

Clarecastle – Ballyea Parish

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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

18th February 2024, First Sunday of Lent

Clarecastle Mass Intentions

Sat	17 th	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Jonathon Kelly Lismulbreeda, Darragh
Sun	18 th	Feb	12 noon	Anniv	John Lynch Jnr Ballybeg
Sun	18 th	Feb	12 noon	Anniv	Jerry O'Connor Abbeylawn
Sun	18 th	Feb	12 noon	Anniv	Jim Lynch Fenit & Lissane
Wed	21 st	Feb	10am	Anniv	John & Agnes O'Connor & Lil McNamara Patrick Street
Sat	24 th	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Christy & Nancy Gleeson Ballyvonnavean
Sun	25 th	Feb	9am	Anniv	Johnny Daly & Dec'd Members of Daly Family St Joseph's Terrace
Sun	25 th	Feb	12 noon	Anniv	Pat & Kitty Navin Barrack Street
Sun	25 th	Feb	12 noon	Anniv	Ciss & Patrick Burke Dereen, Clarecastle

Ballyea Mass Intentions

Sun	18 th	Feb	10.30am	M.M.	Michael McMahan Old Road, Tiermaclane
Sun	18 th	Feb	10.30am	Anniv	Una O'Leary (nee Killoughery) Ballyea
Sun	25 th	Feb	10.30am	Anniv	Paddy Brougham Newhall



We remember in our prayers the repose of the souls of **Kevin O Reilly** Shelbourne Park Limerick brother of Rose Kelleher, Ballybeg. We offer our condolences and the support of our prayers to his family and friends at this time.

Parish Development & Maintenance Collection: Will be taken up this weekend 17th & 18th February. Your support is very much appreciated.

Clare Older People's Volunteer of the Year Award 2024: The search is on again to recognise those who give their time, energy and skills to help others in the local community. For a nomination form please email: agefriendlyclare@clarecoco.ie or telephone (065) 6846240 or visit www.clarecoco.ie/services/community/age-friendly-programme/age-friendly-county/ Nomination forms must be submitted by **Friday 1st March 2024.**

Link for Grieving Parents: <https://www.newstalk.com/news/writing-a-childrens-book-to-cope-with-grief-1638704> Please note that our Bereavement Group are also available to help anyone grieving due to the death of a loved one.

A Journey of Reflection this Lent: Join us in the Maria Assumpta Hall Ennis starting on Tuesday 20th of February for 5 Tuesdays, from 7pm – 8pm. All are welcome.

Lent: During the season of Lent there will be an evening Mass in Clarecastle Church on Friday evenings at 7pm and in Ballyea Church on Wednesday evenings at 8pm. These Masses will be reviewed in accordance with demand.

Trócaire: The annual Lenten Collection for Trócaire will take place at the end of Lent. It is the manner in which Trócaire funds its outreach work on behalf of The Irish Church in poorer parts of the world. Your generosity to this collection is very much appreciated. The Trócaire pack is available this weekend at church doors and outlines the project Trócaire is funding this year. Thank you in anticipation for your generosity. While the collection for Trócaire is finalised at the end of Lent, people are free to make their contribution at any time that suits them during lent.

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes & World Day of Prayer for the Sick: This Sunday we celebrate the 166th anniversary of Mary's God's Mother appearing to St Bernadette at Lourdes and inviting her to bring people to Lourdes on pilgrimage. This invitation is now issued to the Diocese of Killaloe to come on pilgrimage to Lourdes from Friday 21st June to Wednesday 26th June. Cost 899pp sharing. Booking can be made with joewalstours.ie or 01 2410800. The Diocese will be able to bring 24 assisted pilgrims, for more information on this section, please contact Fr Tom Ryan Pilgrimage Director, 087 2349816 or tfryan.ennis@gmail.com

Community Walking Group: The group will meet every Wednesday morning at 9.05am at the school side gate and walk the new routes in the Ten Acres in the GAA grounds. This is open to all of the community who wish to meet and connect while being active e.g. grandparents, new members of the local community etc.

Family Carers: Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit www.familycarers.ie.

Help me to use your love as a way to persevere in my Lenten intentions.