Parish Masses / Anniversaries / Other Events:

St. Mary's, Carrigallen (Week commencing Sun. 08th Nov. 2026):

Sun. 08th Nov. – 11.15 am: Eamon Mc Manus, Beaghmore & his parents, Mamie and James Mc Manus.

Mon. 09th Nov. – 10.00 am: November Mass for the Faithful Departed.

Tues. 10th Nov. – 7.30 pm: Mary Mc Gowan-Schmitt, U.S.A. ***(1st Anniv. Mass).***

Wed. 11th Nov. – 10.00 am: November Mass for the Faithful Departed.

Sun. 15th Nov. – 11.15 am: Billy & Anna May Cosgrove, Cloncorrick.

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

St. Mary's, Drumeela (Week commencing Sun. 08th Nov. 2026):

Sun. 08th Nov. – 10.00 am: Tom Kiernan, Cloncoose & Seán Kiernan, Drumeela.

Fri. Nov. 13 – 8pm: Mass for the Faithful Departed who died during the year

Sun. 15th Nov. – 10.00 am: November Mass for the Faithful Departed.

St. Mary's, Drumreilly (Week commencing Sat. 07th Nov. 2026):

Sat. 07th Nov.– 8.00 pm: Charlie Mc Cartin, Keelrin.

Thurs. 12th Nov. – 7.30 pm: November Mass for the Faithful Departed.

Sat. 14th Nov.– 8.00 pm: Ann Mc Girl, Drumdiffer & D.F.M's.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays from 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

CHURCH AREA	OFFERTORY COLLECTION 31st Oct. / 01st Nov.	
Carrigallen	€980 *(Incl. €549 returns from Oughteragh – Lr. Drumreilly & Templeport)*	
Drumeela	€300 *(Incl. €78 returns from Oughteragh – Lr. Drumreilly & Templeport)*	
Drumreilly	€488 *(Incl. €214 returns from Oughteragh – Lr. Drumreilly & Templeport)*	

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

November is a reminder that every ending carries the promise of a new beginning.



IN OUR PRAYERS, WE REMEMBER:

GERTY KENNY *(née Morrow),* Corduff, Aughavas and formerly of Rossan whose funeral took place in St. Joseph's Church, Aughavas on ***Monday 02nd November*** followed by burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, Carrigallen.

ELIZABETH *(LILY)* PLUNKETT *(née Mc Goohan),* Cloncorrick and formerly of Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow whose funeral took place in St. Mary's Church, Carrigallen on ***Thurs. 05th Nov.*** followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery.

May they rest in eternal peace in the loving embrace of heaven.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2026:

- *Irish National Synodal Assembly.*
- *Mass of Consolation in St. Mary's, Drumeela on Friday 13th November.*
- *New Parish Pastoral Council – Selection.*
- *Community Christmas Carol Service – St. Mary's, Carrigallen on Sunday 20th Dec.*

PETITIONS FOR ASSISI: If you wish to send petitions to Assisi during the Kilmore Diocesan November Pilgrimage, please send them to Fr. Martin Gilcreest, Parochial House, Laragh, Stradone, Co. Cavan before ***24th Nov.*** Please do not send money through the post.

MISSIONS: As the Mission Month of October has now ended, all of us at Missio Ireland thank you for your support of Mission Sunday. If you have not donated before and you wish to do so, please donate by phone on (01) 497 2035 or online at: ***https://missio.ie/donate/***

WEEK OF WITNESS FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS: One in ten Christians, 220 million people, live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith. The charity 'Aid to the Church in Need', which works to support them, is organising a Week of Witness from ***Nov. 15-22*** to highlight their plight with a special appeal for parishioners to pray for the suffering Church on ***'Red Wednesday' Nov. 18***. More info. available at www.acnireland.org

THE CONNAUGHT YOUTH 2000 DAY RETREAT takes place on ***Sat. 14th Nov***. at Áras Naofa, Renmore, Galway. It provides an opportunity for young people (16-35) to deepen their relationship with God, explore the Catholic faith & meet other young people through a structured retreat programme, including talks, testimonies & workshops. Donation only. Visit: www.youth2000.ie to register or contact connaught@youth2000.ie for more info.

ABIDE IN HIS LOVE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE takes place from ***20th to 22nd Nov.*** in the Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran. Speakers: Sarah Swafford, Fr. Barry Braum, Fr. Mark Wharton, Fr. Oisín Martin, Kimberlee Wooling, Danielle Noonan & Nashville Domincans. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Fintan Gavin from Cork & Ross Diocese. All welcome. More details at www.eventbrite.ie Registration link: https://abideinhislove.eventbrite.com

SACRED HEART MESSENGER *(DRUMREILLY)* —Subscriptions now due for 2027. Your envelope can be dropped into the mailbox in the Church Porch. Thanks to those who have already subscribed. New members always welcome. Contact: Susan Maguire 086-1686444.

RSS VACANCY – DRUMEELA CHURCH: Leitrim Dev. Co. in conjunction with Drumeela Development Association are seeking an Environmental Worker for Drumeela Church Grounds. 19.50 hour week with flexible working days/hours. Contact Gerry on 086-7716896.

