

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@clarecastleballyeaparisht.ie

14th February 2021, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Clarecastle Mass Intentions

Sat	13 th	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Brigid & Tony McNamara, Patrick St.
				Anniv	Tony Lynch & Deceased Members of Lynch Family, Lissane
Sun	14 th	Feb	12noon	Anniv	Jonathan Kelly, Lismulbreeda
				Anniv	James Nestor, Main St.
Sat	20 th	Feb	7pm	M.M.	Betty Colleran, Abbeyview
				Anniv	Michael Colleran, Abbeyview
				Anniv	Maura Geoghegan, Abbeyville
Sun	21 st	Feb	9am	Anniv	Johnny Daly & Family, St. Joseph's Tce.
			12noon	1 st Anniv	John Lynch Jnr, Ballybeg

Ballyea Mass Intentions

Sun	14 th	Feb	12noon	1 st Anniv	Una O'Leary nee Killoughery, Knockanean
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* For the time being, Ballyea Anniversary Masses are incorporated to the Clarecastle Church mass at 12.00 noon.



Please pray for **Christy McConnellogue** (London), brother of Tony, Ballybeg, **Maura Bugler** (Ennis), mother of Nora Barrett, Rathmeehan Ballyea, **Michael Organ** (Ballinderren, Galway), brother of Eileen Devitt, Ballybeg, **baby Anthony Michael Morgan** (Clarehill) and **Mary Moore** (London) nee Nagle (Ballyveskill, Tiermaclane). May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

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

Clerk's Collection: Thanks to those who contributed to the collection for the Church Clerk last weekend. **Parish Development and Maintenance Collection** next weekend. Please use blue envelope in your yearly pack or an envelope of your own.

Ash Wednesday: Wednesday next is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Season of Lent. Lent is time of penance, prayer and renewal. We are encouraged during the season of Lent to engage in some practices of fasting, almsgiving, penance and works of mercy. There are now only two obligatory days of Fast and Abstinence in the Season of Lent – Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these days all in good health between the ages of 18 – 60 are asked to abstain from eating meat and to engage in fasting by eating one meal and two collations. We are encouraged to fast on other days in Lent of our own choosing.

Lent is a time of prayer also, and we are encouraged to make some moments for prayer a feature of our day. Maybe we could take on the challenge of setting aside each day a short period of family or personal prayer. Asking God to be with us in our journey through life.

Lent traditionally is a time we can focus on the corporal works of mercy and acts of Christian giving to those who are less fortunate than ourselves, both at home and in Third World Countries. To this and Trocaire each year organise an annual collection to aid the workings of the Irish Church in the mission fields. We thank all of you for your contributions to Trocaire over the years. This years Trocaire Campaign is to aid the people of Sudan. This year there are Trocaire boxes and packs available in the Churches of the parish for anyone who wishes to pick one up. Contributions can be dropped into the Parish Office, Parochial House at anytime during Lent and over the Easter period and we will forward them to Trocaire.

Mass on Wednesday for Ash Wednesday will be at 10.00am. Ashes will be blessed at the 10.00am mass on Wednesday. Mass will be online and can be viewed on the parish webcam and on the parish radio link. ***There will be small packets of blessed ashes in the churches (Clarecastle/Ballyea) from 11.30am Wednesday if people wish to come along and collect the ashes, bringing them home.*** There will be no public distribution of ashes this Ash Wednesday. If you are collecting ashes from the church, please adhere to the guidelines for safety during the Corona virus. Please sanitise your hands and belongings as you leave church. May we have a very good celebration of Lent this year and be truly ready to celebrate Easter when that day comes.

During the **Season of Lent** there will be an **evening mass** on **Friday evenings** at **7.00pm**. Mass on Fridays, 10.00am and 7pm.

Prayer

“Lord, you are the current and lifetime of my life, I ask you to give me enough power and energy to get me through this day.”