

20th February 2022

# Parish Newsletter

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Carrigallen ~ Drumeela ~ Drumreilly

## Feast Days during the coming week

**Mon 21st: St Peter Damian** - 11th century Benedictine monk and a Doctor of the Church. An Italian bishop noted for reforming church life and discipline.

**Tue 22nd: The Chair of St Peter** - also known as 'The Throne of St Peter' - an ancient feast which celebrates Peter as Bishop of Rome and the focal point of unity in the communion of one faith.

**Wed 23rd: St Polycarp** - 2nd century Turkish bishop and martyr. He was a disciple of St John the Apostle and dedicated his life to being true to the life of Jesus by imitating that life.

**Thur 24th: St Ethelbert of Kent** - First Christian Anglo-Saxon King of Kent. (See 'Saint of the Week' below).

**Fri 25th: St Luigi Versiglia** - An Italian priest of the Salesian Order. Born in 1873 and murdered in China in 1930. Canonised on 1st Oct 2000 by Pope John Paul II.

**Sat 26th: St Faustian** - 4th century Bishop of Bologna in Northern Italy. A great administrator and opposer of heresy.

## Saint of the Week - St Ethelbert

A 6th century king of Kent who was born a pagan but converted when he married a Frankish princess who was a Christian. When Pope Gregory sent St Augustine and his monks from Rome to England, they were received by Ethelbert who provided accommodation for them and facilitated their preaching mission. He is venerated in Canterbury Cathedral. His shrine in Hereford, where many miracles are said to have occurred, attracts many pilgrims. His feast day is celebrated on 24th Feb.

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## Parish Website

Our website is [www.carrigallenparish.ie](http://www.carrigallenparish.ie). The Parish Newsletter is uploaded to the site each weekend and you will also find a link to the daily livestreamed Masses from Carrigallen.

## Parish Newsletter

This newsletter promotes Church, Voluntary and Community events. Articles for this newsletter, which must state author's name and phone number, can be written into one of the church diaries before 5pm on Thursdays or emailed to [carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie](mailto:carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie) by 5pm on Fridays. The editors reserve the right to omit or amend articles.

## Gospel Reflection

Luke 6: 27-38

In today's very familiar Gospel Jesus is telling the disciples how he wants them to live. He asks them to be good to everyone, even those who hate them. To treat everyone as they would want to be treated themselves. Not to judge other people, to be kind and compassionate, and to forgive those who hurt them. He also asks them to be generous. To give what they have to anyone who asks them. Giving can be a wonderful thing. It can make us feel happy, because we are making other people happy too. Giving doesn't have to be with expensive presents. We can give people our love, our time, our friendship, our kindness. We can give them comfort when they are sad. Jesus says that those of us who are generous will receive much more back in return.

This Gospel explains to us the challenge of what it means to be a true disciple and follower of Jesus. To do so means to be more like God who loves us beyond our expectations, beyond anything we can possibly imagine. In response to this love we are to love as God loves, beyond expectations and with a depth beyond our dreams. We must learn to forgive and show mercy to others in the way that God is merciful to us. We must learn to let go of past hurts, resentments and grudges. This in turn will free up our hearts and minds so that we can become more understanding, compassionate, kind and generous individuals. "The amount that you measure out is the amount that you will be given back".

**Parish Masses Week Commencing  
Sat 19th February 2022**

**Carrigallen:**

All Masses are live streamed on [www.churchtv.ie](http://www.churchtv.ie) - click on Carrigallen

Sun 20th 11:15am John & Mary Kate Morrow, Aughawillan & deceased family members

Tue 22nd 10:00am Missa Pro Populo

Thr 24th 7:30pm Jim Plunkett & John McGoohan (Celebrant: Fr Ultan McGoohan)

Fri 25th 7:30pm John Brady, Cornaugh

Sun 27th 11:15am Jim & Lily O'Neill, Killahurk

**Weekday Mass:** Tue, Wed 10:00am, Thurs, Fri 7:30pm

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Tues 6:30pm-7:30pm and Wed 10:30am-11:30am

**Drumeela:**

Sun 20th 10:00am Mary Kate Kiernan, Drumeela and deceased family members

Sun 27th 10:00am Missa Pro Populo

**Weekday Mass:** No weekday Mass this week

**Drumreilly:**

Sat 19th 8:00pm John Blessing, Corrala & deceased family members

Sat 26th 8:00pm Mary Kate & John Brady, Carrickmakeegan

**Weekday Mass:** Thurs at 7:30pm

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Tues 7:00pm - 8:00pm



**Carrigallen Club Lotto**

Available online at <https://member.clubspot.app/club/carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets> or from local vendors. Jackpot €17,500. If not won there will be four lucky dip prizes of €25.

**Carrigallen GAA Lights Up**

In conjunction with Operation Transformation, Carrigallen GAA Light-Up the grounds every Wed between 7:30am-9:00pm. Come along to walk, jog or run with your family, friends and our local community in a safe environment. Everyone is welcome!

**Collections Last Weekend**

Details next week

**Drumreilly Active Age**

We hold our weekly meetings on Wed nights at 8pm in Drumreilly Community Centre. Our many activities include gentle exercises to music, card games, guest speakers, art classes, etc... Refreshments served. Annual subscriptions now due and new members always welcome.

**Drumreilly Drive-In Bingo**

Weekly Bingo fundraising event for the Community Centre and the G.A.A. club takes place every Sun in Drumreilly G.A.A. car park, Carrickmakeegan starting at 3pm. The prize-fund is €1,750 with €500 on the last game. Books cost €10 and there is a raffle on the day. All support welcome and appreciated.



**We Pray For ...**

Aoife Donegan Kennedy, Gortahose whose funeral took place on Thurs 17th Feb in St Mary's Church, Drumreilly followed by cremation in Lakelands Crematorium, Cavan

... and for ...



Thomas Doonan, Carrigallen whose funeral took place in St Mary's Church, Carrigallen on Fri 18th Feb followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery

... and for ...

Michael Heslin, Druminbawn (brother of Deirdre Connolly, Druminshingore) whose funeral took place in St Joseph's Church, Aughavas on Fri 18th Feb followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery.

May their souls rest in peace.

**St Patrick's College,  
Maynooth**

Postgraduate Programme applications now open. Explore the range of full-time, part-time and blended postgraduate programmes from certificate, diplomas and Masters to doctorate level. Contact 01-7084772 or see [maynoothcollege.ie/postgraduate](http://maynoothcollege.ie/postgraduate).

**Give Blood and Save a Life**

The Irish Blood Transfusion Service are accepting blood donations this Tue & Wed 22nd & 23rd Feb in The Bush Hotel, Carrick-on-Shannon from 3:45pm to 8pm. To book an appointment call 1 800 731 137. All blood groups needed and first time donors are very welcome.



**Ballinamore library - Digital Support for Senior Citizens**

The 'Digital Support for Older People' Project will provide digital support across Leitrim Libraries by way of a 'drop n' digital support facility, where training and support to older people in the use of digital technology will be provided in 1-to-1, 2.5-to-3-hour slots in local libraries, weekly. The service is free to those who wish to be supported in becoming familiar with smartphones, tablets, iPad or laptops. Guidance regarding texting, using an email address, downloading apps, looking up information, online shopping/ banking, making appointments, accessing government and public health information, using social media, etc. There will also be a focus on online safety and spotting a scam. Contact 071-9645566 for further info.



**Thought for the Week**

One small positive thought in the morning can change your whole day.