

**Scáth na Sionnaine Pastoral Area –Castleconnell - Clonlara – Killaloe**

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**First Sunday of Lent** Jesus' temptation reveals the way in which the Son of God is Messiah, contrary to the way Satan proposes to him and the way men wish to attribute to him. This is why Christ vanquished the Tempter for us.

**Mass intentions this week**

**Castleconnell** **6:30pm** **8<sup>th</sup> Mar**  
Deceased members of the Hardiman Family, Tommy Madden, Woodpark, & deceased family members (Ann).

**Castleconnell** **11:30am** **9<sup>th</sup> Mar**  
Patricia McDermott (Month's Mind), Elizabeth Gubbins (Ann).

**Ahane** **10:00am** **9<sup>th</sup> Mar**  
Deceased members of the Richardson Family, Ardvarna.

**Mass intentions next week**

**Castleconnell** **6:30pm** **15<sup>th</sup> Mar**  
Edward Phayer (Month's Mind), Joan Phayer, John, Kathleen, Tom & Norah Agnes Moloney (Garden Hill) (Ann), Breda Bourke (Ann), John & Helena Byrnes & deceased family members (Ann), Michael Scully (Ann).

**Castleconnell** **11:30am** **16<sup>th</sup> Mar**  
Josephine McCabe & Peggy Duffy (Ann), Peggie O Regan (Ann), Anne Skehan (Ann).

**Ahane** **10:00am** **16<sup>th</sup> Mar**  
Private Intention

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

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

**Pray for the repose of the soul** of Delia Donnelly (nee Mulqueen), whose funeral mass takes place on Monday @ 11.30 and Kitty Grossman (nee Bourke) who died recently. May they rest in peace.

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

**Money Matters** Offertory collection €1,590. Many thanks for your on-going generous support and also many thanks to those who donate on line.

**Trocaire Boxes 2025** Trocaire boxes are available in both our churches this weekend. Please take one home. This year, Trocaire will help families in Guatemala to overcome the devastating impacts of Climate Change.

**Lourdes Jubilee Pilgrimages 2025** Our Diocesan Pilgrimage led by Bishop Fintan will depart Shannon Airport on Wed 25th June for 5 days. €955 pps includes full board. Our Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage is from 29th September to 4th October €935 pps includes full board. please contact Joe Walsh Tours Tel: 01 2410800 or [joewalshstours.ie](http://joewalshstours.ie) for more details. A limited number of **assisted pilgrims** will be accommodated on the June pilgrimage at a cost of €855. A medical declaration form must be completed and those interested should apply to Mary Freeman, Pilgrimage Secretary 087- 9777896 or [marybfreeman@gmail.com](mailto:marybfreeman@gmail.com). Each year some people **sponsor a sick or assisted pilgrim** to make their wish of travelling to Lourdes become a reality. The cost is €855 per pilgrim. To sponsor or part sponsor a pilgrim please contact Fr Tom Ryan Pilgrimage Director 087 2349816.

**Reflection – Do you want to fast this Lent?**

Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.  
Fast from the pressures and be prayerful.  
Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.  
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.  
Fast from grudges and be reconciled.  
Fast from words and be silent so you can listen!  
Fast from hurting words and say kind words.  
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.  
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.  
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.  
Fast from worries and have trust in God.



**Fancy a Chat & a Cuppa after Mass?** Tea and coffee will be available after 10.00 Mass in Ahane on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March. All welcome.

**Mass Times**

***St Josephs, Castleconnell Mon – Fri 09.30 Saturday 18.30 Sunday 11.30***  
***St Patricks, Ahane Sunday 10.00 St Vincents, Lisnagry Saturday 16.00***  
***Montpelier, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> – 7.00 pm***