

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

23rd August 2026

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Neighbouring Priest: Fr T Mannion 071 964 3014, Fr J Gilhooly 071 985 5042.

Masses

Sat 22nd Aug	7:00pm	Creevelea.	The Queenship of Mary. James & Mary Gilhooly & daughter Kathleen, Gealum, Creevelea.
	8:00pm		Mary Mother of God, Newtownmanor.
Sun 23rd Aug	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	
	11:30am	St Patrick's Dromahair.	
Mon 24th Aug	6:00pm	Drumkeeran.	Exposition.
Tues 25th Aug	11:00am	Áras Bhríde.	
	7:00pm	St Brigid's Killargue	- Exposition followed by Mass at 8:00pm.
Wed 26th Aug	9:30am	St Patrick's Dromahair.	
Thurs 27th Aug	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	
	8:00pm	Mary Mother of God, Newtownmanor	- Exposition followed by Mass at 8:00pm.
Fri 28th Aug	7:00pm	St Patrick's Dromahair.	
Sat 29th Aug	7:00pm	5th Saturday - No Mass.	
	8:00pm	5th Saturday - No Mass.	
Sun 30th Aug	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	
	11:30am	St Patrick's Dromahair.	

Pray for: We continue to remember in our prayers all those who have died, including the recently deceased; **Gerald Christie**, Drumkeerin, who died on Sun 16 Aug, **Mary Conlon (née Kelly)**, Ballydoogan, Sligo and formerly of Drumkeerin who died on Tuesday. May they rest in peace.

Notices can be sent in to newsletter@inishmagrath.com for inclusion, subject to review and adjustments as space allows.

All notices should be received by 10:30am on Friday morning to be included in that week's newsletter, thank you.

Hymn for August:

Be Thou my Vision

Be thou my vision o Lord of my heart
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night
Both waking and sleeping thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee Lord
Be thou my great Father and I thy true son
Be thou in me dwelling and I with thee one.

Parish Pastoral Councils: As we prepare for the renewal of our Parish Pastoral Council this autumn;

Diocesan PPC Meeting: A meeting for present and prospective Parish Pastoral Council Members is being held in Ballinaglera Hall on Tues 15 Sept at 7:30pm. Please come along if you would like to join the PPC to find out more about what they do.

Advanced Notice: There will be a Pastoral Council meeting in the Parochial House on Tues 1 September at 7:30pm, followed by a Finance Committee meeting at 8:30pm **all members** are asked to attend please.

Welcome: To Tomás Packie McPartlan, son of Thomas and Siobhán, who was baptised in St Brigid's Church, Drumkeerin on Sat 15 Aug. May Tomás have a long and happy life under the care of the Lord.

Creevelea Church Notice: Fr Paul would like to meet with people from the Creevelea area who have an interest in Creevelea Church. He has been talking with others in relation to painting and maintenance issues in and around the church building. He would like to meet with as many as possible with the intention of beginning a conversation and setting up a working committee. It is an important opportunity for us to come together and see what we can do. This meeting will take place in Creevelea Church on Fri 28 Aug at 9:00pm. Please pass the word around so we can have as many there as possible.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend (2–4 Oct 2026): Marriage Encounter Ireland invites married couples to a residential weekend from Fri 2 to Sun 4 October at the Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Step away from daily distractions to deepen your communication, renew your love, and rediscover the joy of your marriage. Visit www.marriageencounter.ie for more information.

Care of Creation Live Broadcast Mass – Sun 6 Sept: RTE1 will broadcast Mass for the Season of Creation live from the Cathedral of Saints Patrick & Felim in Cavan on Sun 6 Sept at 11:00am. All are welcome to join us for this Mass at which Bishop Martin Hayes will be the principal celebrant. Those attending the Mass are asked to be in their places by 10:50am at the latest, please. **NB:** Can any members of the Tidy Town Committee pass the word around your group as more attendees from Drumkeerin would be appreciated.

Dromahair webcam and newsletter are available at: www.churchtv.ie/dromahair.html

In The Footsteps of St Francis: Bishop Martin Hayes will lead a diocesan pilgrimage to Assisi from Tuesday 24 to Sunday 29 November 2026 to mark the special jubilee year there commemorating the 800th anniversary of the death of St Francis of Assisi. Bookings for the pilgrimage are now being accepted. Anyone wishing to participate in the pilgrimage are kindly asked to contact Marian Pilgrimages directly and as soon as possible on (01) 878 8159 as places are limited, especially for those seeking single room accommodation. The fare (including hotel accommodation on half-board basis, flights etc. is €1,495 per person sharing and the single room supplement is an extra €450 per person). For further information, please contact Seán Coll, Pilgrimage Director, at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre in Cavan on 049 4375004 (Extension 102).

Drumkeerin Festival: Drumkeerin Family Festival 2026:

Sat 22 Aug – Festival Bingo,
Lough Allen College

Sun 23rd August – Sets Céilí 3:00pm
Drumkeerin Community Centre

Ball Race 7:00pm, Back Lane, Drumkeerin.

Please see the full programme on Facebook/drumkeerinfestival.

Church Gate Collection Leitrim LGFA: There will be a church gate collection taking place this weekend in all Co. Leitrim parishes in aid of Leitrim County Ladies LGFA. Your contribution helps with transportation, physiotherapy and all related costs to support the ladies throughout the year. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

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