

Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

Carrigallen (Week commencing Sunday 07th May 2023):

Sun. 07th May 11.15 am – For the intentions of our Young People.
Mon. 08th May 10.00 am – Dec'd members Gormley family, Cornaughy.
Tues. 09th May 7.30 pm – Lena & Vincent Hoban, Main Street.
Wed. 10th May 10.00 am – Barry & Brendan Ward, Main Street.
Fri. 12th May 7.30 pm – Monica Lyons, Killahurk (**1st Anniv. Mass**).
Sun. 14th May 11.15 am – Michael & Annie Reilly, Drumkeelwick.
Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm & Wed. 10.30 am to 11.30 am

Drumeela (Week commencing Sunday 07th May 2023):

Sun. 07th May 10.00 am – Vin Mc Govern, Derrinlester (**1st Anniv. Mass**).
Sun. 14th May 10.00 am – Margaret & Owen Connolly, Drummingore.
Also Bennie Mc Dermott & D.F.M's.

Drumreilly (Week commencing Saturday 06th May 2023):

Sat. 06th May 8.00 pm – Sue & Paddy Maguire, Mullaghmore.
Kay & Michael Maguire, Killameen.
Thurs. 11th May 7.30 pm – Missa Pro Populo.
Sat. 13th May 12 noon – Mass of First Eucharist.
8.00 pm – Bernard & Annie Jane Corby, Drummingore.
Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm in the Sacristy.

Weekly Offertory Collection

Carrigallen €715 Drumeela €260 Drumreilly €391

Thought for the Week: “God promises believers a safe landing,
but not always a smooth passage.”



The Holy Rosary is recited before the Saturday evening Masses in St. Mary's Church, Drumreilly during the Month of May at **7.45 pm**.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION NEXT WEEKEND 13TH /14TH MAY

St. Mary's, Drumreilly - Saturday 13th May - 12 Noon.
St. Mary's, Drumeela - Sunday 14th May - 10.00 am.

RECENT MARRIAGE: Our congratulations and best wishes for future happiness to Brian O'Rourke, Mullinadarragh and Niamh Flynn, Ardrum who received the Sacrament of Marriage in St. Patrick's Church, Ballinamore on Friday 5th May.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING on this Thursday 11th May starting at 8.30 pm in Drumreilly Community Centre. All members are requested to attend.

In our Prayers, we remember:



ANNIE REYNOLDS, Gortermone, and formerly of Sonnaghconner, whose funeral took place in St. Joseph's Church, Aughavas on Tues. 2nd May followed by burial in Aughavas Old Cemetery
AND REV. PETER MC ENTIRE C.S.SP., Kimmage Manor, Dublin and formerly of Corglass and Church Street, Carrigallen whose funeral took place in Holy Spirit Church, Kimmage Manor on Friday 5th May followed by burial in Dardistown Cemetery. *May their souls rest in heavenly peace.*

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS AND SUPPORT SERVICES COLLECTION: This collection is due next weekend 13th/14th May, and you will have the envelope in your box of parish envelopes. The Parish is levied at 15% of the Offertory Collection for 2022. This money is used to pay for the Accord Marriage Preparation Courses and Counselling, Priesthood Vocations, Diocesan, Pastoral and Admin. costs. Please be generous as our parish have to pay €9,992.69 to the Diocese on 10th June. Baskets passed around after Communion.

MEDITATING WITH MARY IN THE MONTH OF MAY: Parishioners are invited to join a short program to reflect on the three joyful moments in the life of Mary, the Annunciation, the Visitation and the Magnificat. There are sign-on sheets in each of the church porches in the parish. We hope to begin this programme on Tues. 16th May and for the two consecutive Tuesday evenings. Next weekend's Newsletter will carry the venue and time. Watch this space!

ROSARY AT THE GROTTA - every Tuesday evening at 6.00 pm for the month of May at Our Lady's Grotto beside **Aughavas Church** and on Saturday 13th May at 5.00 pm on the feast of Our Lady of Fatima. All welcome.

DRUMREILLY ACTIVE AGE: Our annual May Social takes place on this Wednesday 10th May in the Community Centre starting at 8.30 pm. Music and dancing. Refreshments served. Music supplied by Seamus Farrell. Everyone welcome.

LADIES GENTLE EXERCISE CLASSES on Mondays in Carrigallen G.A.A. Clubrooms at 11.00 am. Social chat and cuppa afterwards. €3 to cover the refreshments. All welcome.

