

## Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

### St. Mary's, Carrigallen (Week commencing Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2025):

**Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug. – 11.15 am:** Packie & May Reilly, Bredagh & D.F.M's. Also, Sue Howard & Seán Smith.  
**Mon. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug. – 10.00 am:** Mass of the Day.  
**Tues. 26<sup>th</sup> Aug. - 7.30 pm:** Mass of the Day.  
**Wed. 27<sup>th</sup> Aug. – 10.00 am:** Mass of the Day.  
**Fri. 29<sup>th</sup> Aug. – 7.30 pm:** Mass of the Day.  
**Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> Aug. – 11.15 am:** Missa Pro Populo.  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Tues. 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm & Wed. 10.30 am to 11.30 am.

### St. Mary's, Drumeela (Week commencing Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2025):

**Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Aug. - 10.00 am:** Missa Pro Populo.  
**Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> Aug. - 10.00 am:** Patrick & Mary Mc Cartan, Newtowngore. Jim & Mary Mc Cartan, Drumbrick & D.F.M's.

### St. Mary's, Drumreilly (Week commencing Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug. 2025):

**Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug. – 8.00 pm:** Bridget Corby, Kilmore (**1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Mass**).  
**Thurs. 28<sup>th</sup> Aug. – 7.30 pm:** Willie, Pat & Charlie O'Beirne, Whiterock.  
**Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> Aug. – 8.00 pm:** Rose, Peter, Dan & James Kiernan, Mullaghmore.  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

CHURCH AREA	OFFERTORY COLLECTION: 16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	15 <sup>th</sup> Aug.
Carrigallen	€670	€194
Drumeela	€595 (Incl. €314 returns from Ballyconnell/Kildallan/Drumlane)	€86
Drumreilly	€287	€179

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Our earthly lives should involve striving for justice, embracing suffering as part of spiritual growth, and recognizing Jesus as the true way to salvation.



**RECENT BAPTISM:** With joy, we welcome Baby Tyler Patrick Kompus, 14 Church Manor who was baptised into our Faith Community on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August** in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen and we congratulate his parents, Michael and Charlotte.

**PARISH JUBILEE YEAR MISSION:** On Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Sept after the 11.15 am Mass in Carrigallen there will be a short Camino/walk to St. Patrick's Well, Aughawillen. There we will have Prayer Service with short talk on the history of the well. We will then return to the Community Centre for refreshments at 1.30 pm (approx.) **The Parish Pastoral Council would appeal to parishioners do some baking which can be dropped off at the community centre from 10.30 am that Sunday morning.**

**PETITIONS FOR 'THE HEALING OF PAST HURTS':** Fr. Laurence Gallagher, director of our Parish Mission has asked that a sealed box be placed in the Sanctuary of the three Churches where people can place petitions for the healing of past hurts. This will provide people with a space where you can acknowledge, write down and symbolically let go of past hurts and so promote healing to move forward. On one evening of the Mission there will be a service for the healing of hurts.

**† PADRE PIO HEALING MASS:** Ballinamore Church on **Thurs. 28<sup>th</sup> Aug. at 7:00 PM.** Join us for a special evening of prayer, healing, and spiritual renewal: 🙏 Individual blessings with Padre Pio relics. Sacrament of Reconciliation available before Mass. A time of prayer, healing, and spiritual renewal. Visiting Friars Celebrating the Mass. Early attendance is strongly recommended to ensure seating and participation in the sacrament and blessings. Come and experience the grace and healing of this powerful devotion to St. Padre Pio. All are welcome!

**KILMORE DIOCESAN P.T.A.A. MINI-NIGHT VIGIL TO MARK THE JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE:** Takes place on **Fri. 29<sup>th</sup> Aug. at St. Brigid's Church, Killeshandra at 8:00 pm** with The Jubilee Way of Hope: including a walk around the grounds of the Church with prayers and reflections on hope in the midst of our daily lives. FOLLOWED BY: Stations of the Cross in the Church and sometime of Guided Prayers, Meditation and Eucharist Adoration before Mass concluding the vigil with Mass at 10:00 pm. Tea and refreshments served after Mass. Both Pioneers and Non-Pioneers are welcome from throughout Kilmore Diocese & beyond.

**ACN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK:** The Papal Charity 'Aid to the Church in Need - Ireland' invites people to join their national pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on **Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> Aug.** to highlight the plight of Christians who suffer persecution for their faith in many parts of the world. Mass is in the basilica at 3:00 pm. All welcome. For more info. visit: [www.acnireland.org](http://www.acnireland.org)

**WHY SUNDAY MATTERS:** On **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August** a pastoral resource from the Irish Bishop will be launched. Called "Why Sunday Matters", it will invite all Catholics to reflect on the immense significance of Sunday Mass and encourage those who do not attend to return. Copies will be available throughout the month of September.

