## 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: Clarecastle 10am

All items for Newsletter to Parish Office by 5pm on Wednesday

Or email: parish@clarecastleballyeaparish.ie

25th February 2024, Second Sunday of Lent

Clarecastle Mass Intentions					
Sat	$24^{th}$	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Christy & Nancy Gleeson Ballyvonnavan
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
Sat	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mar	7pm	M.M.	Patrick McNamara St Joseph's Terrace
Sat	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mar	7pm	Anniv	David Gilligan Quay Road
Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mar	12 noon	M.M.	Chris Crosby St Joseph's Terrace
Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mar	12 noon	Anniv	Peter Farrelly Abbeylawn
Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mar	12 noon	Anniv	Jenny & James McMahon Labasheeda
<u>Ballyea Mass Intentions</u>					
Sun	$25^{th}$	Feb	10.30am	Anniv	Paddy Brougham Newhall
Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mar	10.30am	Anniv	May Kelly Tiermaclane

We remember in our prayers the repose of the soul of **Rita Holloway**, Ballybeg. We offer our condolences and the support of our prayers to her family and friends at this time.

<u>Clare Older People's Volunteer of the Year Award 2024</u>: 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: <a href="mailto:agefriendlyclare@clarecoco.ie">agefriendlyclare@clarecoco.ie</a> or telephone (065) 6846240 or visit <a href="www.clarecoco.ie/services/community/age-friendly-programme/age-friendly-county/">www.clarecoco.ie/services/community/age-friendly-programme/age-friendly-county/</a> Nomination forms must be submitted by Friday 1st March 2024.

**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.

<u>A Journey of Reflection on the Gospel Reading for Lent:</u> Join us in the Maria Assumpta Hall Ennis, join us on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> of February and the following 4 Tuesdays, from 7pm – 8pm. All are welcome.

<u>Trócaire</u>: 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: We celebrate the 166th anniversary of Mary 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 joewalshtours.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

<u>Community Walking Group:</u> 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.

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service (CLG) are seeking marriage preparation facilitators. If you have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church and have enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team in supporting couples who are preparing with the Sacrament of Marriage. Successul applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team. Contact Martina at the Ennis branch on 065-6824297 or by email to <a href="mailto:ennis@accord.ie">ennis@accord.ie</a>

<u>Old Musical Instuments:</u> If you have old instuments that you no long use or need, would you consider donating them to young aspiring musicians. Please call Lorraine & Nancy Collins 086-62766351 and we will arrange collection. Many Thanks

<u>Mary's Meals</u>: Millions are facing starvation in Ethiopia: All are encouraged to please pray for the people of Tigray in Ethiopia, where drought and civil war have left many in crisis and in danger of starvation. Mary's Meals feeds tens of thousands of children one meal in school each day in the region. To help us reach more children, please visit marysmeals.ie or contact 01 853 5163. Thank you.