CARRIGALLEN TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE are holding a Coffee Morning on this Sunday 7th May from 12 noon to 2.00 pm in Carrigallen Community Hall. This is a Fundraiser for flowers, compost, paint, supplies etc... Join us for a cuppa and baked treats. Are you dividing bulbs, tubers, shrub slips, roses & flower seeds? We would love if you could donate them for display around the town. Please give your support to make our town beautiful. The entire community is welcome.

BEALTAINÉ FESTIVAL: To celebrate Bealtaine Festival, staff at Ballinamore Library are hosting a special event on Tues. 9th May at 7.30 pm. Carrie Creamer will give an interesting presentation entitled 'Ellie's Shoes', which is about her grand aunt, Ellie Creamer from Bawnboy, Co. Cavan. Through film, presentation, and artworks, Carrie will share stories and will shine a light on their invaluable contributions and give voice to the often-unheard stories of rural women in Ireland. Free event and everyone welcome.

COMMUNITY AFTERNOON TEA AND COFFEE: Leitrim Development Co. are delighted to be able to host an afternoon in the newly opened "Morning Glory" café on Fri. 12th May from 3pm to 4 pm. Carrigallen beside Charlie Farrelly's. All welcome.

ST. JOSEPHS NS AUGHAVAS PARENTS ASSOCIATION are holding a Car Boot Sale fundraiser on next Sunday 14th May from 12:30 pm - 3.00 pm. €20 entry fee per car, sell your bric-a-brac, unwanted items, books, toys etc. Cake stall with delicious treats. Text 083-3231340 to book your space or email stjosephsnaughavaspa@outlook.com. Eircode H12 YY74

ANAM CARA MIDLANDS, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wed. 10th May at 7:15 pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online service. For more info. call 01-4045378.

COME DINE WITH ME: A big thank you to all who participated in the recent "Come Dine with Me" event in Carrigallen for Community Intergration. Families hosted some of our visitors to their houses to cook and eat together. There's nothing like "breaking bread" together to build friendships. It was hugely appreciated by all those that were invited. We have a lot to learn from each other as they are great cooks and bakers. Their connection to nature and herbal remedies is impressive and is something we have sadly lost the connection with. We are currently compiling a list of ideas on Community Intergration, for ALL nationalities. Deborah Shirlaw from Leitrim Development Co. is on hand to facilitate us. Please contact 086 3522476 or 086 153 2776.

LEGION OF MARY CONFERENCE

'Who is She'? – A day-long conference for Our Lady takes place on Sat. 13th May in the DCU All Hallows Campus, Dublin from 9.30 am to 4.30 pm. Join us for insightful talks, prayer, Mass, good food and great company. What can we learn from early Irish Christian Marian devotion? And how can we love Jesus as His mother loved Him? For more information or to book, contact mariaassumptadublin@gmail.com

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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. Newsletter articles must state author's name & phone number & can be written into one of the church diaries before [5.00 pm on Thursdays](#) or emailed to carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie 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

07th May 2023 – Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year A

"I am the Way, the Truth and the Life."

In today's Gospel (*John 14: 1-12*), Jesus speaks to the disciples about going to prepare the way, and that they know the way to the place he is going. But they replied that they do not know the way. The way is not a road or a map. It is Jesus himself who is the way. It is easy for us to look at the disciples and think how much easier it was for them to develop a real relationship with Christ than it is for us. But they too found it difficult to follow Him as they too did not fully comprehend what he said. In a sense, it should be easier for us as we have the faith which has been handed down for generations together with theology and Church teaching. But do we follow Jesus in the way that his disciples did?

To see Christ as the way, the truth and the life is to live in Him and for him every moment of our lives. And this can be difficult at times. At first, much of it is about letting Christ in. He can only enter if we open the door for Him. We must continually remind ourselves of His presence in our lives and we must allow Him the space within our heart to transform us.

He, our way, our truth, our life, is a constant companion, holding us in the palm of his hand. He is our Saviour. His life and ministry while on earth teaches us all we need to know about God. His death and resurrection won eternal life for us. The Gospel assures us that there is a place for us in His Father's house and that He goes ahead of us to prepare that place. Let us therefore come to Him today as though for the first time, thanking him for his presence in our lives, and dedicating ourselves to him.

Prayer for the Week - God of Life, we thank you for being always there for us. Help us to do all that you ask of us and to love one another, so that all people may have someone to trust. Amen.