



Carbury Parish Newsletter

Sunday 4th January 2026

Our Churches: Derrinturn & Kilshanroe

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Eircode: Church of the Holy Family Kilshanroe A83XW11

Parish Office Opening Hours:

Monday to Thursday 9.30am to 5.00pm.

For all bookings, newsletter items, and general queries please call 046 9553355.

Derrinturn & Kilshanroe Churches - Masses and other liturgical ceremonies will be streamed live on the Parish Website via webcam on www.carburyparish.ie.

Local Safeguarding Representatives: Fr. Bernard Reyhart P.P. Catherine McNamara, Patricia Brady, Sharon O'Brien, Kathleen McGowan, Lucia O'Brien. DLP for Kildare: Ailish Higgins.

Next Week's Gospel: Mt 3:13-17

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers Lists 2026: are now available to collect from Biddy in Derrinturn Church and Eileen in Kilshanroe Church.

Balyna Parish Draw: Draw to be held on Sunday 11th January 2026 after 11.00am Mass in Broadford Parish Church. Prizes: First Prize: €1,000, Second Prize: €500, Third Prize: €200, there will also be three prizes of €100. Tickets are €10.00 each or a Book of 11 tickets for €100. Funds will be used to offset Insurance costs and to support the various projects in Balyna Parish. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Give Hope This Christmas with Double the Love: Mary's Meals provides life-changing school meals to more than 3 million children living in some of the world's poorest communities. The promise of a good meal brings hungry children into the classroom, where they can gain an education and better opportunities for the future. It costs just €22 to feed a child with Mary's Meals every day for a school year. Thanks to the Tom Cunningham Trust, donations will be doubled until 12th January 2026 or until the match funding limit has been reached. Together, through Double the Love, we can transform the lives of many more desperately hungry children waiting for Mary's Meals. To donate, go to www.marysmeals.ie or phone 01 853 5163. Every donation is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Parish Donation Envelopes: have arrived in the Parish Office. We are looking for volunteers to help distribute the envelopes over the next few weeks. If you would like to volunteer, please call the Parish Office on 046 9553355 or email carburyparish@gmail.com. Thank you.

Mass time Change: There will be a change in times for the Mass in Kilshanroe Church on Wednesday mornings, the new time is 9.30am instead of 9.00am, starting January 2026.

Cleaner Required for St. Brigid's National School, Ticknevin: Part-Time position (15 hours per week) during the academic school year. Please email office@ticknevinns.ie or phone 046-95-53521 for more information.

Invitation to Mass for the closing of the Jubilee Year: Dioceses across the world will mark the closing of the Jubilee Year on the Feast of the Holy Family, December 28. This day coincides with the closing of Holy Doors in the Roman Basilicas of Saint Mary Major, St. John Lateran, and St. Paul Outside the Walls. The Jubilee Year will officially conclude with the closing of the Holy Door at St Peter's Basilica in Rome by Pope Leo on January 6. Bishop Denis invites all parishioners across the diocese to join him in giving thanks for the graces of the Jubilee Year in the celebration of the Mass, in the Cathedral of the Assumption Carlow, at 10:30 am Mass. Music will be led by the Cathedral Choir.

2026	Derrinturn Church	Kilshanroe Church
Sat 3rd January <i>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>		7.30pm Mass for the Living on the Mass Card List.
Sun 4th January <i>Second Sunday of Christmas</i>	11am Mary Nally, 6 th Anniversary. Anniversary Masses: Helen Delaney, Ticknevin. Richard & Phyllis Morris, also their Sons Raymond & Eugene. Michael Squire Connolly. Valerie O'Reilly. Kit McKeon, Julia Kerrigan, Mary Thompson & the Herbert Family.	
Mon 5th January <i>St Charles of St Andrew</i>	<i>Adoration until 10.30pm</i> 9.30am Mass for the Carers of the Parish.	
Tues 6th January <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>	9.30am No Mass.	
Wed 7th January <i>St Raymond of Penyafort</i>		9.30am Followed by Adoration.
Thurs 8th January <i>St Thorfinn</i>	9.30am Jim Carey, Ballyhegan, Anniversary.	
Fri 9th January <i>St Adrian of Canterbury</i>	9.30am	
Sat 10th January <i>St Peter Orseolo</i>		7.30pm Marian Mallen, 2 nd Anniversary.
Sun 11th January <i>The Baptism of The Lord</i>	11am Francis Johnson, 5 th Anniversary. Anniversary Masses: Patrick (Patsy) Kelly, Carbury Village, also His Parents Thomas & Elizabeth Kelly. Ann Dempsey & Michael Clifford, also remembering Derrick & Bridget Dempsey. Mary & Tommy Jessop. Monsignor Daniel B. Logan, also remembering His Parents Peter & Ellen Logan.	

Communion Calls: Fr. Bernard is available to do house calls for the sick or housebound on the First Friday of each month in Derrinturn and the First Wednesday in Kilshanroe. If you would like the Priest to call, you can phone the Parish Office 046-95-53355 to leave your name, address and Eircode.

