

Scathe Na Sionnaine Pastoral Area –Castleconnell - Clonlara – Killaloe
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castleconnellchurch@gmail.com. Mass Times - Castleconnell Saturday 6.30pm,
Sunday 11.30am. - Ahane 10.00am - **Killaloe** Fr. James Grace 061 376137
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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Soul is failing as king because he does not act with authority. He allows the People to make decisions even though he knows they are not according to God's Plan. Obedience, he is told, is better than sacrifice.

Mass Intentions this Week

Castleconnell **6.30pm** **13th January**

Brenda Easton (Months Mind), Betty Roche (Months Mind) & Jim Roche,
Joe Kenny (Ann), Michael Moloney (Ann), Mary Ryan (Belmont Cottage)
& Kitty, Annie and Madge Ryan (Main St) (Ann).

Castleconnell **11.30am** **14th January**

John, Breda & Kate Frewen (Ann), Carrie Clancy (Ann).

Ahane **10.00am** **14th January**

Private Intention

Mass Intentions next Week

Castleconnell **6.30pm** **20th January**

John Hawe (1st Ann), Eileen Joyce (Ann), William & Catherine Joyce and
Maureen O'Connor (Ann).

Castleconnell **11.30am** **21st January**

Patrick Touhy (Ann), Helen Quinn (Ann), Bernice Bermingham.

Ahane **10.00am** **21st January**

Private Intention

Lay Led Liturgy Every Monday, led by the Pastoral Council. All are welcome.

St. Vincent's Lisnagry Mass @ 4.00pm every Saturday. All are welcome.

Pray for the repose of the soul of Noreen Tierney, formally of Garden Hill, who died recently in the UK and Margaret O'Sullivan, Castleconnell, who died recently. May they rest in peace.

Eucharistic Adoration Every Thursday from 10am to 1pm. You are welcome to visit the Blessed Sacrament during these hours.

Money Matters Offertory collection - €1,420. Thank you for your continued 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..

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity- 18 – 25 January 2024

You shall love the Lord your God And your neighbour as yourself (Luke 10:27)

The theme for 2024 is based on a text from the Gospel of St Luke, with material prepared by an ecumenical team from Burkina Faso, facilitated by the local *Chemin Neuf* Community, whose members have a special commitment to Christian unity. Observed 18-29 January since 1908, the Week of Prayer is frequently celebrated around Pentecost in the southern hemisphere.

Parish Envelopes 2024 Parish envelopes are available for collection from the Parish Office. If you have not received your envelopes, but wish to, please contact the Parish Office during opening hours Mon- Wed 10am – 12 noon. Members of the Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Committee thank everyone for your on-going support which is very much appreciated

Pre-Marriage Courses Couples planning to get married in 2024 should check the dates for Pre-Marriage Courses that will be organised at venues in the Killaloe Diocese. You may call 065-68824297, email accordennis@gmail.com or visit www.courseaccord.ie.

Eucharistic Ministers Required for Ahane Church. Training will be provided and a rota will be drawn up. Contact Dolores Madden or email castleconnellchurch@gmail.com.

Altar Servers Required for both Castleconnell and Ahane Churches. If you are in 3rd, 4th or 5th Class and would like to become an Altar Server please contact Fr. Willie or Fr. James after Mass. Full training will be provided.

A Family Prayer for the New Year

Dear God, we thank you for the gift of a New Year. We pray that you will guide us and bless us throughout this year. We ask that you help us to grow in faith, hope and love. May we be a light to others and share our love with those around us. We pray for peace in our homes, our communities, and our world.

May we be instruments of your peace and work towards justice and reconciliation. We pray for those who are suffering, that they may find comfort and healing. We pray for those who are lost, that they may find their way.

Keep our family in your care today, tonight and always. Amen