

# Carbury Parish Newsletter Sunday 24th August 2025 Our Churches: Derrinturn & Kilshanroe

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Monday to Thursday 9.30am to 5.00pm.

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Derrinturn & Kilshanroe Churches - Masses and other liturgical ceremonies will be streamed live on the Parish Website via webcam on <a href="www.carburyparish.ie">www.carburyparish.ie</a>.

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# Next Week's Gospel: Lk 14:1, 7-14

Would you like to help us mark the Season of Creation locally? The Season of Creation is a worldwide ecumenical event that takes place every year from 1 September to 4 October. It begins with the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and concludes on the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. The late Pope Francis chose the theme 'Seeds of Peace and Hope' for the World Day of Prayer while the theme of the whole season is 'Peace with Creation'. Both themes offer powerful reminders to us of the strong link between war and the degradation of our planet. The seed indicates the need for a long-term commitment to peace while expressing hope that the seeds of peace may emerge across all continents. Maybe you would like to join with a few others to take a lead in how we will mark this season locally in the parish and/or pastoral area. Resources can be found on www.seasonofcreation.org

**Community Garden:** Coming soon in August... A horticulturalist will give a course free of charge, one evening a week in the Community Garden in Derrinturn. All are welcome! Kindly organized + sponsored by Rioana Mulligan with Co. Kildare Leader Partnership. For more details, text or WhatsApp Kathleen 087-2141844

M Nerney Medjugorje Group Pilgrimage 2025: Depart Dublin to Dubrovnik Thursday 9th October @ 7.30am. Return via Dubrovnik Thursday 16th October arrive in Dublin @ 3.30pm. Cost €855 Per\P sharing, Single Supplement + €170 Travel insurance optional extra €35. Accompanied by Spiritual Director Contact: Michael Nerney 086 815 7305

Eucharistic Adoration: The Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Adoration Committee invites you to join them with Most Reverend Bishop Denis Nulty, Fr Ruairi O Domhnaill and Guests for a day of Prayer and Adoration. The day will feature a special Carlo Acutis Exhibition and Eucharistic Miracles exhibition - concluding with concelebrated Holy Mass at three pm. Confessions available. Location: St Anne's Portarlington, R32 WN59 Saturday August 30th from 9.30am - 4.00pm, Refreshments and Lunch - €20.00. \*\*Booking essential - Please either text or call Barbara 0861637311 Stating name and number of companions\*\*. All welcome.

All Saints' Church, Mullingar. Hosting Gospel Concert in Support of Church Repairs and Organ Repair: All Saints' Church, Mullingar, will host "Songs for Life & Hope" with James Kilbane on Sunday, 14th September 2025 at 6.00pm (doors open 5.30pm). This special evening of country with gospel music, with many favourities is in aid of church and organ repairs. Donation tickets are €20 and are available from church organisers, local outlets, Eventbrite, or by calling 087 9733233. Everyone is warmly welcome to join this uplifting evening of music and community.

2025	Derrinturn Church	Kilshanroe Church
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> August St Rose of Lima		<b>7.30pm</b> John Stynes, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary. Tony Dixon, 30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary, also remembering the Deceased Members of the Dixon and Greaney Families.
Sun 24th August Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	11am Jack Pender, Months Mind and Birthday Remembrance. Paud Fox, Ballyshannon, 8 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Patrick, Margaret & Denis Maher, Anniversaries. Sheila Brereton, Anniversary, also remembering the Deceased Members of the O'Sullivan Family.	
Mon 25th August St Louis	Adoration until 10.30pm  9.30am Betty Kearney, Ballybrack, 20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary.	
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> August BI. Dominic of the Mother of God	9.30am No Mass.	
<b>Wed 27<sup>th</sup> August</b> St Monica		<b>9.00am</b> Followed by Adoration. Patrick McCarthy, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary, also remembering His Wife Sheila.
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> August St Augustine	9.30am	
Fri 29th August The Passion of St John the Baptist	9.30am	
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> August St Fiacre		7.30pm James Sheegar, Anniversary, also remembering the Deceased Members of the Sheegar & Monahan Families. James, Louisa & Seamus O'Brien, Dysart, Anniversaries, also remembering the Deceased Members of the O'Brien, O'Reilly and Keene Families. Kate Lusk, Birthday Remembrance. Anniversary Masses: Teresa Devine. Paddy & Bridie Sheridan, Mucklon.
Sun 31st August Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	11am Mattie Considine, Ballyhegan, Months Mind, also Justin Considine, Anniversary. Mark Duffy, 39th Birthday Remembrance. Pat & Bridie Donoghue, Ticknevin, Birthday Remembrance. Matt & Muriel Daly, Rathmore, Anniversary, also remembering the Deceased Members of the Daly Family, Dreenane. Joan Tobin, Anniversary, also remembering Her Son Brendan, and all the Deceased Members of the Tobin Family, also Margaret Monahan, Anniversary. James Whelehan, also Jimmy & Helen Everard, Anniversaries.	

