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Lately deceased: Jimmy Fox, Anne Loughran, Geraldine Donaghy & Kathleen McCabe

CARRICKMORE

Sat 27th	6.30pm	Peter Grogan, Johnny & Nora Grogan
		Mary, Jimmy & Teresa McWilliams
		Sarah Woods
Sun 28th	11.30am	Mick Grimes, Pat Hurson
		Francis Gormley
Mon 29th	7.30pm	Brian Tanny
Tues 30th	9.30am	
Fri 3rd	7.30pm	Vincent Meenagh {1st Anv}
Sat 4th	6.30pm	Peter Fox & James & Jarlath Kerr
Sun 5th	11.30am	

LOUGHMACRORY

Sun 28th	10.00am	Mickey McAnespie
Wed 1st	7.30pm	Fr Thomas Mallon {1st Anv}
Thur 2nd	10.00am	
Sun 5th	10.00am	Rosemary Conway, Kathleen Kelly
		Stephen Ward

Creggan

Sun 28th James & Bella Jane Donaghy & dec family
Dec of Keenan family
Sun 5th 9.00am

Exposition on Mon in St Colmcille's from 6.00pm – 7.00pm & on Wed in St Mary's from 6.00pm – 7.00pm.

We welcome into the Parish family: Grace Anna Tanney: **Congratulations** to Shannon McCallan & Cahal Grogan recently married.

Annual Trocaire Collection: £9,229 **Lourdes Church Door Collection: £1,030** Thanks to all for your generosity!

Friday 3rd May is the first Friday of the month. Confessions before Mass in St Colmcille's Church on Friday evening from 7 – 7.30pm. The Sick & Housebound will be visited during the coming week. Carrickmore on Monday, Loughmacrory on Tuesday & other areas of the parish on Wednesday.

First Communion: Best Wishes to the young people in our parish who will celebrate their First Holy Communion in the coming weeks. May God bless them as they continue to grow and may they always be aware of the nearness of God as they journey through life.

Eucharistic Ministers - Loughmacrory: Thanks to the new Ministers of the Eucharist who have agreed to serve in St Mary's Church for the next few years.

Pre Exams Mass - Our Pastoral Area has agreed to have a special Mass for all who are doing exams in the coming weeks. The Mass will be celebrated in St Colmcille's Church on **Thurs 9 May @ 7.30pm.** We pray that all our young people may be guided in their work/studies during the coming weeks. "Lord, help me to approach my exams with a clear head & a calm mind. Give me your strength & peace & let me do justice to all that I have learned. Thank you, Lord, for all my gifts & talents, Amen."

May - the month of Mary! As we look towards the month of May, let's continue to place a May Allar in our homes, in honour of Mary our Mother. People might like to take a picture of their May Altar and email it to parishcouncil@email.com. Some of these pictures will be shared on our parish social media pages during the month. On each of the Thursdays of May, the Rosary will be prayed around the lough in Loughmacrory. People will assemble outside St Mary's Church immediately after the 10.30am Mass and someone will lead the Rosary on the Thursday mornings.

Fr Mallon's 1st Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in St Mary's Church, Loughmacrory on **Wed 1 May @ 7.30pm.** Eternal rest grant onto him Lord, may he rest in peace!
Reflection Day at SMA House, Dromantine on **Sat 4 May** - Forgiveness: the journey from hurt to healing, freedom & peace. Contact 028 30821964

Parish Pastoral Council: The next meeting of the PPC will take place in The Parochial House on **Thurs 2 May @ 8pm.**
Lumen Christi Prayer Group welcome you - "Will you watch with me for one hour?" Fridays @ 5.30pm in St Colmcille's Church. Join for Eucharistic Adoration, The Rosary, The Divine Mercy Chaplet & Prayers of Petition & Thanksgiving.
Helping to support our Parish... Anyone who wishes to receive Envelopes or set up a direct debit should contact the office. Thanks to all who avail of the Gift Aid Scheme but we are keen to increase the number of contributors within our parish. Gift Aid envelopes are in the new boxes of envelopes & Gift Aid forms can also be accessed from Parish Office.

Lough Derg: One day Retreats in May, Aug & September. Three-day Pilgrimage from 31 May – 15 August. Visit www.loughderg.org
Diocesan Pilgrimage to **Knock** on **Sunday 26 May**. 33-Seater Bus leaving Carrickmore Church Carpark at 8am, stopping on route for tea/coffee. Bring packed lunch. Price £25 which includes morning refreshments. Payment on booking at Parish Office.

Confirmation: The Sacrament will be administered to all P 7 Pupils **in St Mary's Church, Loughmacrory on Sat 1 June @ 11am.** All Primary 7 Pupils will have a special **"Retreat Morning"** in The Patrician Hall on **Mon 20 May from 9.30am - 12.30pm,** to help them prepare for the celebration of the Sacrament. **A Ceremony of Light** for P7 Pupils in St Colmcille's PS Tues 14 May & for P7 Pupils in St Teresa's PS on Wed 15 May. Both 7.30pm.

Spirit of Carmen Concert on Sun 12th May @ 8pm in Patrician Hall. Tickets for Concert £10 & new CD £20….these can be bought at An Charraig Mhor Naomh Colmcille Club Kitchen on **Mon 29 April** from 7 – 9pm. Contact Maurice @ 07789 208529

Patrician : Mon 29th 7pm Women's Fitness, Tues 30th 10.30am Pilates, 12.30pm Chair Exercises, 7pm Pilates, 8.15pm Pilates, Wed 1st 6.15am Early Bird Fitness, 9.30am Patrician Tots, 2pm Sensory Play, 5.45pm Irish Dance, Thurs 2nd 9.30am Pilates, 12.30pm Stay Young & Healthy Class, 2pm Afternoon Club, 6.15pm Trad Music Lessons, Fri 3rd 5pm Youth Drama, 7.15pm Adult Drama, Sat 4th 10.30am Starbreakers. Local Talent to feature in special Concert on 10th & 11th May….tickets from Eventbrite or Nuala at 07925 635382. Social Dance on Sat 18th May.

Creggan Community Centre: Final Spring Bingo on Sunday @ 8pm. Irish Dancing Classes on Tuesdays. Jujitsu on Saturdays @ 4pm.
Loughmacrory 50+ Group continues on Mon 2pm, Crochet & Sewing on Thurs 7pm. Dance on Mon 29th with Packie Coyle.