

## PARISH CONFIRMATION 2023

*Our congratulations to the following pupils from our three National Schools who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Mary's, Carrigallen on Friday 31st March:*

*Alana Warrington • Annie Fitzpatrick • Benjamin Martin • Caitlin Fee • Edel Smith  
Emily McGirl • Zoe Mulcahy • Graeme Lynch • Marta Wrzesniewska • Nojus Zymantas  
Shane Kiernan • Abigail Kazimierczak • Alan McLoughlin • Amelia Pawlik • Anna Paszkiewicz  
Aoife Gormley • Ciara McManus • Julia Haas • Martyna Musial • Mia Mitchell • Nikija Senne  
Patrick Kerrigan • Shannon Mulvey • Summer Curtis-Mc Hugh • ara Mc Gurren*

*Their teachers: Ms Niamh Dunney, Ms Edel McCartin and Ms Aisling Brennan.*

EASTER CAMP IN CARRIGALLEN GAA CLUBROOMS: APRIL 11TH - 14TH (4 DAYS)  
FROM 9.30 AM TO 2.00 PM. A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES INCLUDING SPORTS,  
GAMES, ARTS & CRAFTS ETC... OPEN TO PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN. RUN BY  
EXPERIENCED PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS. BOOK A PLACE BY CONTACTING  
LISA ON 087-2720307 OR EMAIL: [lisamc0809@gmail.com](mailto:lisamc0809@gmail.com)

**Carrigallen GAA Healthy Club:** Men's social 'walk and talk' group for all ages/fitness levels. Walk and talk at your own pace. Meeting at the G.A.A. Park every Fri. evening at 7:30 pm with a social cuppa afterwards. All welcome. Please join us.

### **A Prayer on Palm Sunday**

*Lord of the swaying palms, the stones of earth and the beasts of burden bear witness to your coming: lead us from the violence of empires and the collusion of crowds to a heart of flesh, a world remade, and a new song for all creation, through Jesus Christ, the Crucified One. Amen.*

### **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 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](mailto:carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie) by 5.00 pm on Fridays.  
The editors reserve the right to omit or amend any notice.*

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# Parish Newsletter

Palm Sunday— 2nd April 2023 Year A

## HOLY WEEK

*Today, Palm/Passion Sunday is the first day of Holy Week. It is the day that we remember and celebrate the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem on the back of a borrowed donkey as Saviour and King. A large crowd gathered and laid palm branches and their cloaks across the road, giving Him royal treatment while singing Hosanna in the Highest. Ironically it was the same crowd who would shout "Crucify Him" a few days later.*

*On Spy Wednesday, Jesus and His disciples prepared for Passover. The term "Spy" refers to Judas Iscariot and how he betrayed our Lord to the religious leader in exchange for thirty silver coins.*

*Holy Thursday is the first day of the Triduum and the day when Jesus washed the feet of His disciples in an extraordinary display of humility. At Jesus' final meal (The Last Supper) before his death, He ordained His Apostles as the first priests and instituted the Eucharist, finishing with the words, "Do this in Memory of Me."*

*Good Friday celebrates what we as Christians believe to be the most solemn day of the Liturgical year. Ever since Jesus died and was raised, Christians have proclaimed the cross and resurrection of Jesus to be the decisive turning point for all creation. This is the day Jesus willingly suffered and died by crucifixion as the ultimate sacrifice for our sins.*

*Holy Saturday is the last day of Lent and is a time of reflection and waiting. On this day Pontius Pilate instructed guards to be posted at the tomb to prevent Jesus' followers from removing the body to claim that he had risen from the dead. This day ends with the Easter Vigil, the lighting of the Paschal Candle, the blessing of the Easter Water and the renewal of Baptismal Vows.*

*Easter Sunday is the celebration of Christ's resurrection from the dead and marks the end of Holy Week. The Resurrection marks the triumph of good over evil, sin and death. It is the singular event which proves that those who trust in God and accept Christ, will be raised from the dead. Easter represents the fulfilment of God's promises to mankind and is the most important holiday on the Christian calendar.*

# Parish Masses *Anniversaries*

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

Sun 2nd April 11.15 am Vincent & Brigid Greene *Drumcannon*  
 Mon 3rd 10.00 am Missa Pro Populo  
 8.00pm Reconciliation Service with visiting priests taking part.  
 Good Friday 3.00pm Service of the Lord's Passion  
 Sun 9th 11.15 am Mass of the Resurrection

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

## Drumeela

Sun 2nd April 10.00 am Deceased members of the McKeever family *Drumshingore*  
 Mon 3rd 7.30 pm Confessions for Easter  
 Holy Thursday 8.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
 Sun 9th April 10.00 am Missa Pro Populo

