



Ballyhea Parish Newsletter

Laetare Sunday

27th March 2022



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Mass is Live Streamed	Mass Times	The Month of March is Dedicated to Saint Joseph
Saturday, 26 th	10:00 19:30	Lent Vigil Mass
Sunday, 27 th	08:30 11:00	LAETARE SUNDAY
Monday, 28 th	12:00	Lent
Tuesday, 29 th	12:00	Lent
Wednesday, 30 th	12:00	Latin Mass
Thursday, 31 st	10:00	Lent
Friday, 1 st	10:00	Lent
Saturday, 2 nd	10:00 19:30	Lent Vigil Mass

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Confessions are heard on request

Exposition & Benediction after Mass on Thursday

The Rosary is recited before Daily Mass & after the 08:30 Sunday Mass

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT # 3.2.19 TO THE DRAFT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

A well-attended meeting was held in Ballyhea Community Hall on Monday, 21 March 2022. Councillor Ian Doyle was asked to seek an amendment to the proposed amendment no. 3.2.19 of the draft County Development Plan according to the following resolution carried by an overwhelming show of hands:

- **That the term [Road Overbridge] be deleted from the text label of the proposed amendment.**
- **That the label to be included in the proposed amendment no. 3.2.19 should be amended to read as in the current LAP: 'A possible Road Realignment.'**
- **That the planning map in the current LAP be carried over into the proposed amendment no. 3.2.19.**
- **That no further comment or text be made in the proposed amendment.**

Councillor Doyle was asked to refer this to a meeting of the County Council and to report back.

The meeting also sought the support of the members of the County Council for this amendment to the proposed amendment.

DEATHS

Sheila Kildea (née O'Hanlon) of Swansea & Doneraile, who died during the week, R.I.P.

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday	26 th – 19:30	Patrick, Nora & Michael Moloney of Castleharrison
Sunday	27 th – 08:30	Tom & Kathleen Leahy of Ardskeagh
Sunday	27 th – 11:00	Nellie O'Brien (née O'Callaghan) of Castlewrixon & Killarney, Month's Mind
Friday	1 st – 10:00	November Altar List
Saturday	2 nd – 10:00	Michael O'Connor of Cooleens.

FIRST CONFESSIONS

First Confessions for the children of Ballyhea National School preparing for First Holy Communion will be heard on Thursday 31st March at 7.30pm in the Church.

COLLECTION FOR UKRAINE

A special collection for the Ukrainian Refugees will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. Please put your donation into an envelope with your Parish envelope number on the outside. Please be as generous as you can.

CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER SALES

The Irish Catholic (€2.50) & The Sacred Heart Messenger (€2.00) are on sale in the porch.

GRACE & THE MYSTERY OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

Our Lord Jesus Christ is the saviour sent by the Father because he is the Word through whom all things were formed & made, & in whose humanity all reach their end in returning to the Father. The grace of Christ, his human created grace, the grace of the Holy Spirit, is what makes it possible for him to unite all things & all people in himself & bring them with him to the Father.

Consequently, the receiving of grace in a sacrament should not be thought of as an isolated & isolating production of sanctification but as a bond of believers with Christ in the unity of his Mystical Body – the Church.

The sacraments, instituted by Christ, allow God to bring about his providential design for the return of man, burdened with original sin & its consequences, to himself – through Christ.

Sinful humanity is characterised by busyness with material & bodily things, which in the domain of religion can turn into superstition & various forms of the cult of demons.

The sacraments are needed because Christ is needed. They were needed both before & after his coming. Through the sacraments the sanctifying power of Christ's Paschal Mystery reaches his members in their body as well as in their spirit.

The sacraments give grace because they are acts of worship that join those who receive them to the passion of Christ. The passion was the act by which Christ took away sin, meritoriously & by way of satisfaction, & simultaneously was the act by which he set up the only worship that is now acceptable to the Father.