

Carrigaline Country Market has relocated to the Pipe Band Hall, Church Road (next to the church), open on Fridays, from 8.30-10.30am. Please support local producers.

Last November over 30,000 people gathered around the coast of Ireland to pray the Rosary for Life and Faith in Ireland. Now we will pray the Rosary on Sunday March 18th at 2.30pm at our Mass Rocks and other Holy Sites, to ask Our Lady, and our deceased brethren, to intercede for Ireland. Some locations in Cork include: Beach Head Mass Rock, Glenville Mass Rock, Gortnacrusa (Ballinspittle), Kilcrea Abbey (Ovens), St Peter and St Paul's Church. For more information see www.coastalrosaryireland.ie or phone 087 2786552 after 3pm."

Lourdes: 6 days in the Agena Hotel on Full Board from Saturday April 7th to Wednesday 11th. There will be a full religious programme included and our Spiritual Director is Rev. Fr. Michael O Hanlon from Dromahane. For further details please contact Patsy Foley, Donoughmore on 021-7337159 or 087-6798810.

Coffee Morning in Walsh's Pharmacy on the Bridge in Aid of Daffodil Day: Fri 23rd March from 10.30am - 1pm

Carrigaline Basketball Club Fundraising Bingo: In Carrigaline Ct. Hotel on Tues 27th March at 8pm.

Servisource Healthcare are recruiting qualified Nurses for a Care of the Elderly facility in the Kinsale area. We offer flexible working hours and competitive rates of pay – shifts available immediately. For more info please contact Orla Philpott on (021) 427 9916 or email ophilpott@servisource.ie

CFSC looking for D or D1 licence Drivers: and Helpers for Travel Assist Programme. CFSC looking for volunteers for Care and Repair Programme through Age Action. Contact Carrigaline Family Support Centre for further information on this and the above @ cfsicc@gmail.com or 021-4919299

Carrigaline Men's Shed Fundraising Variety Concert: Will take place on Sunday 25th March at 7.30pm in Carrigaline Court Hotel. Tickets €10 available from shed members & Hotel reception. A great night is assured (even better than last year's fantastic event).

Women Supporting Women Group Friday 23rd March at 9.30am in Carrigaline Lions Youth Centre. Contact Carrigaline Family Support Centre for further information on this group @ cfsicc@gmail.com or 021-4919299

For Sale Large Bags of Kindling In Carrigaline Men's Shed: Behind the Lions Youth Centre Church Rd.

For Sale: 05 Fiat Panda, 1.14, 120Km NCT Aug 18. Excellent Cond. €1200 ONO Tel 087 1400019

Property Maintenance: Power washing, Painting, gutter cleaning, tree cutting, lawns, hedges, all stonework, patios, garden walls, chimney & stove cleaning. Fully insured. Tel 087 7038733.

PVC Windows and Doors Repaired: Tel Frank 087 2297706

17yr Old Girl Available for Babysitting: Has experience. Tel 021 4919840 between 6pm - 7pm.

Social Swimming at Carrigaline A warm welcome is extended to the next 10 week block of Carrigaline Social Swimming Group commencing on Thursday, March 22nd in the Carrigaline Court Hotel. The group meets every Thurs. from Sept. to June and is open to all ages. Full membership in ten week blocks costs €6 per night or €8 per one hour session for guests. Why not give it a try as a guest for one night? Enquiries to 086 8221320.

The Carrigaline Singers Featuring Welsh Tenor Ryan Morgan Present: An upcoming concert "With a Song in my Heart" in St Mary's Church Rd. at 8pm on Thurs 22 March. Tickets €10 from Carrigaline Court Hotel, Klassy Kuts Hair Salon Main St., Hallmark Card Store in Shopping Centre and at the door on the night. Supporting Carrigaline Community First Responders to invest in life saving equipment for our community.

Good News from Kinsale
"Lent is a time for reconciliation and to mend things that are broken." So said Fr Eoin who came from Kinsale Friary last week to help us make the most of the rest of Lent.

We remind ourselves of what he said. He noted that getting ready for Christmas, we think about lights, gifts, parties and decorations but during Lent, once the ashes are gone from our foreheads, everything we do has no visible quality. Prayer, fasting and almsgiving aren't seen. Repentance, self denial and reconciliation happen in the heart and mind.

Lent is a great opportunity to meet the two most significant people in our lives: our God and our self. During the 40 days in the desert Jesus encountered all that we encounter in our most desperate moments: the hostile world, the wild changes and chances of life, the soul deadening temptations.

We go through Lent with Jesus as our companion our example and our guide



The temptation is always to speak instead of listening. To seek our own path instead of God's ways. To fill the silence with ourselves instead of allowing God to fill it.

We can fall into the trap of thinking we are too bad or too sinful to be loved by God. When we can see no way out, we wonder what is the good news?

God sent his Son so that we can have life through him. That's the good news!

God loves us. God forgives us.. God invites us to share in his life. No matter how often we refuse, he continues to stretch out his hand. No matter how often we sin God is willing to forgive us. That is good news! God holds nothing back to restore our relationship with him and each other.

