

## Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

### St. Mary's, Carrigallen (Week commencing Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026):

- Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> Mar. – 11.15 am:** Patrick & Gabrielle Maguire, Church Street.  
**Tues. 17<sup>th</sup> Mar. – 11.15 am:** Elizabeth & Bernard Magee, Main Street.  
**Wed. 18<sup>th</sup> Mar. – 10.00 am:** Missa Pro Populo.  
**Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> Mar. – 11.00 am:** Parish Confirmation.  
**Sun. 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar. – 11.15 am:** Vincent Gray, Bredagh.  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Wed. 10.30 am to 11.30 am.

### St. Mary's, Drumeela (Week commencing Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026):

- Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> Mar. – 10.00 am:** Terence Murray, Aughavore & D.F.M's.  
**Tues. 17<sup>th</sup> Mar. 10.00 am:** Tosh, Mary E. & Sr. Cecilia O'Rourke, Killerin.  
**Fri. 20<sup>th</sup> Mar. 7.30 pm:** Mass of the Day (*Followed by Stations of the Cross*)  
**Sun. 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar. – 10.00 am:** Sheila, Danny & Kevin Mitchell, Newtowngore.  
 John & Cathriona O'Brien, Newtowngore & D.F.M's.

### St. Mary's, Drumreilly (Week commencing Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> March 2026):

- Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> Mar. – 8.00 pm:** Fr. John Quinn, Drumcoura & Glenfarne.  
**Mon. 16<sup>th</sup> Mar. – 8.00 pm:** Vigil Mass for St. Patrick's Day.  
**Thurs. 19<sup>th</sup> Mar. – 7.30 pm:** Geraldine Mimna, Toome.  
**Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> Mar. – 8.00 pm:** Tommy Mc Cartin, Killameen (*Month's Mind Mass*).  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** None this week.

CHURCH AREA	OFFERTORY COLLECTION: WEEKEND 07 <sup>th</sup> / 08 <sup>th</sup> MARCH
Carrigallen	€595
Drumeela	€320
Drumreilly	€287

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Luck must be dealt with like health - Enjoy it when it is good and be patient with it when it is bad.

**PARISH LENTEN PROGRAMME:** Parishioners are invited to take part in a Lenten journey called *Baptised and Sent*. This program will help us reflect on our faith in relation to daily Christian living. It continues on this **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 8.30 pm** in the Tom Clarke Memorial Room, Carrigallen Hall. All are invited.

**RADIO INTERVIEW:** On this Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March, Shannon Side/Northern Sound Radio will interview Fr. Jason Murphy and four young people on the "Side by Side" programme, about their visit last June to Mazabuka, Zambia. They will describe a heart-wrenching story of their experience there & of the people they met. They will speak of an incredible woman called Rose, whom they describe as the "Florence Nightingale of Mazabuka". It's a two-part interview & part two airs on **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March, at 9.10 am.**

**Your generosity to the St Patrick's Day collection will help.....**

- o Support St. Paul's Missionary Society and Minna Diocese, Nigeria.
- o Support Irish Missionaries and Immersion Programme in African countries.
- o Provide support to the Irish Chaplaincy Abroad.



**RECENT MARRIAGE:** Our congratulations and best wishes for future happiness to Maeve Mc Garrigle, Belleek and Luke O'Neill, Belfast who received the Sacrament of Marriage in St. Mary's Church, Drumeela on **Fri. 13<sup>th</sup> March.**

**PRAYER EVENING:** Fr. Peter Okpetu MSP will lead a Lenten evening of prayer and healing in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cavan on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March.** Confessions from 6.00 pm, Rosary at 7.00 pm and Holy Mass at 7.30 pm. Fr. Peter will pray with everyone individually after Mass and the evening will conclude with Benediction.

**MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND:** Catholic Marriage Encounter are hosting a marriage enrichment weekend From **Fri. 20<sup>th</sup> - Sun. 22<sup>nd</sup> March** at St. Mary's Retreat Centre, Knock. Visit: [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie) for more info., booking etc. A weekend like no other!

**KILMORE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2026:** This year's Pilgrimage takes place from **5<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> May** flying from Knock. Book with Cavan Travel, on 049-4361222 and for Assisted Pilgrims book with Fr. Tom Mannion, Pilgrimage Director, Ballinaglera on 087-9170879. **To care for the Assisted pilgrims two extra nurses are required. If you would be interested, please contact Paula Brady, Director of Nursing on 086-1721712.**

**ST. MARY'S N.S. DRUMLEA/DRUMREILLY** are now taking enrolments for the academic year 2026/2027. Enrolment forms are available by emailing: [principal@stmarysdrumlea.com](mailto:principal@stmarysdrumlea.com) or by phoning 049-4333125.

**CASH FOR CLOBBER:** The Parent's Association of St. Mary's N.S. Drumlea/Drumreilly are holding a Cash for Clobber Fundraiser on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.** We would greatly appreciate your support. Details of drop-off times will be released closer to the date.

