

Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

Carrigallen (Week commencing Sunday 26th Nov. 2023):

Sun. 26th Nov. 11.15 am – Hugh Mc Garahan, Calloughs & D.F.M's.

Mon. 27th Nov. 12 pm – Funeral – Margaret Ging (*née Flynn*), Tycusker/Drumsilla.

Tues. 28th Nov. 7.30 pm – November Mass for the Faithful Departed.

Wed. 29th Nov. 10.00 am – Mass of the Day.

Fri. 01st Dec. 7.30 pm – The dec'd members of the Grimes family, Beaghmore.

Sun. 03rd Dec. 11.15 am – Elizabeth & Charles Sheridan, Calloughs & D.F.M's.

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

Drumeela (Week commencing Sunday 26th Nov. 2023):

Sun. 26th Nov. 10.00 am – Patsy Kiernan, Aughavilla.

Sun. 03rd Dec. 10.00 am – Therese Mc Gurran, Corglass & D.F.M's.

Drumreilly (Week commencing Saturday 25th Nov. 2023):

Sat. 25th Nov. 8.00 pm – Francie Masterson, Ardra & D.F.M's.

Thurs. 30th Nov. 10.00 am – Missa Pro Populo.

Sat. 02nd Dec. 8.00 pm – Packie Quinn, Drumdiffer and D.F.M's.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

Weekly Offertory Collection:

Carrigallen €505

Drumeela €345

Drumreilly €322

Thought for the Week: By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail.

Feast Days / Memorials during the Coming Week (27th Nov. – 02nd Dec.)

Mon. – St. Fergus. **Tues.** – St. Catherine Labouré. **Wed.** – St. Brendan of Birr.

Thur. – St. Andrew. **Fri.** – St. Edmund Campion. **Sat.** – St. Lupus of Verona.



In our prayers, we remember:

TOMMY KIERNAN, Drumbreanlis School House whose funeral took place on Friday 24th November in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen followed by private cremation in Lakelands Crematorium, Cavan.

MICHAEL REILLY, Donadea, Co. Kildare and late of Ballinamuck (*brother of Evelyn Smyth, Drumbreanlis*) whose funeral took place in St. Benignus Church, Staplestown on Fri. 24th Nov. followed by burial in local cemetery.

MARGARET GING (*née Flynn*), Tycusker, Arva & formerly of Drumsilla whose funeral takes place in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen on Monday 27th November at 12 noon followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery.

May the door of God's hospitality welcome them home to rest in eternal peace.

KILMORE YOUTH MINISTRY is running a Christmas art competition. It's open to all primary school students in Kilmore Diocese. Participants are asked to "draw a picture of the first Nativity." Entries can be sent to Youth Ministry Office, The Conaty Centre, Cullies, Co. Cavan. The closing date is Tuesday 12th December.

RECENT MARRIAGE: Our congratulations and best wishes for future happiness to Rebecca Thompson and Ronan Mc Manus, Beaghmore who received the Sacrament of Marriage in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Templeboy, Sligo on Sat. 18th Nov.

GROW IN LOVE: Our parish and parents prepare their children for First Confession and First Holy Communion by taking part in the programme "Grow in Love" on Sun. next 3rd Dec. at 10.00 am in St. Mary's, Drumeela and at 11.15 am in St. Mary's, Carrigallen.

REMEMBRANCE MASS: On this Monday 27th Nov. 2023, the Chaplaincy Dept. of Cavan General Hospital are holding a Remembrance Mass, for those who passed away in the hospital during the past year & for departed relatives and friends of Staff. It will be held in Cavan Cathedral at 10.00 am and we invite you to join us or you can watch online at <https://www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral> and light a candle at that time.

NOVEMBER TALK ON BEREAVEMENT & LOSS – Dr. Wilhelm von Hornstein, Consultant Physician in Palliative Medicine with the HSE Regional Specialist Palliative Care Service in Cavan will give a talk on bereavement and loss in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan H12 E5C7, this Tues. 28th Nov. at 7:30 pm. A voluntary subscription would be appreciated. All welcome. Refreshments served afterwards.

AN ADVENT CAROL SERVICE OF CAROLS & READINGS led by Bishop Martin Hayes, will take place in The Conaty Chapel of the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan H12 E5C7, on the First Sunday 3rd Dec. at 5:00 pm with Fr. Darragh Connolly, P.P. Killinkere, leading the singing and Thomas Hanley as organist. All are welcome to attend this special event as we begin the journey together towards the celebration of the birth of Our Saviour at Christmas. A voluntary collection will be taken up towards the upkeep of the Diocesan Pastoral Centre. Light refreshments served.

