

FEAST DAYS/MEMORIALS DURING THE COMING WEEK (28<sup>TH</sup> AUG-2<sup>ND</sup> SEPT 2023)

Monday St Augustine • Tuesday St Sabina • Wednesday St Fiacre (*Fiachra*)

Thursday St Aidan of Lindisfarne • Friday St Giles • Saturday St Ingrid of Sweden

### SEPT 1<sup>ST</sup>—WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

The Season of Creation has a special significance for the Catholic Church, particularly since Pope Francis established 1st Sept as an annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1st Sept to 4th Oct (Feast of St Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness and raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. The theme for the Season of Creation 2023 is "Let Justice and Peace grow". In this Season of Creation, we are called to join the river of justice and peace, to take up climate and ecological justice, and to speak out with and for communities most impacted by climate injustice and the loss of biodiversity. As the people of God, we must work together on behalf of all Creation, as part of that mighty river of peace and justice.

#### PRAYER FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION 2023

Dear Lord, open our ears to your creative, reconciling and sustaining Word that calls to us through the book of Scripture and the book of creation. Bless us once again with your life-giving waters so that the Creator Spirit may let justice and peace flow in our hearts and overflow into all creation. Open our hearts to receive the living waters of God's justice and peace, and to share it with our suffering brothers and sisters, all creatures around us, and all creation. Bless us to walk together with all people of good will so that the many streams of the living waters of God's justice and peace may become a mighty river all over the Earth. In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ, our Lord. *AMEN.*

**TO ALL OUR STUDENTS...** To all our students who recently received, or are awaiting, exam results; our prayers and blessings. But remember, you are always more than your results! To all our students about to begin or start another stage of their journey in education; may the roads rise with you and may you face the challenges with faith and humour. And to all of us; remember, the journey of education is never finished - there is always something new to learn and something new to contribute. Every day is a school day!

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](mailto:margaret@mct.ie) for more info.

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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.

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# Parish Newsletter

27th August 2023—21st Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A

**Carrigallen • Drumeela • Drumreilly**

## Gospel Reflection (Matt. 16:13-20)

*In today's Gospel Jesus took some of his closest disciples to the remote region of Caesarea Philippi to have an important conversation with them. Firstly, He asked them about who do the people think the Son of Man really is, and they tell Him that He is viewed as a great prophet, similar to John the Baptist, Elijah or Jeremiah. He then asked them to share their own opinion about Him. Peter responded on behalf of the group by telling Jesus that He is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus agreed with this statement and explained that Peter did not give this answer based on his own knowledge but by the revelation of God.*

*Following this, Jesus proclaims that Peter is the rock on which the Church of God will be built and that the keys of the kingdom will also be given to Peter. Thus, the Church was established and Peter became the first Pope and second in command to Jesus. From Peter down to Pope Francis today, there has been an unbroken line of popes who have led the Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Based on Jesus' promise, they have the authority to bind and to loose which means that they have authority over the Church in matters of teaching, membership, morals, etc. Throughout Church history, Jesus has remained faithful to His promise that the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.*

*So, this week, if you are asked the question — who do you say that Jesus is?—would you have an appropriate answer and are you helping to continue the work of the Church started by Peter two thousand years ago?*

**Prayer for the week:** Living God, you sent your Son among us to reveal Your wisdom and make known Your ways. Increase our faith, that we may confess Jesus as your Son, take up his work on earth, and trust his promise to sustain the Church.

Through Christ, Our Lord.. Amen.

## Parish Masses /Anniversaries

**Carrigallen** (*Masses livestreamed on [www.churchtv.ie](http://www.churchtv.ie)*)  
Sun 27th Aug 11.15 am Bernard & Anne Gormley *Kilbrackan*  
Mon 28th 10.00 am *Mass of the Day*  
Tues 29th 7.30pm Michael & Christina Hackett *Church St*  
Wed 30th 10.00 am *Missa Pro Populo*  
Sun 3rd Sept 11.15 am Patrick (Pat) Doyle *late of Gortermone & Holly Bank, Arva* [MONTHS MIND]

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

### Drumeela

Sun 27th Aug 10.00am Nora Mc Cabe *Coacar* [MONTHS MIND]  
Fri 1st Sept 7.30 pm: Michael, Christina & Ena Lee & deceased family members *Drumloona*  
Sun 3rd 10.00am John & Elizabeth Shannon & deceased family members *Drumshingore*

### Drumreilly

Sat 26th Aug 8.00 pm Kathleen & Michael Reilly *Middlesex & Drumreilly*  
Thurs 31st 7.30 pm: Mattie McGoohan & all deceased members of the McGoohan family *Ardunsaghanumloona*  
Sat 2nd Sept 8.00pm Seán McKeon, late of *Drumlea*  
[FIRST ANNIV MASS]

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

#### SCHOOLS REOPENING

St. Mary's N.S. Drumeela—Tuesday 29th August at 9.25 am.  
St. Mary's Drumlea—Wednesday 30th August at 9.20 am.  
Scoil Mhuire Naofa, Carrigallen—Thursday 31st August at 9.20 am.

**In our Prayers we remember:** The Funeral will take place of Bernadette Marron (née Reilly), St Alban's, London and formerly of Aghalough, Drumreilly place, in St. Alban's at a later date.  
*May her soul rest in Heavenly peace.*

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION**  
**Carrigallen: €614 Drumeela: €265**  
**Drumreilly: €323**

### 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!

### HOLY LAND COLLECTION

The 2023 annual collection for the support of oppressed and persecuted Christians in the Holy Land is due next weekend (2nd/3rd Sept.). Baskets will be passed around after communion and you will find a green & white envelope in your box of envelopes for this purpose.

### 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. 27th Aug which can be viewed live on our Facebook Page. Tickets:  
<https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets>

### DRUMREILLY ACTIVE AGE

Our meetings continue on Wednesday nights in the Community Centre at 8.30 pm. Refreshments served and new members are most welcome.

### TEARFUND IRELAND

have partnered with Praxis and VOX Magazine to understand your thoughts on the changing climate, your experience with the church, what matters to you, and how this could shape the church in the future. They are particularly keen to hear from younger adults (under 40's). The more people they hear from the better! People of any age can complete the survey. The link to the survey is:  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WCVHDTR>  
For further info. contact Emma Lynch, Church Engagement/Education Manager, Tearfund at [emma.lynch@tearfund.ie](mailto:emma.lynch@tearfund.ie).

*Thought for the Week : "God never said that the journey would be easy, but He did say that the arrival would be worthwhile".*

## 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>

### UPCOMING LOUGH DERG RETREAT DAYS

on Sat. 2nd Sept. & on Wed. 6th Sept. 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](http://www.loughderg.org) or phone 071-9861518.*

### PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Ardagh and Clonmacnoise pilgrimage to Knock on next Sunday 3rd Sept. A great day out at Our Lady's shrine. A bus will leave Aghavas Church at 9.30 am, Cloone Community Centre 9.40 am and O'Carolan Statue, Mohill at 9.50 am. To book a seat: call/txt: 086-8775036.

### MARGARET OF NEW ORLEANS COTTAGE

Tully South, Carrigallen H12 X003 is open on this Sunday afternoon 27th Aug 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm. This is the final open day for 2023.  
*Free admission. All welcome.*

### 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. U-12's €6 & under 5's free. Please support this annual fundraising event. *Thank you.*