

Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

Carrigallen (Week commencing Sunday 10th Sept. 2023):

Sun. 10th Sept. 11.15 am – Mamie & James Mc Manus, Beaghmore & D.F.M's

Mon. 11th Sept. 10.00 am - Mass of the Day.

Tues. 12th Sept. 7.30 pm – Patrick, Ivy & Myles Hanley & all deceased members of the Fleming family, Carrigallen.

Wed. 13th Sept. 10.00 am – Missa Pro Populo.

Sun. 17th Sept. 11.15 am – Seán Duffy, Errew.

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

Drumeela (Week commencing Sunday 10th Sept. 2023):

Sun. 10th Sept. 10.00 am – Mary & Vincent Cassidy, Longfield.

Sat. 16th Sept. 12 noon – Geraldine Daly (*née Brady*), Bailieborough & Drumucker - Memorial Mass & Burial of Ashes.

Sun. 17th Sept. 10.00 am – Francie & Mary Gill, Raleagh & D.F.M's.

Drumreilly (Week commencing Saturday 09th Sept. 2023):

Sat. 9th Sept. 8pm – Rose, Peter, Dan & James Kiernan, Mullaghmore & D.F.M's.

Thur. 14th Sept. 7.30 pm – Bernie & Rose Mc Govern, Crickeen.

Sat. 16th Sept. 8.00 pm – Matthew & Mary Fee, Clonboyher.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

Feast Days / Memorials during the Coming Week (11th Sept. – 16th Sept.)

Mon. – St. Bodo of France.

Tues. – St. Ailbe of Emly.

Wed. – St. John Chrysostom.

Thur. – The Exaltation of the Cross.

Fri. – Our Lady of Sorrows.

Sat. – St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian.

Thought for the Week: "Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do."

MONEY MATTERS

<u>Church Area</u>	<u>Weekend 02nd / 03rd Sept.</u>	<u>Holy Land Collection.</u>
Carrigallen	€845	€290
Drumeela	€255	€125
Drumreilly	€376	€254



IN OUR PRAYERS, WE REMEMBER:

PATRICK (PAT) GALLOGLY, Curraghtowney whose funeral took place in St. Mary's Church, Drumreilly on Wednesday 6th September followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery.

May his soul rest in heavenly peace.

RECENT MARRIAGE: Our congratulations and best wishes for future happiness to Lucy Ann Mc Dermott, Killahurk and Donal Brady, Mullahoran who received the Sacrament of Marriage on Friday 8th September in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen.

AUTUMN FAITH DEVELOPMENT SESSION: Are you interested in deepening your faith and connecting with others in your community? Join the Kilmore Diocese's Autumn faith development sessions, starting with the Alpha programme. This course offers hospitality, video talks and discussions exploring many aspects of the Christian faith. Volunteers needed for the Carrigallen programme - no experience necessary, full training and support provided. Contact Fr. John on 086-2126582 or email: Martina at pastoralservices@kilmorediocese.ie Let's grow in faith together!

CÉILÍ CATHOLIC COMMUNITY: Thinking of taking a Gap Year/Career Break/Discerning your Vocation? An 8-month School of Catholic Discipleship & Youth Ministry. Residential in the excellent location of the Evangelisation Centre of Céilí Community in Kilbeggan, Co. Westmeath starting at the end of Sept. 2023. Community Living & Fellowship – Spiritual & Personal Development – Academic Studies in Various Subjects – Training as Missionary Disciples – Fun in a Safe Catholic Environment. For more info. email: school@ceilicomunity.net or call/text: 087-9789150.

THE TOTUS TUUS MEN FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE 2023 - a Catholic Conference for Men will be LIVE & EXCLUSIVE on Radio Maria Ireland on Sat. 16th Sept. from 2 pm. Speakers are: Fr. Billy Swan, Fr. Chris Hayden, Anthony Crossey & Fr. John Harris.

MORE UPCOMING LOUGH DERG RETREAT DAYS on Tues. 12th, Sat. 16th & Sun. 17th Sept. Admission €45 with group concessions. 10-minute boat crossings from 9.15 to 10.15am daily with return crossings starting at 4.30pm. Refreshments served including a light lunch. Booking essential. Visit www.loughderg.org or phone 071-9861518.

