

Newsletter for the Parish of  
Dromod  
11<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
The Baptism of the Lord

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*Every blessing to you all for the New Year 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 10<sup>th</sup> January to  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January

2.00pm: **St. Finian's** - Baptism, Teddy Liam Cronin  
7:30pm: **Cillin Liath**  
+ James O'Shea, Cappanagrown, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January

10.00am: **St. Finian's**  
+ Baby James Daniel O'Connell, Anniversary  
+ John Foley, Anniversary

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January

10.00am: Oratory  
+ Maura O'Connor, John Dowling,  
Pat O'Mahoney, Paddy Curran

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January

10:00am: **Oratory** - No Mass

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January

7:30pm: **St Finian's**  
+ Kathleen O'Shea, Tarmons, Anniversary  
+ Mary O'Shea, Tarmons, Anniversary

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January

7:30pm: **Cillin Liath**  
+ John and Norah Murphy, Ballinakilla, Anniversary

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January

10.00am: **St. Finian's**  
+ Laurence Curran 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
+ John and Mary O'Connor, Breahig  
+ Noel and Margaret Cronin, South View Terrace

**Upcoming events**

► **Update - Dromid Pearses AGM Postponed**

Please be advised that the Annual General Meeting scheduled to take place this Saturday has been postponed. The AGM has been rescheduled and will now take place on **Friday 16th January at 8.30pm**. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your understanding. We look forward to seeing you all at the rescheduled meeting.

**An Siúlóid tar éis na Nollag** 🧑‍🎒 -The Post-Christmas Walk-Off *In aid of Cillin Liath N.S. Children's Extracurricular Activities.* Happening Mondays from 12th January to 16th February 2026 @ 6:15pm - 7:15pm, Dromid Football Field Car Park. €2 per person per night. Everyone welcome to join 😊🧑‍🎒

CAHERDANIEL PARISH:

Mass Intentions from Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January to  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January

6:00pm: **Lohar**  
+ Jim Hallissey, Lohar. Anniversary  
+ John & Maureen Mary Murphy and their grandson John Moran, Thoon

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January

9.30am: **Caherdaniel**  
+ John O'Shea, Kitty Hynes,  
Teresa Barry, James Tully

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January

10.00am: **Caherdaniel** - No Mass

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January

6:00pm: **Castlecove**  
+ Kathleen Galvin, Castlecove

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January

9.30am: **Caherdaniel**  
+ Mary Farrelly, John Barry,  
Threasa Walsh, Michael Kirby

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Please keep Fr. Sean and all our priests in your prayers as they gather for their Annual Clergy Assembly in Killarney this coming week.

♣️ ♠️ **The 2nd Helen O'Sullivan Card Fundraiser** ❤️ ♦️  
- In aid of Dromid Cancer Care Support Car Services.

**Thirty-One Card Game Tables of 8** Forbairt Na Dromoda (Dromid Community Centre), Thursday, 22nd January 2026 @ **7.30pm** €15 per person 🍵 Tea, coffee and refreshments provided To confirm your interest, please text or call: Jeremiah: 087 967 3736, Shane: 087 390 6248, or Rita: 087 202 9137

**Teachtaireacht an Chlub - Gach Aoine, Inny Tavern, ag 8.00pm - Seisiún Dátheangach**

Seisiún cairdiúil dátheangach a thabharfaidh deis do dhaoine a gcúpla focal a chleachtadh agus tuilleadh Gaeilge a phiocadh suas. A friendly bilingual session giving people the chance to practise their Irish and pick up a bit more along the way. **Fáilte roimh chách - everyone is welcome.**

**Remembering the Day of Our Baptism**



Pope Francis asked this question back in January 2024 that if you do not know the date of your baptism, you need to look it up so that you can celebrate the anniversary of becoming a child of God and heir to the kingdom of heaven. Speaking from the window of the Vatican's Apostolic Palace, the Pope said on Jan. 7 that the anniversary of one's baptism should be celebrated each year "like a birthday."

"At baptism, it is God who comes into us, purifies and heals our heart, makes us forever his children, his people and family, heirs to paradise," Pope Francis said.

"Let us ask ourselves: Am I aware of the immense gift I carry within me through baptism?" he added. He also encouraged Catholics to thank God for their parents, who brought them to the baptismal font and gave them the gift of the sacrament.

"I ask all of you, each one of you to think: 'Do I remember the date of my baptism?'" he said. Ask what it is, so as not to forget it anymore; because it is a new birthday, because with your baptism you were born into the life of grace."

**From the Archives Number of Baptisms in Our Parishes**  
Dromod Parish      2025 - 15      1925 - 47



**Congratulations to Niall Moran and Bryan Marsal** and everyone involved with the recent purchase of the historic Butler Arms Hotel in Waterville. It is wonderful to see this much-loved landmark enter a new chapter, and we wish them every success in the years ahead. This exciting development will provide a significant boost to local tourism, help secure employment, and ensure the continuation of the rich history associated with the hotel. The Butler Arms, now over 140 years old and famed for hosting guests such as Charlie Chaplin and members of the *Star Wars* cast, is clearly set for a bright future. We also acknowledge and bless all in our parish who offer hospitality and a warm welcome to visitors and guests, continuing a long tradition of kindness and community spirit.

**Sanctuary Candle Remembrance**

10<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> January

**St Finian's**

Kathleen O'Shea, Tarmons

**Cillin Liath**

Lost and Forgotten Souls

**The Oratory**

Special Intentions

*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**

11.01.26	04.15 low	10.24 high	16.42 low	22.40 high
12.01.26	05.04 low	11.13 high	17.34 low	23.35 high
13.01.26	05.59 low	12.11 high	18.30 low	
14.01.26	00.38 high	06.55 low	13.10 high	19.26 low
15.01.26	01.38 high	07.50 low	14.05 high	20.17 low
16.01.26	02.30 high	08.40 low	14.53 high	21.02 low
17.01.26	03.14 high	09.21 low	15.33 high	21.42 low

**Last Week's Collections**

**Offertory €1600.00\***

*\*includes Epiphany 6<sup>th</sup> January*

A sincere thank you for your continued support  
**Diocesan Collection next Weekend:  
Needs of the Holy Land**

**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 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> January**

**Cillin Liath:** Michael Ryan

**St. Finian's:** Mary Maguire

**Readers 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> January**

**Cillin Liath:** Suzanne O'Leary

**St. Finian's:** Anita Galvin