

A YOUTH 2000 DAY RETREAT takes place on 25th April at Knock Shrine, Co Mayo. Youth 2000 provide an opportunity for young people (16-35) to develop their relationship with God, learn more about the Catholic faith & meet other young people through a structured retreat programme. Talks, testimonies & games. Donation only. Check out www.youth2000.ie to register or contact: connaught@youth2000.ie for more info.

KILMORE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2026:
This year's Pilgrimage takes place from 5th-10th 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.

CASH FOR CLOBBER: *The Parent's Association of St. Mary's N.S. Drumlea/Drumreilly are holding a Cash for Clobber Fundraiser on Thursday 23rd April. We would greatly appreciate your support. Details of drop-off times will be available in the next edition of the newsletter.*

DRUMREILLY GAA HEALTHY CLUB WALKING GROUP:
We meet on Sunday mornings at 10.00 am at 10.00 am at Garadice Lake car park (N41 CA32). Our walks will continue until Sun.26th April. 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! Everyone welcome.

Priests Phone Numbers Fr John McMahon 049 433 9610. Mobile: 086 2126582.
Fr S Mawn (B'more) 071 9644039/087 6869040. Fr Malachy Moses cc 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 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

CARRIGALLEN — DRUMEELA
DRUMREILLY

12th April 2026—Divine Mercy Sunday—Year A

GOSPEL REFLECTION (John 20: 19-31)

In today's Gospel, the disciples are hiding behind locked doors, afraid and uncertain. Into that fear, the risen Jesus comes and says, "Peace be with you." This greeting is a gift of Peace. A week later, Jesus returns, this time for Thomas, who had struggled to believe. Thomas had said he needed proof: he wanted to see and touch the wounds. When Jesus appears, He does not reject Thomas for his doubt. Instead, He invites him: "Put your finger here... doubt no longer but believe."

This moment reveals something profound: doubt is not the opposite of faith, it can be part of the journey towards it. Thomas' honest questioning leads him to one of the strongest declarations in Scripture:

"My Lord and my God!"

Like Thomas, we often want certainty. We want clear signs, undeniable proof and easy answers. But faith usually grows in quieter ways through trust, through experience and through encounters with Christ in everyday life. Jesus' final words in this passage are meant for us: "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." That blessing reaches across time to every believer today. We are also reminded that the wounds of Christ are not erased in the Resurrection, instead they are transformed. They become signs of mercy, love and forgiveness.

The same mercy offered to Thomas is offered to us today.

Prayer

O Glorious St Thomas, your grief for Jesus was such that it would not let you believe He had risen unless you actually saw Him and touched His wounds. But your love for Jesus was equally great and it led you to give up your life for Him. Pray for us that we may grieve for our sins which were the cause of Christ's sufferings. Help us to spend ourselves in His service and so earn the title of "Blessed" which Jesus applied to those who would believe in Him without seeing Him.

Amen.

Parish Masses *Anniversaries*

Carrigallen

(Masses are livestreamed on www.churchtv.ie)

Sun 12th April 11.15 am Brendan & Mary Hunt *Church St*

Mon 13th 10.00 am Missa Pro Populo

Tues 14th 7.30 pm Mass of the Day

Wed 15th 10.00 am Mass of the Day

Fri 17th 7.30 pm Mass of the Day

Sun 19th 11.15 am Michael & Annie Reilly

Drumkeelwick

Eucharistic Adoration:

Tues. 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm. Wed. 10.30 am to 11.30 am

Drumeela

Sun 12th April 10.00 am Dessie O’Kelly, *Drumloona*
(1st Anniv Mass)

**Sun 19th 10.00 am Deceased members of the
Gorby Family** *Newtowngore* and **Joseph
Doran**

Drumreilly

Sat 11th April 8.00pm Kay Fee, *Clonboyher*
Patrick Connolly and D.F.M’s *Arduinsaghan*

Sun 12th 3.00pm Holy Hour of Mercy

Thurs 16th 7.30pm Mass of the Day

Sat 18th 8.00pm James & Ciss Kiernan, *Crucklahan*
and their grandson, **Tiernan Byrne.**

Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm

Thought for the Week: Life doesn’t have a remote control, you have to get up and change it yourself.

