

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@clarecastleballyeaparis.ie

14th December 2025, Third Sunday of Advent

Clarecastle Mass Intentions

Sat	13 th	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Betty, Johnny, Stephen & Louise Cullinan St Joseph's Tce, Stephen Moloney Killoo
Sat	13 th	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Nancy, Ian & Sean McMahan Madden's Tce
Sat	13 th	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Eamonn Kelly St Joseph's Tce & his sister Maria Abbot Surrey
Sat	13 th	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Michael & Marie Kelly College Green
Sun	14 th	Dec	12noon	Anniv	Barney, Agnes & Margaret Higgins Church Drive
Sun	14 th	Dec	12noon	Anniv	Peter Daly Killoo
Mon	15 th	Dec	10am	Anniv	Thomas Considine, Son Eugene & Eugene Son Dillon Considine Main Street
Tues	16 th	Dec	10am	Anniv	Maureen & Danny Collins
Thurs	18 th	Dec	10am	Anniv	Dec'd Members of Mullins Family Madden's Tce
Sat	20 th	Dec	7pm	M.M.	Mary Dillon Ballybeg
Sat	20 th	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Patsy & Helen O'Loughlin Madden's Tce
Sat	20 th	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Commane Families Rockmount, Newhall & Boston
Sun	21 st	Dec	12 noon	Anniv	Mary & Michael Starr St Flannan's Ave
Sun	21 st	Dec	12 noon	Anniv	Tom, Dettie & Edel Kelleher Clareabbey

Ballyea Mass Intention

Sun	14 th	Dec	10.30am	1 st Anniv	Carmel Flannery Kilmorane Heights, Ballyea
Sun	14 th	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	John Joe Crowley Killerk Darragh
Sun	14 th	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	John McNamara Darragh
Sun	14 th	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	Willie Burke Drimeem
Sun	14 th	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	Frank Costelloe Kilmorane, Ennis
Sun	21 st	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	Darren Long Ballyea

We remember in our prayers the repose of the souls of **Joseph Burke** Clarecastle and the USA. **Pat Hogan** Ballincollig, Cork and Ballyea. **Joan Kane** Castledermot, Kildare, Mother of Myles Kane Centra Shop Clarecastle. We offer our condolences and the support of our prayers to their families and friends at this time.



Christmas Triduum: This year we will again have a Triduum of Masses which will be said on 30th & 31st December 2025 and 1st January 2026. The masses will be at 11am each day

in Clarecastle Church. Over the past few years the Triduum has proved popular with people who choose to purchase a card, donate €5 and include a loved one, friend, neighbour in the masses. The money collected is given to the local conference of St Vincent de Paul and local charities. In these times where many people are struggling to make ends meet, this income to our local charity is welcomed by them. Cards are available at present in the Parish Office.

Parish Envelopes: Parish envelopes for contributions to the various collections in the parish during 2026 are being distributed at present. Thank you to all who distribute the envelopes and to all of you who contribute to our collections. This year you will note that the number of Priest Collections in our Parish have increased from 4 to 6. This arises out of a decision by the Diocesan Finance Committee that there will be 6 collections in all parishes for the priests of the Parish and Pastoral Area. There were a number of practices around the diocese with collections for Priest varying from 6 per year to 9 per year in parishes. Accordingly, the Diocesan Finance Committee have instructed all parishes to have 6 of these collections.. The dates of the collections to be the same in all parishes of the Pastoral Area. We hope this won't inconvenience any of our parishioners, and we assure you the priests of the parish are very appreciative of your generosity. There are many new people who have taken up residence in our parish and we invite you if you are not already doing so to request a box of envelopes and contribute in that manner. You can do so by calling the Parish Office, or by contacting Fr Pat, Fr Harry or any other member of the Pastoral Committee. Thank you for your kindness and support.

Reconciliation Service: The Abbey Reconciliation Service will be held in the Cathedral Ennis on Monday 15th December from 7.30pm – 8.15pm. A large number of Priests will be available to hear confessions. **All welcome!**

SVP Christmas Food Appeal: Those who wish to donate a food voucher from Centra/Maxol/Nearby/Tesco/Aldi/Lidl/Dunnes etc can make that donation by handing them into the Parish Office or Parochial House on or before **20th December**. The local **SVP** Conference will ensure those vouchers are delivered to families and individuals in need within our community in time for these families and individuals to do their Christmas shopping. **SVP Pre Addressed Envelopes** will also be distributed to households in the parish as always, your concern and generosity throughout the years and especially at this time is greatly appreciated.

Christmas Carol Service: Will be held in Ballyea Church on Thursday December 18th at 7.00pm. All of Ballyea Church music groups and children from the National School will participate. A lovely way to prepare for Christmas, with Carols and readings. We would love you to join us in this celebration.

Ballyea Christmas Draw: For paid up members to the Church Fund will take place on Sunday 21st of December. Mile Buíochas to all our contributors.

Christmas Cleaning of Ballyea Church: Cleaning of Ballyea Church on Monday 15th December at 7pm. **All are Welcome!**