

Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

St. Mary's, Carrigallen (Week commencing Sun. 15th Sept. 2024):

Sun. 15th Sept. 11.15 am – Seán Duffy, Errew.

2.00 pm – Kilmore Diocesan PTAA Mass & Presentation of Pins.

Mon. 16th Sept. 10.00 am – Mass of the Day.

Tues. 17th Sept. 7.30 pm – Michael & Christina Hackett, Church Street.

Wed. 18th Sept. 10.00 am – Missa Pro Populo.

Sat. 21st Sept. 12 noon - Annie Hamilton, Cornafest (**Month's Mind Mass**).

Sun. 22nd Sept. 11.15am – John Duffy, Errew, Larry Reilly, Beaghmore & D.F.M's

Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm & Wed. 10.30 am to 11.30 am.

St. Mary's, Drumeela (Week commencing Sun. 15th Sept. 2024):

Sun. 15th Sept. 10.00 am – Elizabeth & John Shannon, Druminchingore.

Fri. 20th Sept. 7.30 pm - Fergus O'Brien, London & Drumeela.

Sun. 22nd Sept. 2.30 pm – Mass of Thanksgiving to mark the bi-centenary of the opening of the Church. Chief Celebrant: Bishop Martin Hayes.

St. Mary's, Drumreilly (Week commencing Sat. 14th Sept. 2024):

Sat. 14th Sept. 8.00 pm – Matthew & Mary Fee, Clonboyher.

Thurs. 19th Sept. 7.30 pm – Mattie, Peter, Celia & all the deceased members of the Mc Goohan family, Ardunsaghan.

Sat. 21st Sept. 8.00 pm – Bernie & Rose Mc Govern, Crickeen.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday evenings from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

CHURCH AREA	OFFERTORY COLLECTION 7 th /8 th SEPT.	HOLY LAND COLLECTION
Carrigallen	€740	€335
Drumeela	€196	€112
Drumreilly	€329	€179

Feast Days / Memorials this Week (16th Sept. – 21st Sept. 2024

Mon – St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian. **Tues.** – St. Robert Bellarmine. **Wed.** – St. Richardis of Bavaria. **Thur.** – Our Lady of La Salette. **Fri.** – St. Eustace of Rome. **Sat.** – St. Matthew.

Thought for the Season of Creation: "Adopt the pace of nature. Her secret is patience."

THE PARISH OF MULLAGH & CROSS WELCOMES ST. KILIAN HOME from **Thurs. 3rd to Sat. 6th Oct.** for the first time in 1,300 years. The days will include a procession from Mullagh Lake, a concert, a procession through the town of Mullagh, Mass at dawn, a welcome in the Cathedral, events for primary/secondary children, and many opportunities to venerate the relics. We welcome Bishop Franz Jung from Würzburg with over 100 pilgrims. Full schedule and details about all aspects of the visit at www.kilmorediocese.ie

LOUGH DERG – FINAL ONE DAY RETREATS on **Sat. 21st & Sun. 22nd Sept.** Admission €45. Book on 071-9861518 or email: info@loughderg.org Visit www.loughderg.org



In our Prayers, we remember:

NOEL MOORE, Scotland and formerly of Cornafean (*brother of Rose Mc Intyre, Gortermone*) whose funeral took place in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Coronea on Sat. 7th Sept. followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery. **ASTRID MURPHY (née Mc Cartin)** Newcastle-upon-Tyne and formerly of Newtowngore. Funeral arrangements later. **CIANÁN REDMOND**, Drumeela & Duleek who died recently. *May their souls rest in heavenly peace. Amen.*

LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY INFORMATION MEETINGS: Are you being called? We are pleased to announce the dates for the information evenings for the Ministry of Lay Pastoral Worker Program. The meeting takes place in your area in The Island Theatre, Ballinamore on this **Tuesday 17th September at 8:00 PM**. Brochures are also available in each Church providing further details. You can also find comprehensive information on the Kilmore Diocesan Website at www.kilmorediocese.ie If you are unable to attend in person we offer an option to join an online information meeting (*Register by emailing Seán at directorkdpc@kilmorediocese.ie*) or one of the other scheduled meetings in the diocese; all the details are on the website. Bishop Martin and team will be present at all the meetings and are looking forward to meeting you. If you have any queries, please email Martina at pastoralservices@kilmorediocese.ie or telephone 085-8640299.

BI-CENTENARY OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH, DRUMEELA: As you are aware St. Mary's Church, Drumeela is 200 years old and to mark the occasion Bishop Martin Hayes will celebrate Mass on Sunday next 22nd Sept. at 2.30 pm. He will be joined by native priests from the parish, previous serving priests in the parish and neighbouring priests together with parishioners. After mass there will be a tree planting ceremony, the unveiling of a centenary seat and a prayer at the church bell which has called people to prayer down the centuries. Afterwards everyone is invited for refreshments in Teach Dúchais. Due to these celebrations the 10.00 Mass will be transferred to 2.30 pm on the day.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED: It is that time of year again, we are asking parents and grandparents to encourage their children/grandchildren to become altar servers. This invitation is given to children from 3rd class to 6th class. Altar serving helps children gain confidence, courage and understanding of the Mass. Please contact Audrey Mc Loughlin, Edel Mc Cartin, Liz Prior for application forms.

STUDY THEOLOGY ONLINE: The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before **17th September 2024**. Visit: www.prioryinstitute.com for more info.

