

Parish Bulletin

CARLINGFORD & OMEATH

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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 7.30pm.

Servers next weekend: Sat 29th Nov 7.30pm. Sean, Niall McG, Heather.
Sun 30th Nov 10.00am. Meighean, Seána. 11.30am. Niamh, Jamie.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	22 nd Nov	7.30p.m.	Michael & Kathleen Keenan; Maisie Brennan. Keenan & Brennan Families.
Sunday	23 rd Nov	11.30a.m.	Christina Harrison.
Monday	24 th Nov	9.00a.m.	Kathleen Sheppard & John McKeivitt.
Tuesday	25 th Nov	9.00a.m.	Michael & Ellen Murphy.
Wednesday	26 th Nov	9.00a.m.	Kevin & Michael Murphy.
Thursday	27 th Nov	7.30p.m.	Harry & Gerry Adamson.
Friday	28 th Nov	9.00a.m.	Mary O'Hanlon.
Saturday	29 th Nov	7.30p.m.	Joe Mc Guinness.
Sunday	30 th Nov	10.00a.m.	Luke Lennon.
		11.30a.m.	Patrick Murphy & Seamus Murphy.

ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH, OMEATH

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

Eucharistic Ministers: Next Sun 30th Nov 8.30am. J. Elmore, P. Tucker 11.00am. E. Brennan, M. Keenan.
Readers: Next Sun 30th Nov 8.30am. J. McKeown. 11.00am. L. McGuigan.

Mass Intentions

Sunday	23 rd Nov	8.30a.m.	Kathleen Savage, Month's Mind.
		11.00a.m.	Michael O'Hanlon.
Monday	24 th Nov	10.00a.m.	James & Peter Woods.
Wednesday	26 th Nov	7.30p.m.	John Traynor.
Thursday	27 th Nov	10.00a.m.	Special Intention.
Saturday	29 th Nov	10.00a.m.	Betty Maguire.
Sunday	30 th Nov	8.30a.m.	Brian, Mary & Bernard Mc Guinness.
		11.00a.m.	Michael, Eta & Tina Connolly & Vera Smith.

Recently deceased Pray for Rosaleen Murphy (Drummullagh), Hugh Grant (Mayobridge), Michael White (Bush & DownPatrick), Katie Mc Garrity, Peter Monk, Colm Daly, Katie Maguire, Roseanne McShane.

Newly Baptised We welcome Julianne McAteer, 11 Loch Táin, Omeath.

Newly Wed Congratulations and best wishes to Karen Guinane (Ballyoonan) & Ronan McAteer.

Priests' Dues

Fr Brian and Fr. Jim thank you for your generous contributions to this month's Priests' Dues collection.

Christmas Carol Service St. Laurence's Church, Omeath on Thursday 18th December at 8.00pm.
This year the proceeds will go to St. John of God Hospice, Newry. Your generous support would be most appreciated.

Do This in Memory (First Holy Communion Programme)

An **Enrolment Ceremony** for children in St. Oliver's School, Carlingford who are preparing for First Holy Communion will be held during Mass this **Sunday 23rd November at 11.30am** in St. Michael's Church. This programme of preparation for First Holy Communion involves children, parents, school and parish.

Clustering: First Steps As a first step in forming the parish cluster a representative group of parishioners will explore which parishes we might cluster with at a meeting to be held on **Tuesday 25th November 2008 from 7.30pm – 9.30pm** in St Michael's Hall, Newry St, Carlingford. We hope to have about 50 parishioners participate in that meeting. The information from our parish meeting and similar meetings in all the other parishes in the diocese will lead to the creation of a draft map of possible cluster formations. At a meeting for all parishioners to be held in Lent 2009 we will have an opportunity to consider the possible cluster formations and communicate our views on which parishes we should cluster with.

Parish Tax Relief Scheme (For Tax Year 2007) We thank those who have completed and returned the Charity Form sent out in September. We gently remind those who may have forgotten or overlooked it to complete and return the Charity Form as soon as convenient to the Parish Office in the stamped addressed envelope provided. Thank you.

Parish Census Any household who has not received a Parish Census Card is asked to contact either Parochial House: Carlingford 042 9373111 or Omeath 042 9375198.

St. Oliver's School, Carlingford Anyone in the parish who would like to be a member of the Green School Committee, please contact Ann Mc Shane on 042 93 73405.

Prayer Around the Cross with music of Taize on Friday 5th December from 8.30pm – 9.30pm. at Bethany, 34, Point Road, Dundalk. Tel: 042 93 31602. Everyone welcome.

Kasisi Orphanage Shoes, Boots, Slippers Sale in Dolmen Centre, Omeath. All at €10 or €5. Saturday and Sunday 22nd and 23rd November. Proceeds to Kasisi Orphanage, Zambia. Tel: Phil Tucker 048 30263693.

Women's Aid 16 Days of Action 25th November – 10th December 2008: Opposing Violence against Women. Domestic Violence is a major issue for women worldwide and Ireland is no exception. National Statistics show that:

- **1 in 5** Irish women have experienced domestic violence from a current or former intimate partner.
- **1 in 7** women in Ireland have experienced severe abusive behaviour of a physical, sexual or emotional nature from a partner at some time in their lives.
- **1,952 women** were accommodated in refuges in Ireland in 2006.
- Almost one quarter (23.6%) of perpetrators of sexual violence against women in Ireland were intimate partners or ex-partners.

Christmas Fair in Cooley Kickham's clubrooms next Sunday 30th November to raise funds for the Niall Mellon Township Challenge. 600 Irish volunteers will travel to South Africa in March 2009 to build houses for the homeless and those in very poor accommodation. Each volunteer has to raise €5,000. Very good quality items are needed for the following stalls: Home-baking and preserves, Christmas stall, Unwanted gifts, Bric-a-brac/crafts, Handbags, Jewellery, Books, Toys. Items for donation can be left into the clubrooms from 10 – 2.00pm, Monday – Friday. Further information: Tel. Dellemar Keane on 087 8223878.

CURA are presently seeking volunteers to train as crisis pregnancy counsellors at their new out-reach centre planned for Drogheda and their Dundalk Centre. If you are free between 2pm and 4pm in the afternoon and are willing to give of your time please contact the Dundalk CURA centre. Tel: 042-9337533.

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

Lotto Draw. Results Tuesday 18th November 2008. Numbers 9- 20- 21 - 27. No Jackpot Winner. Three match three Winner each receives €50: Caroline Smyth, Ardagh. Aileen O'Hagan, Ardagh. Michael Mulligan, Corner House, Omeath. Next Draw CARLINGFORD 25th November 2008. Jackpot €6,150.