GOING GREEN THIS CHRISTMAS

(Ideas from the Kilmore Care of Creation Group)

Where possible shop local: If you spend local, you can rest assured that your money is benefiting the local economy. It will also reduce your carbon footprint and cut down on fuel consumption, air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions. Reduce waste and boost recycling: Set yourself a challenge and refuse to buy products which are excessively packaged. Select products in bottles, cans, corrugated cardboard and other recyclable packaging materials.

Christmas cards and wrapping paper costs trees! Simply wish someone a Happy Christmas. Share a Christmas greeting electronically or use an e-card service. Got last year's cards? Then get creative; you can make new cards from old ones. Search online for tips and ideas. Not for you? Then donate cards to local charities that will re-use them as a way to raise funds. Avoid shiny, foiled and plastic wrapping paper. It can't be recycled. Check labels and buy recyclable wrapping paper instead.

Consider making a charity donation: Somewhere safe to sleep, a warm bed, a hot meal; these can be the most important things to someone.

The gift of an indoor living plant: A spider plant will absorb air pollutants in a room. It increases humidity, absorbs ozone, and is therapeutic. A snake plant in the bedroom traps toxins during the day and gives out oxygen at night. Both plants are low maintenance, effective against allergies and add life and colour to indoor spaces.

Feast Days/Memorials during the Coming Week

6th Dec-11th Dec 2021

Monday – St. Nicholas (Patron Saint of Russia) • Tuesday – St. Ambrose (Patron Saint of Milan). • Wednesday – The Immaculate Conception of the BVM

Thursday – St. Juan Diego. • Friday – Our Lady of Loreto • Saturday – St. Cian of Wales.

Faithful Departed

We Pray for **P John Gormley, Glenties, Co. Donegal and formerly of Gubbs, Drumreilly whose funeral took** place in St. Connell's Church, Glenties on Tues. 23rd Nov. followed by burial in the local cemetery

Mary Smith (née Crowe), Drung, Co. Cavan (mother of Bridie Mc Hugh, Cois Locha, Carrigallen) whose funeral took place in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Drung on Wed. 1st Dec. followed by **burial in the local cemetery.** May thher soul rest in peace.

Priests Phone Numbers

Priests phone numbers: Fr John McMahon 049 433 9610. Mobile: 086 2126582. Fr S Mawn (B'more) 071 9644039/087 6869040. Fr J Cusack (B'more) 087 2408409. Fr D Hannon (Arva) 087 2830145. Fr C O'Gorman (Killeshandra) 049 4334179. Fr Peter Tiernan (Cloone/Aughavas) 071 9636016/086 3500114.

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 by 5.00 pm on Fridays. The editors reserve the right to omit or amend any notice.

Parish Newsletter

5th Dec 2021—2nd Sunday of Advent — Year C

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PREPARE A WAY FOR THE LORD

In today's Gospel (Luke 3: 1-6) we are given a list of political and religious leaders at the time of Caesar's reign.

During this time, John the Baptist was preaching in the desert and baptising people in the River Jordan. That baptism was different to ours as it meant full immersion in the river to wash away sins and evil doings of the past.

Of course, one greater that John was to come along and baptise with water and the Holy Spirit. John the Baptist was the person who bridges the time before the arrival of Jesus and prepares the way for Jesus's own ministry as prophesised by Isaiah.

The theme of this Advent Season is very much linked to John's preaching in the wilderness. His message prepared the way for Jesus, and we too are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming.

We can respond to John's message by repentance and reform of our lives. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives the coming of the Lord, as John did

Prayer for the week

Merciful God, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the people for the coming of your Son, Jesus. Help us to get ready as well. Lead us to make positive changes in our lives and the lives of others around us.

We make this prayer through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the BVM – Wed 8th Dec. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at the usual times.

