

**Newsletter for the Parishes of  
Dromod & Caherdaniel**  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
Second Sunday of Advent

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

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www.churchmedia.tv/caherdaniel  
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**DROMOD PARISH:**

Masses will be livestreamed

**Mass intentions from Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

- 7.30pm: **Cillín Liath: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
+ John and Mary Coffey, Coiscumeragh.  
+ Patcheen O'Connor, Knockroe.

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

- 10.00am: **St. Finian's: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
+ Carol O'Dwyer, Kenneigh.  
+ Maura O'Shea, Caherbarnagh.
- 1.00pm: Rosary at Coiscumeragh Grotto**
- 2.00pm: **Dromod Community ICA Christmas Party**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

- 10:00am: **Oratory**  
+ For the People of the Parish
- 7:00pm: **Oratory**  
+ Gerald 'Sean Rua' Fitzgerald, Glenmore West.  
**Month's Mind**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

- 10:00am: **Oratory**  
+ Peter Murphy & Paddy Fogarty, Anniversary.

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

- 10:00am: **Cillín Liath: Monthly Community Mass**  
\*\*Refreshments afterwards in the gTeic Building\*\*  
+ Healing Mass for those who are sick in our Parish
- 7:30pm: **St Finian's**  
+Christy Daly

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

- 6:45pm Carol Service with the Pupils of S.N. Cillín Liath**
- 7:30pm: **Cillín Liath:**  
+Debbie & Jackie O' Sullivan, Cappanagrown, Anniversary  
+ Eileen & Paddy Clifford, Direen.  
\*\*Refreshments after in the gTeic Building\*\*

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

- 10:00am: **St Finian's**  
+Bridie & Joe Brennan.

We remember in prayer the soul of:

**Kathleen Mangan**  
Tooracladane, Dromid, Kerry  
&

**Fr Seamus McKenna**  
Ballyferriter, Kerry

**CAHERDANIEL PARISH:**

Masses will be livestreamed  
**Mass intentions from Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

- 6.00pm **Castlecove**  
+ Ben, Mary and Tony O'Sullivan, Goulanes

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

- 9:30am: **Caherdaniel**  
1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Enrolment  
+ Crohan O'Grady, Caherdaniel
- 2.00pm: **Christmas Community Dinner**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

- 10:00am: **Caherdaniel**  
+ For the sick & housebound of the Parish.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

- 6.00pm **Loher**  
+ John Quinlan, Baslicon.

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

9:30am: **Caherdaniel**  
+ For the People of the Parish

**Dates for Your Diary!**

**Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Dec:**

- Rosary** at Coiscumeragh Grotto at 1:00pm
- Dromod ICA – Christmas Party:** in the Inny Tavern, Mass at 2pm followed by dinner and music.
- Christmas Market:** Waterville Community Centre from 11am – 5pm.
- Christmas Community Dinner:** Caherdaniel Community Centre at 2pm.

**Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Dec:**

- St Finian's School Christmas Concert:** 1:30pm in the Community Centre. €5 admission & raffle on the day. All are welcome.

**Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec:**

- Breanndán O Beaglaoich Concert:** Ionad na Dromoda (in gTeic Building) at 7:30pm. Tickets €10, available on the door. All welcome.

**Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Dec:**

- Cillín Liath Carol Service:** 6:45pm in the Our Lady of the Valley Church. Evening Mass at 7:30pm followed by refreshments in the gTeic building.

**1954 – The Marian Year in Ireland**

Pope Pius XII announced the Marian Year of 1954 in his September 1953 encyclical *Fulgens Corona (Radiant Crown)*. Running from December 1953 to December 1954, it was to be a year of increased devotion to the Virgin Mary for Catholics all over the world. Celebrating 100 years since the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, countless grottoes & shrines sprung up all over Ireland to mark and honour our Heavenly Mother Mary.

A kind parishioner gave in a copy of Ireland's Own published on 23 August 2024, where it recalls the historical background and powerful impact this Marian Year had on our Church and country – it says

"These shrines and grottoes are rarely distinguished as works of art. Often, the figures are crudely sculpted, the paint peeling from decades of the Irish wind and rain. Still, however, you will usually find fresh flowers lying at the Virgin's feet. Often, there are rosary beads, prayer cards, other little tokens left beside her, each one evidence of some heartfelt petition: recovery from illness, or the hope for the healthy birth of a child ... stand before one of these shrines, some quiet evening ... travel in imagination to the time it was erected ... seventy years ago." *Let us honour Mary our Mother in prayer, & remember those who stood at our local grottoes 70 years ago this weekend.*

**Bambinelli Sunday**

The beautiful Advent Tradition, Bambinelli Sunday, was instituted by Saint Pope John Paul II during his Papacy. The tradition follows that on the Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) children and adults bring their Baby Jesus figures from their homes to St Peters Square where they are blessed by the Pope. Then, following the Sunday Angelus address, the Holy Father blesses the statues of Baby Jesus which the children will take back to homes to be placed in their cribs on Christmas Eve.

We invite you all on the weekend of 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> December to bring your figure of the baby Jesus from home to receive a special blessing at our masses.



**Christmas Mass Schedule 2024**

**Dromod Parish**

**Christmas Eve**

7:30pm: Cillín Liath

**Christmas Day**

10:00am: St Finian's

**Caherdaniel Parish**

**Christmas Eve**

6:00pm: Castlecove

**Christmas Day**

8:00am: Loher

9:30am: Caherdaniel

**Last Week's Collections**

**Dromod Parish** €1115

**Diocesan Collection** €320.00

**Building Fund** €140.00

**Caherdaniel Parish** €383.00

**Diocesan Collection** €240.00

On behalf our Parish Finance Councils we thank you for your continuous support & generosity.

**Tide times for Ballinskelligs Bay +05mins for Westcove - Not for Navigation**

08.12.24	03.20 low	<b>09.36 high</b>	15.53 low	22.01 high
09.12.24	04.26 low	<b>10.42 high</b>	16.54 low	23.03 high
10.12.24	05.26 low	<b>11.41 high</b>	17.55 low	
11.12.24	<b>00.03 high</b>	06.26 low	<b>12.37 high</b>	18.54 low
12.12.24	<b>01.01 high</b>	07.22 low	<b>13.32 high</b>	19.47 low
13.12.24	<b>01.55 high</b>	08.15 low	<b>14.22 high</b>	20.38 low
14.12.24	<b>02.46 high</b>	09.05 low	<b>15.11 high</b>	21.24 low

**FOR DECEMBER**

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

**Church Cleaning:**

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

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

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**Cillín Liath:** Angela Hallissey

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

**Readers:**

**Cillín Liath:** Michael Ryan

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