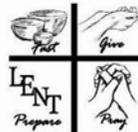


LORD JESUS CHRIST,
AS YOU ENTERED THE HOLY CITY LONG AGO,
YOU ALLOWED THE PEOPLE TO GREET YOU WITH PALMS AND SONGS.
YOU DID NOT TURN AWAY THEIR PRAISE,
EVEN THOUGH YOU KNEW THE CROSS WAS NEAR.
I ASK YOU TO ENTER MY LIFE IN THE SAME GENTLE WAY.
COME INTO MY HOME, MY WORK, MY STRUGGLES, AND MY HOPES.
I LAY BEFORE YOU THE SIMPLE BRANCHES OF MY DAILY EFFORTS.
THEY ARE SMALL, BUT I OFFER THEM WITH LOVE.
REMOVE PRIDE FROM MY HEART.
TEACH ME TO WELCOME YOU,
NOT ONLY WHEN YOU BLESS ME BUT ALSO WHEN YOU CHALLENGE ME.
MAY I RECEIVE YOU AS MY TRUE KING,
NOT WITH SHALLOW WORDS BUT WITH STEADY FAITH.
STAY WITH ME AS THIS HOLY WEEK BEGINS.
HELP ME WALK BESIDE YOU,
FROM THE SHOUTS OF JOY TO THE SILENCE OF CALVARY.
LET MY LIFE PROCLAIM THAT YOU ALONE ARE LORD.



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Masses from St. Joseph's Church Castleconnell are being streamed for live viewing on our Webcam @ www.castleconnellparish.ie. Mass can also be heard on Radio 106.3fm.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion Holy Week begins on this Sunday, which joins the foretelling of Christ's regal triumph and the proclamation of the Passion.

Mass intentions this week

Castleconnell **6:30pm** **28th Mar**
 Breda Larkin (Month's Mind), Bridget Byrnes (Ann),
 Willie & Sarah Frewen & deceased members of the Carter Family (Ann),
 Maurice & Mary Hassett (Ann).

Castleconnell **11:30am** **29th Mar**
 Josie, Jimmy & Margaret Coffey and their granddaughter Nicol Birmingham (Ann),
 Annie & Edward Kennedy, Geoff, Jerome, Helen & Tom Porter (Ann),
 Owen Gilhooly (Ann) & deceased members of the Gilhooly Family.

Priests Easter Collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

Palm Sunday Palms will be blessed at all masses this weekend and will be available to be taken home with you after mass.

Trocaire Boxes and donations can be handed in during Holy Week. Many thanks for your continued kind and generous support.

Money Matters Offertory collection €1,400. Many thanks for your on-going generous support.

Baptised and Sent 'New life with the risen Christ has already begun in those who have been baptised. Already now we enjoy the first fruits of eternal life.'

Parish Hall Committee will hold a Cake Sale and Raffle in the Parish Hall on Sunday 5th April after 11.30 Mass.

Pray for the repose of the soul of Martin Coleman, Castleconnell and Josephine Aherne, formally of Derryhasna, who were laid to rest this week. May they rest in peace.

Mass Times

St Joseph's, Castleconnell:- Mon – Fri 10.00 am, Sat 6.30 pm, Sun 11.30 am.
St Patrick's, Ahane:- Sun 10.00 am. **St Vincent's, Lisnagry:-** Sat 4.00 pm



Holy Week

Castleconnell, Ahane & Montpelier Parish

Mon – Tues	10.00 am	Mass, St. Joseph's, Castleconnell.
Spy Wed	10.00 am	Mass, Emphasis on Forgiveness, St. Joseph's, Castleconnell.
	7.30 pm	Diocesan Chrism Mass, Cathedral Ennis
Holy Thursday	10.00 am	Morning Prayer – (No Adoration), St. Joseph's, Castleconnell.
	7.00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by Holy Hour for Vocations, St. Joseph's, Castleconnell.
Good Friday	10.00 am	Morning Prayer, St Joseph's, Castleconnell.
	12.00	Stations of the Cross, St. Patrick's, Ahane.
	3.00 pm	Passion Ceremony, followed by Individual Confessions, St. Joseph's, Castleconnell.
	5.00 pm	Stations of the Cross, Montpelier Oratory.
	7.00 pm	Outdoor Stations of the Cross from Stradbally Cemetery to Castleconnell Church.
Holy Saturday	10.00 am	Morning Prayer, St. Joseph's, Castleconnell.
	10.30 am	Blessing of Easter Food with our Polish Community, St. Joseph's, Castleconnell.
	11.00 - 11.30 am	Individual Confessions, St. Joseph's, Castleconnell.
	4.00 pm	Easter Vigil – St Vincent's, Lisnagry.
Easter Sunday	7.30 pm	Easter Vigil – St. Joseph's, Castleconnell.
	10.00 am	Mass, St Patrick's, Ahane.
	11.30 am	Mass, St. Joseph's, Castleconnell.

A warm welcome to all to our Easter Ceremonies and a Blessed Easter to everyone. Anyone who would like a visit from one of the Priests for Easter, please contact the Parish Office @ 061 372929.