

Tramore & Carbally Parish Newslink

Sunday 29th November 2026

First Sunday of Advent



Christmas Arrangements 2025

Holy Cross Church, Tramore & Our Lady's Church Carbally

Saturday & Sunday 12/13 December:
Tramore: Mass of Reconciliation at all Masses.
Sunday 20th December:
Carbally: Mass of Reconciliation at 11am.

Thursday 24th December: Christmas Eve
Tramore: 10.00am & Christmas Vigil 7.30pm
Carbally: Vigil 7.30pm

Friday 25th December: Christmas Day
Tramore: Mass at 8.30am & 11am

Saturday 26th St Stephen's Day
Tramore: Mass 10am &
7.30pm Vigil Feast of the Holy Family

Sunday 27th Feast of the Holy Family
Tramore: Mass 8.30am & 11.00am

Sacred Heart Church Dunhill & Church of the Immaculate Conception Fenor

Saturday 12th December:
Fenor: Mass of Reconciliation at 6pm Vigil.

Sunday 20th December:
Dunhill: Mass of Reconciliation at 9.30am.

Thursday 24th December: Christmas Eve
Fenor Mass: 7.30pm Vigil

Friday 25th December: Christmas Day
Dunhill: Mass at 10.00am
Saturday 26th St Stephens Day
Fenor: 6pm Vigil (Feast of the Holy Family)

COVID -19
It is recommended that all Parishioners continue to sanitize their hands on entry and exit from the church

Priest on Duty: 086-6004384

Reflection for 1st Sunday of Advent

The Invitation

I like these words of the late Cardinal Hume: "*There are times when I can visualize Our Lord at the break of day standing by my bed and saying: "Get up, follow me."* Whether I am conscious of it or not, in effect that invitation, that loving but insistent command, is given to me every day. Each new morning is the opportunity to start again. Yesterday there may have been inadequacies and failures but today Christ renews his call: "Follow me. I have chosen you. I need you." Who can fail to respond to the thought that God needs our willing collaboration."

We are carers of creation and of his people. Take this seriously, it is our world. God has made himself so vulnerable and this gospel reading is just before the passion. An area or parish improves if enough people do something. We look at areas in a locality which are now clean of drugs, more prosperous and just. This has been the work of people co-creating the world with God. Making it a better place. Doing the world a world of good.

Gospel today says – Don't give up. God is always near! Live in hope and preparation. Stay awake to the season – the ways we can deepen and grow in our faith --- maybe do a retreat, do something good for others with your time or finance, notice God in the events of the next few weeks, pray a bit every day, make time to be awakened to the centre of our world who is God, and to his central action in creating the world each day, sending Jesus Christ his Son.

A question for the first week of Advent:
How can I help someone today?
Lord, send me, use me, create me for your work in the world.

Donal Neary SJ

Christmas Concert

Waterford Male Voice Choir will hold a concert in Holy Cross Church, Tramore on Friday Dec 4th at 7.30pm
No admission charge. A bucket collection will take place on the night. All proceeds will go to Tramore Community Care.

Christmas Concert in The Holy Cross Church, Tramore

Join Waterford soprano Donna Roche & special guest Don Mescall as they host a magical Christmas Concert in the Holy Cross Church in Tramore.
There will also be musical entertainment from choirs from three local schools: Gaelscoil Philip Barún, Holy Cross NS and Ardscoil na Mara.

Wednesday 9th December. Kicking off at 7pm. This is a free concert.
A Bucket collection in aid of St. Vincent de Paul will take place on the night.

Holy Cross Church Christmas Tree of Remembrance

Again, this year we are decorating our Christmas tree in the church with silver Christmas decoration cards.

If you would like a loved one remembered, the name will be added to the card and it will be placed on the tree in their memory.

Please drop in to the Parish office and we will be happy to assist you.
Donation for each remembrance card, in aid of Church Restoration Fund.

Please remember in your Prayers……..

Those who have died recently:

Peter Purcell
Shelia Ann Gilligan
Imelda Power
John Roche
Maura Plant
John Sykes

Those whose Months mind Occurs:

Pat Morrissey
Margaret Creagh née D'Arcy

Those whose' Anniversary Occurs:

Joe Brophy & son Michael
Betty & Billy Reynolds
Tony Meade
Jack Savage
Michael Flynn, Kathleen Flynn
Vincent Jennings

Next Week's Team **5/6 Dec**
Readers: Team C
Rota for Readers available in the Sacristy.
Ministers of the Eucharist
Contact: Olivia 086-3438467

Weekly Church Collection: 22nd Nov

Tramore:	**€2370**
Carbally	**€ 345**
Youth Ministry	**€650**
Donation	**€200**

We thank all for your continued support.

