

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

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**First Sunday of Advent** The Advent spirit of waiting and longing for the Lord reminds us of the daily call to holiness. We are to be found blameless when He comes, living lives of honesty and integrity. We are to avoid the temptations to escapism from the true meaning of life. The temptations come in many guises.

**Mass intentions this week**

**Castleconnell** **6:30pm** **30<sup>th</sup> Nov**

Martin, Stephen & Nellie Ryan, Stradbally, (Ann).

**Castleconnell** **11:30am** **1<sup>st</sup> Dec**

Darragh Hourigan (Ann), Deceased members of the Meaney Family, Castleconnell & Lisnagry, Mary Fitzpatrick (Ann).

**Ahane** **10:00am** **1<sup>st</sup> Dec**

Private Intention

**Mass intentions next week**

**Montpelier** **7.00pm** **6<sup>th</sup> Dec**

The Hough Family (Montpelier)

**Castleconnell** **6:30pm** **7<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Catherine Barry (Ann), The Byrnes Family (The Spa), The O'Brien Family (St. Patrick's Villas).

**Castleconnell** **11:30am** **8<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Catherine & John Hyland (Ann), Mary Guerin (Ann).

**Ahane** **10:00am** **8<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Mary Collins (Ann), Gracie Rose Dunphy (Ann), Patrick Condon (Ann), Arthur Graham & Grandson Ben Graham (Ann).

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

**Padre Pio Devotion** this Thurs, 5<sup>th</sup> December, from 9.00 – 10.00 followed by **Eucharistic Adoration** from 10am to 1pm. You are welcome to visit the Blessed Sacrament during these hours. Anyone wishing to access the Padre Pio Glove can arrange to do so by contacting 087-6375792.

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 106.3 FM

**Money Matters** Offertory collection €1,630. Many thanks for your on-going generous support and also many thanks to those who donate on line.

**Parish Envelopes 2025** Parish envelopes are available for collection from the Parish Office.

**Care of the Aged** Castleconnell, Ahane and Montpelier Care of the Aged Committee invite you to the Annual Christmas party with Mass on Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. The cost is €10 - non-refundable. If you would like to attend, please contact Dolores Madden, who will be at all masses this weekend. Numbers need to be confirmed by the 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. You may also contact Ann Ryan @ 061 377193 or a committee member in your area.

**Annacotty Annual Christmas Carol, Singing for the Needy** will be held in Annacotty on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec @ 6 pm. Please bring a toy of any value, or give a donation, to the Redemptorist's Poor Campaign for distribution to the disadvantaged of Limerick.

**Prayer of blessing for an Advent Wreath**



Lord God, your Church joyfully awaits the coming of its Saviour, who enlightens our hearts and dispels the darkness of ignorance and sin. Pour forth your blessing upon us as we light the candles of this wreath; may their light reflect the splendor of Christ, who is Lord, for ever and ever. Amen

**The Pope's Intentions – For Pilgrims of Hope.**

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

**Mass Times**

**St Joseph's, Castleconnell:-** Mon – Fri 09.30 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** Mass will be celebrated this Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> December @ 7 pm.