

Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

St. Mary's, Carrigallen (Week commencing Sun. 29th June 2025):

Sun. 29th June – 11.15 am: Mass for the Feast Day of St. Peter & St. Paul.
Mon. 30th June – 10.00 am: Missa Pro Populo.
Tues. 01st July – 7.30 pm: Mass of the Day.
Wed. 02nd July – 10.00 am: Mass of the Day.
Sun. 06th July – 11.15 am: Mass for the Faithful Departed & Blessing of Graves
Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm & Wed. 10.30 am to 11.30 am.

St. Mary's, Drumeela (Week commencing Sun. 29th June 2025):

Sun. 29th June – 10.00 am: Tommy & Alec Roche, Longfield and their parents, Thomas & Mary Ann.
Sun. 06th July – 10.00 am: Patrick & Anna Prior, Nedd.

St. Mary's, Drumreilly (Week commencing Sat. 28th June 2025):

Sat. 28th June – 8.00 pm: Pat Joe Donohoe, Ardunsaghan (**1st Anniv. Mass**) also remembering his wife, Bridie (**4th Anniv.**).
Thurs. 03rd July – 7.30 pm: Pat Conefrey, Corrawaleen.
Sat. 05th July – 8.00 pm: Teresa Breen(*née Mitchell*), Kilcloon & Drumcoura.
Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

<u>CHURCH AREA</u>	<u>OFFERTORY COLLECTION: 21st June / 22nd June</u>	
Carrigallen	€720	
Drumeela	€252	
Drumreilly	€400	

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The example St. Peter & St. Paul reminds us that God needs and uses diverse personalities and strengths, even with their faults, to build up the Church.



BAPTISMS - WITH JOY, WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING:

Baby Alfie James Keeling, Kilnamar who was baptised into our Faith Community on **Sun 22nd June** in St. Mary's, Carrigallen and we congratulate his parents, Jessica & Lee.

Baby Seoidín Mena Reilly, Killahurk who was baptised into our Faith Community on **Sat. 28th June** in St. Mary's, Carrigallen and we congratulate her parents, Carmel & Stephen.

PARISH MISSION SEPT. 6TH- 9TH: In this Jubilee year as pilgrims of hope we are called to organise events that will renew our faith and trust in God. Fr. Laurence Gallagher (CSsR) will lead the Mission and he has already put in place a team from our parish that will help him. Please keep this in your thoughts and prayers.



IN OUR PRAYERS, WE REMEMBER:

FR. BERNARD DOYLE, Gortermone, retired Diocesan Priest of Kilmore Diocese whose funeral took place on **Wednesday 25th June** in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery.

AOIFE TREACY (*née Malone*), Leitrim Village and formerly of Abbeylara, Co. Longford, (*SNA – Carrigallen N.S.*) whose funeral took place in St. Joseph's Church, Leitrim on **Saturday 28th June** followed by burial in Kilronan cemetery.

JOHN CONNOLLY, Cabra, Dublin and formerly of Drumlea whose funeral takes place at **10.00 am on Thursday 3rd July** in Christ the King Church, Cabra followed by private cremation.

May their souls rest in heavenly peace.

KILMORE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK on **Saturday 9th Aug. 2025**. If you wish to travel on the bus, please give your name to Colm Mc Kernan on (086) 3852749.

EIGHT HOUR ADORATION FOR PEACE: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin after mass on **Mon. 30th June from 10.30 am until 6.30 pm** ending with Benediction. This is in response to a call for prayer and fasting for world peace. We pray that the Lord will touch the hearts of all leaders to work for peace and to end to the needless suffering of peoples. This is a parish event and it takes place in **St Mary's Church, Carrigallen** and it's important that we have enough people to cover the eight hours. Please come and pray awhile.

BOOKS FOR SALE: We have a number of books of local interest for sale at the Parochial House, Carrigallen or in the Sacristy after Mass.

1. **"Carrigallen Parish – a history"** edited by Raymond Hackett & Michael Reilly (Dec. 1996).
 2. **"The Diocese of Kilmore - c 1100 – 1800"** written by Mgrs. Liam Kelly (2017).
- Books cost €20 each. These are well worth giving as a gift to people living abroad or letting them know that copies are available.

RALLY FOR LIFE 2025: the biggest pro-life event each year, where thousands Stand for Life & to protect mother and baby on **5th JULY in PARNELL SQ. Dublin at 1.30 pm**. Bus from Drumshanbo, Leitrim Village, Carrick and along N4 route. Contact Angela: 083-2013537.

LOUGHCREW SUNDAY 2025 takes place today **Sun. 29th June**. Mass at 3.00 pm in Loughcrew Gardens, Oldcastle which is the birthplace of St. Oliver Plunkett. This year marks the 50th Anniversary of his Canonisation in Rome by St. Pope Paul VI on 12th October 1975.

DRUMLANE PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE: Drumlane Abbey is a very important religious heritage site and has been chosen as one of the regional diocesan centres of the Jubilee Year of Hope. There will be Pilgrimage Hope Walk to the Abbey on next **Sunday, 6th July**. We will meet at Milltown Community Centre (*H14 K224*) at 7.00 am and walk to the Abbey (*H14 Y624 nearest Eircode*) where Mass will start at 7.30 am. After mass pilgrims will walk back to the Centre for refreshments. Parking organised at the Abbey for those who wish to attend and may not be able to walk the journey. All pilgrims are very welcome to join our Pilgrimage of Hope. **Should it rain - Plan B** is to celebrate Mass in Milltown Church at 7.00 am and for those who would like to walk up to the Abbey and down can do so. Refreshments afterwards.

