

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

16th February 2025

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

Masses

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| Sat 15th Feb | 7:00pm | Creevelea | |
| Sun 16th Feb | 11:15am | Drumkeeran | Joe & Beatrice Gallagher & Deceased of the Gallagher Family, Cloonamurgal & Deceased of the McMorrough & Barton Families. |
| Mon 17th Feb | 6:00pm | Drumkeeran | Adoration. |
| | 7:00pm | Drumkeeran | Mass. |
| Tue 18th Feb | 11:00am | Áras Bhríde | NO MASS. |
| Wed 19th Feb | 10:00am | Drumkeeran | |
| Thurs 20th Feb | 10:00am | Drumkeeran | |
| Fri 21st Feb | 7:00pm | Tarmon | |
| Sat 22nd Feb | 7:00pm | Creevelea | |
| Sun 23rd Feb | 11:15am | Drumkeeran | Peter Foley (10th Anniversary). Michael Wynne. |

Confession: Available after weekday Masses and anytime on request.

Pray For: Eileen Woods, Towneycorry, Killargue, Dungiven Derry, whose funeral too place on Tuesday in Killargue. May she rest in peace.

Choir Practice: Will be held on Mon 17 Feb at 8:00pm in Drumkeeran Church. New members always welcome.

Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: There will be an Assisted Pilgrims Collection to support their trip to Lourdes. You can contribute by giving a donation in an ordinary envelope with your name or envelope number written on it. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Prayer and Healing: There will be an evening of prayer and healing with Eddie Stones on Tues 18 Feb at 7:00pm in St Joseph's Church, Boyle. All are welcome.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend: The next weekend will be held at Knock, starting on Fri 28 Mar to Sun 30 Mar. The best gift you'll ever give to each other. Book now at www.marriageencounter.ie.

Opening the Bible – An online Lenten Programme: Starts: Mon 3 Mar from 8:00pm to 9:15pm and continues on Tues 11th, 18th, 25th and 1st and 8th April 2025. In this Jubilee Year of Hope, a time of renewal and spiritual growth, the Pastoral Team of the Kilmore Diocese invites you to explore Scripture through a series of programmes throughout 2025. We begin with our Lenten programme, Opening the Bible, from the Tarsus Scripture School. This course is designed for anyone who wants to know more about how the Bible came about, what books are in it, and why it is God's Word. Through six insightful video sessions, followed by time for discussion, we'll guide you in opening the Bible and discovering its life-changing message. The programme will be held online, and you'll need a Zoom link to join the sessions. Whether you're new to Scripture or seeking a fresh perspective, this is a wonderful opportunity to grow in faith and hope this Lent. All are welcome! For details and to register for your Zoom link, contact Martina Gilmartin at pastoralservices@kilmore.diocese.ie. Let's journey together in faith this Lent!

Points to Ponder:

Luke 6:17,20-26

Much of what drives us today is based on image. How we will appear to others can seem more important than reality. We see this with fake Instagram accounts, fake followers, fake articles, and overblown personal stories on social media, with the many filters on our phone cameras and the lengths we go to in order to get more followers. This way of living has seeped into our consciousness. The way of Christ is a different way in which we are asked to be humble and selfless, not in a rose-tinted capacity but in a real way, a way that can hurt us, away that in some capacity mirrors Jesus's walk to Calvary. Just like with our phone filters, it is very easy to sentimentalise Christianity. There is no evidence to suggest that Jesus was sentimental. His message went to the core of our being, and today in the beatitudes He is asking us for some of the humility that He has shown when He died for our sins. We have been asked to reappraise where we are in our faith path. Where we go from here is anyone's guess. But with the Gospels as our signposts we have a wonderful opportunity to grow as disciples of Jesus and live as though within the beatitudes. This may be a difficult thing to attain but it is also possible. Jesus, who is perfectly human as well as perfectly divine, proved this to us with His example.

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Drumkeerin NS: As we approach the draws main event we still need your help - The local community, past pupils and parents of present and past pupils are asked to help buy and sell tickets for the fundraising effort. Let it be known they can buy tickets online by visiting; <https://www.idonate.ie/raffle/StBrigidNSDrumkeerinRaffle>. Please support your local school.

National School Enrolments:

St Brigid's NS, Drumkeeran is now open for enrolments for the upcoming 2025/26 academic year. Please contact the school for an application form on, drumkeerinns@gmail.com.

St Patrick's NS, Tarmon are accepting enrolments; please contact the school at stpatsntarmon@gmail.com for an enrolment pack. Our open evening takes place Tues 25 Feb from 5:00pm until 7:00pm at the school.

Ceili/Dance: We have two dances coming up in the Community centre; on Sun 16 Feb there is a sets ceili with Annally Ceili Band, dancing from 3:00pm and on Thurs 20 Feb (next Thursday), a social dance with Liam McLaughlin, dancing from 9:00pm. Both dances are being held in aid of Community Centre Fund. So dust off those dancing shoes and come dancing. All welcome.