PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th August 2024

Fr Tom McManus - 964 8025

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Masses

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	Sat 3rd Aug Sun 4th Aug	7:00pm 11:15am	Tarmon Drumkeeran	Blessing of the Graves in Drumkeeran Cemetery follows this Mass. Felim McPartlan & Pierce & Mary Ellen Gilhooly. Tommy Drugan. Deceased of the Gilbride Family. Tom & Rose Travers & Deceased Family. Paddy Forde, Corcormick & Deceased Family. Michael & Katherine Kelly & Deceased Family,
	Mon 5th Aug Tue 6th Aug Wed 7th Aug Thurs 8th Aug Fri 9th Aug Sat 10th Aug	11:00am 10:00am 10:00am 7:00pm 7:00pm		Kilmore. Adoration. Mass.
	Sun 11th Aug	11:15am	Tarmon	Blessing of the Graves in Curraghs Cemetery follows this Mass. Pat & Tessie McManus & Deceased Family. Raymond Travers (1st Anniversary) & Parents Michael & Lena.

Blessing of the Graves 2024: The schedule for this year is as follows; Drumkeeran Cemetery - after 11:15am in Drumkeeran Church Mass this Sun 4 Aug. Curraghs Cemetery - after 11:15am Mass in Tarmon Church on Sun 11 Aug. *Please remember to bring holy water or a small container to collect enough to bless you plot from the Holy water that will be provided in the cemetery.

Pray For: Rose Keane, née Meehan, formerly McDonagh, of Cairns Road, Sligo and formerly Main St, Drumkeerin and Dromahair, Co. Leitrim. Rose's funeral took place on Tues 23 July followed by burial at St Brigid's Church, Drumkeeran. May she rest in peace.

Knock Shrine: The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock takes place from 14th to 22nd August 2024. In this year of prayer, the theme for the Novena is "Whispering with God - How do you pray?" Novena ceremonies will take place each day at 3:00pm and 8:00pm in Knock Basilica. Daily workshops take place at 12:45pm and themed guided prayer sessions will be available in Knock Prayer Centre. Please see the poster on the noticeboard.

Cemetery Sunday - Drumkeeran: Please be generous in the voluntary collection in the cemetery today. The funds will go to the upkeep of the cemetery. There is no charge to enter the cemetery. It is all voluntary. Containers of Holy Water will be places at the gate along the main road and at the gate at the top of the cemetery. Please use the cups provided to fill your own small container and don't bring these cups away because you are making it more difficult for somebody else, thanks. Thank you to all the volunteers today in the Liturgy and in the cemetery and to the RSS workers and all who tidied up their grave plots.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine: Bishop Martin Hayes invites you to join him and parishioners throughout the diocese of Kilmore for the annual diocesan pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Fri 9 Aug 2024, the Feast of St Felim, the Patron Saint of the Diocese. Ceremonies will begin at 2:00pm with the outdoor Stations of the Cross and Rosary Procession. The Celebration of Mass with the Anointing of the Sick will take place at 3:00pm and the Ceremony will conclude with a Eucharistic Procession and Benediction. Parishioners from St Anne's Church, Bailieborough, Co. Cavan will participate in the liturgy and provide the Sacred Music for the special ceremony.

Points to Ponder John 6:24-35

Last Sunday's Gospel from John talked about Jesus miraculously feeding the 5,000. Today's Gospel is closely connected to that; the people in the Galilean countryside are still following Jesus; they were fed once, and, as Jesus realizes, they've come for more. They are still hungry. They probably don't quite know themselves what they are hungry for, or what they truly need. How often do we hear in the Gospels this question about Jesus, 'Who is this?' Which reminds us a lot of the question of the Israelites, 'Man hu', what is this? People see Jesus as a teacher, a healer, someone who is different, someone who has authority, a leader, a prophet, someone with amazing powers. But they don't see that Jesus is 'it' - 'manna'. They, just like those Israelites in the wilderness, don't realise that God has set before them exactly what they need, what the world needs: Jesus Himself, the bread from heaven, the bread of life. They don't see that there, right in front of their eyes, is God who models compassion, grace, solidarity, true community - true communion, and self-sacrifice for the sake of the world, for the sake of the larger good.

They - and not only they, but we as well - have a hard time understanding that we are called to partake in this God with all our heart and all our mind and all our soul, to make all that Christ embodies part of us - you are, what you eat, after all - and allow our lives be transformed: And that we are called to become bread ourselves, sharing ourselves with a hungry world.

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Drumkeeran Ladies GAA: Bake Sale this Sun 4 Aug straight after the Blessing of Graves at the bottom of the graveyard. Tea/Coffee served. Please Support. Thanks.

Spencer Harbour Community Afterschool: Are having an open informational evening in Tarmon NS on Wed 7 Aug starting at 7:00pm. All are welcome.

Job Opportunity: Driver/Kitchen Assistant; part-time required for Mo Chairde Day Centre based in Keadue. Full clean Driving Licence is essential and experience of working with older people is desirable.

For further details and job description, please see www.rosleaderpartnership.ie/ recruitment. Email your CV and cover letter to recruitment@ridc.ie.