

Parish Bulletin

CARLINGFORD & OMEATH

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13th December 2009

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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 St. Laurence's Church, Omeath next Sunday 20th December at 7.00pm. This communal celebration is for the whole parish.*

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, CARLINGFORD

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

Servers next weekend: 19th Dec 7.30pm. Seána, Maria, Tony.
20th Dec 10.00am. Jamie, Fáinchea, Aoife McG.
11.30am. Kieran, Eoin, Jessica.

Mass Intentions

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| Saturday | 12 th Dec | 7.30p.m. | Patrick Morgan |
| Sunday | 13 th Dec | 10.00a.m. | Elizabeth & Lil McGuinness |
| | | 11.30a.m. | Rose Ann & Hugh McGee |
| Tuesday | 15 th Dec | 9.00a.m. | Richard Pollock |
| Saturday | 19 th Dec | 7.30p.m. | Kitty Gallagher |
| Sunday | 20 th Dec | 10.00a.m. | Dinny Oakes |
| | | 11.30a.m. | Kitty Hosford |

ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH, OMEATH

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

Eucharistic Ministers: Next Sun 20th Dec 8.30am. J. Elmore. 11.00am. E. Brennan, M. Keenan.

Readers: Next Sun 20th Dec 8.30am. M. McMullan. 11.00am. F. Rooney.

Mass Intentions

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| Sunday | 13 th Dec | 8.30a.m. | Dan & Maura O'Hanlon |
| | | 11.00a.m. | John Jordan |
| Monday | 14 th Dec | 10.00a.m. | Alan & Maureen Gledhill |
| Tuesday | 15 th Dec | 10.00a.m. | Frank & Mary Reilly |
| Wednesday | 16 th Dec | 7.30p.m. | Owen & Mary O'Hare |
| Thursday | 17 th Dec | 10.00a.m. | Patrick & Mary Alice Carron |
| Friday | 18 th Dec | 10.00a.m. | Minnie, Owen & James Fearon |
| Saturday | 19 th Dec | 10.00a.m. | Kitty Hosford |
| Sunday | 20 th Dec | 8.30a.m. | Tommy & Teresa O'Hagan |
| | | 11.00a.m. | Tommy O'Hare, Month's Mind |

Recently deceased *Pray for Teresa Mackin (Essex), Gerard Traynor (Ballinamoney), Cathy Duffy-Kulcarni (San Francisco, wife of Gavin Duffy, Castlehill, Carlingford), Danny McParland (Armagh), Eileen Elmore, Bernadette Grey, Tom Clarke, Tommy O'Hare.*

Newly Baptised *We welcome Ruby May McArdle, 6 Ard Cullen, Omeath and Ashling Karen Morgan, Knocknagoran. Omeath.*

Parish Carol Service will be held on **Thursday 17th December at 8.00pm** in St. Michael's Church, Carlingford with Ardee Concert Band, Parish Schools Choir and Soloists. All welcome. Collection at church door will go to St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Parish Tax Relief Scheme The parish has received the sum of €15,798 from the Revenue Commissioners as tax relief on donations made to the various parish collections during the tax year 2008. Thanks to all parishioners who took part in this scheme.

Church Collection last Sunday amounted to €1705 + £88.

Church Gate Collection this weekend:- Fighting Blindness

Lourdes Grotto The blessing of the new statue of Our Lady of Lourdes in the grounds of St. Laurence's Church took place on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. A word of thanks to the FAS team under the leadership of Francie McGuigan for setting the statue in the Grotto and for the stone work. Thanks to Marcus Cassidy for planting the shrubs and flowers. A special word of thanks to the Boyd family who very kindly presented the statue and who were represented by Mrs G. Cronin & Mrs A. Maguire.

Choir Practice St. Laurence's Church, Omeath Monday 14th December from 7pm. – 8.30pm. Sharp.

Scouts Good Deed Mass 8th Louth Slieve Foy Scout Group are holding their Annual Good Deed Mass in St. Michael's Church, Carlingford on next Saturday 19th December at 7.30pm Vigil Mass. Members of the parish are also welcome to take along non-perishable food items which will be distributed to those in need by St. Vincent de Paul Society. Collection boxes will be placed at the back of both churches for people to donate items over next weekend 19th and 20th December.

Carlingford/Omeath Red Cross Annual Christmas Party this Sunday 13th December 2009 in Cooley Kickhams Complex at 6.30pm. Music by Blue Magic. Donation €15. Everyone welcome.

Christmas Cake Sale Scoil Naomh Bríd Parents Association, Ardagh are holding a Cake Sale in the Dolmen Centre, Omeath at 12 noon today Sunday 13th December. All welcome.

Scoil Naomh Lorcán, Óméith Annual Christmas Concert takes place on Tuesday 15th December at 7.30pm in St. Laurence's Church. Refreshments afterwards in Dolmen Centre. Everyone welcome.

Children's Christmas Party in Dolmen Centre, Omeath next Sunday 20th December 3.00-5.00pm. Santa Claus will be present. Everyone welcome.

North Louth Hospice Christmas Bell Fundraiser on Friday 18th December.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service Blood Donors are invited to a clinic at Clan Na nGael, Ecco Rd, Dundalk, Mon 14th Dec. to Thurs 17th Dec. from 4.30pm-8.30pm. also Sunday 20th Dec. from 11.30am to 3.30pm.

Clermont Chorale perform at Carlingford Heritage Centre today Sunday 13th December at 4.00pm. Tickets €12 (concession €8). Bookings 042 9373454. Email info@carlingfordheritagecentre.com

The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to express their heartfelt thanks for your generous support to their Christmas Appeal. The Society can be contacted at 087 9656852.

Lotto Draw. Results Tuesday 8th December 2009. Numbers 4 – 12 – 23 – 28. No Jackpot Winner. One match 3 winner receives €150: Grace McGrath, Carlingford.
Next Draw: Omeath, Tuesday 15th December 2009. Jackpot €3,000.