

Parish Bulletin

CARLINGFORD & OMEATH

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Holy Week and Easter

Palm Sunday:

Today we celebrate Christ's entrance into Jerusalem for his Passion and Death. Palm branches will be blessed at Mass – take some home with you.

Penance Services:

A communal celebration of the Sacrament of Penance conducted by the Redemptorist Fathers will be held this Palm Sunday evening:

Carlingford 7.00pm. Omeath 8.00pm.

Holy Thursday:

7.30pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper in both churches.

The period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose will conclude in Omeath with Holy Hour 9.00–10.00pm and in Carlingford with Night Prayer at 10.00pm.

Good Friday

A day of Fast and Abstinence.

3.00pm Celebration of Our Lord's Passion in both churches

7.30pm Stations of the Cross in both churches

Easter Vigil

Saturday 9.00pm in both churches.

Easter Sunday

Carlingford 10.00am & 11.30am

Omeath 8.30am & 11.00am.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, CARLINGFORD

Holy Week: Monday 10.00am. Tuesday & Wednesday - 9.00am.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	15 th Mar	7.30p.m.	Mary Farrell, First Anniversary & John Farrell.
Sunday	16 th	10.00a.m.	Amy & Sammy McBride.
		11.30a.m.	Cissy Adamson.
Monday		10.00a.m.	Special Intention.
Tuesday	18 th Mar	9.00a.m.	Fr. John Reid, Month's Mind.
Thursday	20 th	7.30p.m.	Molly Shields.
Saturday	22 nd Mar	9.00p.m.	Colin Murphy.
Sunday	23 rd Mar	10.00a.m.	Sean Elmore.
		11.30a.m.	Tommy O'Hare.

ST LAURENCE'S CHURCH, OMEATH

Holy Week: Monday & Tuesday 10.00 a.m. Wednesday 7.30p.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: Next Sun 23rd Mar. 8.30a.m. C. O' Hagan, 11.00am M.Phillips, P. Reilly.

Readers: Next Sun 8.30a.m. A.O'Connor, 11.00am. L. Clarke.

Mass Intentions

Sunday	16 th Mar	8.30a.m.	Felim McKeown.
Sunday		11.00a.m.	Nancy Mc Court.
Monday	17th Mar	10.00a.m.	Annie & Michael Burke.
Tuesday	18 th Mar	10.00a.m.	John Fitzsimmons.
Wednesday	19 th	7.30p.m.	Anna Morgan.
Sunday	23 rd Mar	8.30a.m.	Felix Quinn & Quinn & Bird Families.
Sunday		11.00a.m.	Sally & Patrick O'Hanlon & Sally Gilmore.

Recently deceased: Pray for Ethna Mc Cumisky (Greenore), Frances McEnteggart, James McCormack, Denis Toland, Molly Fearon, Fr. John Reid, Patricia Bagnall.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Christ redeemed us all and gave perfect glory to God principally through his paschal mystery: dying he destroyed our death and rising he restored our life. Therefore the Easter Triduum of the passion and resurrection of Christ is the culmination of the entire liturgical year. Thus the solemnity of Easter has the same kind of pre-eminence in the liturgical year that Sunday has in the week. The celebration of the paschal mystery is not simply a recalling of past events in history. It is a sacramental celebration that renders present and actualises the saving power of Christ's death and resurrection to the Church.

Trócaire Lenten Fast Campaign Please bring Trócaire boxes to the churches for collection on Holy Thursday and Good Friday. Do not leave boxes unattended in the church.

Confessions on Holy Saturday St. Laurence's, Omeath, Saturday 5.00pm. – 6.00pm.

Carlingford Choir Practice St. Michaels, Carlingford, Tuesday 18th March at 7.00pm.

Church Collection last Sunday: €2,160 + £123.

Priests' Easter Dues collection next weekend.

Church Gate this weekend: Carlingford Community Alert

next weekend: Irish Water Safety.

Newly Baptised We welcome into the Christian community: Stephen James Norris, Ballyoonan, Omeath.

Circuit of Ireland Rally – Good Friday Arrangements, Omeath

Road Closure Orders will be in force on Good Friday from 1.00pm to 8.00pm. in the following areas: Ardagh, Bavan, Tullaghmeath across to Cornamucklagh. Parishioners affected by the road closures who wish to attend church services on Good Friday must make known to the Marshalls their intention to travel. One way systems will be in operation to facilitate this. Omeath Gardai have assured us that there will be no difficulty or problem for parishioners in getting to and from Good Friday liturgical celebrations.

Bird Watching Event on in Carlingford this Sunday March 16th. Programme includes bus tour around Cooley shoreline with RTE's Eric Dempsey and talk in Holy Trinity Heritage Centre in the evening. Booking advisable. Tel: 042 937 3033.

Renew Your Wedding Vows: Marriage Encounter is a weekend away (Friday 8pm to Sunday 5pm) for married couples of all ages with a stable relationship. Couples explore, in complete privacy, how to come to a deeper mutual understanding of each other. The dates for the next marriage weekends are: 28th – 30th March, Dromantine Conference Centre, Newry; 18th – 20th April, Emmanus Conference Centre, Swords. Tel: 048 90 626 503.

Lotto Draw. Results Tuesday 11th March 2008. Numbers 4 – 13 – 21 – 25. No Jackpot Winner. Six Consolation prizes each receives €25: M. Ellis, Omeath, M. Mc Ardle, Strand Hotel, Omeath, T. Reilly, Omeath, K. Morgan, Knocknagoran, Omeath, M. Largey, Strand Hotel, Omeath, R. Harold, Mountain Park, Carlingford. Next Draw Carlingford 18th March Jackpot €2,250.

Trócaire: Working for a Just World

Tiya Family Story. Rebecca and Ikai are the daughters of Pauline, a widow of 2 years. They live in a compound of two huts with their brother Ejikon. Last year because of drought they were left with only four goats. There is very little grass for the goats to eat and so they give little milk which is used for tea for the family. The family depend on food relief and the fruit of the palm tree nearby. Pauline and Rebecca use dry palm leaves to build their houses. Pauline is upset at the way that drought has affected her life.

Prayer Lord, I see the image of your pain on the cloth of Veronica. Help me to see your face today in the poor and disadvantaged. As I pity you in the images of the passion I hope that I will always recognize how you suffer today as a result of my neglect of others and the consequences of my selfishness.