

## PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

### Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Father's Day and Day for Life

18th June 2023

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

Sat 17th June	8:00pm	Creevelea	Tom & Rose Travers & Deceased Family.
Sun 18th June	10:00am	Tarmon	Mary Ann McLoughlin (1st Anniversary).
	11:15am	Drumkeeran	George Wiggins. Msgnr Eamonn Lynch. Michael & Agnes Coyle.
Mon 19th June	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration until 7:00pm.
No weekday Masses Monday to Friday inclusive. Wedding in Drumkeeran on Friday at 12:30pm. Priests on retreat. Priest on duty in an emergency - Fr. Tom Mannion on 071 964 3014.			
Sat 24th June	8:00pm	Creevelea	
Sun 25th June	10:00am	Tarmon	Bernadette McGuigan. Christopher & Patrick McMorro.
	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Tessie O'Rourke & Deceased of the O'Rourke and Higgins Families.

**Day for Life:** Day for Life is celebrated this Sun 18 June. The theme is 'Listen to Her' and focuses on the experience of one Catholic woman in the aftermath of abortion. It tells of her journey towards healing. The hope is that this will help people to listen, to understand and to respond with compassion. You can read the message in full on [www.councilforlife.ie](http://www.councilforlife.ie).

**Visitation & Blessing of Graves 2023 - Killargue Old & New Cemeteries:** On Sun 25 June, commencing with Mass in St. Brigid's Church, Killargue, at 2:30pm, with Blessing of Graves in the Old Cemetery immediately after Mass at 3:15pm approximately and continuing immediately on to the New Cemetery for 3:45pm approximately.

**Rally for Life:** Will be held on Sat 1st of July! Join thousands of fellow Catholics & pro-life supporters at the biggest annual pro-life event, now in its 17th year. Gather at 1:00pm at Parnell Square, Dublin 1. Activities for children and adults, a family friendly event! For more info or to book a place on the bus going up to the rally visit [www.thelifeinstitute.net](http://www.thelifeinstitute.net) or call 01 873 0465.

Also, E.L.C. is a life affirming organisation please visit; <https://www.everylifecounts.ie/>

#### The Priory Institute:

*"The one who saw it has borne witness" (John 19:35)  
Johannine characters and their voices in the Fourth Gospel*

A two week online Summer School on the Gospel of John will run from 14-28 August. To find out more and register go to; [www.prioryinstitute.com](http://www.prioryinstitute.com).

**Points to Ponder:** The Gospel of Matthew does not include the story of the calling of the Twelve perhaps because he assumed that this event was known to his readers. Here is the only time that the Twelve are called Apostles, which means 'those who are sent'. Matthew wrote for a community that included many believers of Jewish background. The naming of the Twelve Apostles echoed the twelve tribes of Israel and established the new Israel. Because of the number of Jewish Christians in Matthew's community, it is not surprising that he describes the mission of the Apostles as 'gathering the lost sheep of the house of Israel'. This may also reflect an original Jewish-Christian refusal to include the Gentiles in the mission of the Church. Matthew used two images to indicate that discipleship always implies mission: people are like sheep without a shepherd and like a harvest that needs labourers to get the work done.

Today's reading offers three significant messages;

1. Discipleship involves mission.
2. The disciples' mission continues that of Jesus in preaching the coming of the Reign of God and healing the sick.
3. As Jesus calls and gifts us freely, the gifts we have received are likewise to be given freely.

The questions to ask ourselves are: Do I give myself freely without expecting rewards or recognition? Do I see myself as a disciple or as a 'volunteer'? Is my heart 'moved to compassion' when I see people in need around me? What do I usually do?

*Archdiocese of Miami - Ministry of Christian Formation.*

**Cash for Clobber:** Tarmon NS Parents Association are organising a Cash for Clobber collection in aid of the Parents Association. This is the perfect time for a summer clear out! Any bags of old clothing/textiles can be delivered to the Community Centre in the run up to collection day. We will accept donations up to Sat 24 June. Please contact Mary Doran on 087 978 1323 to arrange drop off.

**NLN Sligo:** They are seeking expressions of interest in a new course called "Remote Worker Skills". This course will be delivered through a mixture of in-centre, self-directed and remote delivery and would suit students who are faced with either mobility or geographical challenges and feel they could take up remote working opportunities. All equipment provided. Contact [sligo@nlm.ie](mailto:sligo@nlm.ie) for more details.

*Happy Father's  
Day!*