SeniorLine: Would you like someone to talk to? SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people, open every day of the year 10.00 am to 10.00 pm, they can be contacted on Freephone 1800 80 45 91. Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or for company during their day. SeniorLine's volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and refer the caller to other helpful services available if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help, phone SeniorLine

The Guild of St Philip, Portlaoise: provides a befriending service for prisoners in Portlaoise and Midlands, who have no family visits. This experience greatly affects their ability to adjust to life 'outside' as law abiding citizens. The Guild is a positive force in the lives of prisoners visited. If you are interested in becoming a Guild member, please contact 0860462405

Recording of Fr. John's Retirement Mass and Presentations: Father Fitzpatrick's retirement recording is now available to buy on DVD or USB stick, if you would like to order a copy, you can contact the Parish office 046 95 53355. DVDs are €15 and the USB stick is €25.

Dates for your Diary:

Saturday 14th February	EMHC training	Newbridge Parish Centre, 10am – 4pm
Saturday 7th March	EMHC training	Cathedral Parish Centre, 10am – 4pm

Kilshanroe Eucharistic Ministers & Readers for Saturday 10th of January		
Mass Time	Readers	Eucharistic Minister
<i>Saturday 7.30pm</i>	Donal Hanley	Owen Smith & Mary Baldwin

Derrinturn Eucharistic Ministers & Readers for Sunday the 11th of January		
Mass Time	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
<i>Sunday 11am</i>	Teresa Corrigan	Liz Lavery & Jurga Vilickiene

Mass Bouquets: are now available in the usual outlets and from the Parish Office. The Parish Office opening hours are 9.30am to 5pm Monday to Thursday.

Collections Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th December			
Collections	Amount	Collections	Amount
Derrinturn Basket	€460.00	Development	€908.30
Kilshanroe Basket	€375.00	Christmas Day	€1,474.00
Mass Cards	€479.50	Mission Sunday	€5.00
Christmas Stations	€175.00	Christmas Eve Basket (Ksr)	€920.00
Christmas Eve Basket (Dtn)	€1,005.00	Christmas Day Basket (Dtn)	€1,025.00

Carbury GAA Lotto: took place on Monday the 22nd of December, the Lotto numbers drawn were, 6, 9, 13, 25, and the bonus ball was 14. There were 2 winners of the match 3, who each won €100. The next draw will take place on Monday the 5th of January. Jackpot is €12,400.

Kilshanroe Tidy Towns: Introducing Kilshanroe Tidy Towns! A few local residents have come together with a shared goal — to enhance our village and build a community we can all be proud of. We want Kilshanroe to be safe, clean, and welcoming, with everyone feeling a sense of pride in where we live. We're now working towards forming a Tidy Towns committee to help access grants and support future projects. Whether you'd like to join the committee, volunteer for events, or simply follow our progress online, we'd love to have you involved! Email kilshanroetidytowns@gmail.com or message us on our Facebook page Kilshanroe Tidy Towns to get in touch. (20+) Kilshanroe Tidy Towns | Facebook

Eucharistic Adoration – All Are Welcome: Spend time in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Eucharistic Adoration takes place as follows:

- Every Monday following the 9:30 a.m. Mass until 10:30 p.m. in The Holy Trinity Church, Derrinturn
- Every Wednesday following the 9:00 a.m. Mass for one hour in The Holy Family Church, Kilshanroe

Please note: In the event that Mass is not celebrated, Eucharistic Adoration will proceed as scheduled in both Churches. Would you consider committing to one specific hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament each Monday in The Holy Trinity Church, Derrinturn? Please refer to the sign-up sheet available inside the Church each Monday for further details.

“Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful to us.” — St. Alphonsus Liguori



Marriages in Carbury Parish during 2025

Tanya Johnson & Alan Pender

Gemma Mary Lawlor & Gerard O'Reilly

Siobhan Owen & Seamus Byrne

Kathleen Cunningham & Gary McGowan

Clare Considine & Greg Devlin

Ellen Dowling & Paul Cribbín

A blessing for all the couples that were married in our parish during the past year:

Father, we thank you for this life and for the gift of love.

We ask you to bless the union of these couples,

And help them to remain forever

Committed to you, and the vows

They have made to each other.

May their lives together bring

Glory to you and be a testimony

Of your love.

Amen.



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Carbury Community Employment Scheme: Grounds Person required for Carbury Village, Grounds Person required for Kilshanroe Graveyard, also Derrinturn Tidy Towns. If interested please email carburyce@gmail.com or call Louise or Paula on 085-8759242 and we can check your eligibility to take part in a CE Scheme.

Carbury Village Residents Association: We are delighted to announce that the newly refurbished Carbury Village Community Centre on the site of the old Dispensary in Carbury Village is now available for bookings. The centre has two meeting rooms available for use by local not-for-profit community groups. There is a charge of €10 per hour for a meeting room and groups will be required to supply a copy of their public liability insurance. The centre is wheelchair accessible with full kitchen facilities on site. For further details or bookings: email carburyvillagecommunitycentre@gmail.com or phone 087-0384131