## Drumreilly

Sat 1st April 8.00 pm James Quinn *Drumcoura*  
 Mon 3rd 7.00m Confessions for Easter  
 Holy Saturday 8.00m The Easter Vigil. Thomas & Brigid Fee *Mullaghboy*

**Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm**

### Thought for the Week:

*Your mind is a garden; your thoughts are the seeds. You can grow flowers, or you can grow weeds.*

# General Notices

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION TOGETHER:

A Penitential rite to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation together takes place in St Patrick's Church, Ballinamore on this *Sunday 2nd April at 6.00 pm*. A number of priests will be available to help with the Sacrament.

### FIRST FRIDAY VISITS – APRIL:

*The sick and houndbound will be visited this week as follows: Mon.3rd April – Drumreilly & Drumeela Church Areas. Tues. 4th April – Carrigallen Church Area.*

### ALONE:

*Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People for 1 hour once a week ? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/>*

### CARD DRIVE

*Margaret of New Orleans Birthplace Committee would like to thank everyone that made the recent Card Drive Fundraising event such a huge success. All the donors of spot prizes. Eugene Reilly for hosting & a special thank you to Lorcan Masterson for running the event. 1st place €100 Martina Beirne, Roscommon played by Pdraig Higgins. 2nd place €50 Bernie McCusker, Carrigallen played by Lorcan Masterson. 3rd place €20 Joey McManus, Carrigallen played by Seamus Quinn.*

### CARRIGALLEN GAA ANNUAL TABLE QUIZ

*Takes place this Good Friday night 7th April in Carrigallen Community Hall starting at 8.00 pm sharp. Everyone welcome.*

**In our Prayers, we remember—**Monica Richmond (*née O'Rourke*), Washington DC and formerly of Drumshangore (*sister of Fr Kevin O'Rourke*) whose funeral takes place in Our Lady of Victory Church, Washington on Monday 3rd April followed by burial in Gate of Heaven cemetery. May her soul rest in heavenly peace..

## ST FELIM'S FIVE CHALLENGES

This is a program designed for young people after they received the Sacrament of Confirmation. The challenges include:

1. Take part in a charity event?
2. Volunteer to be an active member at mass for a month. What can I do? Read, Serve, be part of the choir, collect the money baskets.
3. Interview someone from a different faith/religious background. Write a 500-word essay on how that person's faith is different to yours.
4. Record an interview with your Parish Priest, pastoral assistant or school chaplain.
5. Take a picture and name 10 different churches from the Kilmore Diocese. After completing the challenges each participants get a jersey, backpack and youth ministry certificate. *Contact: 049-4375004 Ext:103*  
 Email: [youthministry@kilmorediocese.ie](mailto:youthministry@kilmorediocese.ie)

### 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!*

## ARISE CATHOLIC FAMILY FESTIVAL 2023:

Calling families to come and join us in Tramore, Co. Waterford as we celebrate Easter together in the sunny southeast. Make new friends with other families; share in wonderful celebrations of Holy Mass, and experience great teaching and seminars. Age-appropriate content is offered across the age groups. Dates April 10th - 13th 2023. Organised by Waterford & Lismore Diocese & the Tine Network. For more details go to [www.arisefamilyfestival.ie](http://www.arisefamilyfestival.ie)

## THE PARENTS ASSOCIATION, SCOIL MHIURE NAOFA, CARRIGALLEN

are having a fundraising walk, in aid of the development of the school garden. It is taking place on this Sun 2nd April at 3.00 pm. The walk is leaving from the Hall. Refreshments will be served afterwards. €10 per person or €20 per family. Many thanks to our community for all the support.

## ST MARY'S NS DRUMLEA FUNDRAISER TABLE QUIZ

Sat. 22nd April at 8.30 pm  
 Drumcoura Lake Resort.  
 Raffle and Spot Prizes on the night.  
 Please support your local National School.

## CLOTHES COLLECTION

Drumeela National School are holding their next used clothes collection on Thursday 27th April. Drop off your bags of clothes at the school during school opening hours. *Thank you.*

## Parish Bingo Friday nights in

Drumreilly Community Centre starting at 8.30 pm sharp. Over €1,000 in prizes including a raffle. We appreciate your continuing support for this weekly fundraising event for the Centre.

## Drumreilly Active Age

We hold our weekly meetings in the Community Centre on Wednesday nights starting at 8.30 pm. Refreshments served. New members are always welcome.

## WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Carrigallen: €595 Drumeela: €360  
 Drumreilly: €317