CARRAIG NA BHFEAR PARISH Church of the Immaculate Conception

Sat/Sun 26th/27th July 2025 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 26th July, 5.30 pm

Jimmy Linehan, 1st anniversary

Praying also for Michael and Anne Geaney

Sunday, 27th July, 11.30 am Gerard Murphy.

Monday, 28th July, 9.00 am John Cronin

Tuesday, 29th July, No Mass

Wednesday, 30th July, No Mass

Thursday, 31st July, No Mass

Friday, 1st August, 9.00 am John Hannon

Saturday, 2nd August, 5.30 pm

Donal Dalv

Praying also for Michael O'Callaghan whose anniversary occurs

Sunday, 3rd August, 11.30 am

Teddy O'Sullivan
Praying also for Michael O'Callaghan whose
anniversary occurs

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Collection

Sat/Sun 19th/20th July €929.90 Diocesan Quarterly €724.60

Thank you Message.

As I leave Carraig na bhFear and retire from full time appointment I do so after close on eight happy and fulfilling years in this parish and thank you all for the warm welcome you gave to me when I arrived and for your support and your friendship during my time in this parish.

Thank you to the many people who help to keep this parish functioning, sacristans, those who assist in various ministries, those who keep the church and grounds in good order, those who care for Dunbolg Cemetery and many others who are there when called upon and those who work in the background to keep this parish in good order. As the Catholic Church faces change into the future the participation of parishioners in the functioning of parishes will become ever more important.

To all who attend this church and those who join the live streamed ceremonies thank you for your prayers and prayerful support. Thank you too for the financial support you have given both to me and to your parish. That support was especially evident, and appreciated, when we undertook the renovations of your parish church some years ago. I commend you and urge you to continue to support your parish and be proud of it and of your church.

Thank you too for your well wishes since my move was announced and may God bless you all and keep you in His care.

Fr. Martin

Fr. Martin's Farewell

After Mass this Sunday 27th July, Fr. Martin's last in our parish as he retires from full time appointments, there will be an informal cup of tea/coffee and biscuits in Carraig na bhFear Community Hall to wish Fr. Martin farewell and best wishes for his move to West Cork.

A more formal occasion will be arranged for a later date, when school has returned and the holiday period is over, to allow the parish as a whole express its appreciation to Fr. Martin for everything that he has done for our parish during his time in Carraig na bhFear.

Carraig na bhFear Parish Assembly

Weekday Mass Schedule

For the month of August weekday Mass in this church will be celebrated at 9.00 am on Mondays and Fridays only.

From 1st September weekday Mass in this church will be celebrated at 9.00 am on Wednesdays and on Fridays.

Weekday Mass will be celebrated in Watergrasshill at 10.00 am on Mondays and in Glenville at 10.00 am on Thursdays.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, Sunday 27th July 2025

This Sunday 27th July is World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. This special day in the Church Year was established by Pope Francis in 2021 and is celebrated each year on the Sunday closest to the Feastday of Saints Joachim and Anne, the Grandparents of Jesus. The theme for this year's celebration is "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (Sir 14:2).

On Sunday 27th July the National Grandparents Association Pilgrimage to Knock will take place where the chief celebrant will be Archbishop Francis Duffy

May Saints Joachim and Anne, parents of Mary, Grandparents of Jesus, bless Grandparents and the Elderly everywhere.

Vigil of the Two Hearts

First Friday Vigil of Reparation of the Alliance of the Two Hearts.

On Friday 1st August the Vigil will be just two and a half hours from the end of the 9.00 am Mass until 12.00 midday.

It would be good if you could spend some time in the Eucharistic Presence of Jesus during this period.

Dunbolg Cemetery Mass

On **Thursday 15th August at 7.00 pm** (weather permitting) our annual cemetery Mass will be celebrated in Dunbolg Cemetery for the faithful departed who are buried there.

In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in Carraig na bhFear Church.

Charity Tax Refund Scheme

Recently Charity Tax (CHY3) forms were sent to some parishioners who need to renew or give permission to the parish to claim the charity tax refund for the tax year 2024. Participation in the Charities Tax Refund Scheme over recent years has helped the parish to remain in a healthy financial state.

There is no obligation to complete the form but it would be appreciated if those willing to allow the parish claim this refund could complete and return the form as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have already returned their forms.

Blood Donation Clinic

The Irish Blood Transfusion Service will hold a Blood Donation Clinic at the Community Centre, Courtbrack, on Thursday 31st July from 2.30 pm until 4.40 pm and from 6.50 pm until 9.00 pm.

To check your eligibility to donate contact 1800731137 between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm or check online at www.giveblood.ie

Blood donation is essential to ensure that Hospital Patients can get the treatment they need. New donors are always welcome.