General Notices

LEAVING CERTIFICATE INFORMATION EVENING

Join Cavan Institute on **Thursday 23rd April from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm** for our Leaving Certificate Information Evening. Explore pathways in Tertiary Degrees, PLC, Apprenticeships, and Traineeships in a welcoming and supportive environment. The event will offer students the opportunity to explore our full range of programmes, learn about progression pathways, meet teachers and guidance staff, and tour our facilities. The event will be held across two campuses—Cathedral Road and Dublin Road—with courtesy buses available throughout the evening. Whether you're considering higher education, upskilling, employment, or a gap year, we have options for you. Register on our website and start your journey with us!

INTERESTED IN CARING FOR CREATION IN OUR PARISH? You are invited to enrol in a free online Laudato Si’ Animators Course from 15th April (4 sessions) inspired by the ‘30% Return to Nature of church grounds by 2030’ initiative. Sign up through the <https://laudatosianimators.org/website>

BALLINAMORE ATHLETIC CLUB

commence summer training at St Felim’s on this Tuesday evening at 7.00 pm. New members (born 2018 or earlier) enrolled at the Den before training and all are welcome. All required events catered for each Tuesday and Thursday at 7.00 pm.

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.

MOHILL FAMILY SUPPORT CENTRE are facilitating a Parenting Plus 9-week programme from this Wed. 15th April. Contact Abi on 087-6744993 or Rachel on 086-6035977 for more information.

MISSING PHONE: A mobile phone was mislaid after the funeral of Jimmy Murphy on Tuesday last. If anyone has found it, the owner would appreciate if it could be returned to either Fr John or to Carrigallen Garda Station.

CARRIGALLEN GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW:

Regular weekly Draw is held on Sundays in the Clubrooms. This week’s Jackpot is €3,500. 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.

CASH FOR CLOBBER

Carrigallen N.S. are holding a cash for clobber fundraising collection on **Thursday 16th April**. Items accepted are clean clothes, paired shoes, belts, ties, handbags, hats and soft toys. No duvets, bedding, pillows, cushions, rugs or mats allowed. Bags can be dropped into the school from **Monday 13th April (after the Easter holidays)**.

COFFEE CONNECT CONVERSATION

Everyone welcome. It happens in Margaret’s Corner C.C., Carrigallen on a Thursday from 11.00 am -12 noon. This a FREE of charge event.

TRÓCAIRE: Any outstanding Trócaire contributions for 2026 should be dropped in as soon as possible. Thank you for your generosity.

CEOL ÁLAINN CCÉ CARRIGALLEN are delighted to be hosting the Leitrim County Fleadh for the first time in approx. 75 years.

Running from **Fri 17th until Sun 19th April**. There will be competitions, open air music, session trails & a Saturday night céilí with the “Glenside Céilí Band”. Its promises to be a wonderful weekend full of music, dance & culture.

FEAST DAYS/MEMORIALS DURING THE COMING WEEK

Mon: Pope St Martin I
Tues: St Peter Gonzalez of Spain
Wed: St Hunna of Alsace
Thur: St Bernadette of Lourdes
Fri: St Robert of France
Sat: Galdinus of Milan

PARISH BINGO

takes place every Friday night in **Drumreilly Community Centre**, kicking off promptly at 8:30 pm. Over €1,000 in prizes up for grabs, plus a raffle each week. Your support is always warmly welcomed and greatly appreciated.

Drumreilly Active Age Group

Our 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 7:00 to 9:00 pm (note change of time) at the Centre. It’s a casual get-together for a friendly chat and a cup of tea. All welcome!

RECOVERY – SELF HELP METHOD:

Mental Health support group meetings take place on Monday nights (excl. Bank Holidays) in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cavan starting at 7.30 pm. Everyone welcome.

CARRIGALLEN G.A.A. HEALTHY CLUB

No Ladies Exercise Class this week. Resuming on Monday 20th April at 11.00 am in the Corn Mill Theatre (Temporary Venue). Social cuppa & chat afterwards. All welcome.

ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR: In Newtowngore Hall on next Saturday 18th April from 11.00 am to 3.00 pm. A warm invitation is extended to everyone. Refreshments will be served.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION 28TH/29TH MARCH —& TRÓCAIRE

Carrigallen €685 — €2,585 Trócaire (Incl. €1,265 returns from Anthony’s Shrine)

Drumeela €355—Trócaire (Incl. in Carrigallen Figure)

Drumreilly €342—€501 Trócaire