

SAINTS DAYS DURING THE COMING WEEK

Mon 30th Aug

St Fiacre 6th Century Irish Monk. Patron Saint of gardeners & taxi-drivers.
(See 'Saint of the Week' item below).

Tues 31st Aug

St Aidan of Lindisfarne 7th Century Irish Monk who encouraged women into religious life and communal worship.

Wed 1st Sept

St Giles 7th Century Christian Hermit. Born in Athens. Died in France.
Patron Saint of lepers & disabled people.

Thurs 2nd Sept

St Ingrid 13th Century Swedish Saint and Sweden's First Dominican Nun.

Fri 3rd Sept

St Gregory the Great 6th Century Pope and Monk. Musically talented and oversaw the development of Gregorian Chant.

Sat 4th Sept

St Mac Nissi 5th Century Monk and Bishop.
Co-Patron Saint of the Diocese of Down & Connor.

Saint of the Week—St Fiacre (Fiachra)

Fiacre was born in Ireland at the end of the sixth century. He was raised in a monastery where he became a monk and studied herbal medicine. In time he had his own hermitage and perhaps a monastery, possibly near St. Fiachra's Well at Cill Fiachra near Bennetsbridge in Co. Kilkenny. Crowds flocked to him because of his reputation for his holiness, cures and a reputation for the healing of fevers, tumours and cancers. He eventually left Ireland and went to a hermitage in France where he died around 670.

His feast day is celebrated on 30th August.

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You may place your notices in the Diaries in each Church before 5.00 pm on Thursdays. Notices should be signed, and a phone number provided. Or you may email: carrigallen@kilmoredio-cese.ie by 5.00 pm on Fridays. The editors reserve the right to omit or amend any notice.

Parish Newsletter

29th August 2021 — 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year B

Carrigallen ▪ Drumeela ▪ Drumreilly

Gospel Reflection (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)

In Jesus' time, the Pharisees, who were very powerful people, and the ordinary Jews washed their hands and their arms all the way up to the elbow before eating their meals. This was to protect them from illness and to comply with their many religious traditions. They expressed surprise when they saw that Jesus' disciples had not washed their hands in the traditional way and they questioned Jesus about this. Jesus then became angry with the Pharisees, and He said that they were just following their traditions without really thinking about God. This was not enough because for Jesus it was very important for people to really show love for God in all their actions.

The gospel challenges the religious hypocrisy of the Pharisees and some of the religious leaders of the time who robbed religion of its meaning by focusing on laws and outward appearances. Their teaching does not take people deeper into their faith and causes others to turn away from religion altogether. In many ways Jesus is reminding us too that our religion has to be better than an external show. It's really about an inner conversion, calling us to a change of heart where necessary. It's about deepening our personal relationship with Jesus, with God. This means placing our trust in Him as completely as we can. True cleanliness consists in putting the Word of God into practice, a word of encouragement or a random act of kindness towards others even at the expense of one's own comfort.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

God of all, as we try to be kind and generous, to share with others and to show our love for You, give us strength when it is difficult, courage to keep trying and hope that through our actions we may make a difference to the lives of others. A M E N .

Parish Masses/Anniversaries/other events

Carrigallen *Commencing Sun 22nd August 2021*

Sun 29th Aug 11.15 am Deceased members of the Molloy Family *Killahurk*
Mon 30th No Mass
Tues 31st 7.30 pm Missa Pro Populo
Wed 1st Sept 10.00 am Mass of the Day
Sat 4th 11.00 am & 1.00pm Confirmation Services
Sun 5th 11.15 am Tom Eddie, Anne, Kay, J P, Mary & Marina Jackson *Aughavore*

Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.

Wed. After the 10.00 am Mass.