**KILMORE DIOCESE AUTUMN PROGRAMME:** We are delighted to share two exciting events coming up this September:

- Leadership/Facilitation Skills on Sat. 13<sup>th</sup> Sept.** at the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cavan. A full day with Jim Deeds, offering practical tips, ideas, and encouragement to build your skills and confidence. Suitable for anyone currently involved in parish life.
- Diocesan Youth Day on Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> Sept** at the Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan. To celebrate the Jubilee year of Hope, we are hosting a youth day for ages 13–18. This promises to be a fun-filled day of friendship, activities, faith and inspiration run by NET Ministries. Booking will be essential for both events; Email Martina Gilmartin at [pastoralservices@kilmorediocese.ie](mailto:pastoralservices@kilmorediocese.ie) More details to follow.

**DRUMREILLY COMMUNITY CENTRE** meeting on this **Monday evening (25<sup>th</sup> August) starting at 8.30 pm sharp.** All parishioners are welcome to attend this meeting.

**PARISH BINGO** continues in Drumreilly Community Centre on **Friday nights** and in Carrigallen Hall on **Sunday nights at 8.30 pm sharp** in both venues. Usual prizes and raffles. Please support your local parish bingo. Thank you.

## JUBILEE YEAR OPPORTUNITIES AT LOUGH DERG THIS AUG. & SEPT. 2025:


One Day Retreats – *Guided Days of Prayer and Reflection* - places available on August 25<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>. September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>. Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September – special devotions and blessing with Carlo Acutis Relic. Daily Admission €50. Group discounts available. Advance Booking Essential.

**KNOCKNINNY (DERRYLIN/TEEMORE) PARISH** are holding a Walk of Hope on **Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> Sept. at 7:00 pm** with prayers at St. Ninnidh's Well followed by a walk to Aughakillymaude Community Centre for open-air Mass at 7:30 pm. Refreshments will be available after Mass.

**ARDAGH AND CLONMACNOISE PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK** on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September**. A great day out at Our Lady's Shrine with people from around the diocese. A bus will leave Aughavas Church at 9.30 am, Cloone community centre 9.40 am and O'Carolan statue Mohill at 9.50 am. To book a seat: call/txt 086-8775036

**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.

**CARRIGALLEN GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW:** Regular weekly Draw is held on Sundays in the Clubrooms. This week's Jackpot is **€5,400**. 4 lucky dip prizes of **€50** if not won. Extra prize for holders of "weekly recurring tickets". Click on "Automatically Renew Purchase" at checkout. **Tickets from local vendors or <https://member.clubspot.app/c.../carrigallen-gaa/fundraisers>** Also a new Monthly 50/50 Draw. See our social media pages for more details.

 **THE IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE** is accepting blood donations at the Bush Hotel, Carrick-on-Shannon on this **Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> /27<sup>th</sup> /28<sup>th</sup> Aug. 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 (25<sup>th</sup> Aug. – 20<sup>th</sup> Aug.)

**Mon.** – St. Patricia of Italy. 7<sup>th</sup> Century Religious Sister. Patron Saint of Naples.

**Tues.** – St. Bregwin. 8<sup>th</sup> Century Archbishop of Canterbury.

**Wed.** – St. Monica of Algeria. 4<sup>th</sup> Century. Mother of St. Augustine.

**Thurs.** - St. Augustine of Algeria. 4<sup>th</sup> Century theologian and philosopher.

**Fri.** – The Beheading of St. John the Baptist as ordered by King Herod.

**Sat.** – St. Fiace of Kilkenny. 7<sup>th</sup> Century. Patron Saint of gardeners.

**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](http://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](mailto: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**

**24<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2025 – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C**

## GOSPEL REFLECTION

In today's Gospel (Luke 13:22-30), Jesus continues his teaching as he journeys towards Jerusalem. He is asked a question about how many will be saved and He uses the metaphor of a narrow door to illustrate the path to salvation, suggesting that it requires both effort and focus to gain entry. We are encouraged to "strive to enter through the narrow door", highlighting the need for both personal effort and commitment. This implies that salvation is not a passive reception but requires active engagement with God's word and with God's way.

The image of the master of the house shutting the door emphasizes the finality of judgment and the consequences of neglecting the call to salvation. Those who are turned away will be unable to enter, highlighting the importance of seizing the opportunity while it is available. We are also told that those who are initially expected to be excluded, such as people from east and west, north and south, will be welcomed into the kingdom of God. This suggests that God's grace extends to all who seek Him with a sincere heart, regardless of their background or perceived status. "Those who are now last will be first and those now first will be last."

**Prayer:** Dear Lord, you spoke of the narrow door that leads to eternal life. Help us to recognize the true path, to turn away from worldly distractions, and to strive to enter through that door with hearts open to your will. We acknowledge that many are called, but few are chosen. Grant us the grace to discern Your call in our lives and to respond with faith and humility. And grant us the strength to persevere in our faith, to resist the temptations of the world, and to remain steadfast in our commitment to following You, even when the path is challenging. Amen.