

Parish Bulletin

CARLINGFORD & OMEATH

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14th December 2008

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Advent Penance Celebration

As part of our parish preparation for the Feast of the Birth of Our Lord, a communal celebration of the Sacrament of Penance conducted by the Redemptorist Fathers, with individual Confession and Absolution, will be held in both churches on Sunday 21st December:-

St. Michael's Carlingford: 7.00pm St. Laurence's Omeath: 8.00pm

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, CARLINGFORD

Weekend Masses: Saturday 7.30pm. Sunday 10.00am & 11.30 am.
Weekday Mass: Monday to Friday 9.00am. except Thursday 7.00pm.

Servers next weekend: Sat 20th Dec 7.30pm. Niamh, Jamie.

Sun 21st Dec 10.00am. Megan, Jessica, Kieron. **11.30am.** N. Fretwell, Aoife, Ellen.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	13 th Dec	7.30p.m.	Kitty Gallagher.
Sunday	14 th Dec	10.00a.m.	Matt Donnelly.
		11.30a.m.	William Callan & Anne Callan.
Monday	15 th Dec	9.00a.m.	Elizabeth Mc Guinness.
Wednesday	17 th Dec	9.00a.m.	Deceased Members of Mc Comish Family.
Thursday	18 th Dec	7.00p.m.	Special Intention.
Friday	19 th Dec	9.00a.m.	Nancy Brennan & Mary Rose Brennan.
Saturday	20 th Dec	7.30p.m.	Vincent Mc Comish.
Sunday	21 st Dec	10.00a.m.	Joseph Carolan.
		11.30a.m.	Kitty Hosford.

ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH, OMEATH

Sunday Masses: 8.30 am. & 11.00 am.
Weekday Mass: Tuesday - Saturday 10.00am except Wednesday 7.30pm.

Eucharistic Ministers: Next Sun 21st Dec 8.30am. D. O Hagan. **11.00am.** P. McKeown, T.Reilly.

Readers: Next Sun 21st Dec 8.30am. F. McKeown. **11.00am.** K. Craig.

Servers: Next Sun 21st Dec 8.30a.m. Joanne, Thomas, John Paul, Jack.

11.00a.m. Roisin, Lauren, Jennifer, Aoife.

Mass Intentions

Sunday	14 th Dec	8.30a.m.	John Jordan.
		11.00a.m.	Rosaleen Murphy, Month's Mind.
Monday	15 th Dec	10.00a.m.	Owen & Alice O'Hare.
Tuesday	16 th Dec	10.00a.m.	Russell Boyd.
Wednesday	17 th Dec	7.30p.m.	John Hoey.
Thursday	18 th Dec	10.00a.m.	Patrick & Mary Alice Carron.
Friday	19 th Dec	10.00a.m.	Maureen & Alan Gledhill.
Saturday	20 th Dec	10.00a.m.	Katie Hosford.
Sunday	21 st Dec	8.30a.m.	Thomas & Teresa O'Hagan.
		11.00a.m.	Frank & Mary Reilly.

Recently deceased Pray for Fr. Joe Conway (Belfast), Fr. P.J O'Neill (former P.P., Keady), Fiona Quaipe (Portmarnock), Jimmy Garvey, Fidelma O'Farrell, Tommy Nally, Jack Connolly, Rosaleen Murphy, Hugh Grant, Michael White.

Parish Carol Service in St. Laurence's Church, Omeath on **Thursday 18th December at 8.00pm.** with Ardee Concert Band and Parish Schools Choir. Organist: Mary Sheeran. Soloists: Ruth Kelly, Mary Fegan, Catriona Elmore and Olivia Finnegan. Bishop Gerard Clifford will preside. All welcome. Collection at church door in aid of St. John of God Hospice, Newry. Your generous support will be most appreciated.

Do This In Memory

The programme of preparation for First Holy Communion, involving the children of Second Class in St. Oliver's School with their parents and the parish community, continues on next Sunday 21st December at 11.30am Mass in St. Michael's Church, Carlingford.

Christmas Gifts for the Poor During the Season of Advent we would encourage you to set aside non-perishable gifts for the old, the poor and the needy. At the Christmas Masses you can place them under the Christmas Trees in the churches. They will be collected and distributed to those who need them.

Church Collection last Sunday amounted to €1,965 + £100.

Peter's Pence Collection (8th Dec): €770 + £20.

Church Gate Collection This weekend: Fighting Blindness.

Parish Census Parishioners are requested to return any outstanding Census Cards either to their area distributor or by leaving them in the Parochial House or handing them in at Sunday Mass. Thank you.

Armagh Diocesan Youth Ministry Are you aged 18 – 35? Do you want to help a family in Ethiopia to get the house they've always wanted?. We are looking for 16 young people in the Diocese who will 'build houses, build hope, build communities' in a partnership project with the Armagh Diocesan Youth Council and Habitat for Humanity Northern Ireland. The build will take place mid July – mid August. Actual dates to be confirmed. For further information contact Pierce / Kate on 048 – 37525592. Email: armaghyouth@yahoo.co.uk

Bush Post Primary School Carol Service next Tuesday 16th Dec. at 7.30pm in St James' Church, Grange.

Omeath Youth Club are holding their annual Children's Christmas Party this Sunday 14th Dec. from 3.00 -5.00pm in Dolmen Centre. Santa will be present. Everyone welcome.

Louth Leader Bus for the Omeath area is now up and running. For information contact Lorna 087 2766467.

Bush Old School House Christmas Draw this Sunday 14th Dec. Raffle tickets available from Muriel Grills, Rathcor 087 6362822 or Rodney McDowell, Greenore 086 8208807.

Amen: Support service for Male Victims of Domestic Abuse.

Support group meetings on Tuesday Nights 8pm – 10pm. Contact 046 90 23718 for further information.

Knock Marriage Introductions Bureau The aim of the Bureau is to introduce people considering marriage to a suitable marriage partner. For further information contact the Bureau at Knock, Co. Mayo.

Tel:094 9375960 or visit our website at www.knockmarriagebureau.com

Parenting Course Invest just twenty hours in your child's future by attending an 'Effective Parenting of Self and Children Course'. I promise it will be the best investment you will ever make! For details contact Maisie McGuinness at 042 9371491 or 087 2100620.

Enneagram Tired of reacting in the same old way? Discover your Personality Type through the Enneagram and learn how to break out of the box our personality type keeps us in. For details contact Maisie McGuinness at 042 9371491 or 087 2100620.

Lotto Draw. Results Tuesday 9th December 2008. Numbers 9- 12- 15 - 16. No Jackpot Winner. Two match three Winners receive €75: Jimmy Marley, Omeath; Martin Murphy, Grove Road, Carlingford. Next Draw CARLINGFORD 16th December 2008. Jackpot €6,600.