FEAST DAYS/MEMORIALS DURING THE COMING WEEK (21ST-26TH AUG 2023)

Monday St Pius X (Pope) • Tuesday • The Queenship of Mary
Wednesday • St Eugene (Eoghan) • Thursday St Bartholomew (Apostle)
Friday St Louis of France • Saturday • St Zephyrinus

LET US BE GOD'S HOSPITALITY...

Give us eyes to see the deepest needs in people's lives.

Give us hearts full of love for our neighbours as well as for the strangers we meet.

Help us to understand what it means to love others as we love ourselves.

Teach us to care in a way that strengthens those who are sick.

Fill us with generosity as we feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty.

Let us be the healing presence for those who are weak and weary by offering our welcome and kindness to them. May we remember to listen and to offer a helping hand and heart when the opportunity presents itself to us. Give us hearts of understanding when we disagree, but never to be disagreeable to one another.

Inspire us to go out of our way to include those who are unknown and un-noticed.

Help us to be inclusive to all who come to our door.

LOUGH DERG PILGRIM PATH CAMINO FOR THE YEAR OF VOCATIONS

On Sat. 26th Aug. you are invited to walk the Pilgrim Path at Lough Derg (8km) as a prayer for the blessing of vocations to Diocesan priesthood. Pilgrims will be accompanied by Fr La Flynn & Team. Weather permitting, Mass will be celebrated at a point along the Pilgrim Path. Refreshments on the Island after the walk. Donations welcome on the day. Advance booking is essential online: www.loughderg.org email. info@loughderg.org Tel 071 9861518 (from NI 00 35371 9861518)

LOUGH DERG RETREAT DAYS— on this Tues. 22nd Aug. and also on Sun. 27th Aug. Admission €45 with concessions available for groups. Ten minute boat crossings from 9.15 to 10.15 am each day with return boat crossings starting at 4.30 pm. Refreshments served on arrival and a light lunch later in the day. Booking is essential. Visit www.loughderg.org or phone 071-9861518.

QQI LEVEL 5 COMPUTER COURSE - STARTING SEPTEMBER 2023 Mohill Computer Training are now recruiting for our full-time QQI Level 5 computer programme. This course will help you to up-skill, gain employment or access third level education. It's a full-time computer applications course starting in Sept. Register now as places are limited.

Call 071-9632024 or email margaret@mct.ie for more info.

Priests Phone Numbers

Fr John McMahon 049 433 9610. Mobile: 086 2126582. Fr S Mawn (B'more) 071 9644039/087 6869040. 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.

Donate to your local Church online: Visit — www.kilmorediocese.ie — click on donate and choose Carrigallen Parish. In the 'message box', indicate which Church Area (Carrigallen or Drumeella or Drumreilly) you wish your contribution to be forwarded to. Thank you

Parish Newsletter

20th August 2023—20th Sunday in Ordinary Time —Year A

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Gospel Reflection (MATT.15:21-28)

In today's Gospel, Jesus moves away from the Lake of Gennesaret towards Tyre and Sidon in modern day Lebanon where he meets a strong-willed Canaanite woman who requests him to heal her demon-possessed daughter. At first Jesus ignores her by saying nothing. Then the disciples ask Jesus to grant her request, but he tells them that he was sent to minister only to the people of Israel, the Jews. However, the woman persists, paying homage to Jesus, and yet Jesus denies her request again. Eventually, having witnessed the woman's strong faith, Jesus grants her request, and her daughter is healed.

This Gospel illustrates to us the abundance of God's mercy available to us if we only have faith in Him. No matter who we are or where we're from, all we need is a strong faith and perseverance in prayer to receive what we ask for from God. Of course, the answer to our prayers is not always what we want but if we pray persistently with great faith knowing that the Lord loves us and that His gift of salvation is for us and for all who believe in Him, we will eventually see an answer to our prayer. The Canaanite woman was from a foreign land and of pagan origin, but Jesus crossed the boundary between his own tradition and those who were different from him. We too are asked to do the same by overcoming our fears and prejudices against people who are different from us and extend the hand of friendship to them, our brothers and sisters.

Prayer for the week: We believe and we know, O God, that you love the human race, without any distinction of persons or rank. Inspire us to see you in everyone we meet, for all are your children and you are the father of us all. Amen.

Parish Masses/Anniversaries

Carrigallen (Masses livestreamed on www.churchtv.ie)

Sun 20th Aug 11.15 am Peter, Peggy and Francis Maguire &

all deceased members of the Maguire & Brennan families.

