#### Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

#### Carrigallen (Week commencing Sunday 23rd April 2023):

Sun. 23rd April 11.15 am - Rose Tierney, Tully (1st Anniv. Mass).

Mon. 24th April 10.00 am - Missa Pro Populo.

Tues. 25th April 7.30 pm - Seamus & Margaret Williams, Cloncorrick.

**Wed. 26**<sup>th</sup> **April 10.00 am** - Mass of the Day.

Sun. 30th April 11.15 am - Francie & Elizabeth Mc Glynn, Cloncorrick.

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

### Drumeela (Week commencing Sunday 23rd April 2023):

<u>Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup> April 10.00 am</u> – John & Mary Kate Fitzpatrick, Drumloona.

<u>Fri. 28<sup>th</sup> April 7.30 pm</u> - Mass of the Day. **Sun. 30<sup>th</sup> April 10.00 am** - Missa Pro Populo.

## Drumreilly (Week commencing Saturday 22nd April 2023):

Sat. 22<sup>nd</sup> April 8.00 pm - Paddy Connolly, Ardunsaghan & D.F.M's.

Thurs. 27th April 7.30 pm - Mass of the Day.

Sat. 29th April 8.00 pm - John & Mary Gaffney, Corrala.

**Eucharistic Adoration**: Tues. from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm in the Sacristy.

#### Weekly Offertory Collection

Carrigallen €667 (incl. €127 Returns from K'shandra) Drumeela €296 Drumreilly €344



<u>In our Prayers, we remember:</u> Maria Brady (née Morrow), Virginia, Co. Cavan (sister of Jimmy Morrow, Beaghbeg) whose funeral took place in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Virginia on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

April followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery

<u>AND</u> Liam Maguire, Kent, U.K. and formerly of Drummany, Killeshandra (brother of Maura Lynch, Annagh & Bernie Mulligan, Cloncorrick). Funeral will take place in Kent at a later date. May their souls rest in heavenly peace.

PADRE PIO HEALING MASS: You are warmly invited by Oughteragh Pastoral Council to join with us for our annual Padre Pio Healing Mass in St. Patrick's Church, Ballinamore on Thurs. 25<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00 pm. Br. Bryan Shortall, National Director of Padre Pio Ministry, and Br. James Connolly will attend. Individual blessings after Mass with Relics of St. Pio. Many healings have been attributed to the intercession of St. Pio and large crowds always attend the healing Masses dedicated to his life. Everyone welcome.

**THEOLOGY OPEN DAY, IS THIS FOR YOU?** The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Sat. lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Click <a href="here">here</a> or email: <a href="mailto:enquiries@prioryinstitute.com">enquiries@prioryinstitute.com</a> to find out more about our Open Day on Sat. 29<sup>th</sup> April. This is the link to register for the Open Day. <a href="https://prioryinstitute.com/events/open-day-saturday-april-29">https://prioryinstitute.com/events/open-day-saturday-april-29</a>

Thought for the Week: "It's never right to do wrong and it's never wrong to do right."

**CARRIGALLEN YOUTH THEATRE JUNIOR GROUP** perform a short family play devised by the group entitled "Space pirates and Gobstoppers" at Corn Mill Theatre on this Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 3.00 pm. Doors open 2.30 pm. No booking. All welcome.

COMMUNITY COST OF LIVING SUPPORT EVENT: Leitrim Development Company are hosting this event in Carrigallen GAA Clubrooms on this Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm. Free health checks including Blood Pressure and Blood Sugar. Speakers from MABS, Leitrim Warmer Homes, Leitrim Sports Partnership and Mental Health Ireland. Light refreshments served during the event and a complimentary lunch served afterwards. All welcome.

**DRUMREILLY G.A.A. CLUB** is seeking to borrow photographs from the past which can be displayed at the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the opening of Carrickmakeegan G.A.A. Park celebration events which will take place on the weekend of 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Photographs can be given to any member of the Club. Thank you.

**CARRIGALLEN LIBRARY**: Spring into Storytime at Carrigallen Library on this Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 10:30 am for children from babies to 5 years of age accompanied by their parents. All are welcome.

**CLOTHES COLLECTION**: Drumeela National School are holding their next used clothes collection on this Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April. Drop off your bags of clothes at the school during school opening hours. Thank you.

**CASH FOR CLOBBER**: Carrigallen N.S. are holding a cash for clobber fundraising collection on this Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Items accepted are clean clothes, paired shoes, belts, ties, handbags, hats and soft toys. No duvets, bedding, pillows, cushions, rugs or mats allowed. Thank you for your continued support.