CARRIGALLEN GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW: Weekly Draw on Sundays in the Clubrooms. Jackpot is €6,500. 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 www.member.clubspot.app/c/carrigallen-gaa/fundraisers Monthly 50/50 Draw. See our socials.

CARRIGALLEN GAA CLUBROOMS have **Ladies Gentle Exercise Classes** on ***Monday mornings starting at 11.00 am*** followed afterwards by a cuppa and a chat. All welcome. **Men's Walk & Talk** on ***Friday evenings at 7.30 pm***. A Presentation by Maj Cunningham on **Brain Health** on ***Wed. 11th Nov at 7.30 pm***. Also, a Presentation on **Drug & Alcohol Abuse** on ***Fri. 13th Nov at 7.30 pm***. All welcome and encourage young people to attend also.

MARGARET'S CORNER COMMUNITY CENTRE EVENTS

BE WINTER READY - An Informative and Social Community event focused on staying safe, healthy and connected this winter. Pharmacist on site for health check *(Hot lunch provided).* It's on this ***Wednesday 11th November from 10.30 am -1.30 pm***. To book your place or for more information, contact **Karen**: 086 829 5963 OR **Margaret's Corner:** 089 271 2131.

STRENGTH AND TONE CLASSES FOR OVER 50'S are back again in Margaret's Corner on ***Wednesdays with places available in 2.00 pm class.*** €20.00 for 4 remaining classes. Limited places so book your space on **Call:** 089 271 2131 or **Email** margaretscornercc@gmail.com

CRAFTY CUPPA - In Margaret's Corner CC is postponed until ***Thursday 26th November***. Back then with Christmas Crafts - to book your free place, Call / Text 089 271 2131.

OPEN MIC NIGHT - it's all happening on S***aturday 14th November from 7.00 pm -10.00 pm***. Come in and show us all your hidden talents or just come along and support the artists on the night - All welcome *(Performers and Supporters).*

PARISH BINGO: Join us for Parish Bingo on ***Friday nights in Drumreilly Community Centre*** and on ***Sunday nights in Carrigallen Hall at 8.30 pm sharp***. Raffles held during Bingo at both venues. Your support is greatly appreciated. Looking forward to seeing you there!

5 STEP SUPPORT SERVICE: Are you affected by the misuse of alcohol/drugs by another individual ? 5 Step Support can help you; it's a free , non-judgemental, one - one service. Putting your needs & wellbeing first, helping you manage stressful issues. Further info. or appointment, contact 071-9150578 / 085- 8759319 or email: **sligoleitrim@alcoholforum**.com

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***.

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND is the National Charity Supporting 500,000+ Family Carers Nationwide and we are recruiting for Community Homecare Workers to provide support to clients. Work hours are flexible based on your availability. Own car and Full Driving Licence essential. Please send your CV to jobs@familycarers.ie or contact Carol on 049-8511031.

FEAST DAYS / MEMORIALS DURING THE COMING WEEK – 09th Nov. to 14th Nov.

MON. Dedication of St. John Lateran Basilica. TUES. St. Leo the Great of Rome.
WED. St. Martin of Tours. THURS. St. Josaphat of Ukraine.
FRI. St. Caillín of Fenagh. SAT. St. Laurence O'Toole of Dublin.

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

Parish Cluster: Fr. Seán Mawn, Ballinamore *071-9681992 or 087-6869040*; Fr. Andrew Tully, Killeshandra *049-4334179 or 086-8050526;* Fr. Peter Tiernan, Cloone/Aughavas *071-9636016.*

Parish Website: www.carrigallenparish.ie The Parish Newsletter is uploaded to the site each weekend and 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.

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08th Nov. 2026 - 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year A

(Remembrance Sunday)

GOSPEL REFLECTION *(Matt. 25: 1-11)*

Today's Gospel presents us with an image of ten young women with lamps awaiting the bridegroom. All are invited to the wedding feast. Yet, when the bridegroom finally arrives, only five are ready to welcome him. The difference being that the wise brought extra oil, while the foolish did not. When the bridegroom is delayed, all ten women become tired and fall asleep. This reminds us that we are all human. We grow weary and become discouraged. Sometimes our faith grows weak, and life brings unexpected challenges, disappointments and suffering.

When the bridegroom arrives, the foolish young women discover that they have no oil and turn to the wise ones for some. The wise women cannot share because each must have enough for herself. This teaches us that faith is deeply personal. We can pray for, encourage and support one another, but nobody can live our relationship with God for us. We cannot borrow somebody else's faith. We cannot depend entirely on the prayers and the goodness of our friends or the faith of our community. Each of us must nurture our own relationship with God.

The oil represents our prayer, our love, our forgiveness, our generosity and our faithfulness to God. It is found in the little things we do every day: the time we make for prayer, the forgiveness we offer someone who has hurt us, the kindness we extend to a neighbour, and the sacrifices we make for those who need us. These are the things which are the oil that keeps the flame of faith burning. Jesus reminds us that we do not know the day or the hour. Life is uncertain. Tomorrow is never guaranteed. We shouldn't postpone doing good or postpone forgiving & we should never postpone making room for God in our lives.

A PRAYER ON REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Almighty and ever-living God, we remember those You have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of Your presence, especially the many Irish soldiers who lost their lives on the battlefields of the world. May that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all and create harmony among the nations. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.