

Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

Carrigallen (Week commencing Saturday 15th July 2023):

Sat. 15th July 8.00 pm – Dec'd members of the Molloy family, Killahurk.

Mon. 17th July 10.00 am – Mass of the Day.

Tues. 18th July 7.30 pm – Jimmy Mc Manus, Beaghmore.

Wed. 19th July 10.00 am – Missa Pro Populo.

Fri. 21st July 7.30 pm – Frank Corr, Gulladoo.

Sun. 23rd July 11.15 am – Joe Kavanagh, Birmingham.

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

Drumeela (Week commencing Sunday 16th July 2023):

Sun. 16th July 10.00 am – Anne & Brendan Mc Cartin, Mullyaster & D.F.M's

Sun. 23rd July 10.00 am – Patrick & Anna Prior, Nedd.

Drumreilly (Week commencing Sunday 16th July 2023):

Sun. 16th July 11.15 am – Cemetery Sunday Mass & Blessing of Graves.

Sat. 22nd July 8.00 pm – Mamie & Michael Joe Smith, Corrawaleen.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

Thought for the Week: "Lighthouses do not wait around looking for ships to sail. They just stand there and let their light shine."

Church Area	Weekend 08th /09th July.	Cemetery Collection.
Carrigallen	€829	€ ---
Drumeela	€814	€955
Drumreilly	€361	€ ---

Feast Days / Memorials during the Coming Week (17th July – 22nd July).

Mon. – St. Alexis of Rome. **Tues.** – St. Frederick of Utrecht.

Wed. – St. Jerome of Pavia. **Thur.** – St. Margaret of Antioch.

Fri. – St. Lawrence of Brindisi. **Sat.** – St. Mary Magdalene.

IN OUR PRAYERS, WE REMEMBER: Margaret White (*née Reilly*), Cheshire, U.K. and formerly of Unshinagh, Killegar who died on 8th July 2023. May her soul rest in peace.

RECENT BAPTISM: We welcome Olivia Jean Lily Keeling, Meadow View, Kilnamar, Carrigallen who was baptised into our Community of Faith on Sunday 9th July in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen and we congratulate her parents, Jessica and Lee.

CEMETERY SUNDAY – DRUMREILLY: Thanks to all who take care of your family plots. We especially thank the Rural Social Scheme and Supervisor who keeps the cemetery and its environs neat and tidy during the year. We appeal to all of you to bring home all recyclable items from the graves and dispose of them in the proper way.

GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK on Sunday next 23rd July 2023 starting with Rosary at 2.00 pm. This will be followed by anointing of the sick at 2.30 pm in the Basilica. Concelebrated Holy Mass at 3.00 pm followed by Benediction and Rosary Procession. For further information see www.knockshrine.ie or telephone 094-9388100.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL 2023: Join over 1,000 people between 16 and 35 this August at this festival which takes place in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co. Kildare from Thurs. 10th Aug. to Sun. 13th Aug. If you want to come, you will need to book online. Also, you may want to book a place on a free bus. For all frequently asked questions, online booking links and free bus info click the links below. For any other queries, please contact the National Office at office@youth2000.ie or 01-6753690.

ESCORTED PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE, on Sun. 6th Aug. €549.00 p/p sharing. Price includes return bus transfer, 3 nights in Knock House Hotel with Full Board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick and the Fr. Peyton Centre. A single supplement of €150.00 will apply. More info. from Patricia on 087 1890 236 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

BUS TO KNOCK: St. Brigid's Pastoral Area are organising a bus to Knock for the Diocesan Pilgrimage on Wed. 9th Aug. A coach will arrive in Carrigallen at 8.30 am and on the way will pick up passengers at the Mart at 8.40 am and Drumreilly at 8.50 am and onto to Ballinamore. Pilgrims wishing to travel on the bus are asked to contact Kathleen Gray on 087-6459962 or Brian Kiernan on 087-7735626. Cost per person is €15.00

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE with Group Leader Patricia Shannon. Accompanied by a Spiritual Director. 13th Sept. 2023 - 7 nights - €849 per person sharing Return flights from Dublin. Airport transfer - 7 nights at Darko House close to St. James' Church. Breakfast & dinner each day. Full religious programme. More info. from 086-314 0814.

MARGARET OF NEW ORLEANS COTTAGE in Tully South, Carrigallen H12 X003 is open on every Sunday afternoon in July/August from 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm. All welcome.

