

**Parish Bulletin**  
**CARLINGFORD & OMEATH**

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**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, CARLINGFORD**

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday 7.30pm. Sunday 10am and 11.30 am.  
**Weekday Mass:** Monday to Friday 10.00am.  
**Readers for Jan:** 7.30pm Jim Garvey, 10.00am John McKeivitt, 11.30am Ann Flynn.  
**Servers this weekend:** Sat 05<sup>th</sup> Jan. 7.30pm. Eimear, Niamh, Sean, Jamie.  
Sun 06<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10.00am. Niall Farrell, Megan, Jessica, Kieron.  
11.30am. Ben Lindsay, Niall Fretwell, Aoife, Ellen

**Mass Intentions**

Saturday	29 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 p m	Margaret Kearney
Sunday	30 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 a.m.	Ignatius Kerr
		11.30 a.m.	Patsy & Ethna McKeivitt
Tuesday	1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	10.00 a.m	Patrick & Cis Shields
Wednesday		10.00 a.m	Maggie Murphy
Friday		10.00a.m.	Parish List of Dead
Saturday	5 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 p.m.	Maria Harper
Sunday	6 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 a.m.	Maura O'Hare
	"	11.30 a.m	Philomena Flynn, First Anniversary

**ST LAURENCE'S CHURCH, OMEATH**

**Sunday Masses:** 8.30 am & 11.00 am  
**Weekday Mass:** Monday to Saturday 10.00am except Wednesday & Friday 7.30pm.  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Next Sun 06<sup>th</sup> Jan. 8.30a.m. D.O'Hagan 11.00am. P.McKeown, T.Reilly.  
**Readers:** Next Sun 06<sup>th</sup> Jan. 8.30am P.O'Reilly 11.00am J.Tucker.

**Mass Intentions**

Sunday	30 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 a.m.	Alice McGivern
		11.00 a.m	Laurence Connolly
Monday	31 <sup>st</sup>	10.00 a.m.	Michael Morgan
Tuesday	1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	10.00 a.m.	Patsy & Brigid Woods; Woods Family
Wednesday		7.30 p.m.	Stephen & Brigid McManus
Thursday		10.00 a.m	Alice O'Hare
Friday		7.30 p.m	Parish List of the Dead
Saturday	5 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 a.m	Michael, Eta, Martina Connolly & Vera Smith
Sunday	6 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 a.m	Lily Boyle

**Recently deceased:** Pray for Pauline Donaghy (Doylestown Road, Dundalk), William Murphy (Dundalk), Frank Denvir (Castlewellan), Áine Clarke (Clontigora), Ina Hughes, Willie Murphy, Francis Harper.

**Church Collection last Sunday:** €1975 + £53.

Fr Brian & Fr. Jim thank you for your generous contributions to the Christmas Dues collection.

**Communion Calls**

Friday is the first Friday in January. The sick and housebound will be attended during the week.

Church Gate this weekend (in Omeath) –In aid of Senior Citizens Party.

**Newly Baptised** We welcome into the Christian community Cameron Harry James Downie.

## **New Year's Day**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January is the Octave day of Christmas on which we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. It is also World Day of Peace.

## **World Day of Peace (1<sup>st</sup> January)**

Pope Benedict XVI has chosen "The Human Family: A community of Peace" as the theme for the 41<sup>st</sup> World Day of Peace. Recognising the unity of the human family has never before been as providential as in this moment in history, with crises affecting international organisations and serious concerns touching the international community. Each human being, each nation is called to live and feel a part of the "human family which God conceived as a community of peace."

## **Message from Fr. Gene Kirke, Peru.**

"Your cheque in amount of €3.600 towards relief of Earthquake Victims arrived last week and immediately I travelled to Pisco-the worst hit area, and brought a pick-up load of food-stuffs and delivered them with your cheque to the Sisters of Charity. They run 30 soup kitchens around the area for the most needy families. So the help of your people has brought happiness to many suffering families this Christmas. Please convey our thanks to all your parishioners in Carlingford and Omeath. The Sister said that she will send me a report on how they spend it, and when it get it I will forward it to you. Best regards for Christmas and New Year to you all."

**Lotto** Please note: Next Draw Carlingford, 8<sup>th</sup> January 2008. Jackpot €6,450.

**Omeath Senior Citizens Party** will be held on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2008 in Dolmen Centre at 7.00pm. Please do come along and make this event very special as we honour our Senior Citizens.

**Scoil Naomh Lorcán, Omeath** The Principal & staff would like to thank all parents and members of the wider community for their continued support during the past year. We send our best wishes to you for the New Year. Log on to our new website at [www.scoilnaomhlorcan.ie](http://www.scoilnaomhlorcan.ie) to view some of the activities happening in our school.

## **Study Theology from Home**

Spend time learning more about the Faith, take up the study of theology through distance learning, either for its own sake or for a degree, The Priory Institute, under the care of the Dominicans, is offering a programme of theology especially for lay people, with a network of student support services spread all around the country. If you would like to know further, send for details to : The Priory Institute, Tallaght Village, Dublin 24. Phone. 01-4048127 or 01-4048124 or email: [enquiries@prioryinstitute.com](mailto:enquiries@prioryinstitute.com)

## **Communities Connect Community Development Training**

Are you a member of a community group? Are you interested in Cross Border Community Work? Have you wanted to study but not had the confidence or resources? Would you like to put your Community Development skills into getting a recognised certificate from Dundalk Institute of Technology?

Then this accredited course in Cross Border Community Development is for YOU. Communities Connect is rolling-out a free 10 week course in Cross Border Community Development starting in mid-January 2008. If you would like an informal chat about the courses, for further information or to reserve a place, Johdi Quinn would love to hear from you at: Communities Connect, The Cross Border Centre for Community Development, P.J.Carroll Building, Dundalk Institute of Technology, Dublin Rd, Dundalk. Tel. 042-9393784 /Mobile 087-9925264 or email: [johdi.quinn@dkit.ie](mailto:johdi.quinn@dkit.ie) .

## **Thanks**

Sincere thanks to all who helped in our parish and the two churches, St. Michael's & St. Laurence's, over the past year – especially to our sacristans, altar societies, collectors, envelope distributors, cleaners and outdoor workers; to our altar servers, readers, eucharistic ministers, organists, choirs and musicians and all who helped with the liturgy. Also to our teachers, members of the School Boards of Management, Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, Hall Committees, parish secretary, promoters of the Parish Lotto and Bingo. Thanks also to all parishioners who contributed throughout the year to the upkeep of the parish.