HOPE - FOR OUR PILGRIM JOURNEY- The Priory Institute 2-week on-line Summer School is reflective/informative/interactive from **11th Aug**. The course includes 8 recorded presentations and two on-line zoom discussions and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. More info. and to register, please visit: www.prioryinstitute.com

WEEKLY PARISH BINGO continues in Drumreilly Community Centre on **Friday nights at 8.30 pm sharp**. Also, a raffle. We welcome and appreciate your support.

DRUMREILLY ACTIVE AGE hold their weekly meetings in the Community Centre on **Wednesdays at 8.30 pm**. Various activities. Refreshments served. New members welcome.

COFFEE CONNECT CONVERSATION - Everyone welcome. It happens in Margaret's Corner C.C., Carrigallen on a **Thursday from 11am -12 noon** -This a FREE of charge event.

GULLADOO SWIMMING: Swimming and Life Saving Lessons will be held at Gulladoo Lake, Carrigallen from **14th July to 25th July** inclusive. Children can be registered on www.eventbrite.ie or at the Lakeshore on Monday morning 14th July at 9.30 am.

CARRIGALLEN CLUB ON-LINE LOTTO: Jackpot **€11,100**. 4 lucky dip prizes of **€50** if not won. Extra prize for holders of "weekly recurring tickets". Click on "Automatically Renew Purchase" at checkout. Live Draw this **Sunday 29th June** can be viewed on our Facebook Page. Tickets: <https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/lotto/tickets>

NURSING HOME VOLUNTEERS: All Nursing Homes in Leitrim require volunteers. As part of the Age Friendly Ireland Programme, Leitrim Volunteer Centre is currently seeking volunteers to support older people in Nursing Homes to live with dignity and independence for as long as possible. A minimum of two hours per week which would include activities such as befriending, reading, music, conversation etc... Register at www.i-vol.ie

THE IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE is accepting blood donations at the Hotel Kilmore, Cavan on this **Monday 30th June, also on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 1st/2nd/3rd July from 15.50 to 20.10 pm** daily. Phone 1 800 222 111 for an appointment, with your donor ID number if an existing donor. **All blood groups urgently needed**. New donors welcome. Ring 1 800 731137 to register. Give blood and save a life !

Feast Days / Memorials during the Coming Week (30th June – 05th July)

Mon: - **St. Lucina of Rome**. 1st Century Roman Matron. Lived during the reign of Nero.

Tues: - **St. Oliver Plunkett of Loughcrew**. 17th Century Archbishop of Armagh.

Wed. – **St. Otto of Bamberg**. 12th Century German Missionary and papal legate.

Thurs: - **St. Thomas, the Apostle**. Also known as "doubting Thomas". Died in 72 A.D.

Fri: -**St. Elizabeth of Portugal**. 14th Century Queen of Portugal. Famous for peacemaking

Sat:-St. Zoe of Rome. 3rd Century. Received the gift (*miracle*) of speech from St. Sebastian.

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

Parish Cluster: Fr. Seán Mawn, Ballinamore **071-9644039 or 087-6869040**; Fr. Malachy Moses C.C. Ballinamore **087-4904380**; 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.

FACEBOOK: Parish of Carrigallen, Drumeela, Drumreilly.

Parish Newsletter: It 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 Wednesdays** or emailed to carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie by **12 noon on Fridays**. The editors reserve the right to omit or amend articles.

Parish Newsletter

St. Mary's Parish

Carrigallen – Drumeela – Drumreilly

29th June 2025 – Feast Day of St. Peter & St. Paul - Year C



St. Peter, also known as Simon Peter, was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus Christ and the first Pope of Rome. Originally a fisherman, he was called by Jesus to become a "fisher of men." Peter is often seen as a leader among the apostles and played a key role in the early Christian Church. According to the New Testament,

Jesus gave him the name "Peter," meaning "rock," symbolizing the foundational role he would have in building the Church. He is believed to have been martyred in Rome under Emperor Nero and is buried beneath St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City. St. Peter is venerated as a saint in many Christian traditions and is often depicted holding keys, representing the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven.

St. Paul, the Apostle was one of the most influential figures in the early Christian Church. Originally named Saul, he was born in Tarsus and was a devout Jew who initially persecuted Christians. However, after a dramatic conversion on the road to Damascus, he became a devoted follower of Jesus. He travelled throughout the Roman Empire, spreading the message of Christianity. His letters or epistles, to various Christian communities form a large portion of the New Testament and offer deep theological insights into faith, grace and salvation. His teachings and missionary work played a crucial role in shaping Christian doctrine and expanding the reach of Christianity beyond Jewish communities.

In today's Gospel (Matt. 16: 13-19), we hear the question "Who do you say that I am?" Jesus is asking His disciples to define His identity for themselves, rather than relying on public opinion. This question challenges the disciples and us as well to consider our personal understanding and relationship with Jesus. Peter responds by declaring, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God," affirming Jesus not just as a teacher or prophet, but as the divine Messiah. This moment reveals the heart of Christian belief—that recognizing Jesus for who He truly is transforms one's life and shapes the foundation of our faith.