Mass Booking
The Mass Book for March 2027 will open at the Parish Office on Tuesday 1st December at 9.30am.
Phone bookings will be taken from 10am

Church Monthly Cleaning will take place after 10am Mass on Wednesday 2nd December.
We thank all our volunteers for their continued help.

Carbally Notice
All Anniversary Masses to be booked in advance for Carbally Church and a maximum of 4 anniversaries will be taken for each Mass

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Parish Office Opening Hours
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am – 4pm
Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm

Parish of Tramore & Carbally Facebook

Please LIKE and SHARE with your family and friends
You may also access on parish website: www.tramoreparish.ie

Parish Website
You might like to visit the page **"Gospel & Reflection"** which features the Sunday Gospel every weekend, written by Fr. Richard.

Masses booked for the coming week:

Saturday	28th Nov	***10.00am***	Special Intention
		7.30pm	Bridget Rockett (Months Mind)
			Declan Clerkin
Sunday	29th Nov	***8.30am***	Annette Plunkett, Petra & Tommy McGuinness, Jim Plunkett & Mary Josephine Walsh
			John Heffernan
		11.00am	Kathleen Flynn
			Fr. Martin Slattery & Marie Slattery
Monday	30th Nov	***10.00am***	Noel & Mary Prendergast
			Brendan Hickey
Tuesday	1st Dec	***10.00am***	Derry Cotter
			Patricia Kirwan
Wednesday	2nd Dec	***10.00am***	Linda O'Mara
			Kathleen Dunford
Thursday	3rd Dec	***10.00am***	Austin & Margaret Costello
			Frank, Mary & Martin O'Mara
Friday	4th Dec	***10.00am***	**Holy Souls**, People of the Parish
Saturday	5th Dec	***10.00pm***	Mary & Michael Hearne
			Anne & Michael Campbell
		7.30pm	Phil Walsh (Months Mind)
Sunday	6th Dec	***8.30am***	Dunne & Hutchinson families
			Deceased members of Hearne & O'Donnell families
		11.00am	Suzanne Fox
			Kathleen Dunphy (1st Ann), Mattie Dunphy & Danny O'Brien
Carbally			
Sunday	6th Dec	***11.00am***	Trevor Murphy, Kathleen Kelly, Maisie Kirwan, Nicholas & William Murphy
Sunday	20th Dec	***11.00am***	Francis Power, Kathleen Kelly, David Power, William & Edward Daly & Laurence Cosgrave

Residential Retreats in 2027
Knock House Hotel/Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Co Mayo
Led by: Rev. Dr Issac John MSFS. Missionisers of St Francis de Sales. Tramore, Waterford & Lismore Diocese.Spiritual Sharing: Sr Ann Marie SH, Evangelization Chairperson, Syro-Malabar Eparchy of Great Britain.
For details and registration (starting October 2026) please visit https://www.msfsinireland.com
email: infolivejesusretreats@gmail.com
Phone: 087-4655151

Youth Adoration13–25-year-olds

Youth adoration takes place at Holy Cross Church, Tramore on Thursday 10th Decemberber from 7- 8.15pm. Confessions available.

Sisters of Mary Morning Star Craft Sale
(4 - 6 December, in the Franciscan Friary, Waterford) The sisters are an international community of contemplative nuns. They rely totally on providence to sustain their contemplative life by selling: jam, chutney, candles, rosaries, soap, ceramic statues and crosses, CDs, cards, and more. A perfect opportunity to find some Christmas gifts! The sisters would love to meet you and receive your prayer intentions. Thank you for your support!

SURF & FAITH ADVENTURE FOR ADULTS

Fri 4th December, 10am – 3pm. One Day, Nne wave, One chance to reset. Leave the stress on the shore for a day — catch a wave, breathe again, and rediscover who you are in Christ. No experience needed, just come as you are. All equipment is provided. Beginner Surf lesson with Freedom Instructors. Talk & Chat with Fr Taddeo & Fr Stuart. Reflect & hike along the coast. Coffee & Lunch at Freedom included. To book: Tel 086 3914908 or Info@freedomsurfschool.com Limited spaces – book early!

The Chosen
Tramore Parish invites you to see Jesus through the eyes of those who lived with and knew him.
Come along to watch Season Four of the Chosen series with us at Glór na Mara School, Convent Hill, Tramore beginning with tea & coffee from 7.15 to 9pm.
Monday 30th November
TEA WATCH CHAT ENJOY

Christmas Stock now in!



Christmas Cards and Christmas Mass Bouquets, Advent and Church Art Calendars, Children's Christmas books and some small gifts are now available at the Parish Office.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL TRAMORE

The annual collection for the **Society of St Vincent de Paul, Tramore** will take place before Masses at the Parish Churches in Dunhill & Carbally on Sunday 6th December 2026. The Collection will take place in Tramore & Fenor on 12/13 December
The Society provides practical support to people in need. We can offer support with: Food & Clothing - Household Bills – Education Costs – Information & Advice
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