

Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

St. Mary's, Carrigallen (Week commencing Sun. 25th Jan. 2026):

- Sun. 25th Jan. – 11.15 am:** Frank & Ellen Maguire, Cois Locha.
Vincent & Bridget Greene, Drumcannon & D.F.M's.
Kevin Percival, Beaghmore.
- Mon. 26th Jan. – 10.00 am:** Mass of the Day.
- Tues. 27th Jan. – 7.30 pm:** Mass of the Day.
- Wed. 28th Jan. – 10.00 am:** Mass of the Day.
- Fri. 30th Jan. – 7.30 pm:** Mass of the Day.
- Sun. 01st Feb. – 11.15 am:** Gráinne Heslin, Cloncorrick, also remembering her mother, Bernadette Heslin & also her uncle, Rev. Fr. Dominic Heslin, New Zealand.
Fiona Kiernan, Aughavore & 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. 25th Jan. 2026):

- Sun. 25th Jan. – 10.00 am:** Missa Pro Populo.
- Sun. 01st Feb. – 10.00 am:** Paddy Mc Govern, Newtowngore.

St. Mary's, Drumreilly (Week commencing Sat. 24th Jan. 2025):

- Sat. 24th Jan. – 8.00 pm:** Killian & Teresa Mitchell, Kinkeen & D.F.M's.
- Thurs. 29th Jan. – 7.30 pm:** Mass of the Day.
- Sat. 31st Jan. – 8.00 pm:** Vigil Mass for St. Brigid's Day.
- Eucharistic Adoration:** Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

CHURCH AREA	OFFERTORY COLLECTION: WEEKEND 17 th / 18 th JANUARY
Carrigallen	€1,057
Drumeela	€310
Drumreilly	€431



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

When we learn how much Jesus loves us, we will want more than anything to be close to Him.

A NEW WEBSITE FROM THE IRISH BISHOPS CONFERENCE has been set up – www.theway.ie and it is a valuable resource for people everywhere to engage with the faith in a lively and challenging way. It includes video interviews of people who have rediscovered the gift of their faith and who share their stories.

STUDY THEOLOGY ONLINE, IS THIS FOR YOU? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before **10th February 2026**. Find out more on our website, www.prioryinstitute.com Click [here](#) to see a 2 minute introductory film.



IN OUR PRAYERS, WE REMEMBER:

CHRISTOPHER MORAN, Mullingar and formerly of Lughnagun whose funeral took place on **Friday 23rd January** in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar followed by burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Marlinstown.

DIARMUID MC GUINNESS, Dublin and formerly of Mullahoran and Aughavas (*brother of Killian Mc Guinness, Drumbreanlis*) whose funeral took place in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Donaghmede on **Friday 23rd Jan.** followed by cremation in Dardistown Crematorium.

May their souls rest in heavenly peace.

CANDLES: There will be a designated table in the Sanctuary of each Church where you can leave candles to be blessed next weekend for Church and home use.

ACCORD PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE DATES 2026: 6th/7th February, 10th/11th April and 9th/10th 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

MISSING NAMEPLATE – ST. MARY'S, DRUMREILLY: There is a donor nameplate missing from one of the Church windows (*window beside the 14th Station*) in Drumreilly. If anyone has any idea of who the donor/s might have been, could you please contact the Parish Office so that a new nameplate can be put in place. Thank you.

ST. MARY'S N.S. DRUMLEA will be celebrating Grandparents Day 2026 on **Fri. 30th Jan. at 1.00 pm** in the school. All grandparents of pupils are warmly invited to attend the event.

SCOIL MUIRE NAOFA, CARRIGALLEN: Enrolment forms for September 2026 are now available from the school and local crèches for Mainstream and Special Class (ASD) including Early Intervention (ASD) preschool. Completed forms must be returned together with child's Birth Certificate and a copy of a utility bill on or before **Friday, 27th February 2026**. Phone: 049-4339929. Email: Secretary@carrigallens.ie

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL OF CARRIGALLEN, DRUMEELA AND AUGHAVAS would like to thank everyone who contributed to their annual SVP church collection in any of the above churches, all who handed in their SVP envelopes personally and all who donated in any other way throughout the year. Thanks to all who donated at the GAA Christmas Market and to everyone who helped out. All of this money is for local people, so that nobody in this community has to do without food or heat. To donate at any time or to seek help ring the local SVP confidential number: **087-6024223**.

DRUMREILLY ACTIVE AGE GROUP: Weekly meetings are held on **Wednesdays at 8:30 pm** in the Community Centre. We offer a variety of engaging activities and outings, with refreshments provided at each meeting. New members are always warmly welcomed. Additionally, we host a relaxed 'Ceili House' gathering on **Sunday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 pm** at the Centre. It's a casual get-together for a friendly chat and a cup of tea. All welcome!

