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

4<sup>th</sup> July 2021, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Clarecastle Mass Intentions					
Sat	3 <sup>rd</sup>	July	7pm	Anniv	Hegarty Family, Madden's Terrace
Sun	4 <sup>th</sup>	July	9am	Anniv	Theresa & John Slattery, St. Joseph's Tce.
				Anniv	Mary Plunkett, Main St.
Fri	<b>9</b> <sup>th</sup>	July	7pm	Anniv	Sean Slattery Snr & Sean Slattery Jnr
Sat	$10^{\text{th}}$	July	7pm	Anniv	Anna Healy, Madden's Terrace
Sun	$11^{th}$	July	9am	R.I.P.	Pauline Short, England
			12noon	1 <sup>s†</sup> Anniv	Mary Lal Quinn, Claremount/Ennis
				Anniv	Kathleen & Jim Quinn, Claremount
	Ballyea Mass Intentions				
Sun	4 <sup>th</sup>	July	10.30am	Anniv	Tommy & Peggy McInerney & sons Tom,
		-			Anthony & Morgan, Ballyea
Sun	11 <sup>th</sup>	July	10.30am	Anniv	John (Jack) Hayes, Puckane, Co. Tipperary



**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 at 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>Priests Collection</u>**: The collection for the Priests' of the Parish will be held next weekend. Please use the green envelope in your yearly pack or an envelope of your own to make your contribution. Your support and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Well Done: Our village looks beautiful on these lovely sunny days and offers us much joy and hope in otherwise darker times due to the uncertainties of the Covid situation. It is lovely to walk around the parish and notice the renewal of growth, the song of the birds and the natural beauty of the place we live in. It is heart-warming to see the band of volunteers in their vellow jackets working on flowerbeds, weeding them, painting flower containers or boats, walls, cleaning signs and walls, and picking up litter to mention but a few tasks they do. Their work has to be applauded and their efforts encouraged. They do it simply out of pride for our community and a genuine desire to develop our environment to be the best possible expression of its natural beauty. Their efforts make all the difference to the community we live in. It raises the question of pride in our place and in the manner in which we keep it and enjoy it. Is it possible for Clarecastle to win the National Award of overall winner in the Tidy Towns Competition? Surely if a big town like Ennis our neighbour can do it, we can do it in Clarecastle. Yes there is work to be done, a community plan to be developed, that could see that happen within a short number of years. It can only be done by a complete buy in by all of us, who are so lucky to live in such a beautiful place. So let's see what we can do about it. Can you join those in the yellow jackets to help beautify our community? Are you willing to give of your time to this task? And litter; - each of us can play our own part in litter management, we can carefully dispose of our litter and encourage others to do the same. Here is a major challenge for all of us, and one we can reach if we have the will to do so. Once again thanks to those engaged in this work already and may their numbers be swelled by many more volunteers. Such commitment will strengthen our community bonds and enhance our beautiful village.

**Irish Church Music Association Summer School goes virtual:** For the first time ever, this year's Irish Church Music Association (ICMA) Summer School will be hosted online from *Wednesday*  $7^{th}$  to Saturday  $10^{th}$  July. This year's theme is 'Songs of Love, Faith, Trust and Praise.' Each session of the Summer School will begin at 8 p.m. each day on Facebook Love and You Tube. For those unable to tune in live, a recorded version of each session will be available on the ICMA website. This is a great opportunity for anyone involved in church music to link in and learn some new music. For more information see icmamusic.ie

**<u>Clarecare</u>:** Our Ennis Thrift Shop has re-opened for business and we would be delighted to again receive good quality items for example, clothes, shoes bags, unwanted gifts etc. and furniture. Opening times: 10am to 5pm Monday to Friday. We really appreciate your continued support over the years.