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Mary, The Holy Mother of God

At the message of the angel, the Virgin Mary received the Word of God in her heart and in her body, and gave life to the world. Hence she is acknowledged and honoured as being truly the Mother of God.

Mass Intentions this week

Castleconnell	<u>6.30pm</u>	31st December
Private Intention		
<u>Castleconnell</u>	<u>11.30am</u>	1st January
Private Intention		
<u>Ahane</u>	<u>10.00am</u>	1st January
Private Intention		

Mass Intentions next week

Castleconnell 6.30pm 7th January
May Moloney (Ann) Mary Collins (Ann) Jimmy Coffey (Ann)
Castleconnell 11.30am 8th January
Sheila Byrnes (Ann) Pauline Fitzpatrick (Ann) Richard Hourigan Powell (Ann)
Harry and Bridie Powell (Ann)

Ahane 10.00am 8th January
Deceased members of the Hammond Family. Patrick, Katie and Con Collins (A)

<u>St. Vincent's Lisnagry</u> - Mass at 4pm every Saturday. All are welcome. <u>Morning Mass</u> - Monday 2ndJan - Friday 6th Jan 10.00am.

<u>Padre Pio</u> - Mass and devotations this Thursday January 5th at 10.00am followed by <u>Eucharistic Adoration until 1pm</u>. You are welcome to visit the Blessed Sacrament during these hours. If you would like to volunteer one hour each Thursday Contact 085- 8222782.

<u>Pray for the repose of the soul of</u>: Kathleen McCarthy, Scanlan Pk, and Alice Hayes Murroe, who died recently. May they rest in Peace.

Money Matters

Offertory Collection last weekend. €5365. Thank you for your very generous support.

Many thanks also to those for their annual contributions. It is very much appreciated.

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.

Feast of the Epiphany - Friday January 6th

Mass Times: Castleconnell -10.00am. Ahane – 10.00am. St. Vincent's 11.00am. Montpelier Oratory – 7.00pm.

<u>A sincere word of thanks</u> to all who contributed towards the Christmas Priests'Collection your generosity is greatly appreciated.

<u>Many thanks</u> to all who prepared and played a special part in our Christmas liturgies' making them such lovely celebrations of the Lord's birth.

<u>Much appreciation</u> to all who cleaned and decorated our Churches ensuring they looked their best and most beautiful for Christmas.

<u>Parish Envelopes</u> 2023 Parish Envelopes are available for collection in both churches. If people who are not receiving them but wish to get them contact Sue at the Parish office during opening hours Mon- Wed 10am – 12 noon. Phone 372929 or Majella 086-4047823. Members of the Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Committee thank everyone for your on-going support which is very much appreciated

AL Homecare Affordable Live-in Homecare

AL Homecare work with hundreds of families and have 300 carers working nationwide. It is a safe and affordable alternative to nursing homes and private visiting carers, which we are aware are in serious short supply especially at this time of the year as cold and wintery weather approaches. We understand that homecare can be very expensive and can put a lot of stress and worry on individuals and their families We aim to provide you with the highest quality live-in homecare at an affordable price. If anyone in the area needs more information Ph.Tom 0877440729 or Eileen 087 9916791 who will be happy to chat anytime

This Sunday January 1st - World Day of Prayer for Peace.

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.

Amen.