

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th July 2025

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Masses

Sat 12th Jul	7:00pm	Tarmon	
Sun 13th Jul	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Margaret O'Rourke. Frank & Josie McPartlan & Deceased of the Family, Grouselodge.
Mon 14th Jul	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration Hour.
	7:00pm		Joseph Molloy.
	8:30pm		Choir practice.
Tues 15th Jul	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	
Wed 16th Jul	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Thurs 17th Jul	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Fri 18th Jul	7:00pm	Creevelea	
Sat 19th Jul	7:00pm	Tarmon	
Sun 20th Jul	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Kate & Michael Carty & Daughter Margaret, Sons Frank & Sean, Lisacoghill. Dermott Fallon. Kathleen & Joe Harrison.

Blessing of the Graves in Aughaloughy Cemetery after this Mass.
Please bring Holy Water with you or a small container to get some of the
Holy Water provided in the cemetery.

Confession: Available after weekday Masses and anytime on request.

Pope's Collection: Thanks to all who have contributed. €785 has been contributed. This is one way to help Pope Leo in his charitable work in the way he chooses.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage 2025: To Knock Shrine on Sun 27 July. It will be a celebration of World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly. Theme: "Blessed are those who have not lost hope". Chief Celebrant Archbishop Francis Duffy. Anointing of the Sick in the Basilica at 2:30pm, Mass at 3:00pm. Those unable to travel can take part online at www.knockshrine.ie/watch. See details on the church noticeboards.

Pope's Message: God's creation is not a battleground for vital resources. In his Message for the 10th World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, Pope Leo XIV quotes extensively from Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato si'*, denouncing environmental and social injustice and noting that God's creation is not intended to be a battleground for vital resources.

As the Church prepares to mark the Tenth World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation on 1 September 2025, Pope Leo XIV's message for the occasion urges Christians and all people of goodwill to recognize the urgent need for environmental and social justice in a world increasingly scarred by climate change, conflict, and inequality.

Entitled *Seeds of Peace and Hope* and released on July 2, the Pope's message resonates with the spirit of the ongoing Jubilee Year, calling the faithful to embrace their role as "pilgrims of hope" and stewards of God's creation. Visit the Vatican website for the full article;

<https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2025/07/02/250702e.html>

Kilmore Diocesan Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage: To Knock on Sat 9 August on the Feast of St. Felim. Mass at 3:00pm, celebrant Bishop Martin Hayes. Anointing of the sick during the Mass. Stations of the Cross and Rosary outdoors at 2:00pm. All welcome.

Kilmore Diocesan PTAA: Pioneer Sunday at Knock on 20th July. Also a pilgrimage to Lough Derg from Fri 11 July to Sun 13 July.

Points to Ponder:

Luke 10:25-37

When individuals or groups are in conflict, it can be difficult for the conflicting parties to see any good in each other. In times of war, in particular, the warring parties often demonise each other. In the case of the current Israeli Palestinian conflict, for example, it is probably very difficult for many Palestinians to bring together the noun 'Jew' and the adjective 'good', and equally difficult for many Jews to associate the noun 'Palestinian' with the adjective 'good'. A pastor working in the Middle East confessed that never once was he even tempted to tell Palestinians a story about a noble Israeli. However, Jesus does the equivalent of that in today's Gospel reading. We have become used to referring to the story Jesus tells as the parable of the good Samaritan. We can forget that in the Jewish world of Jesus the words 'good' and 'Samaritan' would never have been found together.

We all have the potential to make tangible God's compassionate presence to others. The first step in doing that is to notice. It is first said of the Samaritan that he saw the traveller, he noticed him. Noticing is a small but very significant first step. Yet, it is not enough. The priest and the Levite also noticed, they too saw. What distinguished the Samaritan from them was that he allowed himself to be deeply moved by what he saw. Compassion involves that deep inner movement which comes from allowing ourselves to experience something of the pain of the other. That inner movement will lead to some form of outer movement, some appropriate action on behalf of the other. Such, according to the Gospel reading, is the path to life.

Fr Martin Hogan curate in the parish of Finglas, Finglas West and Rivermount.

Thought for the Day:

God has compassion on us. In the gestures and deeds of the Good Samaritan we recognise the merciful acts of God in all of salvation history. It is the same compassion with which the Lord comes to meet each one of us: He does not ignore us, He knows our pain, He knows how much we need help and comfort. He comes close and never abandons us. Each of us, ask and answer the question in our heart: 'Do I believe? Do I believe that the Lord has compassion on me, just as I am, a sinner, with many problems and many issues?' Think about that and the answer is: 'Yes!'

The late Pope Francis.

North Leitrim Women's Centre: Celebrating 30 years of working with and supporting local women. We would like to invite all past Board/Committee and Staff to join us for an evening of memories, chat and cake. Tues 22 July from 5:30pm until 7:30pm in The Bee Park Centre, Manorhamilton. Refreshments served.

Drama: A reminder that seats for the staging of "God Rest his Soul" by Drumkeerin Drama Group must be booked this year. The play takes place this coming Thursday 17th, Friday 18th and Sunday 20th July. As of on Thursday last 10th July, 60% of seats have been booked so if thinking of going on any of the above nights please book your seat by calling, messaging on WhatsApp 0872448642.

RSS Scheme: The local scheme needs more help. IF you have a herd number or a family herd number and are getting social welfare payments you can qualify to work on the scheme. Please let Fr Tom know and he will put you in touch with the supervisor Brian McGloin.