

**Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:**

**St. Mary's, Carrigallen (Week commencing Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2025):**

**Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> Oct. – 11.15 am:** Cathal Whelan, Kivvy.  
**Mon. 13<sup>th</sup> Oct. – 10.00 am:** Missa Pro Populo.  
**Tues. 14<sup>th</sup> Oct. – 7.30 pm:** Frank, Pauline & Seán Donohoe, Gortermone.  
**Wed. 15<sup>th</sup> Oct. – 10.00 am:** Mass of the Day.  
**Fri. 17<sup>th</sup> Oct. – 7.30 pm:** Mons. Edward Donohoe, Gortermone & California.  
**Sun. 19<sup>th</sup> Oct. – 11.15 am:** Eamon Mc Manus, Beaghmore, his parents Mamie & James and D.F.M's.  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Tues. 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm & Wed. 10.30 am to 11.30 am.

**St. Mary's, Drumeela (Week commencing Sun. 01<sup>st</sup> Oct. 2025):**

**Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> Sept - 10.00 am:** Ned & Winnie Lynch, Drumbrick.  
**Sun. 19<sup>th</sup> Sept - 10.00 am:** Eugene & Bridie O'Kelly, Drumloona & their daughter, Cathriona Lydon, London.

**St. Mary's, Drumreilly (Week commencing Sat. 04<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2025):**

**Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> Oct. – 8.00 pm:** P.J. Denneny, Kinkeen & D.F.M's. Nuala Campbell (*née Bradley*), London & Derrylahan (**Memorial Mass**). (*Preceded by the Holy Rosary at 7.45pm*).  
**Thurs. 16<sup>th</sup> Oct. – 7.30 pm:** Pat Sutherland, Garadice & D.F.M's.  
**Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> Oct. – 8.00 pm:** Liam Mc Girl, Drumcoura & his parents, Thomas & Brigid (*Preceded by the Holy Rosary at 7.45pm*).  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

CHURCH AREA	OFFERTORY COLLECTION - WEEKEND: 04 <sup>th</sup> / 05 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2025
Carrigallen	€785
Drumeela	€315
Drumreilly	€333



**IN OUR PRAYERS, WE REMEMBER:**

**SEÁN Mc GEE**, London & formerly of Aughavore & his late wife **MARIE (née Carroll)** whose funerals took place on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October** in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery.  
*May their souls rest in heavenly peace.*

**A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

By consciously appreciating what you have, you train your brain to focus on the positive, which can increase resilience, decrease stress, and improve your overall quality of life.



**OCTOBER MISSION MONTH:** October and World Mission Sunday is a time for the faithful of the world to show their appreciation towards the work of overseas missionaries. The generosity offered will be used to support missionary activities in over 1,100 struggling dioceses: mostly in Africa, Asia and Latin America. You can help by donating on Mission Sunday on the weekend of **18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> Oct.** by either picking up Missio envelopes in the church porches or in the box of envelopes received at the beginning of the year. Please give a little, it will help a lot! This Year's Mission Sunday theme is: *"Missionaries of Hope Among all Peoples"*.

**ACCORD PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE DATES 2026:** 6<sup>th</sup> / 7<sup>th</sup> February, 10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> April and 9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup> October. Courses will take place in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan, H12 E5 C7. To book a course please log on to: [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)

**NEWS FROM THE RECENT PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING:**

- **A review of the recent Parish Mission:** Generally, there was a good reaction, great participation by parishioners highlighting once again the creativity of our people when it comes to music/song/drama. The question was then asked; why can we not continue to bring that same communal aspect to the celebration of our faith at weekends so that Sunday matters.
- **Mass of Consolation:** The annual mass of consolation will be held in St Mary's Church, Drumeela on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 8.00 pm** All families who have experienced the death of a loved one during the year will be invited along with all who are dealing with bereavement.
- **Parish Visitation:** Bishop Martin Hayes will undertake a parish visitation to celebrate mass with parishioners and meet with the Parish Pastoral Council, Parish Finance Council, Parish Volunteers, chairpersons of Boards of Management and visit the three schools in the parish on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026**.

**MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND FOR MARRIED COUPLES:** This residential weekend is like no other. The weekend experience helps us to listen, share and connect more deeply. There is no group discussion. Venue: Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare from **7<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> November 2025**. Apply online [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)

**MONASTIC VOCATIONS WEEKEND:** Do You Feel Called to Seek God in Prayer & Contemplation, Monastic Work, And Community Life? The Cistercian community at St Mary's Abbey, Glencairn invites single women aged 19–40 to our upcoming Monastic Vocations Weekend on **24<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> October 2025**. Please contact our Vocation Director, Sr. Mairéad, at [vocations@glencairnabbey.org](mailto:vocations@glencairnabbey.org) Visit [www.glencairnabbey.org](http://www.glencairnabbey.org) for more details.

**EMOTIONALLY BASED SCHOOL AVOIDANCE:** A 4 Stage Strategy for Parenting Children & Teens on **Mon. 13<sup>th</sup> Oct. from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm**. To book a free place, Email: [parenthubcoordinator@sligochildcare.ie](mailto:parenthubcoordinator@sligochildcare.ie) This webinar provided by Bronagh Starrs who will introduce a 4-stage model of intervention that addresses the deeper emotional challenges these children & teenagers face, replacing anxiety and dependency with resilience & courage.

**MARGARET OF NEW ORLEANS:** The A.G.M. of The Margaret of New Orleans Community Association is taking place at Margarets Corner in Carrigallen H12 P744 at **8.00 pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2025**. All welcome.

