

Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

Carrigallen (Week commencing Sunday 10th March 2024):

Sun. 10th Mar. 11.15 am – Paddy Cooke, Gortermone.
Mon. 11th Mar. 10.00 am – Missa Pro Populo.
Tues. 12th Mar. 7.30 pm – Mass of the Day.
Wed. 13th Mar. 10.00 am – Mass of the Day.
Fri. 15th Mar. 6.00 pm – Parish Confirmation.
Sun. 17th Mar. 11.15 am – Eileen & Johnie Lee, Main Street.
Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm & Wed. 10.30 am to 11.30 am.

Drumeela (Week commencing Sunday 10th March 2024):

Sun. 10th Mar. 10.00 am – Sheila, Danny & Kevin Mitchell, Newtowngore.
 John & Caitriona O'Brien, Newtowngore.
Sun. 17th Mar. 10.00 am – Tosh & Mary O'Rourke, Killerrin.

Drumreilly (Week commencing Saturday 09th March 2024):

Sat. 09th Mar. 8.00 pm – Eddie Wrynn, Drumcoura (**Month's Mind Mass**).
Thurs. 14th Mar. 8.30 am – Mass of the Day.
Sat. 16th Mar. 8.00 pm – John Armstrong, Crucklahan & D.F.M's.
Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

<u>CHURCH AREA</u>	<u>OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS - W/E 02nd / 03rd March</u>
Carrigallen	€550
Drumeela	€405
Drumreilly	€383

Thought for the Day: "A mother is she who can take the place of all others, but whose place no one else can take."

Feast Days / Memorials this Week (11th Mar. – 16th Mar.)

Mon – St. Aengus of Tallaght. **Tues.** – St. Fina of Tuscany.
Wed. – St. Roderick of Córdoba. **Thur.** – St. Matilda of Ringelheim.
Fri. – St. Louise de Marillac. **Sat.** – St. Eusebia of France.

POPE'S INTENTION FOR MARCH 2024: To pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world, inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm. Amen.

RECENT BAPTISM: We welcome Ceola Siún Caffrey, Toome who was baptised into our Faith Community on Sunday 3rd March in St. Mary's Church, Drumreilly and we congratulate her parents, Yvonne & Stephen.



In our Prayers, we remember:

DELIA HIGGINS (née Kiernan), Aughawillan and formerly of Moyne, Co. Longford whose funeral took place in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen on Tuesday 5th March followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery.

SHEILA DOONAN (née Mc Cormack), Bredagh whose funeral took place in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen on Saturday 9th March followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery.
May their souls rest in heavenly peace.

St. Patrick's Day Offertory Collection 2024

"Some give by going, others go by giving."

Your generosity to this collection will help:

1. St. Paul's Missionary Society, a number of whom work in our Diocese.
2. Support Irish Missionaries working in African Countries.
3. Provide support to the Irish Emigrant Chaplaincy abroad.

We appeal for your continued generosity to this year's St. Patrick's Day Collection

ST PAT'S COLLEGE: Tues. 12th March will mark the 150th Anniversary of the opening of the iconic building which served as the original St. Patrick's College in Cavan and is now the base for the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre. Bishop Martin will be the principal celebrant of a special Mass in the Cathedral, to commemorate this milestone anniversary on Sat. 16th March at 11.00 am. The Mass will be broadcast live and may be accessed at www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral Afterwards, there will be commemorative events in the original College building including a short talk by Mons. Liam Kelly, followed by refreshments in the new College Canteen. Past students are especially welcome to attend.

HOLY ROSARY SISTERS (KILLESHANDRA NUNS) CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS: To commemorate the arrival of the Holy Rosary Sisters to Drumully House, Killeshandra on 7th March 1924, a Special Mass will be celebrated in St. Brigid's Church Killeshandra at 3.00 pm on this **Sunday 10th March 2024**. The chief celebrant will be Bishop Martin Hayes. Refreshments and entertainment in Scoil Bhríde afterwards. Everyone welcome to come along and join in with the Sisters to celebrate this very joyous occasion.

