

## THE STORY OF EASTER IS ALLELUIA

Alleluia is a word like tears, music, smiles and hugs that transcends all language barriers. Alleluia is our song of hope, a song of joy, a song that invites us to clap and dance and to sing it again and again.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

It is a song of freedom, freedom from fear, guilt, from punishment and most of all freedom from the fear of death forever. It is a freedom that does not come cheap.

It costs the weight, the tears, the blood of Christ and the Cross.

## AN EASTER PRAYER

Good and gracious God, our most glorious Creator,

As we greet the signs in nature around us:

Of Spring once again regaling us in bloom.

In the songs of returning birds and fields soon to be planted,

We give you praise for an even greater sign of new life: the resurrection of your Son,

Our Lord Jesus Christ, that we especially celebrate at this time.

The sadness and despair of his death has given way to the bright promise of immortality.

For the Resurrection is our guarantee that justice will triumph over treason.

Light will overcome darkness, and love will conquer death.

As we celebrate, we also ask for your grace that we may live the promise given to us, By imitating the life of Jesus in reaching out to the poor, the marginalized, the least among us, as we strive to be a neighbour to all of those we meet.

We ask your special blessings each and every day on our world.

We praise you in this Easter season. Change our lives and change our hearts to be messengers of Easter joy and hope.

We make our prayer through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord and Saviour. AMEN

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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@kilmorediocese.ie](mailto:carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie) by 5.00 pm on Fridays.

The editors reserve the right to omit or amend any notice.

# Parish Newsletter

Easter Sunday 4th April 2021 Year B

## E A S T E R M E S S A G E

*It's hard to believe we are in the same situation as last year, with the celebration of Easter online. Again, we are asked to limit our contacts preventing us meeting as family and friends. Thankfully, there is light at the end of the tunnel with the rollout of the vaccine which will give some semblance of normality.*

*The Gospel readings at Easter speak of Jesus encounters with his disciples after his resurrection. He comes to them not only behind closed doors but despite the closed doors. He reaches into their fears and worries and gives them new heart.*

*At the Easter Vigil in one of the readings from the Prophet Ezekiel, God speaks to the heart and promises: "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you." Jesus is the one who can do this. In the rising of Jesus, we are given the gift of the new spirit, a fresh heart to overcome our weariness and frustrations.*

*On our own terms and relying solely on our own resources we are going nowhere. It's only with God's help we are given the ability to overcome suffering and death.*

*In this Easter of 2021, the greeting of the risen Jesus "Peace be with You" has a special place within us and speaks to our hearts: it is addressed to our fatigue, our embraces, our weariness and confronts our fears. God's promise still unfolds in us and around us and so we are able to set out again on life's journey.*

*During this Easter may you feel the power of God's love for you.*

*May you experience this love through the resurrection of Jesus.*

*Let us pray that our hearts and minds may be transformed by the hope that Easter gives us, so that we may work for peace and harmony.*

*May you and all your loved ones have a joy filled Easter.*

# Parish Masses *Anniversaries*

## Carrigallen *(All Masses are private & livestreamed on www.churchtv.ie)*

- Sat. 3rd April 8.00 pm Tess Gallogly, Curraghtawny  
[1ST ANNIVERSARY MASS]
- Sun 4th 11.15 am Paddy Cooke *Gortermone*  
[MONTH'S MIND MASS]
- Mon 5th 10.00 am Patrick & Gabrielle Maguire  
*Church Street*
- Tues 6th 7.30 pm Mass for Tuesday of Easter Week
- Wed 7th 10.00 am Missa Pro Populo
- Thurs 8th 10.00 am Mass for Thursday of Easter Week
- Fri 9th 10.00 am Mass for Friday of Easter Week
- Sat 10th 8.00 pm Paddy Corby & deceased members  
of the Corby family *Kilmore*
- Sun 11th 11.15 am Mary Kate, Philip & James Reilly  
*Aughawillan*

## Drumeela & Drumreilly

### No Masses

*Easter Holy Water is available today from the sanctuaries in our three Churches.*

*The Editors of the Parish Newsletter wish everyone a Happy & Holy Easter!*

### WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Carrigallen: €874 Drumeela: €130  
Drumreilly: €294

# General Notices

## *Ships*

*There are good ships, wood ships and ships that sail the high seas. But the best ships of all are friendships and may they always be.*

## DRUMREILLY ROADSIDE LITTER PICK-UP

Drumreilly IFA & GAA in conjunction with Leitrim Co Council, are holding a roadside litter picking from April 7th to 14th throughout the parish maintaining the current Government Covid-19 restrictions.

Everyone must carry out the litter picking individually with people from their own household within 5km of their own home.

Bags will be collected in the usual places by Seamus Quinn or Pádraig Fee.

Contact Seamus on: 086 8633839

## SHOP LOCAL

It's important that we make a conscious decision to SHOP LOCAL, EAT LOCAL, SPEND LOCAL & ENJOY LOCAL. The businesses in our local area need our support as these are the people we look to for Sponsorship, Fundraising etc... and they also give much needed employment to people from the local area.

## MARRIAGES

Many couples have postponed their wedding from 2020 to 2021, in the hope that larger numbers of guests will be able to attend. It is very important for couples to ensure that their Civil Registration Forms are still valid for the new date they have selected. If their Civil Registration Forms are out of date, their wedding will not be able to take place. It is the responsibility of the couples to ensure that all paperwork is up to date.

## Carrigallen GAA Club Lotto

is available on-line. Jackpot stands at €12,900. Tickets can be purchased from our usual vendors and 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 (4th April)  
LIVE on our Facebook Page.

## COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week from 8.00 am-8.00 pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

## Carrigallen Parent & Toddler Group

Zoom meeting this Friday, 9th April starting at 11.00 am.

*For further information and booking please contact 071-9631253.*

## TRÓCAIRE 2021

Trócaire 2021: Thank you for your solidarity during Lent with the poorest people of our world. Please drop your contributions into the secure metal boxes in the Church Porches as soon as possible. This is our gift of care for those in our world family in most need of Easter hope.

## AVE MARIA BIBLE STUDY GROUP

meet virtually on Zoom each Monday evening at 7.30 pm. Newcomers are always welcome to our informal friendly sharing together of God speaking to us through His Holy Word.

*For further information telephone Tom on 086-3478539.*