**LEITRIM YOUTH THEATRE CO. CARRIGALLEN (LEITRIM YOUTH ARTS):** Youth Theatre Drama Workshops for Seniors (*Secondary School Students*) in Carrigallen Community Hall on **Tuesday's from 7.15 pm to 9.15 pm**. The new drama Facilitator is Raquel Montero Calero. Qualified drama facilitator through Youth Theatre Ireland, with lots of experience. Enquiries to booking a place at: [leitrimyoutharts@gmail.com](mailto:leitrimyoutharts@gmail.com)

**ST. MARY'S N.S. DRUMEELA** are having a **Used Clothes Collection** at the School on **13<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025**. The more bags the better. Leave in shelter at rear of School. Clean Clothes. Shoes in pairs. **NO** Duvets or Pillows. Please support this fundraiser for your local National School.

**CARRIGALLEN GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW:** Regular weekly Draw is held on Sundays in the Clubrooms. This week's Jackpot is **€2,400**. 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.

**ST. JOSEPH'S LGFA** are holding a fundraiser entitled "The Poems & Qualms of Seamus O'Rourke" in the Corn Mill Theatre on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 8.00 pm**. Tickets are €20 and can be booked on [www.cornmilltheatre.com](http://www.cornmilltheatre.com) All support welcome and appreciated.

**DRUMREILLY ACTIVE AGE GROUP** hold their meetings on **Wednesdays at 8.30 pm** in the Community Centre. Various activities. Refreshments served. New members welcome. Also, a weekly walk on **Tuesdays at 11.00 am** at Garadice Lake N41 CA32. All welcome. We are hosting a Boxy & Bacon night on Wed. 29<sup>th</sup> Oct. Full details next week.

**PARISH BINGO** 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.

**CARRIGALLEN GAA HEALTHY CLUB** - Ladies gentle exercise on **Mondays at 11.00 am in the Corn Mill Theatre** (temporary venue until 2026). Social cuppa afterwards. All welcome.

#### **PRAYERS FOR THE PRE-SYNODAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN IRELAND:**

All Catholics are invited to pray for a special gathering which takes place in Kilkenny on **18<sup>th</sup> Oct.**, called a Pre-Synodal Assembly of the Catholic Church in Ireland. This is an important juncture on the journey towards a National Synodal Assembly to be held in 2026. Around 240 people will be in attendance, all drawn from each diocese, Religious Congregations and Church movements. A preparatory document, entitled *Baptised and Sent* - the fruits of listening sessions across Ireland last spring - will be the basis for discussion. Central to the document is a renewed focus on baptism as the foundation of our Christian dignity & how baptism infuses the life and mission of the Church in Ireland today and into the future. You are invited to read this document by visiting [www.synod.ie/baptised-and-sent-preparatory-document-available-now/](http://www.synod.ie/baptised-and-sent-preparatory-document-available-now/) Please pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the conversations at Kilkenny, and those flowing from it, as we walk together as sisters & brothers of Christ, united by our baptism & filled with hope.

**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 and Drumreilly.

**Parish Newsletter:** It promotes Church & Community events. Articles must state author's name & phone number & can be written into one of the church diaries before **5.00 pm on Wed.** or emailed to [carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie](mailto:carrigallen@kilmorediocese.ie) by **12 noon on Fri.** Editors reserve the right to omit or amend articles.

# Parish Newsletter

**St. Mary's Parish**

**Carrigallen - Drumeela - Drumreilly**

**12<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2025 - 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C**

## GOSPEL REFLECTION

In today's Gospel (Luke 17: 11-19) Jesus travels to Jerusalem and He encounters ten men with leprosy who beg Him for mercy. Jesus tells them to go and show themselves to the priests. As they go, they are cleansed. However, only one, a Samaritan, returns to thank Jesus and glorify God. Jesus remarks that only this foreigner returned to give thanks, and tells him, "Stand up and go your way; your faith has saved you."

The fact that only one man out of ten returned to thank Jesus highlights how easy it is to receive graces and blessings but also how easy it is to forget to thank the One who gave them. The Samaritan who would have been considered a religious and ethnic outsider by the Jews, didn't just receive physical healing but also spiritual wholeness through faith and thanksgiving. He demonstrated a greater spiritual insight and humility than the others. This shows that the most unexpected people can demonstrate true faith.

This Gospel teaches us that gratitude is more than a feeling, it's an act of worship. The Samaritan's return to Jesus was not just about good manners but about recognizing who Jesus truly was. When we return to God with a thankful heart, we not only acknowledge His gifts, but we also enter deeper into our relationship with Him.

**Prayer:** Dear Lord, let us not be like the nine healed men who went on with their lives once all was well again. May we always return to worship and thank God for his continuing goodness, mercy, protection and guidance through our daily lives. Amen.

#### **Feast Days / Memorials during the Coming Week (13<sup>th</sup> Oct. - 18<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2025)**

**Mon.** - St. Edward the Confessor. 11<sup>th</sup> Century English King. Founded Westminster Abbey.

**Tues.** - St. Callistus I. 3<sup>rd</sup> Century Pope. Previously a Deacon in charge of the Catacombs.

**Wed.** - St. Teresa of Avila. 16<sup>th</sup> Century Carmelite nun. One of the 5 Patron Saints of Spain.

**Thurs.** - St. Gall of Leinster. 6<sup>th</sup> Century Disciple and companion of St. Columbanus.

**Fri.** - St. Ignatius of Antioch. 2<sup>nd</sup> Century Martyr. Encouraged unity through the Eucharist.

**Sat.** - St. Luke the Evangelist. 1<sup>st</sup> Century writer of Luke's Gospel & the Acts of the Apostles.