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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Like the manna in the desert, bread in plenty for the crowds is seen as a sign of the coming of the kingdom and of the heavenly banquet in the end times. The actions of Jesus in the desert are described in the same way as his actions at the Last Supper: He takes, blesses, breaks and gives.

Mass intentions this week

Castleconnell **6.30pm** **1st Aug**
John Joe Daly (1st Ann), Sheila Culhane (Ann).

Castleconnell **11.30am** **2nd Aug**
Bill Slattery, James & Maud Ryan (Ann), Eileen Gubbins (Ann).
Kathleen Carroll (Ann), Matthew Vaughan (Ann).

Mass intentions next week

Castleconnell **6.30pm** **8th Aug**
Ruben O Keeffe (1st Ann), Nora Tierney (1st Ann)

Ahane **10.00am** **9th Aug**
Seamus Bridgeman (1st Ann), Brendan Jones (Ann),
Bobby Richardson & his Parents Harry & Maureen Richardson (Ann).

Castleconnell **11.30am** **9th Aug**
Johnny Hurley, Gardenhill (Ann), Eamonn & Joan Walsh (Ann).

Community Led Liturgy As it is a Bank Holiday, there will be no Community Led Liturgy or Mass this Monday, 3rd August.

Padre Pio Devotion this Thurs, 6th August, from 10.00 – 10.30 followed by **Eucharistic Adoration** from 10.30am to 1pm. You are welcome to visit the Blessed Sacrament during these hours.

Money Matters Offertory collection €1,750. Many thanks for your on-going generous support.



Pray for the repose of the soul of Jack Keane, St. Patrick's Villas, who was laid to rest during the week. May he rest in peace.

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.

The Popes Intentions – August *For evangelisation in the city.*

Let us pray that in large cities, often marked by anonymity and loneliness, we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Congratulations to Bob Tuohy, son of Cormac and Grandson of Paddy & Betty Tuohy, Clooncommons, on winning an all-Ireland medal with Mayo last weekend.

Good wishes to Fr. Brendan Kyne who is taking up his new appointment in Toomevarra on Friday next and best wishes to all of the priests who are taking up new appointments next weekend.

Mary's Meals, the Global school feeding charity, will hold their annual Step by Step to Feed the Next Child walk to Knock from 7th to 15th August. Walkers will arrive in Ennis around 4pm on Sat 8th Aug and will be leaving Barefield at 8.30am on Sun 9th Aug, heading for Gort. Please come out and encourage the walkers, and if you're able to do so, donate in the buckets or visit marysmeals.ie to donate online. It costs just €22 to feed a child for a whole school year, and 11c provides one school meal. All donations, big or small, are very welcome.

Beatitudes of Life

Blessed are the faithful: they are like safe anchors in a world of broken moorings.

Blessed are the just: they are to society what heaven is to bread.

Blessed are the generous: they keep alive our faith in the essential goodness of people.

Blessed are the caring: they shine like beacons in a world darkened by indifference.

Blessed are the genuine: they glow like gems in a world of falseness.

Blessed are those who are not afraid of sacrifice:

on the day of the harvest they will sing for joy.

And blessed are those who refuse to look back:

they will be found worthy of the Kingdom of Heaven.

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

Montpelier Oratory:- Friday 7th Aug @ 7.00 pm.