

Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events

Carrigallen (Week commencing Saturday 28th Nov. 2020):

All Carrigallen Masses are livestreamed on www.churchtv.ie

Sat. 28th Nov. 8.00 pm - Maureen O'Reilly, Curraghboy.

Sun. 29th Nov. 11.15 am - Mary & James Grimes, Beaghmore.

Mon. 30th Nov. 10.00 am - November Lists of the Deceased.

Tues. 01st Dec. 7.30 pm - Seán Reilly, Drumbreanlis.

Wed. 02nd Dec. 10.00 am - Pro Populo.

Sun. 06th Dec. 11.15 am - Dec'd members of the Sheridan family, Calloughs.

Weekday Masses: Mon. Wed. Thurs. & Fri. at 10.00 am. Tues. at 7.30 pm.

Drumeela:

Sun. 06th Dec. 10.00 am - Therese & Pauric Mc Gurren, Corglass and also remembering their grandparents.

Weekday Mass: None.

Drumreilly:

Sat. 05th Dec. 8.00 pm - Con & Elizabeth Mc Kiernan, Derrindrehid and their son Con, Templeport.

Weekday Mass: None.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

SAINT OF THE WEEK – ST. GERALD OF MAYO.

Gerald was born in Northumbria and was one of a group of thirty Anglo-Saxon monks who accompanied St. Colman of Lindisfarne to Ireland in 668 and settled on the island of Inishbofin. The monks complained that their Irish brethren went preaching around the country during the summer, leaving them to do all the work. Colman resolved the dispute by settling the monks in a separate foundation in Mayo, with Gerald as its abbot. In Castlebar there is a St. Gerald's College (*De La Salle*) commemorating this saint. His feast day is celebrated on **5th Dec.**

Weekly Offertory Collection

Carrigallen €580 * Drumeela €110 * Drumreilly €220

Memorial Mass: This November, the Chaplaincy Dept. of Cavan General Hospital are holding a Remembrance Mass for all who passed away in the hospital during the past year and for departed relatives/friends of Staff. Usually, we invite relatives to join us in person, but this year our Mass must take on a different format. It will be held in the Cavan Cathedral on this **Mon. 30th Nov. at 10.00 am** and although we can't ask you to join us in the Cathedral, **you can watch online at <https://www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral>** and light a candle at that time in remembrance of your loved one.



We remember in our prayers:

Mary Connolly (*née Mc Govern*), Cattan, Mohill (*sister of Anne Lomasney, Calloughs*) whose funeral took place in St. Patrick's Church, Mohill on **Sun. 22nd Nov.** followed by burial in the adjoining Cemetery.

Marion Corcoran, Keash, Co. Sligo (*wife of Tom Corcoran, Cloncorrick & mother of Bernie Harte, Calloughs*) whose

funeral took place in Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church, Culfadda, Sligo on **Sat. 28th Nov.** followed by burial in Knockbrack Cemetery. May their souls rest in peace.

Blessing of the Graves

Fr. John blessed the graves in the five Cemeteries of the parish during November. This little ceremony can be viewed on the News/Events page on the parish website: www.carrigallenparish.ie

North West Hospice: Illuminate your memories this Christmas on the Hospice Memorial Tree. Sponsor a tree light for €5 in memory of your loved one and it will shine all through the festive season. Visit www.northwesthospice.ie/memorialtree or call **071-9170523**. Christmas cards and baubles are also available.

St. Vincent de Paul: Carrigallen, Drumeela and Aughavas. St. Vincent de Paul is appealing to the public this year as usual with their SVP Christmas Collection. Due to COVID-19 restrictions there are some changes in the way we are collecting donations for SVP. The SVP envelopes available here in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen can be used for your contribution, so please bring one and also one for a neighbour if you can. The sealed envelope with contribution is then placed in the dues box in the porches of Carrigallen or Drumeela Churches. The demand for help never stops, we must try to give as generously as we can. Thank You. If you need help or would like to contribute in another way, please ring our confidential no: **087-6024223**.

Drumreilly Drive-in Bingo Committee are planning to resume our Sunday afternoon Drive-in Bingo session in Drumreilly G.A.A. Park, Carrickmakeegan on **Sun. 6th Dec.** at the earlier starting time of **2.30 pm**. Usual prizes including **€1,000** on the final game. Your continuing support will be very much appreciated. Check out Drumreilly GAA Facebook Page for event updates.

Carrigallen G.A.A. Club Lotto is available on-line. Jackpot **€11,100**. Tickets can be purchased from our usual vendors and also on our new App. Tickets for Members 100 Club also available on the App, see <https://member.clubspot.app/club/carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets>. Next draw this Sunday live on our Facebook Page.

An Advent Reflection

Sometimes waiting feels good...like when we are looking forward to meeting someone or waiting to go on holidays.... This kind of waiting is different to waiting frustratedly for the bus to come, or the phone to ring. When it is good to wait, it is because we believe that we will be fulfilled, that something wonderful and great will happen. Advent invites us to wait.....to wait consciously.....to wait openly for God.....to wait and notice God in our lives...in the bits and pieces of everyday. Advent invites us to live each day in expectation God is not in the past; in all our mistakes and failings and things we have left undone. God is not in the future; in all things we are rushing to do. God is in the present, trying to break through, to become incarnate in our world right now, in this moment. But only those who are waiting.... expecting ... watching for something wonderful.... will notice.

Advent Prayer: Gracious God, send us your grace this Advent Season so that we can prepare for your coming. Touch our hearts with longing so that we can better love and serve you and each other. Fill us with the hope that we can be transformed by your Spirit and so help transform the world. Give us the peace of knowing that you came to share our human life and redeem us for the sake of love. We ask these things in the name of Jesus whose Kingdom we seek.

Feast Days / Memorials during the Coming Week (30th Nov. – 5th Dec.) 2020:

Monday – St. Andrew (*Patron Saint of Scotland*) **Tuesday** – St. Edmund Campion.

Wednesday – St. Lupus of Verona. **Thursday** – St. Francis Xavier.

Friday - St. John of Damascus. **Saturday** – St. Gerald.

Priest Phone Numbers: Fr. John Mc Mahon **433 9610 / Mob. 086-2126582**.

Parish Cluster: Fr. S. Mawn, Ballinamore **071-9644039 or 087-6869040**; Fr. J. Cusack, Ballinamore **087-2408409**; Fr. D. Hannon, Arva **087-2830145**; Fr. C. O’Gorman, Killeshandra **049-4334179**, Fr. Peter Tiernan, Cloone/ Aughavas **071-9636016 or 086-3500114**.

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: 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 **5.00 pm or Thursdays** or emailed to carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie by **5.00 pm on Fridays**. The editors reserve the right to omit or amend articles.

Parish Newsletter

St. Mary’s Parish

Carrigallen – Drumeela – Drumreilly

29th Nov. 2020 – First Sunday of Advent – Year B



The word 'Advent' is from the Latin 'Adventus,' meaning 'coming.' Advent marks the beginning of a new Church year and lasts from the fourth Sunday before Christmas, until the celebration of the Nativity of Our Lord. Advent is a period of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to the time when Christ will come again and to the remembrance and celebration of the first coming of Christ to us at Christmas.

The advent wreath has a rich meaning. The circle of the wreath, with no beginning or end, symbolises the eternity of God. The evergreen reminds us of the everlasting life we have in Christ while any pine-cones or pods in the wreath represent new life and resurrection. The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. Purple is traditionally a colour of penance and prayer while the rose/pink candle that is lit on the Third Sunday marks our joy as we move ever closer to Christmas.