Much of the 40 days has passed but even now Lent can still work to our good. It can only happen if we give the space to hear God speak and to face ourselves, with honesty and with truth.

Are we willing to examine the depths of our heart? Are we willing to examine attitudes that have arisen from our materialistic or individualistic culture? Attitudes regarding prosperity, career fulfilment, relationships, indifference to the needy and the marginalised and our callous attitude towards the environment?

Unless a grain of wheat dies... Lent is so much more than simply giving up a few favourite indulgences. It is an invitation for total renewal of our hearts.

Today's gospel has the same message: "Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit." We will never be any good for others wrapped up in ourselves.



Church Notices

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Baptism

We welcome these new members to our Christian family



Frederick Michael William Lewis Dinan
William Luke Broderick
Daniel Patrick Leahy
Rose May McCarthy
Robyn Gretta Ahern
Sophie Kate Mulcahy

Please pray for

Peter Coughlan
Rochestown / Carrigaline
Martin O'Callaghan
Kilmoney
Ann Blake
Carrigaline /Ballincollig
Joeaphine Meaney
Kilnagleary



Leaba i measc na naomh
go raibh acu!

Marriage

Every blessing and happiness in their lives together to



Fiona Brosnan & Daniel O'Donoghue

Palm Sunday

Next Sunday
25 March



Children's Mass @ 11.15



If you need a Priest in an Emergency phone the Priest on duty at 087 2302108

Priests

Fr. Pat Fogarty Tel 4371684
Fr. Charles Nyhan Tel 4371860
Fr. Aidan Cremen Tel 4372229
Parish Centre: Tel 4371109

Email: carrigparishcentre@eircom.net

Office Hours: Mon-Fri. 10am -1pm.

Presentation Sisters Tel 4372718

Booking Baptisms, Masses and Marriages

A priest is available in the Church Sacristy, 7pm - 8pm, on Mondays, (not Bank Hols), for booking Marriages, Masses and Baptisms. The child's birth certificate is needed when booking Baptism, 3 weeks in advance.

Sat 17/ Sun 18 March
Blessing of Seeds

Sunday 18 March 7-8pm
Holy Hour & Night Prayer
led by Fr Pat

Tuesday 20
March 8pm

Homelessness
A Scandal for
Church & State

Fr Peter McVerry

in Lions Club Youth
Centre



Your Questions

What if my baby won't survive?

Many parents who received this news and continued their pregnancy to term say the chance to hold and care for their child, even if just for a few moments, helped them to grieve and heal after their child passed away. They have memories that they cherish and are consoled knowing they did all they could to care for and love their sick baby. As a society, let us strive to increase and improve perinatal hospice care and support for these babies and their families.

As well as medical assistance, what support is available?

One Day More and Every Life Counts are Irish charities which offer support to mothers and fathers of babies with life-limiting conditions. They enable families to make meaningful plans for their child's life, birth, and death, in a way that honours the baby as well as the baby's family.

A fundamental human right

The right to life is not given by the Constitution of Ireland or by any law. Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta in a 1994 letter to the US Supreme Court on Roe v Wade, wrote: "Human rights are not a privilege conferred by Government. They are every human being's entitlement by virtue of our humanity".

The greatest gift that any one of us has ever received is the gift of life, thanks to our fathers and mothers.

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6 pm

Sunday Masses:

8.30am, 10am, 11.15am & 12.30pm

Weekdays in Lent

Mon—Fri 9.30am, & 7.30pm

Saturday 11.30am

First Friday 9.30am & 7.30pm

Bank Holidays 11.30 am

Church Holidays 7.30pm Vigil, 10am, 11.30am, 7.30pm

St Patrick's Day Fri 16 Mar Vigil 6pm

Sat 17th 8.30am, 10am, 11.15am, 12.30pm

Vigil for Sunday 6pm

Sun 18th 8.30am 10am, 11.15am, 12.30pm

Mon 19th Bank Hol 11.30am

Confessions: Saturday: 12 noon and on request

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Sundays 2pm-8pm October - March

Mondays: Holy Hour after 9.30am Mass.

Baptisms: Saturdays:

12.30pm, 4pm & 5pm

(3 weeks notice required)

How to book



Tuesday to Friday:

Rosary after 9.30am Mass.

Tuesdays after Mass:

Cuppa in the Parish Centre

& Preparation for Sunday

Readings. All are welcome.

Legion of Mary:

Parish Centre Tuesdays 7pm

Lectio Divina

Thursdays 10.15 am,

Parish Centre.

Reading & Meditation on next Sunday's

Gospel. All are welcome.

Sunday 18 March 7-8pm

Holy Hour and Night Prayer (or Compline), led by Fr Pat

Compline is the last prayer of the Divine Office (Liturgy of the Hours), at the end of the day. It comprises an examination of conscience and act of sorrow, a hymn, a psalm, a short reading from Scripture and always, the Song of Simeon: "Now Lord, you can let your servant go in peace". Night Prayer ends with a prayer for protection while we sleep and the Salve Regina.