

# PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

30th January 2022

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

### Masses

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| Sat 29th Jan   | 8:00pm        | Tarmon     |   |
| Sun 30th Jan   | 10:00am       | Creevelea  |   |
| Sun 30th Jan   | 11:15am       | Drumkeeran | Joe & Beatrice Gallagher,<br>Cloonamurgal & Deceased of the<br>Gallagher, McTernan, McMorrogh &<br>Barton Families.<br>Gerard McPadden. |
| Mon 31st Jan   | 7:00pm        | Drumkeeran |   |
| Tues 1st Feb   | <b>7:00pm</b> | Drumkeeran | <b>St Brigid's Day</b> (Bring crosses to be<br>blessed).<br>Maggie & Josie McPartlan, Lisanerris.                                       |
| Wed 2nd Feb  | 10:00am       | Creevelea  | Candlemas Day or Presentation of<br>the Lord.   |
| <b>Candles will be blessed at either the Wednesday or Thursday Mass.</b> |               |            |   |
| Thurs 3rd Feb  | <b>7:00pm</b> | Drumkeeran | <b>St Blaise</b> - Blessing Of Throats.   |
| Fri 4th Feb  | 7:00pm        | Tarmon     |   |
| Sat 5th Feb  | 8:00pm        | Tarmon     |   |
| Sun 6th Feb  | 10:00am       | Creevelea  |   |
| Sun 7th Feb  | 11:15am       | Drumkeeran |   |

**Remember:**

1. Sanitise your hands at the door.
2. Wear a face mask all the time, **covering nose AND mouth.**
3. Keep the 2m distance.

**Confirmation 2022:** Confirmations will be held on **Sunday 15th May** at 3:00pm.

**First Communions:** Communions will be held on **Sunday 22nd May** at 11:15am Mass.

**Visitations:** Fr. Tom will be doing his rounds on Fri 4 Feb.

### Points to Ponder:

The story of Jesus' first sermon gives us a chance to check our own motivation. Are we looking to Jesus to get personal favours? Or are we looking to Jesus because He is the fulfilment of God's plan? Are we participating in religious activities because we want to be served, or because we realise that Jesus calls us to serve? Are we in this for our own good and to meet our own needs, or to see the incredible good God does in many places and make ourselves available for God to meet the needs of others? Do we believe so unwaveringly in the grace of God - a grace we sing of as amazing - that we believe in it just as firmly for those on the outside as we do for those on the inside?

Jesus didn't just come for the people of Nazareth; He didn't just come for those who were already on the inside track. Thanks be to God, Jesus came for outsiders too. If He hadn't, none of us would be here. Jesus was run out of town because some people in His hometown didn't want us - Gentiles, foreigners, and outsiders - to be recipients of God's grace. Yet, Jesus made room for us. When we put it that way, maybe we can make some room too.

*A.J. Thomas - Founder Joyful Giving Group*

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

**Luke 4:21-30**

- + The people of Nazareth could not accept that this local boy had something to teach them. Fixed ideas about people can, at times, block us from hearing what is being said. What a difference when we drop our prejudices! Perhaps you have experienced hearing an important truth when you focused on what was being said rather than on the person saying it?
- + The anger of the people arose when Jesus confronted them with God's inclusive ways. For them, God was 'their God' and God's blessings were for them. Jesus reminded them that this is not God's way. When have you been challenged to think in new ways and not to be excluding some people from your thoughts or concerns? Was there good news for you in the challenge?
- + Jesus continued His work despite the opposition. Have there been times when, despite opposition, you have been able to 'walk through the people' and 'continue on your way'? Have you seen this courage in others?

*John Byrne OSA*

### Leitrim County Council - Hedge Cutting Grant Scheme 2021/2022:

This scheme aims to encourage the cutting of roadside hedges /trees along the public road network. Application forms and full details are available on the Leitrim County Council Website [www.leitrimcoco.ie](http://www.leitrimcoco.ie) also from the Roads Dept. of LCC; Tel: 071 9620005 Ext. No. 617 or email [roads@leitrimcoco.ie](mailto:roads@leitrimcoco.ie). Closing Date for receipt of applications is Mon 31 Jan.