

Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

Carrigallen (Week commencing Sunday 11th Feb. 2024):

Sun. 11th Feb. 11.15 am – Ellie Maguire, Cois Locha (**M.M. Mass**).
Mon. 12th Feb. 10.00 am – Missa Pro Populo.
Tues. 13th Feb. 7.30 pm – Hugh & Annie Maguire, Drumderglin & D.F.M's.
Wed. 14th Feb. 11.30 am – Charles, Mary Kate & Teresa Kiernan, Sessiagh.
Fri. 16th Feb. 7.30pm -Fiona Kiernan, Aughavore followed by Stations of the Cross.
Sun. 18th Feb. 11.15 am – Kevin Mc Cabe, Drumsillagh (**M.M. Mass**).
Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm & Wed. 10.30 am to 11.30 am.

Drumeela (Week commencing Sunday 18th Feb. 2024):

Sun. 11th Feb. 10.00 am – Bob Joseph Kelly, Michigan, U.S.A.
Sun. 18th Feb. 10.00 am – Missa Pro Populo.

Drumreilly (Week commencing Saturday 10th Feb. 2024):

Sat. 10th Feb. 8.00 pm – Aoife Donegan-Kennedy, Gortahose.
Wed. 14th Feb. 7.30 pm – Mass for Ash Wednesday.
Thurs. 15th Feb. 8.45 am – Mass of the Day.
Sat. 17th Feb. 8.00 pm – James & Siss Kiernan, Cruclahan and their grandson, Tiernan Byrne, Trim.
Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

<u>Church Area</u>	<u>W/E 03rd /04th Feb.</u>
Carrigallen	€960
Drumeela	€325
Drumreilly	€426 (Incl. €69 returns from Ballinamore/Aughawillan)

Thought for the Week

Other's love for you is God's gentle helping hand on your shoulder.

Feast Days / Memorials this Week (12th Feb. – 17th Feb.)

Mon – St. Anthony of Saxony. **Tues.** – Saints Cyril & Methodius.
Wed. – St. Valentine & Ash Wed. **Thur.** – St. Joseph of Antioch.
Fri. – St. Julian of Egypt. **Sat.** – St. Fintan of Clonenagh (Co. Laois).

DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE in the Main Hall of the RDS, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4 on 23rd, 24th & 25th February 2024. This year's theme is 'Jesus, I Trust in You'. Tickets can be purchased by phone on 085-2216128 or on www.divinemercyconference.com Friday evening is free. One of this year's speakers will be Fr. Seán Kelly OFM CAP, a native of Ballinamore.



In our Prayers, we remember the following who have died recently:

EDDIE WRYNN, Drumcoura whose funeral took place in St. Mary's Church, Drumreilly on Sat. 10th Feb. followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery.

PHYLLIS DONNELLY (*née O'Connell*) London & formerly of Aughavore. Funeral takes place in London. Memorial Mass in Carrigallen at a later date.

MARGARET BRADY (*née Grimes*), Ballinalee (*sister of James & Mel Grimes, Carrigallen*) whose funeral took place in Holy Trinity Church, Ballinalee on Saturday 10th February followed by burial in St. Emer's Cemetery.

May their souls rest in heavenly peace.

RECENT MARRIAGE: Our congratulations and best wishes for future happiness to John Reynolds, Beaghbeg and Amanda Gallagher, Donegal Town who received the Sacrament of Marriage in St. Mary's Church, Killymard on Saturday 10th February.

THE CHOSEN: This is an 8-week Lenten programme based on the Netflix series "The Chosen", a historical drama depicting the life of Jesus through the eyes of those who knew him. This programme begins on Thursday 15th February in the Kilbracken Arms Hotel starting at 7.30 pm. Everyone welcome.

A LENTEN HEALING SERVICE WITH FR JOHN WALSH, LIMERICK will take place in St Brigid's Church, Killygarry on Thursday 15th February. Confessions from 6.15 pm, Rosary at 7.00 pm and Holy Mass at 7.30 pm followed by the laying on of hands and concluding with Benediction. Water, Salt and Oil will be blessed. All welcome.

BIBLE STUDY & LECTIO DIVINA IN LENT: An introduction to the Gospel of St. John, followed by prayerful reading of Gospel passages (*Lectio Divina*) led by Bishop Emeritus Leo O'Reilly, will take place each Thurs. during Lent from 7.30 to 9.00 pm. The course starts on 15th Feb. in the Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan H12 E5C7 and concludes on 21st March. All are welcome. For further information, contact the Centre on 049-4375004.

