

## **Parish of Errigal Truagh**

St Patrick's Church, Clara. Sacred Heart Church, Carrickroe.  
Holy Family Church, Ballyoisin.

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**Parish Webcams:**

St Patrick's Church, Clara, MCN Truagh Parish.

Truagh Parish Webcam (Ballyoisin)

Church of the Sacred Heart, Carrickroe (Truagh Parish)

Parish Webpage – [truaghparish.com](http://truaghparish.com)

Facebook – **Ballyoisin Church Restoration**

**Second Sunday of Advent: Sunday 7 December 2025**

### **Saint Patrick's Church, Clara.**

**Saturday 6 December Vigil 7.00pm.** First Anniversary – Mary McKenna, Derrygorry, Raymond McKenna and John McKenna, Derrygorry, and D.M. of Treanor and McKenna Families.

**Monday 7.30pm. Feast of the Immaculate Conception.**

**Saturday 11.00am:** Month's Memory: James (Jim Joe) Mohan, Dernadarriff.

**Saturday 13 December Vigil 7.00pm.** Brian Molloy, Edenmore Cross.

### **Sacred Heart Church, Carrickroe.**

**Sunday 7 December 9.30am.** Frank and Ellie McKenna (Myles), and D.M. of McKenna and McPhillips family, Bragan. Packie Treanor Drumfurrer.

Paul McElmeel, Deravoy, Peter, Annie and Peter McElmeel.

**Wednesday and Friday 9.30am.**

**Sunday 14 December 9.30am.** Month's Memory. Mary McKenna, Dernalussett. Pat Meehan Tamlet. Agnes, Mary and Kevin Dunleavy, and Michael Treanor, Derrykinnaghmore and John McCarron. Charlie Keenan, Cloughfin.

### **Church of the Holy Family, Ballyoisin.**

**Sunday 7 December 11.00am** Kathleen and Benny Connolly, and their son Philip. Annagh.

**Monday 10.00am. Feast of the Immaculate Conception.**

**Tuesday 9.30am**

**Sunday 14 December 11.00am.** Darren and Paddy Lavery, Lenagh. Teresa and Kevin Maguire, Dernacoo, and D.M. of Maguire Family.

**Monday is the Feast of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
Mass 10.00am in Ballyoisin and 7.30pm in Clara.**

### **Christmas Masses**

**Wednesday Christmas Eve 24 December:**

Carrickroe 4pm. Clara 6pm. Ballyoisin 8pm.

**Thursday Christmas Day 25 December:**

Carrickroe 9.30am. Ballyoisin 11.00am.

**Pray for the souls** Edward McCormack, Cavanmoutry, and Helena Treanor, Emyvale. May they rest in peace.

### **For Attention of Parents of children attending Primary Schools or have yet to start**

The Department of Education is currently conducting a Primary School Survey that will determine the future provision of Primary Schools and crucially could lead to lasting changes in your school. In simple, direct terms, you are being asked if you want your school to stay a Catholic school or if you want that to change. Don't leave it to others, have your say before 16 December 2025. See - <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/>

**Lourdes 2026** – Thinking of travelling to Lourdes 2026? Then why not give your loved one a Lourdes Gift voucher for Christmas. Available in £50, £100 or £200 vouchers. Contact Pilgrimage Secretary – John Hueston – 028 67724329 or at 62 Crom Road, Macknagh, Lisnaskea, Co Fermanagh, BT92 0BD. Email [treasurer.lourdes@clogherparishes.ie](mailto:treasurer.lourdes@clogherparishes.ie)

**Carol Service** at 3pm on Sunday 14th December in St Muadain's, Errigal Truagh with supper to follow in The Blackwater Centre. Everyone welcome.

### **Church of the Holy Family:**

You may wish to donate towards the newly commissioned stained-glass windows on the side walls. Each window is divided into two panels and each panel costs approx. €6000.

**Clara Community Hall news.** Thanks to everyone who supported our Christmas quiz last Sunday evening. €1,000 was raised and donated to Errigal Truagh Special Needs.

**Christmas Ceol sa Halla** will take place on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December from 7:00pm to 9:00pm.

### **Carrickroe News:**

**Christmas Lights Tractor Run – Carrickroe!** Join us for a magical evening as tractors light up Carrickroe for Christmas! Registration: The Sacred Heart Church, Carrickroe From 3pm | Run starts at 4pm Sunday 7th December 2025 After the run, enjoy refreshments at Carrickroe Community Centre + live music by Shanachie.

**Big Breakfast with the Big Man!** Join us from 9:30am – 1:00pm at Carrickroe Community Centre on Sunday, 14th December 2025 for a magical morning with Santa! Capture the moment with a photo by Nicola The Perfect Picture. Bring the family for festive fun, yummy food & Christmas cheer! Don't miss out – Santa's waiting! A

**Christmas Evening with Patrick Feeney** Carrickroe Community Development will proudly present a magical night of festive entertainment at Carrickroe Community Centre on Sunday, 21st December 2025 at 5pm. Enjoy a wonderful evening of music and Christmas cheer with Patrick Feeney, followed by entertainment from Aidan Clerkin! Tickets are selling fast. Limited Tickets are available from committee members or The Village Brew.