SUMMER CAMP – CARRIGALLEN G.A.A. CLUBROOMS from Tues. 15th to Fri. 18th Aug. Many activities including sports, games, arts & crafts. Open to primary school children and those starting in Sept. This camp is run by experienced primary school teachers. €50 per child. Contact Lisa on 087-2720307 or e-mail: lisamc0809@gmail.com

WATER SAFETY LESSONS: Swimming and Life Saving Lessons will be held at Gulladoo Lake, Carrigallen from this Monday 17th July to Friday 28th July inclusive. Registration at lake on this Monday at 9.30 am. For more information contact Sheila on 086-3268076.

PARISH BINGO: Every Friday night in Drumreilly Community Centre at 8.30 pm sharp. Over €1,000 in prizes and a raffle. Thank you for your ongoing support for this weekly fundraising event for the upkeep of the Centre.

LADIES GENTLE EXERCISE CLASSES will resume in September in Carrigallen G.A.A. Clubrooms. More details nearer the time.

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 on Friday evenings at 7:30 pm with a social cuppa afterwards. All welcome. Please join us.

A Time for Remembering

This Sunday, we gather in Drumlea and Mullaghboy for the third and final annual "Cemetery Sunday" event in the Parish for 2023.

We celebrate in remembrance of our loved ones who have gone before us and our ancestors who endured much hardship and made many sacrifices throughout their earthly lives. Because of them we are now here, and we thank God for the faith which they passed on to us. We recall treasured memories of the time and the love that they shared with us, and we pray that when our earthly is over, we will have a beautiful meeting with them in that invisible Kingdom where there is no more darkness, suffering, separation or sadness.

May the souls of the departed rest in the Peace of Christ. Amen.

Mother Teresa Relic & Speaking Event at the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre

on this **Wednesday 19th July**, author Jim Towey, trusted advisor and devoted friend of Mother Teresa will share stories of her mission, life, and long connection with Ireland at a speaking event in the Diocesan Pastoral Centre's Drumlane Room from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm with a book-signing opportunity beforehand from 6:30 pm. A sacred relic of St. Teresa of Calcutta will be displayed for veneration in The Conaty Chapel on the same day from 2:00 until 9:00 pm when a blessing with the relic will be imparted. Mass will be celebrated at 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm. Petitions/Offerings may be sent to the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, The Conaty Centre, Cullies, Cavan H12 E5C7. All petitions received will be placed beside the relic during its visit. Please write "Petitions" on the top lefthand corner of the envelope. For further information, please contact [086-0400688](tel:086-0400688) or the Diocesan Pastoral Centre on [049-4375004](tel:049-4375004).

Priest Phone Numbers: Fr. John Mc Mahon [433 9610](tel:433-9610) / *Mob. 086-2126582*.

Parish Cluster: Fr. S. Mawn, Ballinamore [071-9644039](tel:071-9644039) or [087-6869040](tel:087-6869040); Fr. J. Cusack, Ballinamore [087-2408409](tel:087-2408409); Fr. C. O'Gorman, Killeshandra [049-4334179](tel:049-4334179), Fr. Peter Tiernan, Cloone/ Aughavas [071-9636016](tel:071-9636016) or [086-3500114](tel:086-3500114).

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 or 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

16th July 2023 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

GOSPEL REFLECTION



In today's Gospel (Matt.13: 1-23) we hear the very familiar parable about the sower and the seed. Jesus is at the lakeside. As the crowd got bigger and bigger, He got into a boat and started preaching to them. The seeds that miss the soil, are sown on rocky ground, or are sown among the thorns will not grow, but the seed that falls on good soil will yield an enormous crop.

The different types of soil in which the seeds are sown are images for the understanding with which each individual hears the teaching about the kingdom of heaven. Some will be easily swayed away from the kingdom while others will receive it for a time but will lose it when faced with difficulties. Some will hear the word but will then permit other cares to choke it out. Yet some will receive it well, and the seed will produce an abundance of fruit.

In this parable Jesus is describing himself as both the sower and the seed. He is the Word that has come down from heaven and just like seeds, that word is continually dropped into our daily lives. Sometimes we may hear the word or sometimes it may literally fall on deaf ears. But when we allow the word to be sown in us, it will take root and when it receives the right care and nourishment, it will produce fruit which will improve the quality of our daily lives and our interactions with others.

Prayer for the Week: Dear Lord, let us try to be like the seed that falls on the rich soil forming strong roots of Christian faith and yielding a rich harvest by bringing Your words of love and compassion to those we meet on life's journey. Amen.