

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

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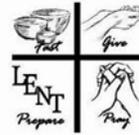
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**First Sunday of Lent** The Church has in mind the catechumens throughout the world who set out today on their great preparation for the Easter Vigil when they will become Christians. The faithful, who are already baptised, are the concern of the Church too. They must be awakened once more to the meaning of being in Christ.

**Mass intentions this week**

**Castleconnell** **6:30pm** **21<sup>st</sup> Feb**  
Martin Morris (Month's Mind), Sheila Collins (1st Ann), Jimmy Cahill (Ann), Darren Poole, St. Patrick's Villas (Ann).

**Castleconnell** **11:30am** **22<sup>nd</sup> Feb**  
Breda & Deirdre Talty (Ann), Mary Comber & Alan Layton (Ann), John O'Connell (Ann), Donny Houlihan (Ann), John Coffey, Annaholty (Ann).

**Ahane** **10.00am** **22<sup>nd</sup> Feb**  
Finbar Gallagher (Month's mind)

**Mass intentions next week**

**Castleconnell** **6:30pm** **28<sup>th</sup> Feb**  
Theresa Kelly (1<sup>st</sup> Ann), Dan Rooney (Ann), Noel Ryan (Ann).

**Castleconnell** **11:30am** **01<sup>st</sup> Mar**  
John Fitzpatrick (1<sup>st</sup> Ann), John McDermott (Ann), Teresa Ryan, Sallymount (Ann), Jack & Margaret Harvey and deceased members of the Ryan Family (Ann), David, Maura, & Timmy McGill (Ann), Mary O'Leary & Paddy Hickey (Ann).

**Ahane** **10.00am** **01<sup>st</sup> Mar**  
Con Mackey (Ann).

**Community Led Liturgy with Communion** 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.

**Pray for the repose of the souls** of John Hall, Mountshannon Road and Sean Hynes, formally of Lisnagry, 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 €1,350. Many thanks for your on-going generous support.



**Baptised and Sent** 'Baptism is an entry point to a life of faith, a gateway to mission, and the root and foundation on which to build a Christian life.'

**Trocaire Boxes 2025** Trocaire boxes are available in both our churches this weekend. Please take one home.

**Lenten Reflections** The Scath na Sionnaine Pastoral Area will conduct three evenings of reflection on the importance of Baptism in our adult lives. On each evening they will engage with the 'Baptised and Sent' programme - the Lenten prayer and reflection resource prepared as part of the Irish Synodal Pathway - in conjunction with the Sunday gospel. The gatherings will be facilitated by the Adult Faith Formation team and held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, Castleconnell Parish Hall, Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March, Killaloe Parish Centre and Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March, Clonlara Community Centre.

Each session will start at 7.30 pm and finish at 8.30 pm sharp, followed by tea/coffee. All are welcome and we hope for a really good attendance. Members of the team will speak about the Reflections in each of our three Parishes this Sunday.

**A Team of up to Six Volunteers** from our Faith Community required to join a Sacristan Team on rota to support St. Joseph's Church, Castleconnell.

Duties include:-

- Part time opening of the church.
- Laying the altar for all church ceremonies.
- Available to receive and attend funerals in church (circa 30 p.a.).
- Attend weddings and other ceremonies.
- Liaison with priests and church community as required.
- Support sacramental preparation activities in the church for Lisnagry N.S. and Castleconnell N.S.
- Knowledge of WhatsApp, Email and text messaging important.

Envisaged flexible rota may work with the team, for 1 week in 6 i.e. 8 weeks a year

If you are interested please contact the Parish Office @ 061 372929.