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 V	Veekday Mass: Clarecastle 10am				
All items for Newsletter to Parish Office by 5pm on Wednesday					
Or email: <u>parish@clarecastleballyeaparish.ie</u>					
7 ^{ht} January 2024, The Baptism of the Lord					
Clarecastle Mass Intentions					

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Sat	6 th	Jan	7pm	1 ^{s†} Anniv	Dan Bell Patrick Street	
Sat	6 th	Jan	7pm	1 ^{s†} Anniv	Bobby Garbraith Church Drive	
Sat	6 th	Jan	7pm	Anniv	Pauline Scanlan West Primrose Gardens	
Sat	6 th	Jan	7pm	Anniv	Ross & Rita Culligan Church Drive	
Sat	6 th	Jan	7pm	Anniv	Carmel Neville Patrick Street	
Sun	7^{th}	Jan	12 noon	Anniv	Patrick Cusack Madden's Terrace	
Sun	7 th	Jan	12 noon	Anniv	Martha Kennedy Clarecastle/Ennis	
Sat	13 th	Jan	7pm	Anniv	Thomas & Susan Madden Church Drive	
Sat	13 th	Jan	7pm	Anniv	Victor Greene Abbeyview, Clarecastle	
Sat	13 th	Jan	7pm	Anniv	Sheelagh Abraham Kildysart Road	
Ballyea Mass Intentions						
Sun	7 th	Jan	10.30am	Anniv	Molly Keane & Cunningham & Keane	
					Families Ballyea	
Sun	7 th	Jan	10.30am	Anniv	Paddy, Theresa & Christy Malone	
					Tiermaclane	

We remember in our prayers the repose of the souls **Patrick Madden** Manusmore, Clarecastle, **James (Jim) O'Connor** Slí an Fheargus, Quay Road. We offer our condolences and the support of our prayers to their families and friends at this time.

Parish Office Will re-open for normal hours 10am–1pm and 2pm–4pm from Tuesday 2nd January. Anyone who wishes to have anniversary masses said for their relatives and friends, contact the Parish Office on 6823011. The Parish Office is opened from Monday to Friday 10-4pm closed for lunch 1-2pm. We have a large selection of signed Mass Cards.

<u>Clarecastle GAA Adults & Underage (Cadcóg) Club AGM</u> Will take place on Sunday January 14th at 2pm in the Clubhouse. If you would like to receive a nomination or a motion form please email Neville at <u>secretary.clarecastle.clare@gaa.ie</u> All members welcome to attend.

<u>Set Dancing Classes</u> resume on Monday January 8th at 8.30pm in the Abbey Hall. Beginners Welcome.

Weekday Mass will resume at 10am Mon – Fri from Monday January 8th 2024

<u>Clarecastle/Ballyea Bereavement Group</u>: We are a parish based group whose aims are to help those who are bereaved and grieving. When a Family member dies within or outside of the Parish you may need a 'Listening ear'. Members of the Parish Bereavement Group can be there for you to talk to. If you think we can help, please contact us at <u>bereavementgroupclarecastlebal@gmail.com</u> or the Parish Office (065 682 3022). You are not alone; we are there to support you.

Priests' Retreat: The annual clergy retreat for the diocese will be in Knock from Sunday January 14th until Thursday January 18th. The clergy retreat is an important time for priests of the diocese to gather, pray together and deepen their relationship with the Lord. I appreciate the sacrifices parishes will have to make for the few days they will be away. Thank you for your ongoing support and cooperation.

Parish Envelopes: Envelopes for contributing to the Parish Collections for this year are being distributed at this time. We thank all who contribute to our Parish and to the Priests collections. If you have not yet received your envelopes for the present year, please contact the Parish Office. Also if you wish to receive and join the parish envelope system also please contact the Parish Office.

<u>A Word of Appreciation</u>: A word of appreciation to all who give of their time talents and skills to the development of our parish. Our Parish runs largely due to the volunteers who help out in so many ways to make our parish community vibrant and active. To each and everyone involved in parish activities we say a big thank you. We are always looking for people to volunteer their services to a task in the parish. If you wish to so so you will be most welcome. Please contact the Parish Office or a member of the Pastoral Council.

School Return: We wish all our young people who will return to education this week, a very pleasant and rewarding new term. Whether at primary, post-primary or third level our thoughts and prayers go with you, may this be a very good year for you.