



# Ardagh/Carrickerry

**The Ascension of the Lord—12th May, 2024**

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**St. Molua's Church**

**Weekend Mass**

Sunday 11.00am

**Weekday**

Mon & Wed 9.30am. Fri 7.30pm

Sacristan: Bernard 087 6235699

**Co Parish Priests:** Fr Michael Noonan 087 6796217 ,

Fr Joe Cussen 087 7810960 , Fr Frank O Dea 087 2443106,

Fr Raphael Okanumeh 087 9490083

Parochial House 069 76121 Parish Office 069 76678

**Society of St. Vincent De Paul** 087-353 7473

**St. Mary's Church**

**Weekend Mass**

Saturday 6.30pm

**Weekday**

Tues & Thurs 10.00am

Sacristan: Mary 086 8408006

**Priest on call this weekend: Rev D Mullane 087 2621911**

**ADORATION OF THE LORD IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

every Monday in Ardagh Church 10 a.m. to 1.00

every Friday 6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. & 8pm to 9pm

every Thursday in Carrickerry Church 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. All

All Welcome.

## Upcoming Masses:

### ST MOLUA'S CHURCH:

Sun 12th May	<b>The Ascension of the Lord</b>	11.00am
Mon 13th May	Memorial Our lady of Fatima	9.30am
Wed 15th May	Memorial Saint Carthage	9.30am
Fri 17th May	7th week of Easter	7.30pm
Sun 19th May	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	
	Tom and Peg Conway R.I.P. (AV)	11.00am

### ST MARY'S CHURCH:

Sat 11th May	<b>Vigil- The Ascension of the Lord</b>	
	Pat Nally R.I.P. (Av)	6.30pm
Tue 14th May	Feast of Saint Matthias	10.00am
	Moss Bridie and Miley O Connor R.I.P. (Av)	
Thurs 16th May	Memorial Saint Brendan	10.00am
Sat 18th May	<b>Vigil Pentecost Sunday</b>	6.30pm
	Ellen Flynn R.I.P. (Av)	

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Congratulations to all the children who made their First Holy Communion in Carrickerry last weekend and wishing all the children in Ardagh who will be making their First Holy Communion this Saturday very best wishes on such an important occasion.

### ROSARY AT THE GROTTO

Rosary will be recited every evening at 6.30pm at the Grotto in Cahermoyle. All Welcome.

† **St. Mary's Church: Saturday 19th May, 2024**

**Eucharistic Minister(s): Marie Doody**

**Reader: Teresa Hayes**

**Altar Servers: Conor O Sullivan, Gearóid O Sullivan, Christina O'Donoghue.**

+**St. Molua's Church Sunday 20th May, 2024**

**Eucharistic Minister(s): Pat O Mahony & Marie Copse**

**Reader: Marie Neary**

**Altar Servers: Katie and Sean Daly**

**Please note that the new rotas are now available for collection Thank you.**

## Seeing Life through the Lens of the Gospel

### The Ascension of the Lord

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1. In the preceding verse Jesus had rebuked the apostles for their lack of faith. Despite this he commissioned them to bring the Good News to the whole world. Witnesses to the Good News do not have to be perfect. There is encouragement to us in this. The lockdown during the coronavirus pandemic prompted many to reach out to others in new and welcome ways. To whom have you brought good news? Who has been a messenger of good news to you?

2. Jesus then tells them that their witness will have quite dramatic effects, helping people to overcome demons, bring them peace and healing. Things happen when we have belief in ourselves and in God. Strong faith can enable us to meet and overcome difficulties, in ways that waverers cannot do. Perhaps you have had experience of this?

3. The ascension marked the end of the visible presence of Jesus with the disciples, but he would be with them in other ways. 'The Lord worked with them'. Sometimes we can experience that death is not the end of the presence of someone significant to us. We can experience the unseen presence and influence of a parent, a friend, or an inspiring leader, after they have died. Has this happened for you? Have you also experienced the hidden presence of the Lord working with you?

### 'Intercom Newsletter Resources—Veritas Publications

**PARISH CLERK'S COLLECTION:** We are especially lucky to have two very dedicated people in the service of our churches in Ardagh & Carrickerry. The annual collection was held last weekend to give everyone an opportunity to show their appreciation for the dedication, care & kindness shown by Bernard & Mary. An envelope is provided in the family boxes and spare envelopes are available at the back of each church. *Thank you.*

## Weekly Collection

Weekend 5th May 2024

Offertory: €685 Vocations €40 Diocesan Needs €10

**Thank You.**

The **Irish Catholic Newspaper** is available to purchase weekly for €2.50 in the Church in Ardagh and in the Church & shop in Carrickerry.

Mass cards are available before or after Mass in the Sacristy or from the Parish Office during the week please call or telephone with your request and we will contact you again once the card(s) is signed and ready for collection.

## Ardagh Community First Responders

**Telephone: 083 888 9963**

This group operates in the Ardagh, Coolcappa and Kilcolman areas.

Eircode Ardagh Church: V42 WN82

## Carrigkerry Community First Responders

**Telephone: 069 31031**

This group operates in the Carrigkerry area.