POOR CLARES MONASTIC EXPERIENCE DAY FOR WOMEN 18-35: An opportunity to explore and experience Poor Clare life and spirituality. The event will take place in Galway from **10 am to 5 pm on Sat. 21st Sept.** Contact: vocations@poorclares.ie to book a place. More information on: www.poorclares.ie/monastic-experiencedays

ANNUAL 'SMALL COIN' COLLECTION WEEK in aid of St. Mary's N.S., Drumlea, will run this year from **Sat. 5th to Sat. 12th Oct.** If you have coins of any value, we would appreciate it if you could donate them to the school. There will be a collection bucket in St. Mary's Church, Drumlea during the 8.00 pm Mass on both Saturday nights. Every coin counts! Thank you.

CARRIGALLEN TIDY TOWNS are holding a meeting on **Thursday 19th September at 8.30 pm** in the Tom Clarke meeting room. New members are welcome to join the group.

WEEKLY PARISH BINGO INCLUDING RAFFLES on *Friday nights* in Drumreilly Community Centre and on *Sunday nights* in Carrigallen Community Hall, starting at 8.30 pm sharp in both venues. Please support your local weekly bingo events.

CARRIGALLEN CLUB ON-LINE LOTTO: Jackpot **€10,400**. 4 lucky dip prizes of **€50** if not won. Extra prize for holders of “*weekly recurring tickets*”. Click on “*Automatically Renew Purchase*” at checkout. Draw this **Sunday 15th September** on our Facebook Page. Tickets: <https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets>

DRUMREILLY ACTIVE AGE GROUP: Our weekly meetings are held in Drumreilly Community Centre on **Wednesday nights starting at 8.30 pm**. Many and varied activities including gentle exercise. Refreshments served. New members welcome.

CULTURE NIGHT 2024 will be celebrated on **Fri. Sept. 20th in Ballinamore Library at 7pm** with the launch of ‘*Rakes of Music*’. This is an online collection of Leitrim’s rich tradition of music, song and dance, curated by traditional singer and researcher, Fionnuala Maxwell. Local musicians will perform, refreshments served. All are welcome.



THE IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE: Donations will be accepted at the Bush Hotel, Carrick-on-Shannon on this **Tuesday and Wednesday 17th/18th September from 15.50 pm to 20.10 pm daily**. Please ring 1 800 222 111 for an appointment, with your donor ID number if an existing donor. New donors welcome and should ring 1 800 731137 to register. Give blood and save a life. Thank you.

CARRIGALLEN YOUTH THEATRE: Calling young people from 1st year to 6th year secondary school to join youth theatre drama sessions in Carrigallen Community Hall starting on **Tuesday 17th September from 7.15 pm to 9.15 pm for 10 weeks**. Further enquiries/enrolment contact mary.blake@leitrimcoco.ie This is a professional arts programme, where you can explore your own individual creativity, all aspects of making theatre, and be part of a very positive vibrant youth theatre network in Leitrim.

INFORMATION WALK-IN CLINICS IN MOHILL & BALLINAMORE LIBRARIES: Are you an adult considering education? Are you unsure of your options and need further information or guidance? The Leitrim Adult Educational Guidance Service will be in Mohill Library on **Tues. 17th Sept. from 12 noon to 4.00 pm** and Ballinamore Library on **Thurs. 19th Sept. 10.00 am to 4.00 pm** to answer any question you might have. No appointment necessary, just come along on the day.

Priest Phone Numbers: Fr. John Mc Mahon [433 9610](tel:4339610) / *Mob. 086-2126582*.

Parish Cluster: Fr. Seán Mawn, Ballinamore [071-9644039](tel:0719644039) or [087-6869040](tel:0876869040);

Fr. Andrew Tully, Killeshandra [049-4334179](tel:0494334179) or [086-8050526](tel:0868050526);

Fr. Peter Tiernan, Cloone/Aughavas [071-9636016](tel:0719636016) or [086-3500114](tel:0863500114).

Parish Website: www.carrigallenparish.ie The Parish Newsletter is uploaded to the site each weekend & you will also find a link to the daily livestreamed Masses from Carrigallen.

Parish Newsletter: It promotes Church, Voluntary and Community events. Newsletter articles must state author’s name & phone number & can be written into one of the church diaries before **5.00 pm or Wednesdays** or emailed to carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie by **12 noon on Fridays**. The editors reserve the right to omit or amend articles.

Parish Newsletter

St. Mary’s Parish

Carrigallen – Drumeela – Drumreilly

15th Sept. 2024 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

GOSPEL REFLECTION (Mark 8: 27-35)

In today's Gospel, Jesus is going to do a bit of teaching, but like most teachers He also asks questions to find out how much the pupils, His Disciples, already know and understand. Jesus is aware that there are various opinions floating around the wider community about who He really is. Some think He is one of the reincarnated prophets of old while others consider Him as being somewhat akin to John the Baptist or even perhaps a completely new prophet. Now Jesus asks His disciples “*who do you think I am*”, and the emphasis here is on the word “*you*”. It would be very important that the disciples knew the true identity of Jesus and also His purpose on earth. After all, it would be His disciples who would continue His teaching ministry long after His return to the Father. Peter answered, “*You are the Christ*” and this answer confirmed the disciples understanding of Jesus’ true character and uniqueness.

Now that the disciples have acknowledged Jesus as the Christ, Jesus confides in them about the future of his earthly ministry: he will be rejected, must suffer and die, and will rise after three days. They find this news very upsetting, and Peter rejects this prediction. Jesus rebukes him severely. The image of Christ that Jesus is giving is not the image of the Messiah that Peter was expecting. Jesus then teaches the crowd and the disciples about the path of discipleship: To be Christ’s disciple is to follow in the way of the cross. This is not always easy, but we must persevere in our endeavours to follow the Gospel at all times. God will always be with us to encourage and strengthen us on life’s journey, especially when the going is difficult.

So, this week, let us pray for the strength to carry one’s cross humbly and patiently while relying on the same grace that helped Christ. May our practical faith help us to understand and live the mystery of the cross. Amen.