



Ardagh/Carrickerry



Third Sunday of Lent Sunday 30th March 2025

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St. Molua's Church Weekend Mass

Saturday 6.30pm

Weekday

Mon 9.30am. Fri 6.30pm

Sacristan: Bernard 087 6235699

St. Mary's Church Weekend Mass

Sunday 10.30am

Weekday

Tues & Thurs 9.30am

Sacristan: Mary 086 8408006

Priest on call this weekend: Rev. D. Lane 087-2533030

ADORATION OF THE LORD IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday in Ardagh Church 10 –12 AM

Friday 5.30 –6.30 PM before 6.30pm Mass

Upcoming Masses:

ST MOLUA'S CHURCH, ARDAGH

Sat 29th March	Vigil : 4th Sunday of Lent	
	Connie and Margaret Breen R.I.P. (Av)	6.30pm
Mon 31st March	Joan Kelly R.I.P. (Av)	9.30am
Fri 4th April	St Isidore (Memorial)	
	Sean Danagher R.I.P. (Av)	6.30pm
Sat 5th April	Vigil: 5th Sunday of Lent	6.30pm

ST MARY'S CHURCH, CARRICKERRY:

Sun 30th March	4th Sunday of Lent	
	Nell Copse R.I.P. (Av)	10.30am
Tues 1st April	St Celus (Memorial)	9.30am
Thurs 3rd April		9.30am
Sun 6th April	5th Sunday of Lent	
	Annie Mc Mahon R.I.P. (Av)	
	Mary Murphy R.I.P. (Av)	
	Paddy, Jack & Kate O'Sullivan R.I.P. (Av)	10.30am

† St. Mary's Church: Sunday 6th April, 2025

Reader: Margaret King
Eucharistic Minister Kathleen Hayes
Altar Servers : Gearóid O' Sullivan,
Christina O'Donoghue.

† St. Molua's Church: Saturday 5th April, 2025

Reader: Conor O' Donoghue
Eucharistic Minister(s) : Patsy Fitzgerald
Jack Aherne

Altar Servers: Darragh O' Connor
Joseph O' Donoghue

Thank you

Weekly Collections
23rd March 2025
Offertory €612.50
Diocesan Needs €74
Emigrant's collection €86.50
Social Services €2
Thank You.

Seeing Your Life Through The Lens of The Gospel

The two clear lessons from today's Gospel are:

- I can be absolutely sure of God's mercy and forgiveness, provided I turn back to him in true sorrow.
- I need to have the same attitude of compassion with people who offend me. I must be ready to forgive and be reconciled. I cannot refuse to love someone that God loves.
- There are three people in this story and we can identify with all of them:
- The son who went far from his Father and followed his own way into the most degrading behaviour.
- The son who thought he was good and observant, but deep down, did not have the mind of his Father at all. He kept the commandments and the rules but did not have a forgiving heart.
- The father whose love never changes no matter what his children do and is ready to accept them back every time without exception,
- Which of these three most represents me? Which one would I want to be like? Many say they identify most with the elder son. Which of course is the point of the story. They who are real sinners are those who shut their hearts against God's Compassionate Love,

intercom Newsletter Resources—Veritas Publications

The Irish Catholic Newspaper is available to purchase weekly for €3.00 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

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.

Bingo Fundraiser ***€2000 *******

A Parish fundraiser for the community centre!

Ardagh community centre is holding a bingo night in the parish hall on Wednesday the 16th of April to raise funds for the centre.

We would like to see the parish come out and support this fundraiser as it a parish community project.

The Game will start AT 8.00pm Sharp with up to €2000 in Prize money

There is a raffle with lots of spot prizes so Keep the Date free and come along to this great family night out

Spot prizes can be donated to Moira and would be gratefully appreciated contact Moria 086 8255473

Stations of the Cross:-

takes place every Thursday at 7pm during Lent in Newcastle West church. All are welcome.

Finance Committee meeting

A Finance committee meeting is Scheduled for Monday 31st March in St. Molua's Church Sacristy At 8.00pm Could all members please attend, thanks

Come and See Inspirations

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0874668850 email comeandseeinspirations@gmail.com.

Please note we can now be listened to on Youtube by searching for Come and See Inspirations

This Week: We are joined by Bishop Paul Dempsey, Auxiliary-Bishop of Dublin



Mary's Food Aid to Kenya

A group called Mary's food aid to Kenya was formed in our pastoral unit in June 2023, the aim is to provide food to those who are hungry.

Our contact in Kenya is a priest of the Kiltegan Fathers, Fr. Tom Laffan. Fr. Tom lives in the parish of Kokichoggin in the northern part of Kenya and is a native of Murroe/Boher Co. Limerick. All help will go directly to those in need. Where Fr. Tom lives many people suffer from hunger, when food is available many families cannot afford to buy it. Any donation is greatly appreciated and can be lodged at Desmond credit Union Newcastle West and a receipt will be provided. The Money is transferred directly to Fr. Tom and his team and there are no expenses involved.

We give an account during the year of the amount sent, The chairperson of the group is Patrick Geary, the parish Secretary Patricia Loftus and the treasurer Fr. Joe Cussen all Based in Newcastle West.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service.

65% of all blood donations go to support Irish cancer patients. A further 5% goes to support childbirth

Those who have previously resided in the UK are now welcome to donate blood.

Your help would be greatly appreciated and would make a difference.

Newcastle West Longcourt Hotel

Monday 31st March

4.50pm – 8.10pm

Patrickswell Community Centre

Wednesday 2nd April

1.10pm – 4.30pm

New Donors welcome at all clinics

Please phone 1800 222 111 for appointment

Carparking at Carrigkerry Church

Could all Mass goers **Please** be mindful when parking their car for Mass as some local residents are being penned in during mass times which hinders their access.

Ardagh Carrigkerry Funeral Group

Ardagh : Bernard Kennelly / Chuck Lee

Carrigkerry: Sr. Margaret O' Sullivan / Helena King / Kathleen Hayes / Marie Culhane / Margaret King