

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Second Sunday of Advent

6th December 2020

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

Welcome Back to Church! Masses

Tarmon - St Patrick's Church:

Sat 5th Dec 8:00pm

Fri 11th Dec 7:00pm

Sat 12th Dec 8:00pm

Creevelea - St Brigid's Church:

Sun 6th Dec 10:00am Deceased of James Doherty Family

Wed 9th Dec 10:00am

Sun 13th Dec 10:00am

Drumkeeran - St Brigid's Church:

Sun 6th Dec 11:15am

Mon 7th Dec 7:00pm Vigil for the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tues 8th Dec 10:00am Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thurs 10th Dec 10:00am

Sun 13th Dec 11:15am

- 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.

And we will be safe, Thanks.

Visitations for Christmas and New Year: Fr. Tom will be doing his rounds on Fri 18 Dec.

Tarmon Church: If you would like to donate some financial help towards the purchase of flowers for the Christmas Season please give your contribution to Kathleen Rynn, the Sacristan, thank you.

St. Vincent de Paul: On the weekend 12/13 December we will have the Christmas, St Vincent de Paul collection. Please support generously! Requests for help and donations can be put in the SVP box in the wall in the back of the Drumkeerin Church near the Holy Water and sanitizer. Thank you.



Proposed Plan for Christmas Masses:

Thurs 24th Dec Mass in Tarmon at 7:00pm

Thurs 24th Dec Mass in Drumkeeran at 9:00pm

Fri 25th Dec Mass in Creevelea at 10:00am

Fri 25th Dec Mass in Drumkeerin at 11:15am

Fri 25th Dec Mass in Drumkeerin at 1:00pm

The Drumkeerin Church is used 3 times as it has a bigger capacity. The 3rd Mass on Christmas Day has to be 1 hour after the 2nd one finishes to get the Church ready again.

It is hoped to get a radio transmission of the Masses in Drumkeerin Church out to people who are parked nearby and to get the 9pm Mass on Thurs 24th Dec live streamed. This should give everyone an opportunity to celebrate Christmas in these unusual times. However there is no obligation on Catholics to attend Mass in person this Christmas if they feel anxious of coming out into a gathering of people.

Worship - its meaning: It is important to note that worship of the Lord at Christmas or at any other time of the year is not just confined to participation in the Eucharist. In other words, Christmas or indeed the practice of our faith is not just about going to Mass. Worship includes going out to help those in need; a calling to each one of us and a particular calling at this time of pandemic. As priests and parishioners alike, we can reach out to those in need, e.g. visiting a neighbour, those who feel isolated, vulnerable or particularly impacted by the pandemic, all at a safe distance.

The hope of Advent and the joy of Christmas should inspire us to reach out to all who may be in greatest need at this time. Keep Christ at the centre this Christmas by bringing the hope and joy of His birth to people who are sick, isolated, lonely or poor. A simple act of kindness can make such a difference. Charities such as Saint Vincent de Paul Society and Trócaire will welcome much needed contributions as they too have been unable to raise funds in the normal way during the pandemic.

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). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

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