LENT BIBLE LEGO CLUB: Lego Bible Cub given by Brian Parker (Faith Missions) on Sundays 18th & 25th Feb. & also on 3rd & 24th March in Newtowngore Hall from 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm. All National Schoolchildren are welcome. Suggested donation €1 per child.

DRUMREILLY FINANCE COMMITTEE meeting after the 7.30 pm Mass on Ash Wednesday (14th Feb.) in the Sacristy. All members are asked to attend.

MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES APRIL - OCT 2024: 7 Nights Apartment B&B from €273 per person sharing. Airport transfer available on request. Contact us for details and book the dates that suit you. Tel. 01-4434510 or visit www.med-irishcentre.com Email: reservations@med-irishcentre.com

ANAM CARA MIDLANDS, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wed. 14th Feb. at 7:15 pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online service. For more info. call 01-4045378.

WEEKLY PARISH BINGO continues every Friday night in Drumreilly Community Centre starting at 8.30 pm sharp. Over €1,000 in prizes plus a raffle. Please support your local weekly bingo fundraising event for the Centre.

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 11th Feb. on our Facebook Page. Tickets: <https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets>

DRUMREILLY ACTIVE AGE GROUP hold their weekly meetings on Wednesday nights at 8.30 pm in the Community Centre. Many and varied activities, informative talks, outings etc.... Refreshments served. New members are always very welcome.

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.

A Message from Trócaire

‘Let justice flow like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream.’

This Lent we are called to join the river of justice and peace as we remember the millions of people around the world who are in crisis, affected by conflict and climate change. We ask you to pray for peace in our world, particularly for peace in Gaza and the Middle East; for peace in Ukraine, Sudan and other countries affected by conflict. Pope Francis encourages us when he says: “Injustice is not invincible (Laudato Si’, 74). Lent is a time when we have the opportunity to help to heal our common home so that it can once again teem with life. Your help is needed now more than ever, as “we know that things can change” (LS, 13) so please take a Trócaire box home with you or go online to www.trócaire.org to see how you can donate. Without your support, we would not be able to do the work we do on your behalf, to create positive and lasting change for a more just world.

A Prayer on Ash Wednesday

Dear God, on this Ash Wednesday may the ashes on our foreheads be a reminder to us and to those we meet that we belong to Your Son, and may our worship, prayer and penitence be sustained throughout the season of Lent.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest Phone Numbers: Fr. John Mc Mahon [433 9610](tel:4339610) / *Mob.* [086-2126582](tel:0862126582).

Parish Cluster: Fr. Seán Mawn, Ballinamore [071-9644039](tel:0719644039) or [087-6869040](tel:0876869040);

Fr. Andrew Tully, Killeshandra [049-4334179](tel:0494334179) or [086-8050526](tel:0868050526);

Fr. Peter Tiernan, Cloone/Aughavas [071-9636016](tel:0719636016) or [086-3500114](tel:0863500114).

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

11th Feb. 2024 – 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

(Temperance Sunday & World Day of Prayer for the Sick)

GOSPEL REFLECTION (Mark 1: 40-45)

Today’s First Reading and Gospel are strongly linked by one word: Leprosy. The Law of Moses treated lepers as unclean and were ostracized from society. No one was to come into contact with them for fear of contracting the disease. Now Jesus shows His authority by over-ruling this law. We are told that a leper came to Jesus and asked to be cured. Then Jesus does the unthinkable by touching the man and the cure was instant. Jesus’ action was a response to the man’s faith, for it was the leper who first reached out to Jesus and believed that Jesus could heal him. Jesus saw his human dignity and had compassion on him. His act of touching the leper had the opposite effect of what should have occurred according to the old law. Rather than the leper making Jesus unclean, Jesus made the leper clean.

Now Jesus commanded the man to keep this miracle a secret because if word got out, it would attract huge crowds seeking healing and cures which would hinder His preaching ministry. Of course, the man being so overjoyed by what had happened, spread the news far and wide. This meant that Jesus couldn’t go into any town but had to remain in the countryside where many people still were able to find Him. Regardless of this, we can imitate the man’s enthusiasm about sharing what Jesus has done in our own lives. Jesus brings healing to us all. Encounters with Jesus never leave us the same. So, this week, let us spread with joy and enthusiasm what Jesus has done for us.

Ash Wednesday – 14th Feb. 2024 - 1st Day of Lent - Day of Fast & Abstinence

Masses and Distribution of Ashes:

St Mary’s Church, Carrigallen ~ 11:30 am

St Mary’s Church, Drumreilly ~ 7:30 pm