CAROL SERVICE in St. Mary's Church, Drumeela on Friday 8th December after the 7.30 pm Mass performed by Drumeela National School. All welcome.

CARRIGALLEN GAA CHRISTMAS MARKET today (**Sun. 26th Nov.**) in Carrigallen Community Hall and Car Park from 12 noon to 4.00 pm. Lots of fabulous gift ideas. **Why not start your Christmas shopping here ! All proceeds to local Charity.**

DK FITNESS AT CARRIGALLEN LIBRARY: Fitness classes with DK Personal Training titled 'Build a stronger, more mobile you' on each Wed. at 1.00 pm for 5 weeks until Wed. 13th Dec. Classes focusing on improving mobility/building strength/preventing falls & increasing confidence, going at your own speed and ability. Contact 049-4339188.

WEEKLY PARISH BINGO on Fri. nights in Drumreilly Community Centre and Sun. nights in Carrigallen Hall starting at 8.30 pm. Usual prizes, raffles etc... Please support.

CARRIGALLEN VOCATIONAL SCHOOL are holding an open evening for the 2024/2025 school year on Friday next 1st December 2023 from 5.00 pm to 8.00 pm. There will be a Principal's Presentation to Parents/Guardians at 6.00 pm and 7.00 pm sharp. More information from 049-4339640 / 049-4339047 or email: office@carrigallenvs.com or visit our website: www.carrigallenvs.com

DRUMREILLY ANNUAL BAZAAR returns after a 4-year absence on next Fri. 1st Dec. after Bingo and on Sat. 2nd Dec. after the 8.00 pm Mass. It is run in conjunction with our annual Parish Draw. Tickets have been sent to households throughout the Parish and the draw will be held on the 2nd night of the Bazaar. If you haven't received your tickets, please contact any Committee member. Your support for this fundraiser for the general upkeep and maintenance of your local Community Centre will be much appreciated.

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

CASH FOR CLOBBER: Carrigallen N.S. are holding a cash for clobber fundraising collection on Monday 4th December 2023. Items accepted are clean clothes, paired shoes, belts, ties, handbags, hats and soft toys. No duvets, bedding, pillows, cushions, rugs or mats allowed. Bags can be dropped into the school from Monday to Friday during school hours. Thank you for your continued support.

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 26th Nov. on our Facebook Page. Tickets: <https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets>

CARRIGALLEN G.A.A. HEALTHY CLUB - Ladies Gentle Exercise Classes on Mondays in the G.A.A. Clubrooms at 11.00 am. Social Cuppa and a chat afterwards. All welcome.

AN EVENING OF SONGS OF FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE AT KNOCK BASILICA

An Evening of Songs of Faith, Hope and Love in Knock Basilica on Friday 1st Dec at 8.00 pm, featuring Dana, John McNicholl, Margo, Philomena Begley and Marc Roberts with Úna Nolan & Schola Cantorum Basilicae Choir. A fundraising concert for Victim Assistance Charity. Tickets from www.Ticketmaster.ie Tickets also available from head office - for details contact Mary McNicholas, Victim Assistance Head Office, Aiden St., Kiltimagh, Co. Mayo 094-9000251/086-3938871. Email: support@victimassistance.ie

CARRIGALLEN PARENT & TODDLER GROUP: Weekly meetings continue on Friday mornings in Carrigallen Community Care Centre from 10.00 am - 11.30 am. €2 per child or €5 if three or more children in a family. For more info. contact Keith on 086-6035977.

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

26th Nov. 2023 – Christ the Universal King - Year A

Parish Response to Bishop Martin Hayes' Letter

The Parish Meeting was held on Mon 13th Nov. 2023 and 46 people attended. Three questions were discussed:

Q1 - Feelings about future of faith?

Concern expressed about availability of the sacraments going forward, e.g. First Communion, confirmation preparation, funerals, weddings, etc, the age profile of priests. Desire for a creative approach to the celebration of Mass with encouragement of the youth in religious practice and education. Suggested that a reduction in administration duties by priests to free up time for pastoral care. The cost of upkeep and maintenance of church property would be difficult with reduced Mass attendance. Youth employment and sports activities at weekends are impacting on Mass attendance.

Q2 - What can Lay Leaders / Pastoral Workers do?

Definition of the role of the Pastoral Worker? e.g. good communicator, perhaps different people for roles and age brackets? What will the duration and course content be? Is the role paid / volunteer? What skills / education are needed?

Q3 - Key points about preparing for fewer Masses?

Need co-ordination of Masses within a wider area, with a cluster structure similar to parish structure, with fair representation. No church to close, and in the event of no Masses, religious gatherings to continue and in the event of closures, buildings to return to the community. Greater use of technology and live-streaming to churches desirable.