THE CHOSEN: This is a 6-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 continues on Thursday nights during Lent in the Kilbracken Arms Hotel starting at 7.30 pm. Everyone 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 takes place each Thursday during Lent from 7.30 pm to 9.00 pm in the Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan H12 E5C7. All welcome. More info. from 049-4375004.

DEEPENING OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE MASS: The Kilmore Diocesan Faith Development Group are holding an online Lenten Programme on the Mass on Wed. 13th March at 7.30 pm. Parishioners can register at: pastoralcentre@kilmorediocese.ie A full set of videos on the Mass are available at [//youtu.be/REHhhtRBW-8?si=vVMp3ryCF26kQ1vC](https://youtu.be/REHhhtRBW-8?si=vVMp3ryCF26kQ1vC)

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.

THE MARIE KEATING MOBILE UNIT will visit Carrigallen on this **Monday 11th March** and will locate in the Hall Car Park from 10.00 am to 2.30 pm. Men's Health Talk at 10.30 am and a Women's Health Talk at 12 noon. Both talks held in the GAA Clubrooms. The Unit will be open at all times other than when talks taking place. Everybody welcome.

BEST SCHOOL AWARD: Our congratulation to St. Mary's N.S. Drumlea/Drumreilly on winning the Best School Award at the recently held STEM Fair in Ballinamore Sports Complex. The school competed with many others from Leitrim, Cavan, Roscommon and Longford. Well done to all and to teacher, Michael Mc Cormack who headed the project.

CATHOLIC MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: All married couples deserve a World Wide Marriage Encounter Weekend! Our next weekend will be held in the Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare on Friday 26th to Sunday 28th April 2024. Register online at www.marriageencounter.ie Good marriages can always be made better!

DRUMREILLY ACTIVE AGE GROUP hold their meetings on Wed. nights at 8.30 pm in the Community Centre. Refreshments served. New members very welcome.

COFFEE MORNING in Newtowngore Hall on Saturday 23rd March from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm. All proceeds in aid of the Irish Cancer Society. We welcome your support.

DRUMEELA GARDEN CLUB: Next meeting on Wed. 13th March at 8.30 pm in Teach Duchais. Speaker is Lynn, from Dromahair Cottage Gardens who will talk about transforming an old derelict house and gardens into a beautiful home and magnificent gardens featuring stone walls, orchard, vegetable garden and flower gardens. Refreshments served.

A PRAYER FOR MOTHERS: Good and Gentle God, we pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women of theory who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. Give them the strength to live and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly. Give them the faithful support of husband, family and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children. Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most. Amen.

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

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Laetare Sunday

Mothering Sunday

GOSPEL REFLECTION (John 3: 14 -21)

In today's Gospel we hear the famous biblical verse (John 3:16) "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." This well-known verse contains everything that is at the core of the Christian message. Firstly, God loves us, and He desires to be in a personal relationship with us. Secondly, we have broken our relationship with God through sin. By disobeying and not trusting God, we stand condemned, remaining in the darkness that sin brings. But God did not want to leave us in that dark place we got ourselves into. Rather, He has provided us with a solution by sending His only Son, Jesus Christ, who is both God and man. He came to offer us salvation. He brought light into the darkness of sin and, therefore, overcame it. Without Jesus, we stand condemned and deserve eternal separation from God. But in Jesus we can have eternal life. Therefore, let us trust in Him and pursue the light that He offers, turning away from the darkness of sin, so that we "might not perish but might have eternal life."

LAETARE SUNDAY: Today marks the midpoint of Lent and is known as Laetare Sunday. Laetare means "rejoice" and the Church expresses hope and joy in the middle of our penitential Lenten practices.

PRAYER: *Loving Father, I feel the pace quicken as the time draws near. I am filled with joy as I move towards Easter and the promised reconciliation with you. Let me continue to pray, fast and give alms to glorify and praise your name. Teach me to follow the example of your Son, to be worthy of being called one of his people: a Christian. Help me to live each day as he did, turning hatred to love and conflict to peace. I await the new life with eagerness, faith and a deep gratitude. Amen.*