

Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

St. Mary's, Carrigallen (Week commencing Sun. 26th July 2026):

Sun. 26th July – 11.15 am: Pauline Morris, Gulladoo.
Dec'd members of the Sheridan family, Calloughs.
Joe Kavanagh, Birmingham.

Mon. 27th July – 10.00 am: Mass of the Day.

Tues. 28th July – 7.30 pm: Mass of the Day.

Wed. 29th July – 10.00 am: Mass of the Day.

Fri. 31st July – 7.30 pm: Mass of the Day.

Sun. 02nd Aug. – 11.15 am: Missa Pro Populo.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm & Wed. 10.30 am to 11.30 am.

St. Mary's, Drumeela (Week commencing Sun. 26th July 2026):

Sun. 26th July – 10.00 am: Garry Coyne, Calloughs, his grandparents, Rosaleen & Benny Brady and his aunt, Geraldine Daly.

Sun. 02nd Aug. – 10.00 am: Mass for the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

St. Mary's, Drumreilly (Week commencing Sat. 25th July 2026):

Sat. 25th July – 8.00 pm: Patrick & Bridget Corby, Kilmore & D.F.M's.

Thurs. 30th July – 7.30 pm: Mass of the Day.

Sat. 01st Aug. – 8.00 pm: Patricia O'Rourke, Derrygoan & D.F.M's.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

CHURCH AREA	OFFERTORY COLLECTION 18 th /19 th July	CEMETERY COLLECTION
Carrigallen	€983 (Incl. €603 returns from Oughteragh & Templeport Parish Groups)	€---
Drumeela	€464 (Incl. €129 returns from Oughteragh & Templeport Parish Groups)	€---
Drumreilly	€837 (Incl. €213 returns from Oughteragh & Templeport Parish Groups)	€1,556



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Knowing and loving Jesus is the greatest prize in life.
Nothing else compares to it.

REEK SUNDAY is celebrated today, **26th July 2026**. This year's theme is Road Safety, and Fr. John Kenny, Administrator of Westport Parish, Co. Mayo is encouraging people to say this daily prayer:

"Arise with me in the morning, travel with me through the day, welcome me on my arrival, God be with me all the way. Amen."

IN OUR PRAYERS, WE REMEMBER:



JOSEPHINE (JO) MC GOVERN (née Blessing), Kinkeen, Drumreilly and formerly of Acres, Aughavas. Funeral arrangements to follow.

May her soul rest in heavenly peace.



RECENT MARRIAGE: Our congratulations and best wishes for future happiness to Darragh Brady, Drumucker & Emma Drumm, Teemore who received the Sacrament of Marriage in St. Mary's Church, Teemore on **Friday 17th July**.

AN EVENING OF PRAYER AND HEALING led by Fr. John Keane, Cork will take place in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cavan on **Thursday 30th July**. Confessions from 6.00 pm, Rosary at 7.00 pm and Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 7.30 pm. All welcome.

KILMORE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE on **Sat. 8th Aug**. This year we are pre-empting the Feast of St. Felim – Patron Saint of the Diocese. Outdoor Procession & Stations of the Cross starting at 2pm. Concelebrated Mass with the Anointing of the Sick at 3 pm with Chief Celebrant, Bishop Martin Hayes. Oughteragh and Lr Drumreilly Parish will participate in the Liturgy, with Aughnasheelin Choir providing the Sacred Music. To book your seat on the bus, contact Colm on 086-3852749 or email: mckernancolm@hotmail.com

MULLAGHARVE MASS ROCK MASS: This Mass Rock is on Sliabh an Iarainn, between Ballinamore & Drumshanbo. Mass will be celebrated there on **Mon. 3rd Aug. at 12 noon**. A bus service from Liscarban Hall (N41 K129), from 10am onwards, to Mass Rock Carpark. Walk to Mass Rock at 11.15am. Refreshments afterwards. Walk in the footsteps of our ancestors who during Penal times gathered around these hidden altars to pray & keep their faith alive.

THE PRIORY INSTITUTE ONE-WEEK ON-LINE SUMMER SCHOOL is reflective, informative and interactive and will run from **10th August 2026**. The course includes four recorded presentations and one online zoom discussion and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more and register click [here](#) Visit: www.prioryinstitute.com

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL | 13TH–16TH AUGUST 2026: Calling all young people aged 16–35! Join us at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare. This is a donation-only event, with free buses available across the country and all meals included. Expect inspiring talks and workshops, Youth Mass, music, prayer, and plenty of opportunities to chill out and meet other young Catholics. Whether you are new to the faith or looking to be refreshed, all are welcome. To register or find out more, visit: www.youth2000.ie or follow us on Facebook @Youth2000Ireland

NORTH-WEST STEM FEST 2026: A new adventure for your teen at the Island Theatre, Ballinamore where North-West STEM Fest takes place from **27th - 31st July**. A chance for incoming 1st years to meet through novel engaging Science/Technology/Engineering/Maths activities from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm each day & includes a night star gazing, if the weather allows. Price for the week is €99 and can be paid by contacting Seán on 089-9596278.

