

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

31st 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 30th July	8:00pm	Creevelea	
Sun 31st July	10:00am	Tarmon	
Sun 31st July	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Hubie & Annie McPartlan & Pierce & Mary Ellen Gilhooly. Paddy Forde & Deceased Family, Corcormick. Followed by Blessing of the Graves in Drumkeeran Cemetery. Please Bring Holy water with you or a small bottle to obtain Holy water that will be provided. Please contribute to the collection for cemetery maintenance, thank you.
Mon 1st Aug	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration at 6:00pm, followed by Mass at 7:00pm. Residents and Staff Only.
Tues 2nd Aug	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	
Wed 3rd Aug	10:00am	Creevelea	
Thurs 4th Aug	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Fri 5th Aug	7:00pm	Tarmon	NO MASS - Family Wedding.
Sat 6th Aug	8:00pm	Creevelea	NO MASS - Family Wedding.
Sun 7th Aug	10:00am	Tarmon	NO MASS.
Sun 7th Aug	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Agnes & Michael Coyle & Deceased Family. Tommy Drugan (2nd Anniversary).

Mass times: Please note that there will be no Mass on Friday 5th, Saturday 6th and the 10:00am Tarmon service next weekend as Fr. Tom is away at a family wedding.

Visitation: Fr. Tom will be doing his rounds on Fri 12 Aug.

Envelopes: If you wish to join the envelope donation scheme, please see Fr Tom and he will put you on the list to get a box of envelopes. The Charitable Donation Scheme allows tax relief on qualifying donations made to the Church. If an individual donates €250 or more in a year, the Church can claim a refund of tax paid on that donation at no extra cost to the individual and it soon adds up. If you are already part of the scheme, thank you for your continuing support in these difficult times.

Points to Ponder: Today's Gospel is a call to remember who we really are. It is a reminder that we are part of a community that lives in a radically different way. Its members have listened to the call of Christ the King who invites them to transform this world through a radical solidarity with all others by giving their own lives, and everything that have and are, for their brothers and sisters. This community was to be a model for the world.

The world is not simply a glorified kingdom of disembodied spirits contemplating God's self, but rather a new Heaven and a new Earth embracing the transfiguration of humanity. This approach sees the world as God's creation, the universe as God's sanctuary and puts an emphasis on relationally, connectedness and reciprocity. In practical terms we cannot abandon humanity, but rather involve ourselves in projects like the promotion of goodness, the struggle for justice and peace, and the care of the Earth.

Pope Francis reminds us that holiness is the most attractive face of the Church. He spoke in Croke Park during his Irish visit; "The Church is the family of God's children. A family in which we rejoice with those who are rejoicing and weep with those who grieve or feel knocked down by life. A family in which we care for everyone, for God our Father has made all of us His children in Baptism."

Such a society would be truly rich. If all we think of is number one, we are not going to add up to very much.

John Scally

Seeing your life through the Lens of the Gospel **Luke 12:13-21**

1. "One's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions", said Jesus. What have you found by experience to be more important in life than possessions? What brought this home to you?
2. "Be on your guard against all kinds of greed". Perhaps you have seen how greed can lead to trouble in public life, in family life, in the personal life of individuals. What has helped you to guard against greed? What benefits have you experienced when you were less greedy?
3. The message of the parable could be summed up in saying, "If you want to give God a laugh, tell Him your plans". Life takes many twists and turns we do not anticipate. When have you found that you had to change your plans because of unexpected circumstances? What has helped you to be flexible and resourceful at such times?

John Byrne OSA

Thanks: A special word of thanks to all who contributed to the recent fundraising cycle. All the money raised was handed over to North West S.T.O.P. and North West Hospice, last Saturday night at a function in Davitt's. Each charity received €5750. Your generosity is much appreciated.

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