teresa Hogan & Deceased Members of Hogan Family, Newhall
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\* For the time being, Ballyea Anniversary Masses are incorporated to the Clarecastle Church mass at 12.00 noon.



We remember in our prayers the repose of the soul of Lucille Finnegan, Lurgan, sister of Brian Finnegan, Manusmore who died and was buried during the week. May she rest in peace.

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

<u>Míle Buíochas:</u> 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, by post or by using the online Donate button on the parish website <u>https://www.clarecastleballyeaparish.ie/</u>

**<u>Bishops Conference Collection</u>**: The annual collection for the Bishops Conference & Commissions will be held this weekend. Thank you for your contributions, please use the envelope in your yearly pack or an envelope of your own to make your contribution.

**Mother & Baby Home Report:** The final report of the Commission for Mother and Baby Homes was published this week. It is a sad and harrowing reading. It is a dark time for all affected, reflecting the sad reality of abuse in our Church. A full unreserved apology has been issued this week by the diocese and the full text of that and response to the report is available on https://www.killaloediocese.ie/response-to-mother-and-baby-home-report/.

**Parish Office:** The parish office will not be open to the public for the next few weeks during level 5 restrictions. All who wish to contact the office can do so by phone (065) 6823011 and their queries will be attended to. Should the office be unattended at the time of your call, please leave your name and phone number and a brief message on the answer machine and your call will be returned as soon as possible. Parishioners can arrange by phone to receive mass cards or certificates they need.

<u>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:</u> From 18 - 25 January, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is held. It is an important week in the church year when we reflect upon the common message that all Christian churches and communities profess. It is an opportunity for us Christian to work towards a greater understanding of each other and to live out in the love and joy of the gospel the message St. Paul offers us a "unity in diversity".

The theme of the 2021 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is "Abide in My Love – You Shall Bear Much Fruit". It was discerned by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland and is rooted in the gospel of St. John (Jn 15:5-9). The community of Grandchamp remind Christians worldwide about the importance of praying for the fruits of closer communion with our fellow Christian brothers and sisters and praying for a greater solidarity with the whole of creation.