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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

28th March 2021. Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Clarecastle Mass Intentions						
Sat	27^{th}	Mar	7pm	Anniv	Louis & Rita Moloney, Manus	
				Anniv	Harry & Kitty Ward, Quay Road	
Sun	28 th	Mar	9am	Anniv	Deceased Members of Clarecastle GAA	
			12noon	Anniv	The Kenny Family, Bansha	
				Anniv	Joan Gleeson	
				Anniv	Pat Talty, Island McGrath	
Mon	29 th	Mar	10am	Anniv	Dettie & Tom Kelleher, Clareabbey	
Tue	30^{th}	Mar	10am	M.M.	Paddy Broughan, Newhall	
Sun	4 th	Apr	9am	Anniv	James Cahir, Buncraggy	
			12noon	Anniv	Noel Shannon, St. Joseph's Tce.	

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



Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Patricia Linnane** (Dublin), sister of Bernie O'Mara, Knocknamana, Nora Curran (London), formerly Nora Daly, Ouay Road, Therese Browne (Ennis) mother of Therese Lynch, Anne Marie Cornu and Frances Brigdale who live in our parish and of Ada Power (Sacre Coeur, Quay Road) all of whom died recently. We offer our condolences to their families and friends. May their souls 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

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 online Donate button website on the parish https://www.clarecastleballveaparish.ie/

Palm Sunday 28th March: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7pm in Clarecastle Church, via webcam & parish radio link.

Chrism Mass: The Chrism Mass, the mass at which the Holy Oils for the coming year will be blessed will be held at the Cathedral, Ennis on Thursday next 1st April at 11.00am. The mass will be celebrated by Bishop Fintan Monahan and will be live streamed on the Cathedral webcam.

Easter Ceremonies in Clarecastle/Ballyea Parish: Due to the Coronavirus all Holy Week ceremonies will be accessed on the Parish Radio Link and live streamed on the Parish webcam from Clarecastle Church. We welcome all who join us through these media for the ceremonies. We appreciate your support, kindness, patience and understanding that we cannot have congregations present for these services this Easter. May we continue to support one another in our prayers and please God soon enjoy a time when we can meet together safely.

Holy Thursday:	1 st April – Mass of the Lord's Supper	8.00 p.m.
Good Friday:	2 nd April – Stations of the Cross	12.00noon
	 Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ 	3.00 p.m.
	Night Prayer	8.00 p.m.
Holy Saturday:	3 rd April – Easter Vigil	8.00 p.m.

4th April – Easter Dawn Mass **Easter Sunday:** 9.00 a.m. 12.00noon Easter Day Mass

On this Palm Sunday, some blessed Palm and blessed Palm Crosses are available in both Churches for those who wish to collect them.

Easter Water will be blessed at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night in Clarecastle and there will a limited supply of bottles available at both churches from Sunday for those who wish to collect them on their personal, private visits to the churches.

Alternatively a very strong recommendation is for all families to have water present in their homes for blessing virtually during the Holy Saturday night, Easter Vigil. This water will be the Blessed Easter Water for the family and its needs.

<u>Clarecastle Tidy Towns</u> are holding the <u>Clarecastle Spring Clean</u> on Good Friday Morning 2^{nd} April from 10.00 to 11.00 am.

Due to Covid restrictions this year's Spring Clean will be totally different as per the Notice from An Taisce we are looking for Family/Household bubbles to carry out the clean-up within their own area. Still Time to register with An Taisce -the link to register is - https://nationalspringclean.org/registration/ and a Spring Clean Kit of Gloves and bags will be delivered.

Clarecastle Tidy Towns will arrange Collection of the collected Rubbish on the day. If interested in taking part please send email to clarecastleTT@gmail.com with your contact details along with the specific area that will be covered on the day. No Group Pictures this year so we will be relying on pictures that volunteers take on the day for our #SpringClean21 Gallery.

<u>'The Way of the Heart': The Stations on the Streets:</u> As we are unable again to gather to celebrate Holy Week and Easter in our churches and parish communities, many have been thinking creatively on how we can mark this important time of the year in a safe way. **The 'Way of the Heart'**, a trail highlighting the Stations on the Cross on the streets of Ennis. The stations will be in situ from Palm Sunday, through Holy Week and for the first few days of the season of Easter.

14 Shops/Businesses have generously given their shop fronts and windows around the streets of the town to display contemporary images of Stations of the Cross which acknowledge the suffering of people during this time. A map will indicate the route to follow which begins at the Poor Clare Convent, travels along Frances St., Abbey Street, the Square and O'Connell St. Anyone who wishes can walk the trail in their own time.

A contemporary image or artwork and a very short reflection is placed at each station. This is an ecumenical project between the Church of Ireland and the Roman Catholic Church. If you cannot make it to Ennis, photographs of each station and the accompanying reflections will be on www.killaloediocese.ie

<u>Sacramental Talks:</u> Thank you to all who tuned into the Sacramental Preparation talks delivered by Dr. Dan O'Connell in webinars last week. The talks are now online and can be accessed by clicking the following links. Well worth listening to, for any person interested in sacramental preparation, whether or not they have a child for the sacrament. Highly recommended.

First Holy Communion Talk

https://www.killaloediocese.ie/first-holy-communion-talk-by-dr-dan-oconnell/

Confirmation Talk

https://www.killaloediocese.ie/confirmation-talk-for-parents-and-guardians-dr-dan-oconnell/

Easter Holidays: We wish all our young students a very Happy Easter holiday from school. We hope you have an enjoyable break and will be ready to return to school after Easter. To all involved in schools we wish you a happy break. To those who are doing the Leaving Certificate this year we wish to remind you, you are in our prayers and we will be especially remembering you as you take your Oral Examinations these weeks, during the Easter break.