Drumeela *Commencing Sun 22nd August 2021*

Sun 29th Aug 10.00am Ellen Coogan (née O'Donnell), her brother Terry and sister Maisie *Corcar*
Fri 3rd Sept 6.00pm Confirmation Services
Sun 5th 10.00am Christina, Michael & Ena Lee *Drumloona*

Drumreilly *Commencing Sat 21st August 2021*

Sat 28th Aug 8.00 pm Oliver Looby and deceased members of the Looby Family *Curraghtowney*
Mon 30th 11.00am Funeral Mass for Willie O'Beirne *Whiterock*
Thurs 2nd Sept 7.30 pm Maria, John & Tommy Irwin *Keelrin*
Sat 4th 8.00 pm Matthew & Mary Fee *Clonboyher*
Sun 5th 2.00pm Confirmation Services

Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm

We remember in our prayers

Mrs Kathleen Grimes, Drumlish (mother of Finola Quinn, Drumdiffer) whose funeral took place in St. Mary's Church, Drumlish on Mon 23rd Aug. followed by burial in the Old Cemetery *and*

Willie O'Beirne, Whiterock whose funeral takes place at 11.00 am on Monday 30th Aug. in St. Mary's Church, Drumreilly followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery. *May their souls rest in peace.*

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Carrigallen: €518 Drumeela: €202 Drumreilly: €252

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Little nameless, unremembered acts of kindness are the best part of a good person's life.

KILMORE DIOCESE APOSTOLIC WORK MISSIONS

The third monthly draw was held on Friday 27th August and the winners were as follows: 1st Prize—Kathleen King, Shankill, Cavan. 2nd Prize—Miriam Mc Mahon, Kilconny, Belturbet.

SEPT 1ST—WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Pope Francis has stated that "this day offers to individual believers and to the wider community a precious opportunity to renew our personal participation in this vocation as custodians of creation, raising to God our thanks for the marvellous works that He has entrusted to our care, invoking his help for the protection of creation and his mercy for the sins committed against the world in which we live."

DRUMREILLY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Committee Meeting re-arranged for Thursday 2nd September in the main hall area starting at 8.30 pm sharp. All members are requested to attend.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION

The 2021 annual collection for the support of oppressed Christians in the Holy Land is due next weekend (4th/5th Sept.). You will find a green & white envelope in your box of envelopes for this purpose. All contributions can be dropped into the collection boxes in the Church Porches. *Thank you.*

Recent Baptism

We welcome Shay Austin O'Malley, Church St., Carrigallen who was baptised into our Community of Faith on Sunday 22nd Aug. in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen and we congratulate his parents Eamonn O' Malley & Paula Fitzpatrick.

Laudate combines a large number of Catholic religious resources into a single App. on your Smart/iPhone, giving you instant access to everything you could need, from a copy of multiple versions of the Bible, to prayers, confession prompts, Divine Office and more. It will provide a range of tools for praying at home, suggestions for daily readings, and more. Free download to your phone from the APP Store. *Visit* www.catholicapps.com

St Mary's NS—Drumreilly—September Fundraiser

Cash for Clobber Clothes Collection. Clean unwanted clothes, bed linen, curtains, towels, bags, shoes, belts and soft toys. No duvets or pillows please. Bags can be dropped into the school during school hours anytime from Monday 30th August onwards. Thank you.

Life is not a race, but a journey. Be honest. Work hard. Be choosy. Say "thank you", "I love you", and "great job" to someone each day. Take time for prayer. Be thankful. Love your life and what you have been given, it is not accidental. Search for your purpose and do it as best you can. Dreaming does matter, it allows you to become that which you aspire to be. Laugh often, appreciate the little things in life and enjoy them. Forgive, it frees the soul. Recognize the special people have been blessed to know. Take time for yourself. Live for today and enjoy each moment.

Drumeela NS

Re-opens on Monday next 30th August

DRUMREILLY DRIVE-IN BINGO

Every Sunday in the G.A.A. Grounds, Carrickmakeegan starting at 3.00 pm. The prize-fund is €1,750 and books cost €10. This weekly community entertainment game played from the safety and comfort of your car is jointly run by the Community Centre and the G.A.A Club. All support including donations very much appreciated.

CARRIGALLEN CLUB LOTTO

Available on-line. Jackpot stands at €15,000. To play, purchase a ticket from your local vendor, online via our official Carrigallen Club app or follow this link to buy online: <https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets> Next draw this Sun. (29th August) Live on our Facebook Page.