Eircode Carrigkerry Church: V94 E653

Please note that if you are in the proximity of a defibrillator when an incident occurs e.g. Cardiac Arrest, Heart Attack, Stroke, Choking or if somebody collapses call 999 and then call the First Responders as outlined above. The relevant phone number is displayed on posters in both churches. When you dial 999 the operator will ask you if there is a defibrillator near by and will ask you for the location code. The location code is on the front of the defibrillator box. The operator will then provide you with the code to open the box. The code is also known to the first responders and is available in the sacristy of both churches. On the advice of the defibrillator providers the code is not available to the general public due to fear of tampering.

### Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG seeking marriage preparation facilitators:

- ◆ **If you have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church**
- ◆ **If you have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team in supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage.**

**Accord wants to hear from you!**

**Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally.**

**Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to [marriagepreparation@accord.ie](mailto:marriagepreparation@accord.ie) or contact our local centre Accord Limerick West on 069 61000**

**BOOK LAUNCH:** Mary Kury from Ardagh launched her latest book *Treasured Memories*, a survey of St David's Graveyard, Churchtown Newcastle West in the Desmond Complex Newcastle West on Wednesday April 24. A nice crowd attended to hear the speakers and copies were available for sale at € 30. It's a welcome addition to the local history of the Newcastle West area. Shirley O'Regan is producing a programme on West Limerick 102 and a podcast series with Mary to accompany the book and share some of the remarkable stories from the community. You can hear new episodes every Saturday at 10am and you can find the podcast on all podcast platforms.

**COME AND SEE INSPIRATIONS** is a locally produced podcast including Interviews, chat on faith topics, inspirational music, reading and reflecting on the Sunday Gospel. Each week a new Podcast is available online at :

[comeandseeinspirations.buzzsprout.com](http://comeandseeinspirations.buzzsprout.com)

Just Google Come and See Inspirations and you will find us there. We are also on Facebook and the Podcast page on the Limerick Diocesan website - Text us at 087 4668950 or email

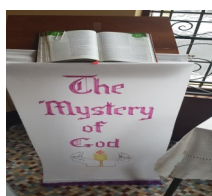
[comeandseeinspirations@gmail.com](mailto:comeandseeinspirations@gmail.com)

### **This week we are joined by Michael Keating who shares with us a reflection on Fatima**

THE 'MYSTERY OF GOD PRAYER SPACE'  
DAILY MASS READINGS AND REFLECTIONS ARE

AVAILABLE IN THE MAIN PORCH ARDAGH CHURCH ON A STAND  
MARKED WITH 'MYSTERY OF GOD' BANNER. A LOVELY WAY TO  
SPEND A FEW MINS READING UPLIFTING

REFLECTIONS TO HELP US EACH DAY



### **CURSILLO WALK:**

Cork to Knock route

Tue July 16th - 21st. Approx 23 miles (37kms) per day. Mass daily, rosary, divine mercy chaplet & fellowship each day.

Contact [corktoknock@gmail.com](mailto:corktoknock@gmail.com) to sign up for the full walk, a day or a stage.

Walks also leaving from Dublin, Belfast & Derry: all converging to arrive in Knock.

**ROAD HURLING PRESENTATION:** St Kieran's GAA Club recently presented the proceeds of their charity hurling day last December 28. The total collection raised € 10,120 and two cheques each worth € 5,060 were presented to the Irish Motor Neuron Disease Association and Milford Care Centre .

**INVITATION TO A DESERT DAY** to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost on the theme of "Realising your gifts of the Holy Spirit". The day includes a silent retreat with Eucharist & Reconciliation.

Saturday 18th May 2024; 10.30am to 5pm in Limerick Diocesan Centre. Facilitated by Phyllis Moynihan RSM and Nessa Breen. Please bring your own packed lunch. Tea/ Coffee/Snacks provided. Donation: €20. Booking is essential , contact Phyllis at 087 963 6893 or email [moynihanphyllis525@gmail.com](mailto:moynihanphyllis525@gmail.com).

**ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY - KNOCK - JUNE 1ST:** The All Ireland Rosary Rally is back this year on Saturday, June 1st in Knock. The day begins with a Marian Conference at 9.30 am in St John's Centre. Speakers include: Fr Michael Donnelly, Sr Ana Margarita Lanzas SCTJM, and Fr Joseph Maria Deane CFR. Then there will be an opportunity to meet over 20 apostolates from around Ireland from 1130 am in St John's Centre. A well-renowned speaker from Miami called Mother Adela Galindo will deliver the keynote Rosary talk at 1 pm in the Basilica. Then there will be the Stations of the Cross outside at 2 pm, followed by the Rosary Procession. Bishop Phonsie Cullinan will be the Main Celebrant of the 3 pm Concelebrated Mass which will include Anointing of the Sick. Confessions are available throughout the day, and there will be rosary and scapular-making workshops in the marquee. For more information and to see a list of buses going from around Ireland visit [www.AllIrelandRosaryRally.com](http://www.AllIrelandRosaryRally.com)

### **PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK**

**Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024. €849.00 pps. Price includes return Bus/Train, 5 nights' in 4\* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Ballintubber Abbey & Ashford Castle. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 094 900 6426 or 087 1890236 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).**