

Newsletter for the Parishes of  
Dromod & Caherdaniel  
Sunday 22nd December 2024  
Fourth Sunday of Advent

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- **Dromod Parish:** St. Finian's Church & Oratory, Waterville and Our Lady of the Valley Church, Cillin Liath
- **Caherdaniel Parish:** St. Crohan's Church, Caherdaniel; Church of Most Precious Blood, Castlecove & Mary Immaculate Church, Lohar

**DROMOD PARISH:**

*Masses will be livestreamed*

**Mass intentions from Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December to  
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

- 7.30pm: **Cillin Liath: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
+ Vincent Vandervelde.

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**

- 10.00am: **St. Finian's 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
+ Steve Caulfield, Months Mind.

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December**

- 10:00am: **Oratory**  
+ Thanksgiving Mass for Community  
Associations/Groups & Businesses of our Parish.

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Eve**

- 7.30pm: **Cillin Liath**  
+For the intentions of the People of the Parish
- 9.00pm: **St. Finian's**  
+ Damien Fogarty, Anniversary.

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day**

- \* 10.00am: **St. Finian's**  
+For the intentions of the People of the Parish

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December**

- 7.30pm: **No Mass**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December**

- 1:00pm: Baptism – **Cillin Liath**
- 2:00pm: Baptism – **St Finian's**
- 4:00pm: Wedding - **Oratory**
- 7.30pm: **Cillin Liath:**  
+ Bridie Curran & her parents Michael & Noreen Curran  
Breahig.

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December**

- 10.00am: **St. Finian's**  
+Willie O' Shea, Bell Vue & Runcorn, Cheshire, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.

**'Christmas Offering'** The Christmas Offering Collection will be taken up at all Masses in the parish on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day after Holy Communion. You can return your Christmas Offering envelope (envelopes also available in all churches) in this collection. We are extremely grateful for your continued support throughout the year.

Parish office will reopen on  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January.

**CAHERDANIEL PARISH:**

*Masses will be livestreamed*

**Mass intentions from Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December to  
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December:**

- **6.00pm: Castlecove 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
+ Brendan Galvin, Black Shop, 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary  
+ May Fitzgerald & all deceased members of  
the Fitzgerald family.

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

- 9:30am: **Caherdaniel**  
+ For the sick & housebound of our Parish

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Eve**

- \* **6.00pm: Castlecove**  
+For the intentions of the People of the Parish  
*We welcome the Peace Light to Our Mass  
which has been kept lit for the past 12 months.*

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day**

- \* 8.00am: **Lohar**  
+Sean Larry O' Shea, Bunnavalla  
+People of the Parish
- \* 9.30am: **Caherdaniel**  
+For the Intentions of the People of the Parish

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December:**

- 6.00pm: **Lohar**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December:**

- 9:30am: **Caherdaniel**

**Upcoming Events**

**Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Dec**

Piarsaigh na Dromoda Annual Bazaar: Inny Tavern @ 8:30pm. Loads of great hampers/prizes inc a 50-inch Samsung Tv kindly sponsored by Sceilg Ola.

**Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec**

Christmas Carols at The Black Shop Bar, Castlecove @ 8:30pm.

**Tues 24<sup>th</sup> /Wed 25<sup>th</sup>**

Annual Church Gate Collection for the Samaritans.

**Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Christmas Day Swim: Golf Links Beach @ 11am + Derrynane Harbour @ 12 noon.

**Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Annual Christmas Pub Quiz: The Lobster Bar @9pm. In aid of the Waterville New Years Eve Street Party.

**Dec 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> Opening of the Jubilee Year**

The theme of the year is "Pilgrims of Hope" More details in next week's newsletter.

**A Christmas Message**

In all accounts of Christmas in the New Testament, we hear the Angel bringing the announcement of Jesus' birth with the words: **"Be not afraid"**. Given everything in our world, and perhaps even in our own sacred lives, this greeting is what we need to hear at Christmas. Fear often leaves us crippled. It can ruin memories of the past and even the present and can undermine dignified and trusting relationships. For whatever fear we may hold in life, we need to hear again the angel's greeting **"Be not afraid"**. As scripture says, *"perfect love drives out all fear"* (1 John 4:18). That is what we celebrate at Christmas. Perfect love took on our human form in Jesus. During Christmas, we celebrate with joy the one whose very life, death & resurrection showed us that way out of fear. **Christmas is the time when our memories are joined to God's, who remembers us in our moments of fear.** At our Christmas masses let us invite once again the Lord of Light, the Prince of Peace, the King of Love, and live with conviction that we have a God who thought so much of us, that he sent his son Jesus among us.

*I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a joy filled & blessed celebration of Christmas. I thank all the many volunteers in our parishes who minister so beautifully and keep parish life alive. May you all be rewarded for you continued and dedicated service to our parish communities. I especially thank all who contribute so generously to the running of the parishes through the parish envelopes & offertory and to the monthly Diocesan collections & Trocaire. For the generous support to Fr Gerard and to myself since arriving, I am deeply touched by your support and care. I thank all our schools, their principals and teachers, and especially to all the children who fill our churches and community with great energy and enthusiasm.*

*I express a word of gratitude & heartfelt appreciation to Fr Larry, Fr Pasty & Fr Padraig Sugrue for their fraternal friendship & ministry among us, and finally to our Parish Team of Anne Curran & Mary McGarvey, for their friendship, guidance & support in the administration of the parishes of Dromid/Waterville & Caherdaniel.*

**Nollaig Shona daoibh go léir a chairde!**  
**Fr Seán**

**Christmas Mass Schedule  
2024**

**Dromod Parish**

**Christmas Eve**

**7:30pm:** Cillin Liath

**9:00pm:** St Finian's

**Christmas Day**

**10:00am:** St Finian's

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**Caherdaniel Parish**

**Christmas Eve**

**6:00pm:** Castlecove

**Christmas Day**

**8:00am:** Lohar

**9:30am:** Caherdaniel

**Last Week's Collections**

**Dromod Parish €1220**

**Caherdaniel Parish €590.30**

*Continued appreciation & sincere thanks for  
your support towards the offertory collection  
which supports our parish churches.*

*For those who have died recently:*

**Mary Maureen Murphy (née Walsh)**

Tarmon's West, Waterville & Laharn South  
&

**We especially remember all our dear  
loved ones at Christmas, who have gone  
to their eternal rest.**

**FOR DECEMBER**

**Sacristan:** Angela Hallissey, Trish McClintock,  
Mary Jo Fitzpatrick

**Church Cleaning:**

**Cillin Liath:** Eileen O'Shea & Anne O'Connor

**St. Finian's:** Margaret Sheehan & Lily O'Shea

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**Cillin Liath:** Angela Hallissey

**St. Finian's:** Trish McClintock

**Readers:**

**Cillin Liath:** Michael Ryan

**St. Finian's:** Anita O'Sullivan