

# PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

3rd July 2022

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

Neighbouring Priests: Fr T Mannion 964 3014 - Fr P Casey 916 4143 -

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### Masses

Sat 2nd July	8:00pm	Creevelea	Patrick & Elizabeth Daly, Drumkeeran & Martin & Sarah McMorrow & Daughter, Mary McGuighan.
Sun 3rd July	10:00am	Tarmon	
Sun 3rd July	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Tommy Cassidy.
Mon 4th July	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration and Mass at 7:00pm.
Tues 5th July	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	Residents and Staff Only.
Wed 6th July	10:00am	Creevelea	
Thurs 7th July	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Fri 8th July	7:00pm	Tarmon	Brigid & Michael Ternan.
Sat 9th July	8:00pm	Creevelea	
Sun 10th July	10:00am	Tarmon	
Sun 10th July	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Michael McPartlan. Frank & Josie McPartland, Grouselodge.

**Visitation:** Fr. Tom will be doing his rounds on Fri 8 July.

**Points to Ponder:** The little boy greeted his father as he returned from work, "Daddy how much do you make an hour?" Greatly surprised, the father replied; "Twenty euro per hour."  
"Okay Daddy? Could you loan me ten euro?" the boy asked. The father yelled, "So that was the reason you asked how much I earn, right? Go to sleep and don't bother me anymore!" It was already dark and the father was meditating on what he had said and was feeling guilty. "Here's the money you asked for earlier." The father said. "Thanks Daddy! Now I have enough! Now I have twenty euro!" the boy said to his father, who was gazing at his son, confused at what his boy had just said. "Daddy, could you sell me one hour of your time?"

The father in the story, to some extent is all of us. He is not a bad man but he is so wrapped up in his own world and work that he has no time for his family. In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us a powerful message. He instructs us to travel lightly, invites us to become Kingdom makers with Him. However, for us to take on this awesome responsibility we need to engage in internal de-cluttering. This begins when we do an internal audit of what it is that really matters to us. Are we possessed by a love of God or are we trapped by a love of possessions? If Christianity was made a crime would there be enough evidence to convict us? Would there be enough evidence to convict me?

*John Scally*

### Seeing your life through the Lens of the Gospel

**Luke 10:1-12, 17-20**

1. Jesus sent out His disciples on a mission to let people know "The Kingdom of God has come near to you" Recall when you have reached out to another in word or deed to help them realise that they were cherished, perhaps by a word of sympathy or encouragement, or by giving a hand with a difficult task. What was it like for you to experience yourself as a person bringing help and encouragement to another?
2. Recent events, (Covid Pandemic, the war in Ukraine and poverty and famine in some countries.) have created situations of dire need for some. These crises have also brought out great generosity as people reached out in caring for the sick and refugees and contributing money when they could. Perhaps there are individuals or groups that have particularly inspired you? Remember them and ask God's blessing on them.
3. Jesus sent the disciples out two by two. When have you found it beneficial not to be working alone, but with another by your side? How did companionship change the experience? What were you able to achieve together that you could not have done on your own?
4. When the disciples returned, Jesus warned them not to focus on the thrill of what they had been able to achieve. It was more important that their 'names are written in heaven'. Sometimes, we also need reminders that, who we are is more important than what we do. Who have been the people who brought this home to you? Have there been experiences that helped you to appreciate this?

*John Byrne OSA*

**Cycle For Suicide Prevention And Cancer Care:** On Sun 3 July, Colm Clarke, Jerome Maguire, Declan McNamara, Alan Flynn, Gabriel Flynn & Rory Duignan from Drumkeerin, will cycle from Croke Park to Drumkeerin (over 200km) in an effort to raise money for two worthy local charities, North West S.T.O.P and North West Hospice. This cycle is being sponsored by Davitt Plan & Design, Gabriel's Barbers and Clarkes' Butchers. The aim is to raise €5,000 and, already, thanks to your amazing generosity that figure has been exceeded. If you wish to contribute you may do so through the "Go Fund Me" page set up by Rory Duignan at <https://gofund.me/47f897af>. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

**North Leitrim Women's Centre:** FETAC Level 5 Applied Social Studies & Special Needs Assistance Course. Starting in September 2022 - at the NLWC, Manorhamilton. On Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10am to 2pm. Free Course. Due to the popularity of this course, it is envisaged that it will book up very quickly, to book your place contact the Centre on 071 985 6220.