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 Sunday 10th Sept. on our Facebook Page. Tickets: <https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets>

DRUMREILLY ACTIVE AGE: Our meetings are held on Wednesday nights in the Community Centre at 8.30 pm. Refreshments served and new members welcome.

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.

LEITRIM COUNTY CHILDCARE COMMITTEE is inviting all childminders to a free crafts workshop on Thursday 14th September at 7:15 pm in Childhood Days, Laird House, Church St, Drumshanbo N41H3C5. Booking is necessary please contact; aofe@leitrimchildcare.ie or phone 083-468 3773.

FAMILY CARER OF THE YEAR AWARDS: Nomination forms are available in each of the churches to nominate family carer of the year. This award will honour Ireland's hidden frontline workers, these are amazing people and should be recognized. If you want to nominate a person, please take one of the forms.

CARRIGALLEN PARENT & TODDLER GROUP: We are resuming our weekly social gathering event on next Friday 15th September in the Health Centre, Carrigallen from 10.00 am to 11.30 am. €2 per child or €5 if three or more children in a family. For more information, contact Keith on 086-6035977.

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF SORROWS - FEAST DAY FRIDAY 15TH SEPT.

O mother of sorrows, with strength from above you stood by the cross, sharing in the sufferings of Jesus, and with tender care you bore Him in your arms, mourning and weeping. We praise you for your faith, which accepted the life God planned for you. We praise you for your hope, which trusted that God would do great things in you. We praise you for your love in bearing with Jesus, the sorrows of His passion. Holy Mary, may we follow your example, and stand by all your children who need comfort and love. Mother of God, stand by us in our trials and care for us in our many needs. Pray for us now and at the hour of our death. Amen!

THE POWER OF WORDS

The tongue is one of the smallest parts of the body but also perhaps the most powerful. It's small, but it can be the biggest troublemaker in the world. It possesses unspeakable power. Words can be powerful. They give us the power to heal or to hurt; to give hope or to discourage; to build up or tear down. Avoid the careless, cruel, brutal and bitter word, gossip, the angry outbursts and cutting remarks. Instead, embrace the gracious, loving, encouraging word, the kind that strengthens and builds up. Always honour the absent. A loose tongue can sink ships. This applies not only to battleships but also to friendships and relationships. Once the words pass from our lips, they take on a life of their own, and we can no longer control where they go or what they do. The less said, the better. Reckless words can hurt, but words of kindness can heal. The tongue has no bones but is strong enough to break a heart.

Priest Phone Numbers: Fr. John Mc Mahon 433 9610 / Mob. 086-2126582.

Parish Cluster: Fr. Seán Mawn, Ballinamore 071-9644039 or 087-6869040;

Fr. Andrew Tully, Killeshandra 049-4334179 or 086-8050526;

Fr. Peter Tiernan, Cloone/Aughavas 071-9636016 or 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.

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 Drumeela or Drumreilly) you wish your contribution to be forwarded to. Thank you.

Parish Newsletter

St. Mary's Parish

Carrigallen - Drumeela - Drumreilly

10th Sept. 2023 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

GOSPEL REFLECTION (Matt. 18: 15-20)

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us instructions on how to deal with a brother or sister who sins against us. We are firstly to go alone to that person and invite them to repent. If they respond positively and are willing to change their ways, then you have succeeded in winning them back. However, if they resist and refuse to admit their fault, then we are to bring another one or two people with us as witnesses to the confrontation. If the person is still not willing to repent, then we are to bring the situation to the community of faith to deal with the problem. Failure at this stage to resolve the dilemma will result in the person being removed from the community and being treated as an outsider.

Now all this might seem very harsh, especially coming from the mouth of Jesus, but it is ultimately intended for the good of the individual. In fact, by their wrongdoings, the individual has really chosen to remove themselves from the community, but the invitation is always there to come back in. We are called to reach out to them and invite them in. The instructions given by Jesus are always intended to help the sinner repent and to find forgiveness.

So, this week if there someone in your life who has wronged you, remember that forgiveness starts with you. Pray for the person and ask God to give you wisdom regarding what to do.

Prayer for the Week: Dear God, I know I am a sinner. I want to turn from my sins, and I ask for Your forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ is Your Son. I believe He died for my sins and that You raised Him to new life. I want Him to come into my heart and to take control of my life. I want to trust Jesus as my Saviour and follow Him as my Lord from this day forward. Amen.