PARISH BINGO in Drumreilly Community Centre on **Friday nights and at Carrigallen Hall on Sunday nights, both starting promptly at 8:30 pm.** (Tonight Sun. 25th January is the last night of the current season in Carrigallen as Bingo returns to Arva Hall from Sun. 1st Feb.). Expect the usual prizes and raffles. Your support is greatly appreciated and always welcome!

AN TOBAR NUA: We provide confidential counselling nationwide via telephone and Zoom. Our service is donation-based, because we do not want finances to prevent anyone from receiving support. If you are struggling with grief, anxiety, depression, or other life challenges, we are here to help, please telephone: 091-562 175.

CARRIGALLEN GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW: Regular weekly Draw is held on Sundays in the Clubrooms. This week's Jackpot is **€3,900**. 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> We also have a Monthly 50/50 Draw. See our social media pages for details.

APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS SCHEME – ST. PATRICK'S DAY EVENT 2026:

Applications for these Grants are now open. Select the links below for further information and application form. [Application-Form-St PatricksDayParade-2026.docx \(size 125.3 KB\)](#) [Guidelines-for-Festival-Events-Grants--St-Patrick-s-Day-Parade--2026.docx \(size 42.8 KB\)](#) [Privacy-Statement-2026--Tourism-Festival---Event-Grants.docx \(size 100.4 KB\)](#)

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE ADDICTED TO SUFFER FROM ADDICTION! M-PACT ,

a FREE eight-week family programme supporting all family members affected by parental substance misuse. It will help to improve relationships, communication and recovery for all. If interested or would like further information, please contact 071-9150578 / 085-8759313 or email: sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com

HEDGE CUTTING GRANT - FINAL CALL: This scheme aims to encourage the cutting of roadside hedges/trees along the Public Road Network. Open to individual applicants, communities and groups. The Grant is €75 per km (*with a min of 1km per applicant*). An additional Grant of €50 per 10 trees per km has been introduced to encourage the cutting of dangerous overhanging tree canopies/branches along the public road network (*This would be a max. of €125 p/k*). Further information and application forms are available from Leitrim Co. Councils website www.leitrim.ie or by contacting the Roads Dept. by e-mail: roads@leitrimcoco.ie or Phone 071-9620005 Ext. 630. **Closing Date is 30th Jan. 2026.**

Feast Days / Memorials during the Coming Week (26th Jan. – 31st Jan.)

- Mon.** – St. Timothy & St. Titus. Early Christian Bishops & co-workers of St. Paul.
- Tue.** – St. Angela Merici of Italy. 16th Century Religious Education Teacher.
- Wed.** – St. Thomas Aquinas. 13th Century Italian Dominican Friar and Theologian.
- Thurs.** - St. Dallan of Kildallan. 7th Century Christian Poet & writer. Born in Ballyconnell.
- Fri.** – St. Martina of Italy. 3rd Century Deaconess. Patron Saint of Rome.
- Sat.** – St. Mogue of Templeport. 6th Century Monastery founder & First Bishop of Ferns.

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

Parish Cluster: Fr. Seán Mawn, Ballinamore [071-9644039](tel:0719644039) or [087-6869040](tel:0876869040); Fr. Malachy Moses C.C. Ballinamore [087-4904380](tel:0874904380); 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.

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 by **12 noon on Fri.** Editors reserve the right to omit or amend articles.

Parish Newsletter

St. Mary's Parish

Carrigallen – Drumeela – Drumreilly

25th Jan. 2026 – 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year A

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today's Gospel (*Matt. 4: 12-23*) begins with the news of John the Baptist's arrest. This event prompts Jesus to move from Nazareth to Capernaum in Galilee, fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah. He starts His public preaching with the words: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand."

Jesus then calls His first disciples: Simon (who was called Peter), his brother Andrew, and the brothers James and John, who were fishermen. He invites them to follow Him and promises to make them "fishers of men." They immediately leave their nets and follow Him. The Gospel concludes by noting Jesus' teaching and healing ministry in Galilee, where He heals the sick and cures every disease among the people.

Like the first disciples, we too are called to leave behind whatever stands in the way of following Christ. What are the things we are holding on to that might be keeping us from fully embracing His call? Are we willing to drop everything and follow Him? Just as Jesus called His disciples to be "fishers of men," we too are invited to participate in the mission of spreading the good news. The healing ministry of Jesus reminds us that He desires our complete healing, body, mind and spirit. We are invited to approach Him for healing in our lives, and to be healers for others, bringing God's love and peace to those who are suffering.

BLESSING of ST. BRIGID'S CROSSES / CANDLES / THROATS

- Sat. 31st Jan. 8 pm - DRUMREILLY: St. Brigid's Crosses & Candles
- Sun. 01st Feb. 10 am - DRUMEELA: St. Brigid's Crosses & Candles
- 11.15 am - CARRIGALLEN: St. Brigid's Crosses.
- Mon. 02nd Feb. 10 am - CARRIGALLEN: Candles.
- Tues. 03rd Feb. 7.30 pm - CARRIGALLEN: Throats.