

St. Peter's Church Dromiskin Centenary Year 2026 This year we celebrate one hundred years of St Peter's Church — A Mass to mark this milestone will take place on Sunday 4th October at 3.00pm, followed by a light meal in St. Joseph's GFC Hall. The Mass will be led by Archbishop Eamon Martin. Tickets for the meal are on sale at €20 each after Mass in Dromiskin, in Centra & in the school. Tickets are limited. Everyone is warmly invited to join us for this special day as we give thanks for the past, celebrate the present and look with hope to the future. Come be part of local history.

St Peter's Church Centenary Building Project As we celebrate 100 years of St Peter's Church, we are preparing for essential works including rewiring and lighting (€160,000), external surfacing and drainage (€75,000), a weekday Mass chapel/meeting room (€20,000), and new toilet, boiler and storage facilities (€60,000). The overall project is expected to cost €450,000–€500,000 and will be completed in phases. €30,000 from the Quid Games and €10,000 from a private donor will largely fund the altar mosaics and stained-glass repairs, which will be completed for 4th October. Since the Centenary Appeal began on 19th July, €20,075 has been donated including €10K from a USA donor. We sincerely thank all who have contributed but many more donors are needed. Every donation, large or small, will help preserve St Peter's for future generations and strengthen our applications for grant funding. Donations may be made by cheque to **Darver Dromiskin Parochial Account** or by bank transfer to **IE62BOFI 90336574478226**. Cash or cheques may also be left with: **Fr Pat @ Readypenny A91 YC60** or **Fr Gerry @ Knockbridge A91 NA03**. Please include your name and contact details so that your donation can be acknowledged. **So Phase 1 are the Mosaics & Windows. Phase 2 will be the total Rewiring & Lighting. Phase 3(Part 1) New side chapel Phase 3 (Part 2) – Utility/WC/Storeroom Stand alone building. Phase 4 - Drainage and tarmacking** (more details in upcoming bulletins)

THE ANNUAL TRIDUUM IN HONOUR OF ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX: 29/09/26 & 30/09/26 & 01/10/26 in the church of the Immaculate Conception, Kilkenny @7.30pm Speakers: Sinead Strong (29th) Fr. Gerry Campbell (30th) and Maria Steen (1st) Mass will be celebrated each evening at 7.30pm. Confessions on Oct. 1st (feast day) from 6pm.



Next Sunday Oct.4th is WELCOME SUNDAY The Hospitality Team in each parish & the Children's Liturgy Team will be ready to welcome you. Volunteers still needed for these ministries in Darver.

The Bethany Bereavement Support Group is looking for volunteers to join them. This offers a compassionate, confidential space where those who are grieving can be listened to, supported and helped to find hope as they adjust to life after loss. Training commencing, October 26. Contact Catherine Barrett 0868726442 for further details

Pastoral Area Visitation Team Training will be provided, and clear procedures will be in place. To express your interest, please give your name to Lorraine Quigley, Chair of the Pastoral Area Council and coordinator of the Hospitality Team, on 086 3867627. Let us reach out to those with few or no visitors, and remind them that they still matter, they are still loved, and they still belong.

ST. Endas Prayer Group Stonetown National School, Monday 28th September at 7 o'clock with Brother Thomas Paul

Gathering of friends are meeting on Wednesday next September 30th.at 11am in the St. Brides clubrooms. If you have not joined us already why not come along for the chat and treats.

Enrolment ceremony for first Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 18th October in Louth (9.30am) Kilkenny (10.30am) Darver (10.30am) Knockbridge (11.30am) and in Dromiskin on Saturday 17th October (7.00pm)

Monthly Communion Rounds: The first Friday of October is approaching: The sick and house-bound will be visited either on that day or whatever day you have arranged with the priest.

Family Tree Healing Mass will take place on Monday 8th October at 8pm preceded by Confessions at 7pm and the rosary at 7.30pm All are welcome.

