

Clarecastle – Ballyea Parish

Fr. Pat Malone 6823011/0868572023: Fr. Harry Brady 0862349798

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

5th March 2023, Second Sunday of Lent

Clarecastle Mass Intentions

Sat	4 th	Mar	7.00pm	Anniv	Christy & Nancy Gleeson Ballyvonavan
Sat	4 th	Mar	7.00pm	Anniv	Deceased Members of Moloney family Claremount
Sun	5 th	Mar	12 noon	Anniv	Bridget Nugent Church Drive
Sat	11 th	Mar	7pm	Anniv	Harry & Kitty Ward Quay Road
Sat	11 th	Mar	7pm	Anniv	Michael & Christina O'Donoghue Ballybeg
Sat	11 th	Mar	7pm	Anniv	John Joe & Maura Geoghegan Ballybeg & Abbeyville
Sun	12 th	Mar	12 noon	Anniv	Willie Moloney Knocknamana
Sun	12 th	Mar	12 noon	Anniv	Deceased Members of Clarecastle G.A.A.
Sun	12 th	Mar	12 noon	M.M.	Noel Gilmore Killoo

Ballyea Mass Intentions

Sun	12 th	Mar	10.30am	Anniv	John Joe & Mary Meaney Bansha
Sun	12 th	Mar	10.30am	Anniv	James O'Connor Ballyveskill



We remember in our prayers the repose of the soul of **Flan McNamara** Sixmilebridge brother of Frances Dunne Manus & Joe McNamara Abbeyview. We offer our condolences and the support of our prayers to his family and friends at this time.

Priest's Collection: The First Collection this year for the priest's of the Parish will be taken up at all masses next weekend. Please use the envelope in the yearly pack or one of your own to contribute. Your kindness is very much appreciated by Fr. Harry and Fr. Pat.

Apostolic Work: Clarecastle Branch will hold their Annual Display on March 12th. If you would like to donate a Sacred Vessel in memory of a loved one, call Patricia 087-6485930 or Anne 6822735. All donations go to support the work of our Missionaries abroad.

Evening Masses: During Lent there will be an evening mass in Clarecastle Church on Friday evenings at 7pm and in Ballyea Church on Wednesday evenings at 8pm. If there is not a demand for these masses, we will suspend them. They do provide a prayerful moment

in a busy life in the Season of Lent for prayer and renewal, and so we encourage people to avail of them.

Lenten Series – Killaloe Diocese invite you to An Adult Faith Formation Lenten series. The date is March the 13, 20th and 27th 2023 @ 8.00-9.15 pm sharp in the Maria Assumpta Community Hall, Cathedral of St. Peter & Paul, Ennis.

Are you a new resident in Clarecastle: or do you know any new residents to Clarecastle? If so, you are cordially invited to come and attend or participate in our masses – we are always looking for volunteers to get involved as readers, basket collectors, choir members, flower arrangers, Eucharistic ministers or maybe to become a member of our many support groups to the Pastoral Council etc. Perhaps you can bring fresh ideas or suggestions to us, for ceremonies or traditions that were done successfully in your previous parish or country – we really would love to hear from you. Please make yourself known to the Parish Priests, Pastoral Council members or the Parish Office ... we look forward to hearing from you!

Community Games: Has been a part of the parish of Clarecastle/Ballyea for many years giving young people an opportunity to try out many different activities such as athletics, football, hurling/camogie, soccer, basketball, rugby as well as art, quizzes, handwriting, music, choir, chess, draughts and many other activities. However, in recent years it has been very difficult to get people involved. This led to the parish not participating in 2021 and 2022. It would be a pity for a parish with such a rich history in Community Games if it does not participate in years to come. We are looking for people to help out in any way they can. The more that can help the easier it will be for everyone. If you are interested in getting involved or have any questions, please contact Jerry Murphy on 0871274231.

Trócaire – Lenten Appeal: This year Trócaire is celebrating fifty years working on behalf of the Irish Church, working for justice and responding to the cry of the poor in developing parts of the world. Trócaire boxes and details of this year's appeal are available in Church porches. Please take a pack home and consider making a contribution to this year's appeal. Contributions can be made any time during Lent, please mark your contribution **Trocaire Appeal**.

Turkey/Syria Collection: We wish to thank all who contributed to the Turkey/Syria collection last weekend. To date the amount raised for this collection in Clarecastle/Ballyea is €4,750. The fund is open for collections this weekend and will be finalised in the early days of next week and the monies transferred from our parish account to the emergency fund. We will issue the final figure for the collection when we have verified it. Thanks to all who have contributed and to those who will do so this weekend. If you wish to leave a contribution into the Parochial House, or Parish Office or at mass this weekend it will be most appreciated.