**PARISH BINGO:** Every Friday night in Drumreilly Community Centre at 8.30 pm sharp. Over €1,000 in prizes and a raffle. All support welcome and appreciated.

**LADIES GENTLE EXERCISE CLASSES** continue on Monday mornings in Carrigallen G.A.A. Clubrooms starting at 11.00 am. A social chat and cuppa afterwards. €3 to cover the refreshments. Everyone welcome.

**DRUMREILLY ACTIVE AGE:** Our weekly meetings are held in the Community Centre on Wed. nights at 8.30 pm. Refreshments served and new members welcome

CARRIGALLEN CLUB ON-LINE LOTTO: Jackpot capped at €20,000 until won. 4 lucky dip prizes of €25 if not won. Extra prize for holders of "weekly recurring tickets". Click on "Automatically Renew Purchase" at checkout. Draw this Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup> April on our Facebook Page. Tickets from local vendors or online at https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets

DARKNESS INTO LIGHT 2023 will take place in Ballinamore Community School on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023. We invite all in surrounding communities to join us to bring hope to those feeling despair and to walk from darkness into light. If you would like to take part, you can register at <a href="https://www.darknessintolight.ie">www.darknessintolight.ie</a>

**MOHILL ENTERPRISE CENTRE – OPEN DAY FRI. 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL:** Mohill Enterprise Centre will host an Open Day from 10.00 am to 5.30 pm on Fri. 28<sup>th</sup> April to showcase our Hotdesking, Office Space, Media Room, and Training Suites. Also starting our enrolment onto our QQI Level 5 Full Time Course which begins this September. We look forward to meeting you on the day.

#### THE BOOK OF OUR LIFE

One of the saddest comments of our times is that there are so many people without any purpose or goal in their lives. They free-wheel day after day but they are really adrift with no destination in mind. They are being tossed by whatever prevailing wind blows. Often their attitude is 'why bother'. But dealt properly 'bother' can become positive and life enhancing. Without commitment nothing can be achieved. If we keep our hearts open to God, and to others, miracles will happen. Our hearts are where the beauty and wonder of our human spirit come alive. Often because our minds are preoccupied with present things, we forget who we are. The heart is the archive of all our memories and it never forgets. Each of us carries the Book of our Life within our heart. So, it is wise to tune into our heart and listen to what it whispers. The heart will never betray us because it knows that it is the storehouse of our joys, our sorrows, our successes and failures and of our sufferings. Lord God, deepen our Faith, strengthen our Hope, and enkindle our Love so that we may obtain what You promise. AMEN.

**PRAYER FOR THE WEEK:** Dear God, help us to look for you in all people and to understand that your son Jesus is always walking with us on life's journey. May we be inspired to treat each other with respect, sharing generously and reaching out to help those who are in need. AMEN.

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<u>Parish Website:</u> 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. <u>Parish Newsletter:</u> This newsletter 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 Thursdays or emailed to <u>carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie</u> by 4.00 pm 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

23rd April 2023 - 3rd Sunday of Easter - Year A

### The Road to Emmaus

In today's Gospel (<u>Luke 24:13-35</u>) two men are walking together on a road going to a village called Emmaus. The men are discussing all the events of the past few days, and we see that they are troubled as their faces are downcast. Jesus comes alongside them and listens to their conversation, but these men do not know it is Jesus. This lack of recognition is not necessarily their fault as they have been from recognizing him.

Jesus asks what they are discussing, and the men explain their version of the past days' events, as well as their disappointment and confusion about what the women saw at the tomb. Jesus gently tells the men, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory." Then Jesus proceeds to explain the Old Testament stories, from Moses to the prophets, and how they all fully and completely point to the Christ.

The men still don't realize they are speaking with Jesus, but they eagerly welcome this conversation. When they get to Emmaus, they invite this mystery companion to stay with them and Jesus agrees. Finally, at the table, when Jesus gives thanks and breaks the bread with them, they recognize Him. Immediately, Jesus disappears, and they rush back to Jerusalem that very evening, to find the 11 apostles, and tell them what happened.

In the same way that Jesus wanted them to know that although things sometimes look hopeless and they might have doubts, He also wants us too to look no further than Scripture to understand what happened and what will happen: First that Christ must suffer, die and rise again in glory. It is the fulfilment of the prophecies and all part of God's plan. The 'resurrection' experience gave hope to the disciples and continues to give hope to us today no matter how difficult things are.

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