**CAKE SALE** in Teach Dúchais following the **10.00 am Mass on this Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March** in St. Mary's, Drumeela. This is a fundraiser for the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Newtowngore on **Tues. 17<sup>th</sup> March at 4.30 pm.** Prizes, Raffles & Live Music. Please support.

**FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY** on this **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March** in Gorby's Lounge, Newtowngore. Kid's Disco & Magician from **4.30 to 6.00 pm.** Music with the Basskillers from **7.00 to 9.00 pm.** It's a fundraiser organised by Newtowngore St. Patrick's Day Committee. See you there.

**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 starting at 8:30 pm.** Over €1,000 in prizemoney including raffle. We greatly welcome & appreciate your support.

**CARRIGALLEN GAA HEALTHY CLUB** – Ladies Exercise Classes on **Mondays at 11.00 am** in the Corn Mill Theatre (*Temporary Venue*). Social cuppa & chat afterwards. All welcome

**DRUMREILLY GAA HEALTHY CLUB WALKING GROUP:** We meet on **Sunday mornings at 10.00 am** at Garadice Lake car park (N41 CA32). Get fit, get walking, get social. A wellbeing initiative for our whole community. Open to all ages and fitness levels. Walk as much or as little as you like. Get moving in March!

**DRUMREILLY GAA APP:** We have now launched our new Club App. Feel free to download & set up on IOS & Android. Then select Menu, Memberships and choose from any available options. If having difficulty, contact any Committee member. We are also now on Instagram. Give us a follow to keep up with all the latest news, match updates, photos, fundraisers & Club events.

**CARRIGALLEN PARENT & TODDLER GROUP:** Weekly meetings in Carrigallen Community Care Centre (H12 K5N7) on **Friday mornings from 10.00 am to 12.00 am.** €2 per child or €5 if 3 or more children in a family. For more info. contact Rachel on 086-6035977.

**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 **€3,100.** 4 lucky dip prizes of **€50** if not won. Extra prize for holders of "weekly recurring tickets". Click on "Automatically Renew Purchase" at checkout. **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.

**CARRIGALLEN COMMUNITY LITTER PICK:** Please note our annual Spring clean/Litter pick in conjunction with Leitrim County Council and An Taisce is being held on **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2026.** The Fóroige Club as always are involved in this clean up. Pickers, bags, gloves and hi-vis jackets will be given out in the Tom Clarke room on the day between 9.30 to 10.00 am. Any person who wishes to litter pick beside where they live, can do prior to the day. Contact Anne O'Malley for bags, pickers etc. Mobile No. 086-3192874.

**COFFEE MORNING** on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm** in Newtowngore Hall. Proceeds to benefit the Irish Cancer Society. All welcome.

**DROMARD CAMINO 2026:** This year, the Dromard Camino will take place on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April.** Proceeds go towards Dromard Parish Lourdes Assisted Pilgrims Fund and Dromard Gaa Club. Registration and full details available on [www.dromardcaminowalk.ie](http://www.dromardcaminowalk.ie) A choice of two walks – 20 km or 10 km. Refreshments available on the day. Come walk with us.

**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



Carrigallen – Drumeela – Drumreilly

15<sup>th</sup> March 2026 - Year A

Laetare Sunday / Mothering Sunday

**On this Mothering Sunday** we are quietly reminded of a mother's love that often works behind the scenes – the small sacrifices, the patient listening, the steady encouragement that shapes our lives in ways we sometimes only understand later. Today is a chance to pause and appreciate the strength, tenderness and resilience that mothers carry every day. May we honour them not only with words, but with gratitude in our hearts for the countless ways they nurture, guide and love.

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the gift of mothers – for their love, their sacrifices and the gentle ways they care for those around them. Bless all mothers today with strength, peace and joy. Comfort those who miss their mothers and surround with Your love those who long to be mothers. May every mother feel appreciated, supported and reminded that their love reflects Your own faithful care. Amen.



**On this Tuesday, March 17** we celebrate St. Patrick's Day which is more than a celebration of Irish culture; it is a reminder of faith, courage and transformation. St. Patrick returned to the land where he had once been enslaved, bringing a message of hope, forgiveness and new life. His story invites us to reflect on the power of faith to change hearts, including our own. Like Patrick, we are called to carry light into the places that need it most: through kindness, compassion and forgiveness. His simple use of the shamrock to explain the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity reminds us that even ordinary things can reveal the presence of God.

Today, as we celebrate, may we remember that the true spirit of St. Patrick's Day is found not only in parades and green colours, but in living with faith, humility and gratitude. *St. Patrick, pray for us.*

## FEAST DAYS / MEMORIALS DURING THE COMING WEEK

**MON.** St. Jean de Brébeuf of France. **TUES.** St. Patrick – Patron Saint of Ireland.  
**WED.** St. Cyril of Jerusalem. **THURS.** St. Joseph of Nazareth.  
**FRI.** St. Cuthbert of Lindisfarne. **SAT.** St. Enda of Aran.