

Newsletter for the Parish of Dromod

Feast of The Holy Family

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*Happy New Year to all in our Faith Communities of:
St. Finian's Church & Oratory, Waterville & Our Lady of the Valley Church, Cillin Liath*

DROMOD PARISH:

**Mass Intentions from Saturday 27th December
2025 to Sunday 4th January 2026**

Saturday 27th December

7:30pm: **Cillin Liath**

- + Bridie Curran and her parents
Michael and Noreen Curran, Breahig
- + John and Mary Coffey, Cushcummeragh, Anniversary

Sunday 28th December

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

- + Fr Denis O Callaghan, Granafulla, formerly Mallow
1st Anniversary
- + Michael White, Anniversary.

Monday 29th December

Requiem Mass: +Fr. Joseph Nolan

12 Noon - Ballydonoghue

Wednesday 31st December

10:00am: **Oratory**

- + Nora O' Reilly, Anniversary & Deceased Members
of the O' Reilly Family.

Friday 2nd January

7:30pm: **St Finian's**

- + Teresa O' Sullivan, Scariff, 1st Anniversary.

Saturday 3rd January

Communal First Saturday @ The Oratory

9:15am - Intro/Rosary

10.00am: Mass

Confessions in sacristy before Mass

12.30pm: **St. Finian's**

Baptism Katie Frances Cournane

7:30pm: **Cillin Liath**

- + Maureen Daly, 1st Anniversary
- + Willie Hayes, Doora, Anniversary

Sunday 4th January

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

- + Jackie Moran, 1st Anniversary

Our Recently Deceased:

+Maura Dundon
Cliff Road, Waterville
+Fr Joseph Nolan
Former P.P Dromod Parish /
Ballydonoghue

CAHERDANIEL PARISH:

**Mass Intentions from Saturday 27th December 2025
to Sunday 4th January 2026**

Saturday 27th December

6:00pm: **Lohar** - Christmas Mass Bouquets

Sunday 28th December

9.30am: **Caherdaniel** - People of the Parish

Thursday 1st January

12 Noon: **Caherdaniel** - Mass to Welcome the New Year

Saturday 3rd January

6:00pm: **Castlecove**

- + Jim and Sheila Murphy, Upper Liss, Anniversary
Dave Fenton and Jim and Mary Fitzgerald

Sunday 4th January

9.30am: **Caherdaniel**

- + Kevin O' Sullivan, Farraniaragh, Anniversary

Capital Fund Boxes 2026

The Parish Capital Fund Boxes for 2026 are now available and can be collected at all Masses this weekend. We thank you sincerely for your continued support of the parish. Any parishioner who would like to subscribe to the parish envelope system, or who would like further information, is very welcome to contact the parish office. Thanks to all who generously support the parish each week. In recent times parishioners have set up Standing Orders/or EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer). If you would prefer this method, contact Anne in the Parish Office.

Upcoming Events

Fundraiser for New Year's Eve Street Party 🎉 in The Villa on Monday, 29th December. All tables to be registered around 8:30pm. Quiz starts at 9:00pm sharp. Come along and enjoy a night of festive cheer and test your knowledge. Everyone is very welcome!

Walk in aid of the Dromid Cancer Support Car: Tues 30th Dec @ 11am. Meeting at the Inny Tavern. €10 pp/U16 free.

Waterville New Year's Street Party 🎉 Starting at 10:30pm. Enjoy a fantastic night with music from various artists, children's entertainment, and hot chocolate for the kids. Ring out the old and bring in the New Year with friends and neighbours. Come along, enjoy, and celebrate 🎉 everyone is very welcome!

New Years Day Swim: Kells Bay Beach @1pm.

Pope Leo XVI - Blessing to the World

Dear brothers and sisters, "Let us all rejoice in the Lord, for our Savior has been born in the world. Today, true peace has come down to us from heaven" (Entrance Antiphon, Christmas Mass during the Night). Thus sings the liturgy on Christmas night, and the announcement of Bethlehem resounds in the Church: the Child born of the Virgin Mary is Christ the Lord, sent by the Father to save us from sin and death. Indeed, he is our peace; he has conquered hatred and enmity through God's merciful love. For this reason, **"the Lord's birth is the birth of peace"** (Saint Leo the Great, Sermon 26).

A Year of a New Beginning

As we stand at the threshold of a New Year, we give thanks for new beginnings. We pray that the peace of God may dwell deeply in our hearts and in our homes, renewing us with hope and courage. As a parish and wider community, may we be gifted with **the grace to begin again**—together—trusting God's gentle guidance as we walk into 2026. In the words of Brendan Kennelly, **"Begin again."** May this simple invitation shape our prayer, our relationships, and our shared journey of faith in the year ahead.



Words of Appreciation & Thanks

Our sincere thanks to all who gathered to celebrate our Christmas Masses. We are **deeply grateful to everyone involved**—from readers and choirs to all who worked quietly behind the scenes to ensure each celebration was prayerful and welcoming. To our diaspora and to all who returned home for Christmas, thank you for enriching parish life with your presence. To all families and children, every blessing. We also wish to express heartfelt thanks for your generosity to the Offertory Collections and, in a special way, to those who contributed to the Christmas Dues—your kindness and support are truly appreciated.

Sanctuary Candle Remembrance

27th - 3rd January

St Finian's

Bridie Curran & her parents
Michael & Noreen and
Sinead Clifford

Cillin Liath

Helena & Paddy O'Connor, Gullane

The Oratory

The Coyle Family



*Beneath the quiet glow of the sanctuary light,
we lift our hearts in prayerful remembrance.
In its gentle flame, the love of those we hold dear,
burns on with sacred warmth.*

Tide times for Ballinskelligs Bay +05mins for Westcove

28.12.25	04.10 low	10.25 high	16.35 low	22.45 high
29.12.25	05.06 low	11.20 high	17.34 low	23.43 high
30.12.25	06.08 low	12.18 high	18.37 low	
31.12.25	00.44 high	07.10 low	13.18 high	19.38 low
01.01.26	01.45 high	08.11 low	14.16 high	20.35 low
02.01.26	02.44 high	09.07 low	15.11 high	21.27 low
03.01.26	03.37 high	10.03 low	16.04 high	22.23 low

Sincere thanks to all community organisations, local groups, volunteers, and businesses who so generously support parish and community life. Your time, commitment, and goodwill enrich us in countless ways and strengthen the bonds of our community. **Please know that all you do is deeply valued and greatly appreciated.**

MINISTRIES FOR JANUARY

Sacristan: Angela Hallissey,
Mary Jo Fitzpatrick/Eileen Brophy

Church Cleaning:

Cillin Liath: Jenny O'Sullivan

St. Finian's: Kathleen Curran, Mary Concannon

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Cillin Liath: Mary Sheehan

St. Finian's: Anne McCarthy

Readers 27th/28th December

Cillin Liath: Eimear Murphy

St. Finian's: Shivaun O'Shea

Readers 3rd/4th January

Cillin Liath: Marie O'Sullivan

St. Finian's: Bernie Cronin