Scathe Na Sionnaine Pastoral Area – Castleconnell - Clonlara – Killaloe
Castleconnell- Fr. Willie Teehan 061-377170 Fr. Tom Whelan 087-2730299
Parish Office – Sue 061 -372929 - Mon, Tues, Wed.10am to 12 noon.

<u>castleconnellchurch@gmail.com</u> - Castleconnell Saturday - 6.30pm.
Sunday 11.30am - Ahane 10.00am - Killaloe Fr. James Grace 061376137

<u>Bridgetown:</u> Fr. Gerry O'Brien 061 580969 Clonlara: Fr. Pat Mulcahy 061354334

First Sunday Of Advent

The liturgy of the day directs our minds to the Last Day, to the Second Coming of Christ, to the Day of Judgement. We look at this not as individuals, but as a great gathering of all peoples.

Mass Intentions this weekend

Castleconnell 6.30pm 26th November

Martin, Stephen and Nellie Ryan Stradbally (Ann)

<u>Castleconnell</u> <u>11.30am</u> <u>27th November</u> Bridgeman Family (deceased members)Michael, Agnes, Patrick, John & Michael Jnr. Hayes (Ann)James & Elizabeth Hurley Woodpark & Burns family Wood Road.

<u>Ahane</u> <u>10.00am</u> <u>27th November</u>

Private Intention

Mass Intentions next weekend

<u>Castleconnell</u> 6.30pm 3rd <u>December</u> Michael McDonagh (Months Mind) Kitty Barry (Woodpark) (Ann)

<u>Castleconnell</u> <u>11.30am</u> <u>4th December</u> Baby Darragh Hourigan (1st Ann) Thomas Byrnes (Ann) Mary Fitzpatrick (Ann) Catherine & John Hyland (Ann)

<u>Ahane</u> <u>10.00am</u> <u>4th December</u>

Patrick Condon (Ann)

<u>Pray for the repose of the souls of</u> John Hammond, Foyle, Lisnagry and Bridgit Ryan formerly Montpelier who died in Australia recently. May they rest in peace.

Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday from 10am -1pm. You are welcome to visit the Blessed Sacrament during these hours. If you would like to volunteer one hour each Thursday contact 085- 8222782. Anyone wishing to access the Padre Pio Glove can arrange to do so by contacting 087-6375792.

Money Matters

Offertory Collection €1015. Thank you for your ongoing and generous support.

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. Facemasks to be worn in Church during Masses.

Stradbally Graveyard - Remembering the Dead.

Prayers will continue in Stradbally Cemetery this Sunday at 2.00pm.

November Masses for Holy Souls Many thanks to all who contributed to November offerings for the Holy Souls. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Lectio Divina (Sacred Scripture Reading and Meditation for Advent)

Led by Rev. Paul Fitzpatrick of the local Church of Ireland. If you would like to participate please join us on Thursday 1st 8th and 22nd December at 7.30pm in Castleoaks House Hotel. Contact Paul on 086 - 4113989 paulfitz1000@hotmail.com.

Enrolment of Light Ceremony – Castleconnell N.S.

Enrolment of Light Ceremony will be held in St Joseph's Church Castleconnell this Monday, November 28th at 7.30pm. All children preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation and their parents are welcome.

<u>Parish Envelopes</u> 2023 Parish Envelopes will be available for collection in both churches next weekend 3rd December. If people who are not receiving them but wish to get them contact Majella 086-4047823 or the Parish office during opening hours.

ACM Community Centre - Children's Santa Party - 4th December

This year the Children's Santa Party will take place on Sunday 4th December from 2pm to 4pm at the ACM Community Centre at Castle Street, Castleconnell. Entry is €6 per child which covers Santa, present and entertainment. Given the increases in cost of living in 2022, this year you can take photos with Santa with your own phone or we will take the photo for you. Looking forward to meeting you all!

<u>ACM Community Centre - Christmas Market – 11th December 11am – 3pm</u> Anyone interested in putting on a stall please contact ACM on 061 372750. Come and join in the festive fun.

Reflection

November comes and November goes, with the last red berries and the first white snows. With night coming early and dawn coming late, and ice in the bucket and frost by the gate. The fire burns and the kettles sing, and earth sinks to rest until next Spring.