

## 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

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*1<sup>st</sup> February 2026, St Brigid, Abbess, Secondary Patron of Ireland*

### Clarecastle Mass Intentions

Sat	31 <sup>st</sup>	Jan	7pm	Anniv	Packie Tuohy & Dec'd Tuohy Family Clareabbey
Sat	31 <sup>st</sup>	Jan	7pm	Anniv	Patrick McNamara St Joseph's Tce
Sun	1 <sup>st</sup>	Feb	12 noon	M.M.	Tom O'Grady Ballybeg
Wed	4 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	10am	Anniv	John & Tessie Ryan Quay Road
Fri	6 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	10am	Anniv	Patrick Mullins Church Drive
Sat	7 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Brigid & Tony McNamara Patrick Street
Sat	7 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	7pm	Anniv	John J. McCarthy Ballybeg
Sat	7 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Ann Keogh Lissane
Sat	7 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Mickey & Pat Joe McMahon Maddens Tce
Sat	7 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Gerry O'Donovan Clarehill
Sun	8 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	12 noon	Anniv	James (Seamus) Nolan Barntick
Sun	8 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	12 noon	Anniv	Mary Connolly St Joseph's Terrace

### Ballyea Mass Intention

Sun	1 <sup>st</sup>	Feb	10.30am	M.M.	T.J. Chambers Newhall, Ballyea
Sun	8 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	10.30am	1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv	Annie Wall Barnagheea, Darragh



We remember in our prayers the repose of the souls of **Declan Ensko** Ennis father to Elaine Ensko Ballybeg. **Bridget (Bridie) Kierce (nee Lahiff)**, Quay Road. **Nancy McMullen** Ennis mother of Bridie O'Loughlin Clarehill. **Linda Hogan (nee Keane)** formerly Killerk who died in Tipperary during the week.

We offer our condolences and the support of our prayers to their families and friends at this sad time.

**Priests Collection:** The Collection for the Priests of the Parish will be held next weekend 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> February. Please use the envelope in your yearly pack to make a contribution or an envelope of your own. Your kindness is very much appreciated by Fr. Harry and Fr. Pat.

**Bank Holiday:** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February is a Bank Holiday; morning mass will be at **11am**.

**The Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul Clarecastle/Ballyea:** Wish to thank those within our community who responded so generously to our Christmas Envelopes and Appeal. Your support and commitment, to the less fortunate in our community is greatly appreciated. A special thanks to the teachers and pupils from Coláiste Muire Ennis and St John Bosco Community College Kildysart for your continued support. Thanks also to Clarecastle Pastoral Council who organised the distribution of the envelopes and all those who contributed through the parish Triduum of Masses. Anyone who wishes to donate to SVP Clarecastle/Ballyea throughout 2026 can do so through our IBAN IE31AIBK93538754185094 or alternatively through our SVP letterbox in the Church porch in Clarecastle.

**Presentation for Readers:** In Pastoral Area in St Joseph's Church, Ennis at 7.30pm. Open to **All Readers** and anyone who may be interested in becoming a reader. Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January & Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February, you only need to attend one of these meetings. The meetings are open to everyone engaged in the ministry, thinking about it, or you would like to learn more about the place of scripture in our faith lives.

**Feast of St Brigid:** Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February is the Feast of St Brigid. St Brigid is the Secondary Patron of Ireland. She is renowned for her hospitality, almsgiving and care of the sick. Her dedication to the spiritual and religious life moved many to follow her example and she founded a double monastery in Co Kildare. She died in 524 and her cult is widespread not only throughout Ireland but in several European lands. The St. Brigid's Cross, in legend used by Brigid to explain the Christian faith, remains a popular sign of God's protection.

**Candlemas Day:** Monday next 2<sup>nd</sup> February is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord and World Day for consecrated life. We know it as Candlemas Day. It marks the celebration of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple where he was greeted by Simeon and Anna. Candles for church and home usage will be blessed at **11am** mass on Monday next. If people wish to make a donation for the purchase of candles instead of buying them, they are welcome to do so, please put the donation in an envelope of your own and mark – **CANDLES**.

**Feast of St Blaise:** Tuesday is 3<sup>rd</sup> February and the Feast of St Blaise the Saint associated with curing throat diseases. Throats will be blessed after **10am** Mass in Clarecastle on Tuesday morning. Mass in Ballyea on Tuesday evening at **7pm** followed by the blessing of throats.

**Apostolic Work Clarecastle:** Will hold their Annual Display in March this year in support of our Missionaries abroad. To Donate a Sacred Vessel in memory of a loved one please contact Patricia on 087 6485930. The Sacred Vessels are for use in the Missions. Your annual support is very much appreciated.