**St Vincent De Paul** December collection takes place on the 2nd weekend of December Sat 13th-Sun 14th. We appreciate your ongoing support which is distributed to people in need in our local community in the form of food or fuel vouchers. Anyone seeking assistance please call the North East SVP office in Drogheda 1800 677 777 or contact any of our local volunteers or collectors.

**Hour of Grace:** Monday 8th December, Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Annual Hour of Grace prayers from 12 noon to 1pm in the Oratory, Main St, Emyvale. Angelus, Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Everyone welcome. Give Hope This Christmas with Double the Love:

**Mary's Meals** provides life-changing school meals to more than 3 million children living in some of the world's poorest communities. The promise of a good meal brings hungry children into the classroom, where they can gain an education and better opportunities for the future. It costs just €22 to feed a child with Mary's Meals every day for a school year. Thanks to the Tom Cunningham Trust, donations will be doubled until 12th January 2026 or until the match funding limit has been reached. Together, through Double the Love, we can transform the lives of many more desperately hungry children waiting for Mary's Meals. To donate, go to [www.marysmeals.ie](http://www.marysmeals.ie) or phone 01 853 5163. Every donation is greatly appreciated. Thank you. (Please donate directly to Mary's Meals and not through the parish).

**Christmas Dinner:** There is a Christmas dinner on Christmas Day from 1pm - 3pm in Emyvale Leisure Centre for those who are on their own, or do not have family. Closing date for names is Friday 12th December. If anyone wishes more information they can contact Norah on 086/3489661.

**Taizé Prayer for Advent** in St. Joseph's Church this Sunday December 7th at 5pm. Meditative prayer through song presented by the youth of Clogher don Óige.

**Ballyoisin Church Renovation: Donating Towards the Restoring of Original Church Pews/Seats in Ballyoisin.** The restoring of the church pews/seats costs €1200 per pew/seat. Please contact the priest's house if you wish to donate towards them. Thank you.

**Ballyoisin Restoration Bank Details: Account Name: Holy Family Church Building Fund. Iban – IE14BOFI90348827280858 Bic – BOFIE2D**

**Follow updates and progress of renovation on [Truagh Parish Webpage](#).**

Clogher don Óige are holding a special young adult series event – The Chosen – a groundbreaking drama about the life of Jesus Christ, told through the eyes of those who knew Him. The event continues on Thursdays, until 29th January 2026 from 7.30pm to 9.30pm in St Joseph’s Pastoral Centre, Monaghan. This is a wonderful opportunity for young adults aged 18-40 to watch the series, take part in group discussions and sharing and experience prayer and fellowship. Registration is essential - contact [info@clogherdonoige.org](mailto:info@clogherdonoige.org) or call 047 72784



**TheWay.ie** is a new digital platform set up by the Irish Bishops Conference dedicated to sharing the “Good News” and the witness of the Catholic Church in Ireland. It is intended to help people discover the faith, live the faith and pass on the faith. It is for both seekers and followers. Use QR Code to access the site.

**Special Mass for Mothers and Grandmothers:** Catholic Mothers Ireland are hosting a special Mass on Tuesday, 9th December at 6:30pm in St Malachy’s Church, Armagh to mark the end of their 10-year Anniversary celebrations. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Eamon Martin. All are warmly invited to attend and join in prayer for mothers and grandmothers. For more information, please email: [catholicmothers@outlook.ie](mailto:catholicmothers@outlook.ie)

**Trócaire School Volunteers:** Are you a retired teacher or someone who has experience presenting to groups of school children? Do you have a passion for making this world a better place, especially for the most vulnerable? Trócaire is looking for volunteers to support our School Talks Programme for Lent 2026 in the Clogher Diocese. If you think you have the right skills and experience and will have time to volunteer during Lent, then we would love to hear from you! Full training and support will be provided. For more information call Fionnuala on 028 9080 8033 or email: [fionnuala.mcguinness@trocaire.org](mailto:fionnuala.mcguinness@trocaire.org)

**Crocus Cancer Support Centre, Monaghan,** warmly invites anyone who has lost a loved one to cancer to join our monthly support group — a safe space to share and grieve, to mourn and honour the heartbreak and experience the healing power of community. Please contact our office at 047 62565 to book your place.

**Family Carers Ireland** is the National Charity Supporting 500,000+ Family Carers Nationwide, we are currently recruiting for Community Homecare Workers to provide support to clients. Work hours are flexible based on your availability. Essential Requirements: Qualifications – QQI Care of The Older Person and Care Skills Modules completed, must have own car and Full Driving Licence. Please send your CV to [jobs@familycarers.ie](mailto:jobs@familycarers.ie) or contact Carol on 049 8511031 or 086 4183949 for more information.

**Tusla Foster Carer:** Have you ever thought about fostering? Change a child’s life by becoming a Tusla Foster Carer. Talk to Tusla Fostering today by freephone 1800 226 771 or visit [www.fostering.ie](http://www.fostering.ie) to learn more.