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Our Lady Queen of Peace Pastoral Area

27th September 2026
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



ST.PETERS CHURCH DROMISKIN 1926-2026

Darver & Dromiskin, Kilkenny, Knockbridge & Louth



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OUR MISSION: 'TO OPEN THE DOORS AND LET JESUS RETURN'

BAPTISMS: will normally take place on Saturdays at 2pm in each of the churches. It is now obligatory for all first time parents to attend a pre-Baptism course. Please contact the Pastoral Area Office for further information or contact the priest residing in the parish where the Baptism will take place

WEDDINGS: Please contact Fr Gerry Campbell directly for all wedding enquiries. It is important that all couples who intend to marry make contact with the pastoral area office at least four months before the wedding (details above) to ensure that all necessary requirements and paperwork are fulfilled on time.

CONFESSIONS: Before monthly **Family Tree Healing Mass (Sun. 3pm Mon. 7pm)** or on request.

VISITS TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: If you know of anyone who requires a visit please contact the pastoral area office. If it is an emergency contact the nearest priest.

ANNIVERSARIES: can be emailed to **olqopoffice@gmail.com** at least two weeks prior to the date of the anniversary for inclusion in the parish bulletin, or contact the priest residing in the parish where the Mass will be offered. You can also book with the sacristan.

ALL SACRAMENTAL AND PASTORAL AREA NOTIFICATIONS can be emailed to **olqopoffice@gmail.com** no later than Wednesday midnight.

Webcam Masses and other events are broadcast live via webcam and can be accessed through either: **www.ourladyqueenofpeacepa.ie** or **www.churchmedia.tv** (Recording is possible on request by contacting the pastoral area office in advance.)

CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL, DARVER

Sunday 27th September 10.30am - John & Brigid McDonnell & DFM, Tom & Mary McDonnell, Martin McHugh & deceased members of the McHugh family.

Tuesday 9.30am: Thursday 9.30am

CHURCH OF SAINT PETER, DROMISKIN

Saturday 26th Sept. 7.00pm - Mary & John Carroll, Ann & Owen Murtagh, Noel, Rita & Matt Kennedy

Mon 28th September. -6.20pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6.30pm Rosary

7.00pm Mass & Novena — Wed—9.10am Rosary, 9.30am Mass

Fri 9.10am Rosary, 9.30am Mass— 10am Adoration

Please note there is No 7.00pm Mass on Saturday Oct. 3rd. Everyone is encouraged to attend the centenary Mass

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, KILKERLEY

Saturday 26th September 6.00pm— Michael Matthews 1st Anniv, Ray Dinsmore & DFM

Sunday 27th September 10.30am - Margaret Corrigan (25th Anniv), Owen McKenna

Tuesday : 9.30am— Thursday 9.30am—

Friday 2nd October 7.30pm— May Lynch (Rathmore) Elizabeth Murphy

ROSARY & ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FRIDAY 6.30-7.30PM

CHURCH OF ST. MARY’S, KNOCKBRIDGE

Saturday 26th September 7.30pm - Oliver Devin, Michael Smyth

Sunday 27th September 11.30am – Edward & Moya McMahon & DFM, Dessie & Dora Soraghan & DFM, Molly & Harry Devine, Peter & Elizabeth Kelly & DFM,

Wed 9.30am— Fri 9.30am

Monday- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10am to 10pm

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, LOUTH

Saturday 26th September 5.30pm – Kevin Kieran 1st Anniv, Jim McGahon, Pa & Julia Cassidy & DFM Ann Kerr & dec members of the Kerr & Dooley families, Michael Gernon

Sunday 27th September 9.30am — Tom & Rose Halpenny, Tommy & Rose McGee (Corderry)

19th to 28th October 7.30pm Rosary & Benediction lead by children

Tues 29th 9.30am— Tom & Maryann Markey & DFM

ROSARY & ADORATION: Tuesday 10am –12noon

OUR LADY OF SNOWS CHURCH, STONETOWN

1st Sunday of the month 11.00am—
Second Friday of the month 7.30pm

RECENTLY DECEASED. Please pray for Cecilia Shields,Fr. Mark O’Hagan Parish Priest of Ardee & Collon, David Wilkinson, Teresa Mohan, Bernadette Mooney, Emiligh Hearne, Mary Kieran, Martin McHugh, Carmel Mackin USA formerly Ratheady, Niamh Hutchinson (nee Gorman), Oliver Kelly, Fr. Jim Moore PP Clones, Pat McGrory,

ANNIVERSARIES FOR NEXT WEEK:

Darver: Sunday 4th October 10.30am: — Niall Carolan, James & Annie Carolan, James (Jun.)