Please remember in your prayers, Kathleen Judge (née Regan), Ticknevin, Carbury, Kildare / Rathangan, Kildare. May she rest in Peace.

**Date for the Diary:** Join Bishop Denis for a day of guest speakers, workshops and prayer on Saturday 20th September in the Cathedral and Carlow College. The Diocesan Commission for Liturgical Formation is hosting this day for all those involved in liturgy in the parish – that includes members of the congregation, so you are all invited.

**Derrinturn Tidy Towns:** is back! all are welcome to join in and help make our local area more beautiful. For details, contact John 083-3655740

Kilshanroe Eucharistic Ministers & Readers for Saturday 30th of August				
Mass Time	Readers	Eucharistic Minister		
Saturday 7.30pm	Donal Hanley	Carmel Dixon & Mary Baldwin		

Derrinturn Eucharistic Ministers & Readers for Sunday the 31st of August				
Mass Time	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers		
Sunday 11am	Fiona Feely	Clodagh Pender & Brenda McLoughlin		

*Mass Bouquets:* are 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 16th & Sunday 17th August					
Collections	Amount	Collections	Amount		
Derrinturn Basket	€460.00	Development	€402.00		
Kilshanroe Basket	€440.00	Mass Cards	€175.00		

Carbury GAA Lotto: took place on Monday the 18th of August, the Lotto numbers drawn were, 9, 13, 22, 28, and the bonus ball was 12. There were 3 winners of the match 3, who each won  $\in$ 70. The next draw will take place on Monday the 25th of August. Jackpot is  $\in$ 10,700.

Carbury Community Employment Scheme: Grounds person needed for Trinity Crescent Housing Estate, Grounds person for the New Lawn Cemetery, Derrinturn, 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.

Pilgrim Walks in Glendalough: At the Glendalough Hermitage Centre, we are delighted to offer parish groups from all localities a pilgrim experience in the beautiful valley of Glendalough, visiting the sacred sites associated with the 6th Century Saint Kevin and the monastic settlement which flourished through the "Golden Age of Celtic Christianity". Our project was initiated in the Jubilee Year 2000 by the Archdiocese of Dublin at the beginning of the third millennium, with the purpose of 'restoring Glendalough as a place of pilgrimage' and during this Jubilee Year 2025, we invite all 'Pilgrims of Hope' to experience a life-giving day in the Valley of the Seven Churches. Our own parish church, St. Kevin's of Laragh has been designated as an additional Jubilee Church during this year. More details and bookings available by emailing failte@glendaloughhermitage.ie

**Devotion to the Sacred Heart:** Last October, Pope Francis issued a beautiful encyclical on the Sacred Heart called 'Dilexit Nos' (He Loved Us) reminding us that nothing can separate us from that love. In Easter, and particularly these days between Ascension Pentecost we are very conscious that His open heart has gone before us and waits for us, unconditionally, asking only to offer us His Love and friendship. There are four Statues of the Sacred Heart currently visiting the different provinces. We have been offered a period in late August into September. There are seven churches dedicated to the Sacred Heart in the diocese, I invite them to let me know if they would be interested in hosting the Statue for a few days during its time in the diocese.

**Family Carers Ireland:** Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit www.familycarers.ie.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Holy Trinty Church Derrinturn Every Monday 9.30am - 10.30pm Holy Family Church Kilshanroe every Wednesday after 9am Mass for one hour. If no Mass ADORATION still continues in both Churches at these times. "If our Eucharistic worship is authentic, it must make us grow in awareness of the dignity of each person. The awareness of that dignity becomes the deepest motive of our relationship with our neighbour." Pope John Paul II.

