

**Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:**

**St. Mary's, Carrigallen (Week commencing Sun. 09<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2025):**

**Sun. 09<sup>th</sup> Feb. – 11.15 am:** Thomas Molahan, Tully.  
Bridget & Vincent Greene, Drumbannon & D.F.M's.

**Mon. 10<sup>th</sup> Feb. – 10.00 am:** Mass of the Day.

**Tues. 11<sup>th</sup> Feb. – 7.30 pm:** Mass of the Day.

**Wed. 12<sup>th</sup> Feb. – 10.00 am:** Mass of the Day.

**Fri. 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. – 7.00 pm:** Memorial Mass for Seán Kelleher, Mullinadaragh.

**Sun. 16<sup>th</sup> Feb. – 11.15 am:** John & Mary Kate Morrow, Aughawillan & 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. 09<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2025):**

**Sun. 09<sup>th</sup> Feb. 10.00 am:** Missa Pro Populo.

**Sun. 16<sup>th</sup> Feb. 10.00 am:** Seamus Mc Cartan, Drumucker.

**St. Mary's, Drumreilly (Week commencing Sat. 08<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2025):**

**Sat. 08<sup>th</sup> Feb. 8.00 pm:** John Blessing, Corrala & D.F.M's.

**Thurs. 13<sup>th</sup> Feb. 7.30 pm:** Pat Mc Govern, Kinkeen & D.F.M's.

**Sat. 15<sup>th</sup> Feb. 8.00 pm:** Aoife Donegan-Kennedy, Gortahose.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

CHURCH AREA	OFFERTORY COLLECTION: 01 <sup>st</sup> /02 <sup>nd</sup> Feb.
Carrigallen	€780
Drumeela	€254
Drumreilly	€360

**Feast Days / Memorials during the Coming Week (10<sup>th</sup> Feb. – 15<sup>th</sup> Feb.)**

**Mon.** – St. Scholastica of Italy.      **Tues.** – Our Lady of Lourdes.

**Wed.** – St. Anthony of Saxony.      **Thur.** – St. Fionán of Druim-Neoid.

**Fri.** – St. Valentine of Rome.      **Sat.** – St. Berach of Kilbarry.

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** In February, nature reminds us that even in the coldest moments, beauty can still flourish.

**GROW IN LOVE**

Our parish and parents are continuing to prepare their children for First Confession and First Holy Communion by taking part in the programme "Grow in Love" on next **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 8.00 pm** in St. Mary's, Drumreilly and on **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February at 11.15 am** in St. Mary's, Carrigallen.



**RECENT BAPTISM:** With joy, we welcome Baby Eoghan James Mc Govern, Curraghboy who was baptised into our Faith Community on **Sunday 02<sup>nd</sup> February** in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen and we congratulate his parents, Marisa and Andrew.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** meeting which was cancelled last week is now re-scheduled for this **Wednesday night (12<sup>th</sup> Feb.) starting at 8.30 pm sharp** in the Tom Clarke Memorial Room, Carrigallen Hall. All members please attend.

**ANNUAL WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK – 11<sup>th</sup> FEB:** Pope John Paul II initiated the day in 1992 to encourage people to pray for those who suffer from illness and for their caregivers. The Pope himself had been diagnosed with Parkinson's a year before, in 1991, and it is considered that his own illness was impetus for his designation of the day. World Day of the Sick was first observed on 11<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1993 which is also the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes, which a name is given to the Virgin Mary in honour of the apparitions that occurred in and around Lourdes, witnessed by Bernadette Soubirous who later became St. Bernadette. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.

**LOURDES ASSISTED PILGRIMAGE FUND:** Basket Collection after communion at all Masses **next weekend 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> Feb.** This collection subsidises the Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes for individuals whose health and/or means would otherwise prevent them from travelling to Lourdes. It also subsidises the travel of care personnel.

**THE MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS REGIONAL CENACLE** takes place on this **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February** in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Rooskey. Holy Rosary, Confession and Holy Hour starts at 7.00 pm. Holy Mass at 8.00 pm. All welcome.

**AN EVENING OF PRAYER AND HEALING** led by Fr. John Walsh (*Limerick*) will take place in St. Brigid's Church, Killygarry, Cavan on **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February.** Confessions from 6.15 pm, Rosary from 7.00 pm with Holy Mass at 7.30 pm. Concluding with the laying on of hands and Benediction. Water, Salt and Oil will be blessed on the night.

**DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE** in the Main Hall of the RDS, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4 on **21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, & 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025.** This year's theme is '*Repent, so that a time of refreshing may come*'. Tickets can be purchased by phone on 085-2216128 or on [www.divinemercyconference.com](http://www.divinemercyconference.com) Friday evening is free. Some of this year's speakers will be Archbishop Dermot Farrell, Fr. Pat Collins and Fr. Brendan Walsh.