Lily O’Callaghan & dec members of the Carolan & O’Callaghan families

Jimmy, Therese & Brid McDonnell

Dromiskin: Sunday 4th October 3pm — Centenary Mass—No 7pm Mass on Sat. 3rd.

Kilkerley: Saturday 3rd October 6.00pm— John & Patricia Rogers, Tommy Mulholland & DFM

Sunday 4th October 10.30am— Oliver Allen

Knockbridge: Saturday 3rd October 7.30pm— Families in the Pastoral Area

Sunday 4th October 11.30am—

Louth: Saturday 3rd October 5.30pm— Desmond Campbell, Kathleen Mann (nee Campbell) Mary McDonnell, Dec members of the Birdy & Campbell families, Dec members of the Clinton family

Sunday 4th October 9.30am— Dan & Katie Breen, Fr. Sean Quinn, Fr Jackie Finn

COLLECTIONS DROMISKIN: 20TH SEPTEMBER €529 DARVER 20TH SEPTEMBER € 331

LOUTH 20TH SEPTEMBER €1028 KILKERLEY: 20TH SEPTEMBER € 873.25

KNOCKBRIDGE: 20TH SEPTEMBER € 639.56

St Peter’s Church Centenary Book Launch TODAYAs part of the Centenary celebrations, Pat Mulligan former principal & local historian will give a special presentation on the new illustrated history of St Peter’s Church, Dromiskin in St Peter’s School Hall on Sunday 27th September at 3pm. Refreshments will follow. The book will cost €20. However, at the launch it will be available at a special reduced price of €15. All proceeds will go to St Peter’s Church Centenary Fund. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a parish and community, to celebrate the story of St Peter’s, to remember the generations who have gone before us, and to support the future of our beautiful church. We would love to see a great turnout for what promises to be a very special afternoon in this historic Centenary Year. Please come along and be part of it.

SYCAMORE – IT’S NOT TOO LATE!

Have you ever felt that there must be more to life than the daily routine? Have you questions about God, faith, prayer, the Church — or simply where your life is going? Sycamore began last Monday, 21st Sept., but there are still 6 sessions left and you are very welcome to join us. You have missed very little, and there is still plenty of time to become part of it. This is not a lecture or a classroom. It is a relaxed, friendly evening with inspiring short films, good conversation, hospitality and the opportunity to explore the Catholic faith at your own pace. Perhaps you have drifted from the Church. Perhaps your faith has become routine. Perhaps you are searching for something deeper. Or perhaps you simply want to know Jesus better. Monday 28th Sept. 10.00-11.30am Kilkerley Community Centre Monday 28th Sept. 7.30–9.00pm, Parochial House, Knockbridge. Six evenings remain. Don’t leave it until “someday”. Come this Monday. Bring a friend. Give faith another look — and give God a chance to surprise you. Contact Fr Gerry 042 6827418 or olqopoffice@gmail.com.

UNBOUND IRELAND – FREEDOM IN CHRIST CONFERENCE

A One Day Unbound Conference will take place in St Mary’s Church, Knockbridge on Saturday 10th October, from 10am–6pm,— Speakers include Fr. Gerry Campbell, Helen Stewart – Unbound Regional Coordinator for Ireland. Peter McKenna and Joan McKenna – Unbound Practitioners. Music ministry led by the Holy Family Prayer Group, Drogheda. Come and experience a day of prayer, teaching, healing and renewed freedom in Christ. The event is free, with a voluntary offering. Please bring a packed lunch; tea, coffee and light refreshments will be provided. Parish Vigil Mass will follow at 7.30pm for those who wish to stay. For further details: unboundirelandtraining@gmail.com “So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed” (John 8:36).

NEW LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS 2026

The New Life in the Spirit Seminars began on Friday 25th September in St Mary’s Church, Knockbridge — but it’s not too late to join! Come and discover a deeper relationship with Jesus and a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit through inspiring teaching, testimony, music and prayer. Music by the Holy Family Prayer Group, Drogheda, with guest speakers each week. Friday evenings, 7.30–9.00pm. Come as you are. Bring a friend. Give God a chance to surprise you! Pastoral Area Office (042) 6827418