**ACN Pilgrimage to Knock:** Papal charity Aid to the Church in Need Ireland invites people to join their national pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Saturday August 30 to highlight the plight of Christians who suffer persecution for their faith in many parts of the world. Mass is in the basilica at 3pm – all welcome. For more info, see www.acnireland.org

**Rosary In Derrinturn Cemetery:** Will continue to take place each Tuesday night at the grotto at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

### A Prayer Before Meals:

Creator God, we thank you for the gift of this food we are about to share, may it nourish and strengthen us. As we give you thanks, we turn to you in prayer for the people of Gaza in the midst of their terrible suffering. We pray for the innocent children whose bodies and hearts bear the horrendous scars of war and for their parents who seek to protect them in the face of starvation and physical danger. May your peace rise up in the land we call holy so that your people may live in the dignity and fullness of life you desire for every human being. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Message re. Day of Prayer for Gaza – Sunday 24th August: At the opening of the Jubilee of Youth in a packed St Peter's Square, Pope Leo XIV said: "We must cry out for peace in the world" and he then invited all the young people to join him in saying: "We want peace in the world!" In the words of Cardinal Pizzaballa, the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem: "Christ is not absent from Gaza. He is there, crucified in the wounded, buried under rubble and yet present in every act of mercy, every candle in the darkness, every hand extended to the suffering". The images we are watching on nightly news bulletins and on social media feeds are appalling. Many ask what can we do? We can become numb in our sense of helplessness before scenes that speak of "man's inhumanity to man". We feel bewildered when we see and hear about people crushed by hunger or crushed in the stampede for airdropped food. Most upsetting of all is the horrible violence and death that children are experiencing and witnessing. Archbishop Eamon Martin has called on parishes to set aside Sunday, 24 August as a day of prayer and reflection for Gaza. I echo his call and ask all our parishes in Kildare & Leighlin to observe this day of prayer. We can light a candle in our family home or local parish church; attend Mass, spend time before the Blessed Sacrament; pray the Rosary; make some small personal penance or sacrifice, and on that day "let the light of hope radiate out from the island of Ireland for peace, for Gaza and for the future of its people." ▶Denis

### **Edenderry Library**

**Heritage Week** – Unstitching the Shinrone Gown – on display in the library from 16<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> August **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August:** 10am – 4pm – DIY Craft Table. 11am – Kids Movie Morning.

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August:** All Day Lego Challenge. 5.30pm – Kids Movie Night. 6pm – Adult Bookclub (New Members Welcome). 6.30pm – *En Vogue: Fashionable Irish Women from the 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Century* – Heritage Week Talk by Fashion Historian Laura Fitzachary. No booking Required. 7pm – Ciorcal Comhrá – conversational Irish group for Adults (new members welcome).

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August:** 11am – Back to School Storytime & Craft for under 6s – Booking Required. ALL Day – Sensory Room Available for Bookings.

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August:** 10.30am – Baby & Toddler Group – all welcome. 3.30pm – Crafty Friday for over 6s – Booking Required.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August: 10.30am – 12.30pm – Summer Stars Party – Medal Presentation, Prizes and Activities. Entertainment by Street Theatre Ireland. 10am -12pm – STEM Saturdays & Magic Table Sessions. 11am – Saturday Storytime.

### **Daingean Library**

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August: 2pm - 4.30pm - Board Games. 2pm - 4.30pm - DIY Craft Table.

Thursday 28th August: 3.30pm – Back to School Movie.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August: 10.30am – 12.30pm – Summer Stars Party. 10am - 12.30pm – Lego Freeplay

10.30am – Storytots – Storytime for under 6s.

## Jubilee Year Opportunities at Lough Derg this August & September

One Day Retreats – Guided Days of Prayer and Reflection - places available on

August 25th, 30th - September 3rd, 6th, 7th, 9th, 13th, 20th, 21st

**National Sacred Heart Crusade** – a Sacred Heart Statue blessed by Pope Francis will be present for the Day Retreats on 23rd, 24th & 25th August.

Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis on Sun 7th September – special devotions and blessing with Carlo Acutis Relic. Admission €50. Group discounts available. Advance Booking Essential.

Pilgrim Path Lake Shore Pilgrimage - In the footsteps of pilgrims through the centuries Sunday 31st August. Guided 8km & 12km walk options available. Admission €25. Advance Booking Essential. Quiet Day Retreat – Come apart by yourself, and rest for a while – Friday 12th September. Admission €40 includes refreshments and lunch. Advance booking essential. CONTACT by email. info@loughderg.org / Tel. 0(0353) 719861518 www.loughderg.org Pettigo, Co Donegal. F94 PC60