

PARISH OF DROMOD



A Warm Welcome to our Parish & to our Faith Communities of:

St. Finian's Church & The Oratory, Waterville
& Our Lady of the Valley Church, Cillin Liath



Priests of the Iveragh Pastoral Area

Fr Sean Jones: 087 2032455

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Upcoming Masses

29th Aug - 6th Sept

Saturday 29th August

7:30pm: **Cillin Liath**

+ Johnny & Eileen O Sullivan, Cashlagh & Sean O Sullivan, Direen.

Patrick and Mary Anne O Connor, Direen, John Courtney. Cashlagh.

Sunday 30th August

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

+ Mary Horgan, Spunkane, Anniversary

Saturday 5th September

Communal First Saturday Devotions

9:30am: **Oratory** - Intro/Rosary/Meditation

7.30pm: **Cillin Liath**

+ Brendan McCarthy, Canuig, Months Mind

+ Peggy O'Leary, Tullig

+ John and Mary Ann Hallissey, The Cottage, Gortatlea and all deceased members of the Hallissey family

Sunday 6th September

10.00am: **St. Finian's**

+ Anthony McGillicuddy, and Eleanor Nugent Anniversary

+ John P. and Mary Bride Moriarty, Kilmakerin, Anniversary

Caherdaniel Mass Times

Sat 29th August - 6.00pm: Castlecove

+ John Buddy Fitzgerald, Months Mind

+ Michael Galvin and all deceased members of the Galvin family, Castlecove

+ Dan Galvin and his wife Kathleen, Castlecove

Sun 30th August - 9:30am: Caherdaniel

+ Gareth Kyte, 1st anniversary and Kay O'Connor, Caherdaniel and deceased members of the O'Connor family

Sat 5th September - 6:00pm: Loher

+Maura O' Connell, Shanaknock.

Sunday 30th August - Caherdaniel

+All Deceased Members of the Healy Family Derrynane.

Fr Sean will be away on annual retreat at Our Lady's Shrine, Knock from Monday 31st - Saturday 5th Sept.

In case of emergencies please contact -

Fr Larry: 087 2324171



The Making of a Saint: Called to Give Her Life to God

From a young age, Helena Kowalska felt drawn to religious life, but circumstances seemed to make it impossible. Her family could not afford the dowry and clothing traditionally required, so Helena worked to support herself and enjoyed the ordinary pleasures of youth. Yet at nineteen, while attending a dance with her sister, she had a profound vision of the suffering Christ. Deeply moved, she realised she could no longer ignore God's call. She left for Warsaw and, after being refused by several convents, was eventually accepted by the **Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy**. There she received the name Sister Maria Faustina.

Her life in the convent was outwardly very ordinary. Because she had little formal education, she was given humble tasks such as cooking, gardening and answering the door. She carried out these duties with cheerfulness, humility and great love. Yet beneath this simple exterior, **God was drawing her into a profound spiritual life**. Jesus began revealing to her His message of Divine Mercy and called her to become an "apostle" and "Secretary of Mercy," asking her to bring His message of mercy and trust to the world.

In obedience to her spiritual director and superiors, Faustina recorded these experiences in her Diary: **Divine Mercy in My Soul**. Much of her mystical life remained hidden from those around her. Her holiness was found not simply in extraordinary experiences, but in her willingness to do God's will faithfully—in prayer, work, sacrifice and suffering. Her life reminds us that a vocation does not always look extraordinary from the outside. Often, **God works most deeply through the quiet, hidden faithfulness of ordinary daily life**. Through Sister Faustina, that hidden life became a powerful witness to the mercy of God.



Welcome Back to Our Schools

As we begin a new school year, we warmly welcome back the pupils, staff and families of our parish schools, S.N. Cillín Liath and St Finian's N.S. We are immensely proud of our schools and grateful for the wonderful contribution they make to the life of our parish and wider community.

We wish all our teachers, staff, pupils and families every blessing for the year ahead. In a special way, we remember those who will be preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. May this be a joyful and faith-filled journey for them, supported by their families, teachers and the whole parish community.

May God bless our schools throughout the coming year and guide all who learn, teach and serve within them.

Blessing of School Bags 2026



We warmly invite the school communities of **S.N. Cillín Liath / St Finian's N.S.** & children/families from **other schools** in our area, to begin the new school year with a special Mass of blessing.

S.N. Cillín Liath: Saturday 12th at 7:30pm

Our Lady of the Valley Church

St Finian's N.S: Sunday 13th at 10:00am

St Finian's Church, Waterville

All pupils, staff and families are very welcome as we pray for God's blessing and guidance for the year ahead.

Diocesan Second Collection 5th / 6th September

This collection helps fund many of the diocesan services including Accord, St. Senan's, Safeguarding, Data Protection as well as the promotion of catechetical initiatives. This collection will be taking up immediately after Holy Communion. As always, we sincerely appreciate your support to the monthly Diocesan Collections.

Acquired Brain Injury If you have an Acquired Brain Injury, through stroke, surgery, brain tumour, accident or other, support is available. Every Friday, 1pm – 3pm in Tech Amergin, Waterville V23 A243. Peer support, chat with other in a similar situation, meet people who understand what you are going through, share tips and suggestions. Contact Steve 087 7582621

Your Support to the Parish

Offertory Collection: €1,520.00

Sincere appreciation to our parishoners and vistors of our Parish for your continued suport.

The Gift of Ministry - September

Sacristans: Angela Hallissey.

Mary Jo Fitzpatrick/Eileen Brophy

Church Cleaning:

Cillin Liath: Jenny O'Sullivan

St Finian's: Mary Donald & Aine Fitzgerald

Oratory: Sheila Dwyer & Liz Curran

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Cillin Liath: Richard Maher

St Finian's: Patsy O'Shea

Readers 29th/30th August

Cillin Liath: Suzanne O'Leary

St Finian's: Family

Readers 5th/6th September

Cillin Liath: Family

St Finian's: Bernie Cronin

Sanctuary Candle

29th August - 6th September August 2026

St Finian's - Ann O'Shea RIP

Cillin Liath - Special Intention

The Oratory - Special Intention

If you wish to include loved ones (living/deceased), contact Anne in the Parish Office.

Tide Times for Ballinskelligs

+ 5 mins for Westcove

30.08.26	00.06 low	06.21 high	12.24 low	18.39 high
31.08.26	00.43 low	06.55 high	13.03 low	19.16 high
01.09.26	01.23 low	07.34 high	13.47 low	19.57 high
02.09.26	02.06 low	08.16 high	14.32 low	20.43 high
03.09.26	05.52 low	09.04 high	15.23 low	21.34 high
04.09.26	03.48 low	10.02 high	16.26 low	22.37 high
05.09.26	04.57 low	11.15 high	17.37 low	23.53 high

Pray with us Online

Our Lady of the Valley, Cillin Liath

www.churchmedia.tv/cillinliath

St Finian's, Waterville

www.churchmedia.tv/waterville

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