10.00 am *Missa Pro Populo* 7.30pm *Mass of the Day* 10.00 am *Mass of the Day*

Fri 25th 7.30 pm Lottie McGerty *Cornafest* [MONTHS MIND] Sun 27th 11.15 am Bernard & Anne Gormley *Kilbrackan*

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

Drumeela

Mon 21st

Tues 22nd

Wed 23rd

Sun 20th Aug 10.00am Patrick and Mary McCartan, Drumucker,

Jim and Maisie McCartan Drumbrick & deceased

family members

Sun 27th 10.00am Nora Mc Cabe Coacar [MONTHS MIND]

Drumreilly

Sun 19th Aug 8.00pm Seán McCartin Ardunsaghan & all

deceased members of the McCartin family &

the Maguire family *Ardra*

Thurs 24th 7.30pm Willie & Pat O'Beirne & deceased family

members Whiterock

Sat 26th 8.00 pm Kathleen & Michael Reilly *Middlesex &*

Drumreilly

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

Recent Marriage Our congratulations and best wishes for future happiness to Rosie Murray and Robert Birchall, Manchester who received the Sacrament of Marriage in St Mary's Church. Drumreilly on Sun 13th Aug

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION 12/13 AUG/FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Carrigallen: €765/€265 Drumeela: €235/-- Drumreilly: €357/146

PRAYER TO ST EOGHAN

(FEAST DAY: 23RD AUGUST)

Dear Saint Eoghan, you have pleased God in your life, pray now to Christ our Lord that I may live my life in peace, love and humility. O Heavenly Patron, pray ever to God for me; strengthen me in my faith; establish me in virtue; guard me in the conflict; that I may manage the foe malign and attain to glory everlasting. Amen.

CAVAN INSTITUTE IS HOLDING AN "OPEN DAY"

on Friday 1st September from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm. So, if you are taking a gap year, undecided on which career path you wish to take, deferring your CAO course or returning to education to upskill or retrain, why not drop in and discuss your options!

Carrigallen Club On-Line Lotto

Jackpot capped at €20,000 until won. 4 lucky dip prizes of €50 if not won. Extra prize for holders of "weekly recurring tickets". Click on "Automatically Renew Purchase" at checkout. Draw this Sun 20th Aug which can be viewed live on our Facebook Page. Tickets: https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION LGFA

Church gate collection (LGFA) next weekend, Sat 26th/Sun 27th Aug. in support of the Leitrim County Ladies Gaelic Football Association (LGFA). Your donation directly benefits Leitrim LGFA in essential resources, equipment, and training opportunities.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

BBQ & SOCIAL

Newtowngore and Corrawallen Parish are holding their annual BBQ & Social on Sat. 2nd Sept. at Newtowngore Hall starting at 7.00 pm. Admission €12. Under 12's €6 & under 5's free. Please support this annual fundraising event. Thank you.

Thought for the Week

"Speak kind words and you will hear kind echoes!

WEEKLY PARISH BINGO

continues on Friday nights in Drumreilly Community Centre and on Sunday nights in Carrigallen Hall starting at 8.30 pm sharp in both venues. Usual prizes, raffles etc... Please support your local bingo events.

VOLUNTEERING WITH ALONE

Support and Befriending is a supported one-to-one relationship between a volunteer and an older person who has been linked in with ALONE. The service provides companionship and practical support to older people who would like extra social contact through a weekly volunteer visit. The Support and Befriending service is designed to reduce feelings of isolation and loneliness, to provide assistance to solve everyday problems and to enable older people to feel secure at home. Website link below for more information:

https://alone.ie/volunteers/#Visitation-Support-Befriending

THE IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

Donations accepted at the Bush Hotel, Carrick-on-Shannon on Tues. 22nd & Wed. 23rd August from 3:50 pm to 8:10 pm and in Ballinamore Community Hall on Thurs. 24th Aug. at the same time. Please ring 1 800 222 111 for an appointment, with your donor ID number if an existing donor. All blood groups needed. New donors welcome and should ring 1 800 731137 to register. *Give blood and save a life*.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Ardagh and Clonmacnoise pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sun. 3rd Sept. A great day out at Our Lady's shrine. A bus will be travelling from Aughavas and Cloone. To book a seat: call/txt 086-8775036

MARGARET OF NEW ORLEANS COTTAGE

Tully South, Carrigallen, H12 X003 is open every Sunday during the month of August. Free Admission. All welcome.

SUMMER STARS AT CARRIGALLEN LIBRARY

Reading programme for children until late Aug. Weekly prizes for book lovers, also monthly draws and an overall prize of a bicycle. Jessica from MUDBUGS will be hosting Arts and Crafts on Tues. 22nd Aug at 2:00 pm. Booking essential on 049 433-9188 or at the Library.