Clarecastle – Ballyea Parish					
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: Clare	ecastle 10am				
All items for Newsletter to Parish Office by 5pm on Wednesday					
Or email: <u>parish@clarecastleballyeaparish.ie</u>					

3rd December 2023 First Sunday of Advent

Clarecastle Mass Intentions						
Sat	2 nd	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Paddy & Kitty Glynn Doora, Noreen & Kenneth	
					Samon Church Drive	
Sat	2 nd	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Anne Shannon St Joseph's Tce	
Sun	3 rd	Dec	9am	Anniv	Peter, Ann, Mary & Oonagh Slattery Patrick St	
Sun	3 rd	Dec	12 noon	Anniv	Dec'd Members of McNamara Family Lissane	
Sun	3 rd	Dec	12 noon	Anniv	Willie & Peg Murphy Barntick	
Sun	3 rd	Dec	12 noon	Anniv	Jamie O'Connor Primrose Gardens	
					Late of Lisheen	
Thurs	7 th	Dec	10am	Anniv	Thomas Considine Main Street	
Fri	8 th	Dec	10am	Anniv	John Plunkett Main Street	
Sat	9 th	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Eamonn Kelly St Joseph's Tce & Sister Maria Abbott Surrey	
Sun	10 th	Dec	9am	Anniv	Maurice & Sheila Nolan Knocknamana	
Sun	10 th	Dec	12 noon	Anniv	Matthew Morrissey St Flannan's Ave	
Sun	10 th	Dec	12 noon	Anniv	Barney, Agnes & Margaret Higgins Church Dr	
Sun	10 th	Dec	12 noon	Anniv	Betty, Johnny, Stephen & Louise Cullinan St	
					Joseph's Tce, Stephen Moloney Killoo	
	Ballyea Mass Intentions					
Sun	3 rd	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	Beatrice & Christy Tully, Mary & Mike McNulty	
					& Dec'd Killoughery Family U.S.A & Ballyea	
Fri	8 th	Dec	8pm	Anniv	Frank Hogan Newhall	
Sun	10 th	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	John McNamara Darragh	
Sun	10^{th}	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	Willie Burke Drimeen, Darragh	

In Coving Memos

We remember in our prayers the repose of the **Kenneth Nestor**, Patrick St, Clarecastle. **Jim McMahon**, Killoo. **Sean Quigley** Abbey Court. We offer our condolences and the support of our prayers to their families and friends at this time.

<u>Priests Collection</u>: The collection for priests of the Parish will be taken up at all masses next weekend. Please use green envelope in your yearly pack or an envelope of your own to contribute. Your kindness is very much appreciated by Fr Harry & Fr Pat.

<u>Readers and Eucharistic Ministers needed</u>: We currently need parishioners to come on board as Readers and Eucharistic Ministers, we all agree that the involvement of lay people in our ceremonies enrich and enhance them, if you would like to volunteer, please give your name in to the Parish Office or to Fr. Pat and a member of the Pastoral Council will be in contact with you soon.

Eucharistic Adoration: We are proposing to re-establish Eucharistic Adoration in Clarecastle Church on Tuesdays. If you wish to spend time with Jesus in adoration please leave your name, contact no. and preferred time with the Parish Office.

Triduum of Masses: This year we will continue our Triduum of Masses in our Parish. The proceeds of the Triduum will go to the local Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul and local charities to address the needs of those in our community this Christmas time. In previous years this has proven to be a very beneficial source of funding for the conference. The Triduum will be three masses celebrated on the 27^{th} , $28^{th} \& 29^{th}$ of December 2023. Those who wish to include a person in the Triduum as a gift or remembrance at Christmas/New Year can do so be getting the Triduum Card in the parish office and make a contribution of €5 for same. This lovely card can then be inserted into your normal Christmas card or given on its own.

<u>The Children's Christmas Eve Mass</u> will take place in Clarecastle Church @ 5pm. Fr. Pat is inviting children preparing for First Holy Communion to be part of the mass by reading the Christmas Story. If your child is happy to take part and one parent / guardian can accompany them please text Siobhan on 087 9926659 by Monday December 4th who will provide further details.

<u>New Liturgical Year:</u> This weekend with the Celebration of First Sunday of Advent we begin a new liturgical year in our church. So happy New Year to one and all. The readings on Sundays and Holy Days during the coming year will be from Cycle B. Copies of the readings for the year are available to all our readers in the Sacristy or from the Parish Office.

<u>Feast of the Immaculate Conception:</u> Friday next is 8th December and the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is regarded as a Holy Day in the Church's year. Masses for the Holy Day are as follows:

Thursday 7th December, Ballyea @ 8pm.

Friday 8th December, Clarecastle @ 7pm.

<u>Abbey Hall:</u> Please take a copy of the communication about plans for the Abbey Hall, that is available at Clarecastle Church this weekend.