

Scáth na Sionnaine Pastoral Area –Castleconnell - Clonlara – Killaloe

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time The semi-continuous reading of St Matthew's Gospel on each Sunday begins today with the calling of the first disciples. The prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled: the people that lived in darkness have seen a great light. The Scriptures are fulfilled in the person and work of Jesus who begins his preaching with the message: repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.

Mass intentions this week

Castleconnell **6:30pm** **24th Jan**

John A. Blake (Month's Mind), Paddy Coffey (Ann), Kathleen O'Keeffe & the O'Brien Family (Ann), Tommy O'Brien & Dorothy O'Brien (Ann), Patrick Fitzgerald, St. Flannan's Terrace, (Ann).

Castleconnell **11:30am** **25th Jan**

Mary Owens (Ann), Mary O'Connell (Ann) & Nicholas O'Connell (Ann), Eileen Joyce (Ann) and Patrick Tuohy (Ann).

Ahane **10:00am** **25th Jan**

Michael Ryan Snr, (Ann).

Mass intentions next week

Castleconnell **11:30am** **1st Feb**

John Hawe (Ann), Ger & Jed Ryan, Gouig, (Ann), P.J. Power (Ann), James O'Brien, Montpelier (Ann).

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

Eucharistic Adoration Every Thursday from 10.30am to 1pm. You are welcome to visit the Blessed Sacrament during these hours.

Money Matters Offertory collection €1,555. Many thanks for your on-going 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.

Pray for the repose of the souls of Vera Walpole and Moira Hogg, Castleconnell and Winifred Dunne, St. Vincents, Lisnagry, who were buried during the week. May their souls rest in peace.

Castleconnell N.S. Charity Coffee Morning A Charity Coffee Morning will take place Friday, January 30th in the school hall between 9.15 and 10.45 a.m.. The school would love to welcome members of the community to join them in supporting charities that serve the local area. A whole community event - all are welcome.

Blood Donation Clinic Castletroy Park Hotel, Mon 26th & Tues 27th Jan, 4.20 – 7.40 pm. New donors are welcome. Last week saw a surge in demand from Irish hospitals on top of the fall in blood donations over the Christmas season. Today, a little over two day's supply are available for some blood types. Appointments can be booked at 1800 222 111

Mass Times

St Joseph's, Castleconnell:- Mon – Fri 10.00 am, Sat 6.30 pm, Sun 11.30 am.

St Patrick's, Ahane:- Sun 10.00 am.

St Vincent's, Lisnagry:- Sat 4.00 pm

Returning to God

We are born in exile and die there too.

As soon as we set sail on the great voyage of life,
we begin our return.

We spend our lives dreaming
of a homeland we have never seen.

Like homing birds that are released in a strange country,
and know no rest until they return home,

So it is with us.

When we die,
we do not so much go to God
As return to Him.