## Clarecastle - Ballyea Parish www.clarecastleballyeaparish.ie

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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@clarecastleballyeaparish.ie

## 21st February 2021, First Sunday of Lent

Clarecastle Mass Intentions					
Sat	$20^{th}$	Feb	7pm	M.M.	Betty Colleran, Abbeyview
				Anniv	Michael Colleran, Abbeyview
				Anniv	Maura Geoghegan, Abbeyville
Sun	21 <sup>st</sup>	Feb	9am	Anniv	Johnny Daly & Family, St. Joseph's Tce.
			12noon	1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv	John Lynch Jnr, Ballybeg
				M.M.	Baby Michael Anthony Mongan
Wed	24 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	10am	Anniv	Nancy Gleeson, Ballyvanavaun
Thu	25 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	10am	Anniv	David Gilligan, Quay Road
Sat	$27^{th}$	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Noel & Marie Coughlan, Portarlington
Sun	$28^{th}$	Feb	12noon	Anniv	Gerry O'Connor, Abbeylawn
				Anniv	Sean Keane & Michael Joe Flanagan
					& Ann Tallon

<sup>\*</sup> For the time being, Ballyea Anniversary Masses are incorporated to the Clarecastle Church mass at 12.00 noon.

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We remember in our prayers *Margaret Cunningham (Mullagh)*, sister of Geraldine Dillon, Lissane and Michael Clancy, Claremount who died recently. We offer our condolences to their families 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

<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 <a href="https://www.clarecastleballyeaparish.ie/">https://www.clarecastleballyeaparish.ie/</a>

<u>Parish Development and Maintenance Collection</u> will be taken up this weekend Sat 20<sup>th</sup> & Sun 21<sup>st</sup> February. Your support is very much appreciated.

## Do You Want to Fast This Lent?

## IN THE WORDS OF POPE FRANCIS

Fast from hurting words and say kind words

Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.

Fast from anger and be filled with patience.

Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.

Fast from worries and have trust in God.

Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.

Fast from pressures and be prayerful.

Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.

Fast from grudges and be reconciled.

Fast from words; be silent so you can listen.

**<u>Fr. Flann Lynch Videos:</u>** Fr. Flann Lynch of Ofm Cap has put up two videos recently. You can search on google or YouTube.

- Fr. Flann Lynch A Super Response to Covid
- Fr. Flann Lynch The Wild Ox's Strength: A Response to Covid

<u>New Publication:</u> A very interesting and timely book will be launched on Thursday  $4^{th}$  March by Messenger Publications (The Irish Messenger is another of their publications we all know). The book is written by the well-known scholar, environmentalist and Columban Priest Fr. Sean McDonagh.

The book titled Robots, Ethics, and the Future of Jobs. The book acknowledges that we have much to appreciate about new technologies. But have we considered the deeper implications of this technology in the absence of regulations? In this new book environmentalist, scholar, priest and author Sean McDonagh says that we need to understand and address the potential repercussions of developing technology in an ethical vacuum. This book argues that respect for human rights must be at the heart of these new technologies. A timely and deep reflection on call to care for the earth and respect the dignity of the individual, especially those who own least in society. Good reading for anyone interested in this subject.

Mass on Fridays of Lent at 10.00am & 7.00pm.