

**Scathe Na Sionnaine Pastoral Area –Castleconnell - Clonlara – Killaloe**

Castleconnell- Fr. Willie Teehan 061-377170 Fr. Tom Whelan 087-2730299  
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[castleconnellchurch@gmail.com](mailto:castleconnellchurch@gmail.com) - Castleconnell Saturday - 6.30pm.  
Sunday 11.30am - Ahane 10.00am - Killaloe Fr. James Grace - 061376137  
Bridgetown- Fr. Gerry O'Brien 061 580969 Clonlara-Fr. Pat Mulcahy 061-354334

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

The Holy Family is seen as the model for the human family, the religious community, and the Church itself. The celebration of the incarnation has brought us to see God's closeness. In the Holy Family we see the ordinariness of the life of Jesus, the simple acceptance by Mary and Joseph of the marvels of God.

**Mass Intentions this weekend**

<u>Castleconnell</u> 11.30am.	<u>Sunday December 26<sup>th</sup></u> Frank Spillane (Ann)
<u>Ahane</u> 10.00am.	<u>Sunday December 26<sup>th</sup></u> Private Intention.

**Castleconnell**

Morning Masses - Monday December 27<sup>th</sup> to Friday January 7<sup>th</sup> 10.00am.

**Mass Intentions next weekend**

<u>Castleconnell</u> 6.30pm.	<u>Saturday January 1<sup>st</sup></u> Private Intention.
<u>Castleconnell</u> 11.30am.	<u>Sunday January 2<sup>nd</sup></u> Frances and Denis Coffey (Ann)
<u>Ahane</u> 10.00am.	<u>Sunday January 2<sup>nd</sup></u> Deceased members of the Hammond family.

**Pray for the repose of the souls of:** Joe Doyle formerly of Castleconnell who died recently in England. Bridget (Biddy) O'Driscoll Killaloe formerly of Castleconnell and Kathleen Foley Lisnagry. May they rest in Peace.

**Money Matters** - Offertory Collection €1.190 Many thanks for your ongoing support.

**Many thanks** to all our parishioners for your ongoing support and for your generosity throughout the year. It is very much appreciated.

Masses from St. Joseph's Church, Castleconnell are being streamed for live viewing on our Webcam. [www.castleconnellparish.ie](http://www.castleconnellparish.ie). Mass can also be heard on Radio 106.3fm. Social distancing and wearing of facemasks will be an ongoing requirement.

**Castleconnell Ahane Montpelier Care of the Aged**

The recent fundraising event organised by the Friends of the Care of the Aged, namely Eleanor Kingston, Mary Tierney and Phylla Lynch, raised the magnificent sum of €11,606 Castleconnell / Ahane/ Montpelier Care of the Aged Committee wish to thank most sincerely Eleanor, Mary, Phylla and all who donated so generously to our organisation. This is very much appreciated. The funds raised will enable us to continue our work with the seniors of our parish. Can we reassure you that all monies we receive is used only for the benefit of our seniors.

**Parish Envelopes - 2022**

Parish Envelopes are available for collection in both churches. For people who are not receiving them, but wish to get them, contact Majella 086-4047823 or the Parish office during opening hours.

**ALONE - Support Line for Older People - COVID-19**

Alone national support line 0818 222 02 and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 is open seven days a week 8am- 8pm.

**Reflection for the New Year**

Often we want to be able to see into the future. We say, "how will next year be for me? Where will I be five or ten years from now?" There are no answers to these questions. Mostly we have just enough light to see the next step: What we have to do in the coming hour or the following day. The art of living is to enjoy what we can see and not complain about what remains in the dark. When we are able to take the next step with the trust that we will have enough light for the step that follows, we can walk through life with joy and be surprised at how far we go. Let's rejoice in the little light we carry and not ask for the great beam that would take all shadows away.

***Happy New Year***

***We wish all our parishioners a very happy New Year  
filled with Peace Health Happiness and God's Blessings  
for the New Year.***

