

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

22nd February 2026, First Sunday of Lent

Clarecastle Mass Intentions

Sat	21 st	Feb	7pm	Anniv	Peter, Phylis & Paulette Cosgrove Castlewood Park, Ennis
Sun	22 nd	Feb	12 noon	Anniv	Cecilia & Patrick Burke Derreen Clarecastle
Tue	24 th	Feb	10am	Anniv	David Gilligan Quay Road
Fri	27 th	Feb	7pm	M.M.	Bridget (Bridie) Kierce Clarecastle
Sat	28 th	Feb	11am	Memorial	Philomena Bunce Primrose Gardens
Sat	28 th	Feb	2pm	Memorial	Moira Mills (nee Foley) Donegal
Sun	1 st	Mar	12 noon	M.M.	Stephanie Moloney Barntick
Sun	1 st	Mar	12 noon	M.M.	Frances Dunne Manusmore, Clarecastle
Sun	1 st	Mar	12 noon	Anniv	John Lynch Jnr. Ballybeg
Sun	1 st	Mar	12noon	Anniv	Louis & Rita Moloney Manus

Ballyea Mass Intention

Sun	1 st	Mar	10.30am	Anniv	Anthony & Mai Kelly Tiermaclane
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We remember in our prayers the repose of the soul of **Maureen Hassett** Ballybeg. We offer our condolences and the support of our prayers to her family and friends at this sad time.

Diocesan Education Fund: Will be taken up next weekend 28th February and 1st March. Please use the yellow envelope in your yearly pack or an envelope of your own to contribute. Your support is very much appreciated.

Lenten Masses: There will be an evening mass in Ballyea Church on the Fridays of Lent. That mass will be at **7.00pm**.

Apostolic Work Clarecastle: The Clarecastle branch of the Apostolic Work which does so much work to assist priests, religious and their communities on the mission fields, will hold its 69th annual display in the hall of Clarecastle School on Sunday **next** on **1st March 2026**, from **2pm** to **4pm**. We congratulate the members of the branch and all who support them in their great work. If you can at all attend the display on **1st March** please do so.

Parish Statistics: The following information may be of interest to you as a parishioner, it is a statement of some the events that take place in our Parish Community. These are the Statistics for 2025:

Number of Baptism:	47 ,	Number of First Penance/Communion:	75
Number Confirmed:	74	Number of Marriages in Parish Churches:	8
Number of Funeral Masses in Parish:			37
Total Number in our Primary Schools:			574

Reflections For The Season of Lent and Our Faith Journey: In response to Bishop Fintan's invitation, the Adult Faith Group is planning a number of gatherings at different locations in the Diocese during LENT, one of which is being organised for the Abbey Pastoral Area. The venue is the **Daycare Centre in Clarecastle** (V95 NY67) on Monday Nights, **23rd February, 2nd March and 9th March** at 8pm each night (for approx. 1hr). The purpose of these gatherings is to engage with the *Baptised and Sent Program*; the weekly prayer and reflection resource prepared as part of the Irish Synodal Pathway. **All are welcome.**

Eucharistic Healing Retreat in Knock Shrine: Led by gifted Croatian Priest, Fr Rozo Palic Saturday March 7th & Sunday March 8th. Venue: St. John's Welcome Centre; Saturday 10:00 am - 6:30 pm & Sunday 10:00 am - 4:30 pm. He will be supported by his Croatian Music Ministry team; no prior booking required; everyone is most welcome and please bring a packed lunch. For further enquires please contact, Patricia on 089 9466193 or Fiona on fionatjennings@yahoo.com.

Trócaire - Working for a Just World: The annual Trócaire Lenten Campaign began on Ash Wednesday. Trócaire is the Irish Catholic Church's outreach to people in poorer parts of the world. This year it aims to assist and lessen the burden of women and children who live in Rwanda. Trócaire boxes are available at our church doors, and can be returned at any time during the season of Lent. Your generosity to this worthy cause is very much appreciated and makes a difference in the lives of these children and women.