Parish Masses/Anniversaries/Other Events

Carrigallen All Carrigallen Masses livestreamed on www.churchtv.ie
Sun 5th Dec 11.15 am Elizabeth & Charles Sheridan and

11.15 am Elizabeth & Charles Sheridan and deceased family members *Calloughs*

10.00 am John James McCabe [MONTH'S MIND]

Wed 8th 11.15 am Vincent & Lena Hoban *Main Street*Sun 12th 11.15 am Neil, Paul & Katie Kerrigan *Beaghmore*

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



Mon 6th

Drumeela

Sun 5th Dec 10.00 am Therese & Pauric McGurren and their

grandparents *Corglass*

Wed 8th 10.00 am Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate

Conception

Fri 10th 10.00 am Missa Pro Populo

Sun 12th 11.15 am Michael McGerty and deceased family

members *Annagh*

Drumreilly

Sat 4th Dec 8.00 pm Benedict Connolly, *Drumlea* and John

Connolly's wife. Bernie and deceased family

members Dublin

Turs 7th 8.00 pm Francie Quinn *Drumdiffer*

Thurs 9th 7.30 pm Deceased members of the Maguire

family Ardra and the McCartin family Ardunsaghan

Sat 11th Dec 8.00 pm Con & Lizzie McKiernan Derrindrehid

and their son Con McKiernan, *Templeport*

Eucharistic Adoration: Tues 7.00 $pm\ to\ 8.00\ pm.$

RECENT BAPTISM: We welcome Gavin Joseph Farrell, Clooncorick who was baptised into our Community of Faith on Sunday 28th Nov. in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen and we congratulate his parents, Niall and Rachel.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Carrigallen: € Drumeela: € Drumreilly: €



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

KILMORE APOSTOLIC SOCIETY MONTHLY DRAW

The winners of the November monthly draw held on Friday 26th Nov. are as follows:

1st Prize €200 - Martina Malanaphy, Kinawley, Co Fermanagh.

2nd Prize €100 - Patrick Reilly, Virginia, Co Cavan.

Lectio Divina reflections on the Advent and Christmas Gospels

The Priory Institute is delighted to offer a Free of Charge online retreat which is a repeat of the popular Advent Retreat we ran in 2018. Visit our website prioryinstitute.com or click on this link: https://bit.ly/3DWrTkxtoregister/find out more.

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The 2022 magazine is now for sale in the usual outlets, or you can purchase online at www.leitrimquardian.ie



ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of 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, 8.00am-8.00pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

DRUMREILLY WINTER FUNDRAISER

The Draw will take place on Sat. 11th Dec. in the Community Centre at 9.00 pm. Tickets still available from any member of the Committee and will be on sale during the interval at Sunday's Drive-in Bingo.

Cost €10 for 1 ticket, €20 for 3 or €50 for the full book of 8 tickets.

Purchasing a ticket will enter you into a draw to win up to 9 prizes ranging from a Garden Bundle worth €1,000 to Cash & Vouchers.

Tickets also available online at:

www.idonate.ie/raffle/drumreillycommunityfundraiser

All support for this annual fundraiser appreciated

Carrigallen Club Lotto available on-line. Jackpot now stands at €16,400. If not won, there are 4 lucky dip prizes of €25. Next draw this Sun. (05th Dec.) live on our Facebook Page. Purchase a ticket from your local vendor or online via our official Carrigallen Club App. *or at* https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets

Leitrim Guardian 2022: Having considered the current situation with regard to Covid numbers, the Leitrim Guardian Committee have decided, in the interest of safety, to defer the official launch of the 2022 Leitrim Guardian magazine for the present. It is hoped to have the launch at a safer and more favourable time.

SACRED HEART MESSENGER (DRUMREILLY)

Subscriptions now due for 2022. Your envelope can be dropped into the mailbox in our Church Porch. Thanks to all who have already subscribed. New members always welcome. Your local promoter is Susan Maquire, phone 086-1686444.

Drumreilly Drive-in Bingo

this Sunday in the G.A.A. Grounds, Carrickmakeegan starting at 3.00 pm sharp. The prize-fund is €1,750 with €500 on the last game and books cost €10. A raffle on the day. Thank you for supporting your local weekly bingo session. Special Christmas Bingo on Sunday 19th Dec.

More details next week

Thought for the Week: God writes with a pen that never blots, speaks with a tongue that never slips, and acts with a hand that never fails.