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

15th December 2024, Third Sunday of Advent

Clarecastle Mass Intentions					
Sat	14 th	Dec	11am	M.M.	Johanna Leyden Clareabbey
Sat	14 th	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Michael & Mary McNamara Lissane
Sat	14 th	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Betty, Johnny, Stephen & Louise Cullinan
					St Joseph's Tce & Stephen Moloney Killoo
Sat	14 th	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Eamonn Kelly St Joseph's Tce & sister
					Maria Abbot Surrey
Sat	14 th	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Nancy, Ian & Sean McMahon
Sun	15 th	Dec	12 noon	Anniv	Barney, Agnes & Margaret Higgins
					Church Drive
Sun	15 th	Dec	12 noon	Anniv	Peter Daly Killoo
Tues	17^{th}	Dec	10am	Mass	Intentions of our Eucharistic Adoration
					Community
Wed	18 th	Dec	10am	Anniv	Danny & Maureen Collins
Sat	21 ^{s†}	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Tom & Dettie Kelleher Clareabbey
Sat	21 st	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Helen & Patsy O Loughlin Maddens Tce
Sat	21 st	Dec	7pm	Anniv	Commane Family Rockmount & Newhall
Sun	22^{nd}	Dec	12 noon	1 st Anniv	Jim McMahon Killoo Heights
Sun	22^{nd}	Dec	12 noon	Anniv	Mary & Michael Starr St Flannan's Ave
Ballyea Mass Intentions					
Sun	15 th	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	John McNamara Darragh
Sun	15 th	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	Willie Burke Drimeen
Sun	15^{th}	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	Mollie Keane & Keane & Cunningham Family
					Ballyea
Sun	15^{th}	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	Frank Costelloe Kilmorane, Ennis
Sun	22^{nd}	Dec	10.30am	1 st Anniv	Darren Long Ballyea
Sun	22 nd	Dec	10.30am	Anniv	Ronan Kelly Darragh Ballyea

Priests Collection: Fr. Harry & Fr. Pat wish to thank all who contributed to the recent Priest's collection. Your kindness is much appreciated.

<u>Triduum of Masses:</u> This year we will continue our Triduum of Masses in our Parish. The proceeds of the Triduum will go to the local Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul and local charities to address the needs of those in our community this Christmas time. The Triduum Cards are available in the parish office.

SVP Christmas Food Appeal: Those who wish to donate a voucher can do so by handing them into the Parish Office or Parochial House on or before **15th 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.

<u>Christmas Carol Service</u>: Will be held in Ballyea Church on Wednesday December 18th at 7.00pm All of Ballyea Church music groups and children from the National School will participate.

<u>Ballyea Christmas Draw:</u> For paid up members to the Church Fund will take place on Sunday 22nd December. Míle Buíochas to all our contributors.

Re-Carpeting of the Sanctuary: As you will have noticed, the sanctuary area of Clarecastle Church has been recarpeted recently. The colour chosen for the sanctuary is a different colour to the carpet in the church, this is the main change in the décor of the interior of the building. The colour change is a deliberate choice and it is made to keep in focus the respect and care that is due our church as the House of God. It was also chosen to highlight the different levels in the church and to enable people to differentiate where steps are in the church and to point out when one is moving from the sanctuary to the main body of the church. We hope that this change will increase the safety of movement of people who need to come to the sanctuary to partake in one of the ministries of the liturgy. With this in mind we recommend to all who come onto the sanctuary to use the hand rails at both sides of the sanctuary while entering or exiting the area. Thanks to all our parishioners and friends who through their contributions to our parish enable these necessary improvements to happen. Your weekly contribution or special personal contributions are very much appreciated. Our church is much admired by so many who visit it, together we will work to ensure it is a worthy place for worship, gathering and to merit the title "Gods House".

<u>Abbey Pastoral Area Advent Reconciliation Service</u>: Monday 16th December at 7.30pm Cathedral of SS Peter & Paul, Ennis. 'Blessed are the Peacemakers' Mt. 5:9 You are welcome to come along and receive the peace of Christ in preparation for Christmas. Priests will be available to hear individual confessions. Ballyea Choir!