

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

7th February 2021, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Clarecastle Mass Intentions

Sat	6 th	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Ann Bell, Patrick St.
				Anniv	Ann Keogh, Lissane
				Anniv	Gerry O'Donovan, CLarehill
Sun	7 th	Feb	9am	Anniv	Mickey & Pat Joe McMahon, Madden's Tce.
			12noon	Anniv	Mary Connolly, St. Joseph's Tce.
Thu	11 th	Feb	10am	1 st Anniv	Christy (Sal) Gleeson, Ballyvanavaun
Sat	13 th	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Brigid & Tony McNamara, St. Patrick
					Tony Lynch & Deceased Members of
					Lynch Family, Lissane
Sun	14 th	Feb	12noon	Anniv	Jonathan Kelly, Lismulbreeda
					James Nestor, Main St.
					Una O'Leary nee Killoughery, Ballyea (Knockanean)

* For the time being, Ballyea Anniversary Masses are incorporated to the Clarecastle Church mass at 12.00 noon.



We pray for the repose of the souls of **Mary Brassil** (Latoon), mother of Helen Brooks, Manusmore, **Mary Kelly Keane** (Ennis), sister of Tony Kelly, Manusmore, **Lillian King** (Kilmurry McMahon), mother of Madeline Donegan, Abbeylawn and **Maura Bugler** (Ennis), mother of Dr. Paddy. All of whom died during the past week. 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

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.clarecastleballyeaparis.ie/>

Clerk's Collection: The collection for the Clerk of the Church will be held this weekend. Please use the envelope in your yearly pack to make your contribution or an envelope of your own.

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes: Thursday next 11th February is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. On this day in 1858, Our Lady first appeared to the fourteen-year-old Bernadette Soubirous. Later Bernadette was to learn that the mysterious lady was the Blessed Virgin Mary and to hear from her lips, 'I am Immaculate Conception'. In 1992 Pope John Paul II instituted the World Day of the Sick to be held on the Commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes. Each year we remember the sick on that day.

In addition to the 10.00am mass on Thursday, we will have an evening mass at 7.00pm on the parish radio and webcam in which we will pray for the sick. The prayers that evening and the blessings will be for those who are ill or recovering from sickness. So if you wish to join in those prayers, please join us at 7.00pm on Thursday 11th Feb.

A **Novena of Prayer** continues on Ennis Parish webcam each day to 11th February, conducted by the Directors of Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage and the Franciscan Pilgrimage.

Weekdays 7.30pm – Saturday 11.00am – Sunday 11.30am

Lent: We are moving now towards our preparations for Easter, and the celebration of Lent. Ash Wednesday will be on 17th February this year, and all services will be online. Details about the celebration of Ash Wednesday will be communicated in next week's newsletter.

During the Season of Lent we remember the poor and under privileged in many parts of the world. Trocaire is the official Third World Agency to assist in countries in many poorly developed areas of the world. Lent is the time when we focus on their actions and work. It is a time when we bring works of fasting and good deeds together as we live the Christian message of love of neighbour. During this Lent, Trocaire will focus on the needs and its work in South Sudan. There are many stories of families whose lives have been impacted by conflict, resulting in poverty and all the additional personal and social problems. We will hear stories which are shining examples of resilience, friendship and solidarity. This Lent we will hear not only about the enormous challenges these people face but also about how they support each other through these challenges. Lent and our financial contributions enable us to assist them also.