

Brosna Parish Weekly Newsletter

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Sixth Sunday of Easter



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Theme: God is Love: He is with you and in you

Sat, 9 May	Brosna	7pm	John Joe Downey, 1st Anniversary
Sun, 10 May	Knockaclarig	10am	+ Mass +
Fri, 15 May	Brosna	3pm	+Feast Day of St Carthage+ Mass with Fr Tom Looney (see below)
Sun, 16 May	Knockaclarig	10am	+Month's Mind – Jimmie O'Connor+ Denis Roche and Deceased members of the Roche Family Eileen and Patrick O'Connor, Carrigeen Johnny and Catherine Cahill, Knegare
Fri, 17 May	Brosna	3pm	Paddy, Mary and Brendan Brosnan, Knockawinna
** Special Collection today: Education of the Clergy **			
Offertory Collection: €737			

Thank you to Fr Ahern and Fr Lane who are kindly officiating at Brosna and Knockaclarig Masses, respectively, this weekend.

We send our continued best wishes to Fr Martin Spillane who is always in our prayers.

Diocesan and Community News

St. Carthage – Mass at 3pm on Friday 15 May

Kerry's Branch of Cumann na Sagart invites you to our **Annual Aifreann Dé in honour of St. Carthage at 3pm on Friday 15 May in Brosna Parish Church of which he is Patron.** Following Mass and a pilgrim Turas to the nearby St. Moling's Holy Well a Memorial Bláthfhleasc will be placed on the grave of our late Cumann na Sagart colleague, Fr. Donncha Ó Laocha (1943-2016). Bí linn agus míle fáilte roimh cách.
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Saint Carthage the Elder (or Carthach) was an [Irish bishop](#) and [abbot](#) in the sixth century. The [saint](#) is mainly known as a disciple and successor of [Ciaran of Saighir](#) (*the Elder*) and the tutor and fosterer of his greater namesake, Saint Carthage of Lismore (also known as [Saint Mochuda](#)). Carthage was of the [Éóganacht Chaisil](#) and son, or, more probably, grandson of [Óengus mac Nad roích](#) whom [Saint Patrick](#) baptized. He was sent by St. Ciaran upon a penitential pilgrimage, when he spent seven years abroad, visiting Gaul and Rome. On completion of his canonical penance, Carthage was reinstated as a member of the religious brotherhood of [Saighir](#). Afterwards he founded the [monastery](#) of Druim Fertain in Carberry and another monastery in the upper island of [Lough Sheelin, County Meath](#).

In the barony of Clanmaurice is a townland called Monument on which are some scant remains of an ancient church called *Cill Cartaig* (Carthage's Church). There is a short paragraph about St. Cartha in *The Martyrology of Donegal: a Calendar of the Saints of Ireland* (1864) by [James Michael O'Clery](#), page 65: Carthach, Bishop, alumnus of Ciaran of [Saighir](#). One of his places was Druim-fertain, and in Cairbre Ua Ciardha is Druim-fertain; and to him belongs Inish Uachtair in Loch Sileann, and Cill Charthaigh in Tir Boghaine in Cinel Conaill. He was son of Aenghus, son of Nadfraech king of Munster.

NAOMH BRÉANAINN



ARDÚ BRATACH AR SON NAOMH BRÉANAINN
Flags out for St Brendan -10ú go dtí 17ú lá Mí
Bealtaine May 10th until May 17th
AIGE BAILE, AR SCOIL, COIS GNÓ / FROM OUR HOMES,
SCHOOLS, CLUBS & BUSINESSES