**G.A.A. HEALTHY CLUB - IRELAND LIGHTS UP** continues on **Wednesday nights** at Carrigallen GAA Pitch Walking Track. The track will be open and lit up with sign in from **7.00 pm to 8.30 pm.** This is a good opportunity to walk safely, enjoy a chat and get fit on these dark winter evenings. Please wear a hi-vis. Everyone welcome.

**CARRIGALLEN PARENT & TODDLER GROUP:** Weekly meetings in Carrigallen Community Care Centre on **Friday mornings from 10.00 am to 11.30 am.** €2 per child or €5 if three or more children in a family. For more info. contact Patrice on 086-6035977.

**WEEKLY PARISH BINGO** continues in Drumreilly Community Centre on **Friday nights starting at 8.30 pm sharp.** Raffle on the night. All support appreciated.

**CARRIGALLEN CLUB ON-LINE LOTTO:** Jackpot **€12,500**. 4 lucky dip prizes of **€50** if not won. Extra prize for holders of “*weekly recurring tickets*”. Click on “*Automatically Renew Purchase*” at checkout. Live Draw this **Sunday 09<sup>th</sup> Feb.** can be viewed on our Facebook Page. Tickets: <https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets>

**LEITRIM PPN OUTREACH CLINIC AT THE LIBRARY** in Ballinamore on **Thurs. 13<sup>th</sup> Feb. from 10 am to 1 pm.** We will have the Humanitarian Assistance Scheme forms if anyone wishes to get one. Also, a list of grants available. All PPN registered group members welcome and if your group is not registered come along to find out more.

**EVENING COMPUTER COURSE** for beginners starting in late February. From **7.00 pm to 9.00 pm on Tues. & Thurs.** each week in the Mohill Enterprise Centre. Leading to a Major Award - Certificate in Information and Communication Technologies. Modules include - Computer Literacy, Word Processing, Communications, Spreadsheets, Internet Skills, Mathematics. Contact: 071-9632024 or email [info@mct.ie](mailto:info@mct.ie) to book a place now.

### A PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES (FEAST DAY: 11TH FEB.)

Ever Immaculate Virgin Mother of Mercy, Health of the sick, refuge of sinners, Comforter of the afflicted, you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings; look with mercy on me. By appearing in the Grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, whence you dispense your favours; and already many sufferers have obtained the cure for their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal. I come, therefore, with complete confidence to implore your maternal intercession. Obtain, O loving Mother, the grant of my requests. Through gratitude for your favours, I will endeavour to imitate your virtues, that I may one day share your glory. Amen.

### A PRAYER FOR SPRING

God of love, you enter into our spring seasons, into our deepest places of inner dwelling, into the heart of our transformation. You give us glimpses of the truth. May we allow our experience of spring to speak to us of necessary change and growth. Grant us an openness to the continuous process of letting go and moving on that is a part of the human condition. We are grateful that you are our faithful companion on this journey. Amen.

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Fr. Andrew Tully, Killeshandra **049-4334179 or 086-8050526;**

Fr. Peter Tiernan, Cloone/Aughavas **071-9636016 or 086-3500114.**

**Parish Website:** [www.carrigallenparish.ie](http://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](mailto:carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie) by **12 noon on Fridays.** The editors reserve the right to omit or amend articles.

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# Parish Newsletter

## St. Mary's Parish

Carrigallen – Drumeela – Drumreilly

09<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2025 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C

### GOSPEL REFLECTION



Today's Gospel (Luke 5: 1 - 11) opens with Jesus by the lake shore looking for a little space from the people who are pressing around Him to hear “*the word of God*”. Jesus sees two empty boats and gets into the one that belongs to Simon Peter and asks him to move the boat out from the shore. Having gained the distance that He requires, Jesus then sits down and teaches the crowd from the boat.

Simon, no doubt was listening to Jesus, but he was also concerned about cleaning the nets and getting ready to go home, probably disappointed and frustrated as they had fished all night without a single catch. Jesus was also aware of this and invites Simon and his companions to put out into deep water and lower the nets for a catch. Simon was a little hesitant at first but agreed to follow Jesus' instructions. The dramatic result brings Simon to his knees. He acknowledges his limitations and his sinfulness. Jesus then requests Simon to change his present business of catching fish to catching men instead. On returning safely to the shore, Simon and his companions leave everything and follow Jesus.

Simon was chosen to be a leader of Jesus' Disciples, and we hear the words of encouragement “*Do not be afraid*” spoken to him by Jesus. These same words are also being spoken to us today by Jesus as we are also the chosen people of God, and we are encouraged to leave behind things and follow the Lord according to our circumstances. God will enlighten us to find a way in assisting one another in seeking and understanding Him.