CARRIGALLEN GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW: Regular weekly Draw is held on Sundays in the Clubrooms. This week's Jackpot is €5,000. 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.

PARISH BINGO in Drumreilly Community Centre on **Friday nights starting at 8:30 pm sharp**. Over €1,000 in prizemoney including a raffle. Extra raffle prizes this Friday night for the long weekend. As always, we welcome and appreciate your support.

DRUMREILLY ACTIVE AGE GROUP meet on **Wednesday nights at 8:30 pm** in the Community Centre. We offer a variety of engaging activities and outings. Refreshments served at each meeting. New members always welcome.

MARGARET OF NEW ORLEANS BIRTHPLACE COTTAGE – The Cottage is open every **Sunday from 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm** throughout the months of July and August.

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.

MARGARET'S CORNER: Chess classes (Over 18's) are now held on **Tues. from 7 - 10 pm**. All genders and abilities welcome. For more info. contact: 083-3792790. **Roleplay Tabletop games night** (Over 18's) on **Wed./Thurs. nights from 7pm to 10pm**. All genders welcome.

FULL TIME ADULT EDUCATION COURSES starting **Sept. 2026** in Leitrim College of Further Education & Training located in Drumshanbo campus on the Hilly Road, N41 C6X6 and Carrick on Shannon campus - The Courtyard, N41 A386 and N41 TE20. Check our website www.leitrimcollege.ie our Facebook/Instagram pages @LeitrimCollege or call 089-2667813.

MOHILL ENTERPRISE CENTRE: Now taking registrations for our new course, Future Skills with AI & Digital Business, starting Sept. at Mohill Computer Training. This fully funded course offers future ready skills for employment, entrepreneurship & progression to further education. Contact us now to secure your place. Email eileen@mct.ie or call 071-9632024.

ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF IRELAND – LOCAL SERVICES: A Day Service runs every **Friday (9.30 am – 2.15 pm)** in Carrick-on-Shannon. The service offers dementia-specific care, including social activities therapeutic programmes & support in a safe, friendly & welcoming environment. Contact Sinéad: 087-0680714. Social Groups also in : • Carrick Library – every second **Monday, 11.00 am–1.00 pm** • Mohill Library – every second **Friday, 2.45–4.45 pm**.

FEAST DAYS / MEMORIALS DURING THE COMING WEEK – 27th July to 01st Aug.

MON. Pope St. Celestine I of Rome. **TUES.** St. Samson of Wales.

WED. St's. Martha, Mary & Lazarus of Bethany. **THURS.** St. Peter Chrysologus of Italy.

FRI. St. Ignatius of Loyola. **SAT.** St. Alphonsus Ligouri of Italy.

Phone Numbers: Fr. John Mc Mahon **433 9610 / Mob. 086-2126582.**

Parish Cluster: Fr. Seán Mawn, Ballinamore **071-9681992 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 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

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26th July 2026 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

GOSPEL REFLECTION (Matt. 13: 44-52)

In today's Gospel, we hear three short parables about the kingdom of heaven: the treasure hidden in a field, the pearl of great price and the net cast into the sea. The man who finds the hidden treasure and the merchant who discovers the priceless pearl have something in common. They recognize something of immeasurable value, and with joy they are willing to give up everything else to possess it. They do not act out of duty or fear, but because they know they have found what truly matters.

The final parable of the net reminds us that God's invitation is universal. The net gathers fish of every kind, but there will come a time of judgment when each person will be accountable for how they have responded to God's grace. This is not meant to frighten us but to encourage us to live faithfully each day, allowing Christ to shape our hearts and actions.

The kingdom of God is not just a future destination but a living relationship with Christ. When we truly encounter God's love, our priorities begin to change. No amount of wealth, success, or recognition can satisfy the deepest longing of the human heart. Only God can. As we celebrate the Eucharist today, may we ask the Lord for the grace to value his kingdom above everything else. May we have the courage to let go of whatever stands in the way of following Christ wholeheartedly, trusting that the greatest treasure we can ever possess is God's love, freely given and joyfully received.

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, You are the treasure hidden in the field and the pearl beyond all worth. Open our hearts to recognize your presence in our lives. Give us the wisdom to choose what truly matters and the courage to surrender whatever keeps us from you. May our lives reflect the joy of those who have found the kingdom of heaven, and may we faithfully follow you each day. Amen.