

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Fourth Sunday of Advent

19th December 2021

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

Masses

Sat 18th Dec	8:00pm	Tarmon	John Williams.
Sun 19th Dec	10:00am	Creevelea	Liam Bouchier (MM).
Sun 19th Dec	11:15am	Drumkeeran	
Mon 20th Dec	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	Deceased of the Cassidy Family.
Tues 21st Dec	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Wed 22nd Dec	10:00am	Creevelea	
Thurs 23rd Dec	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Fri 24th Dec	7:00pm	Creevelea	Christmas Eve.
	9:00pm	Drumkeeran	Christmas Eve.
			Maureen Rogan.
Sat 25th Dec	10:00am	Tarmon	Christmas Day Mass.
Sun 26th Dec	10:00am	Creevelea	Feast of the Holy Family.
			Mary Drugan & Deceased Family.
Sun 26th Dec	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Feast of the Holy Family.

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.

Readers: The family that books an Anniversary Mass is responsible for the supply of a reader or readers. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated.

Drumkeeran and Tarmon Christmas Flowers: You can help purchase flowers for Christmas for Drumkeeran and Tarmon churches. Give your contributions to Margaret McPartland for Drumkeeran and Kathleen Rynn for Tarmon, thanks.

Envelopes for 2022: You can collect your box in the church on the days that Mass is celebrated there. Thanks to all who have paid Dues, Offertory and other collections for 2021. Dues cheques can be made payable to "Priest's Revenue Account" and Offertory collections are made payable to the church accounts; either, "Drumkeeran Church a/c", "Creevelea Church a/c" or "Tarmon Church a/c". Thank you.

Masses over Christmas: Please see above for the details of the Christmas services. Fr. Tom and the Parish team would like to wish you all a blessed and peaceful Christmas.

Points to Ponder

In the Gospel mystery of the Visitation (cf. Lk 1:39-45), we can see an icon of all Christian volunteer work. I would take three attitudes shown by Mary; listening, deciding and acting. First, listening. Mary knows how to listen to God. It is not simply about hearing, but about listening attentively and receptively, and being ready to help. Mary also listens to events, to things that happen in life. She is attentive to practical realities; she does not stop at the surface but seeks to grasp their meaning. The second attitude we see in Mary is deciding. Mary listens and reflects, but she also knows how to take a step forward; she is decisive. At the wedding feast of Cana, when Mary sees the problem, she decides to speak to Jesus and ask Him to do something. Finally, acting. Mary set out on her journey and 'went with haste', because she had the strength of God's Word within her. Her way of acting was full of charity, full of love: this is the mark of God.

Pope Francis.

Christmas Market: The Youth Café is holding a Christmas Market on Sun 19 Dec in the Courthouse in Drumkeeran from 12noon until 3pm. Please pop along and support this community event if you can.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). If you or someone you know needs support this Christmas, please call our National Support and Referral Line on 0818 222 024 from 8am – 8pm, seven days a week. ALONE operates 365 days a year so we will be there to take your call when you need us most

