

ITEMS DISCUSSED AT RECENT PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING:

- Returning to Nature - Online Course. • Diocesan Pastoral Council – Reflection Evening.
- Pope Leo's World prayrs for Peace - Parish Engagement.

GROW IN LOVE Our parish and parents prepare their children First Holy Communion by taking part in the programme "Grow in Love" on Saturday next 25th April at the 8.00 pm Mass in St. Mary's, Drumreilly and on Sunday next 26th April at the 10.00 am in St. Mary's, Drumeela and at the 11.15 am Mass in St. Mary's, Carrigallen.

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.

CARRIGALLEN TIDY TOWNS: Thanks to all you came out to support our Annual Litter pick on Sat. 28th March. A special word of thanks to all the locals who did litter pick on roads where they live on the day and prior to the day. To Sean Ledwith and Mary Harte and the Foróige members who can be proud of their contribution as always to ensure roads got a great clean up and caring for the environment. To the residents of the various estate who as always did their areas. It was noted that generally litter is down on other years which we hope the trend will continue.

CASH FOR CLOBBER: St Mary's N.S. Drumlea/Drumreilly are holding a Cash for Clobber Collection on Thurs. 23rd April. Feel free to drop off bags for collection at the School Gate from this Mon. 20th April during school hours. Acceptable items are Clean unwanted clothes, Bed Linen, Towels, Curtains, Shoes, Bags, Belts, Soft Toys. No Duvets or Pillows please. We would greatly appreciate your support.

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

19th April 2026—Third Sunday of Easter—Year A

GOSPEL REFLECTION (Luke 24: 13-35)

The disciples are walking on the road from Jerusalem to Emmaus and are feeling a bit discouraged and confused. They had believed in Jesus and they had trusted that He would redeem Israel. But now everything seems lost when unexpectedly Jesus walks beside them, but they do not recognise Him. Sometimes we too may fail to recognise God's presence in moments of disappointment or grief in our lives.

Jesus listens to the disciples and allows them to express their sadness. And then He begins to interpret the Scriptures for them, helping them see that suffering was not the end, but part of God's plan. This reminds us that faith is not the absence of doubt, but the willingness to keep walking even when we don't fully understand.

Later that evening they were at table when Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognised Him. This moment echoes the Eucharist, the central act of Christian worship. It is in the breaking of the bread that Christ becomes fully known. Then He vanishes because now they no longer need to see Him physically. They have recognized Him in a deeper way. Immediately, the disciples return to Jerusalem. The same road that once symbolized defeat now becomes a path of mission. True encounter with Christ always leads to movement, back to community, back to faith and enthusiasm to share the good news.

So, this week let us ask ourselves: When have I felt like I was "walking away" in disappointment or doubt? Can I recognize moments when Christ may have been walking beside me unnoticed?

Do I allow Scripture and the Eucharist to open my eyes and heart?

How is God calling me to return and share hope with others?

The Emmaus story assures us that even when we feel lost, disillusioned or distant, Christ walks with us. He meets us in our confusion, speaks into our hearts and reveals Himself in simple sacred moments. And when we finally recognize Him, everything changes.

Parish Masses *Anniversaries*

Carrigallen

(Masses are livestreamed on www.churchtv.ie)

Sun 19th April 11.15 am Michael & Annie Reilly

Drumkeelwick

Mon 20th 10.00 am Missa Pro Populo

Tues 21st 7.30 pm Gretta McCabe *Beaghmore.*

Wed 22nd 10.00 am: Mass of the Day

Fri 24th 7.30 pm Mass of the Day

Sun 26th 11.15 am Gerard Gormely, *Kilbracken*
(1st Anniv Mass). **Rose Tierney** *Tully*

Eucharistic Adoration:

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

Drumeela

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

Sun 26th 10.00 am John & Mary Kate Dolan,
Drumbrick

Drumreilly

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

Sat 25th 8.00pm Seán, Paddy & Sue Maguire & DFM's
Mullaghmore **Vin McGovern** *Derrinlester*
John & Mary Gaffney *Corrala*

Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm

RECENT BAPTISM: With joy we welcome Abby Hanna Holohan, Gortahose who was baptised into our Faith Community in St. Mary's Church, Drumreilly on Sunday 12th April and we congratulate her parents, Clare & Francis.

MONTH'S MIND MASS: for Fr Oliver O'Reilly RIP on Sat. 25th April at 7.30 pm in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Coronea.

Thought for the Week: A friend is one who overlooks your broken fence but admires the flowers in your garden.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION 11TH/12TH APRIL
Carrigallen €940 (Incl €342 returns from Killeshandra/Arva)
Drumeela €605 (Incl €38 returns from Kildallan)
Drumreilly €281

General Notices

LEAVING CERTIFICATE INFORMATION EVENING

Join Cavan Institute on
**Thursday 23rd April from 4:00 pm to
7:00pm** 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!

IN THE STILLNESS' FAITH IN A BUSY WORLD

As we rush through a busy world, shaped by endless social media and influencers, there is still a place for Faith and Stillness. We invite you to join us at our Retreat on Lough Derg – A Sanctuary of Faith and Stillness – on Sat 25th April. Guest speakers will be Fr Peter O'Kane and Mark Harte. Boat departs at 9.30 am. The day will conclude with the Celebration of the Eucharist at 3.30 pm (open to the public). This day is open to young people aged 18-35 and is free to attend (supported by the Knights of St. Columbanus). Registration is essential – <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/young-adult-retreat-day-18-35yrs-tickets-1984550442797?aff=ebdso-porgprofile> For further info please contact: info@knightsfstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk or tel: +447759496677

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.

MISSING TABLES: There are some folding tables missing from Drumreilly Community Centre. Can you please return them to the Centre as soon as possible as they will be needed for the Camino. Thank you.

CARRIGALLEN GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW:

Regular weekly Draw is held on Sundays in the Clubrooms. This week's Jackpot is €3,600. 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 23rd 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 off during school hours. Thank you for your continued support.

MARGARET'S CORNER

We will be open this Sun. 19th April during the Fleadh Cheoil Busking Competitions in Carrigallen 2:30–6:30 pm. Serving: Tea & coffee, Homemade Soup and Sandwiches along with delicious homemade Treats. Everyone's welcome to drop in while you soak up the music and atmosphere—we'd love to see you! Join us at Margaret's Corner for an open music session starting at 5:30 pm. Whether you fancy playing a tune or just enjoying the vibe, all are welcome.

STRENGTH AND TONE for over 50's Classes are happening again in Margarets Corner in conjunction with Leitrim Sports Partnership on Wednesday's. 6 x classes just €20.00. To book your place call/text 089-271 2131.

CHESS CLASSES are happening in Margaret's Corner Carrigallen (Over 18's) on Sunday afternoons from 2.00 pm -5.00 pm. All genders and abilities welcome. To get more info contact: 083-3792790.

**FEAST DAYS/MEMORIALS
DURING THE COMING WEEK**
Mon: **St Agnes of Tuscany**
Tues: **St Anselm of Canterbury**
Wed: **Pope St Caius of Rome**
Thur: **St George—Patron of England.**
Fri: **St Mary of Cleophas**
Sat: **St Mark the Evangelist**

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!

CAMINO: Drumreilly Community Camino takes place on Sat. 2nd May starting from Drumcoura Lake Resort. A choice of three routes. Full details available on www.drumreillycamino.ie

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.

ALZHEIMERS FREE INFORMATION CAFE: open to everyone on the 4th Thursday of the month. This month it's on 23rd April from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm in the Commercial Hotel, Ballinamore. For more information contact Eileen on 087-0024190