

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

12th February 2023

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

Masses

Sat 11th Feb 6:30pm Drumkeeran John Daly (MM).
This is the only Mass in the Parish this weekend - Fr Tom is away.
Mass times in neighbouring Parishes:
Sat 11th Feb 8:00pm Killargue.
Sun 12th Feb 10:00am Newbridge.
Sun 12th Feb 11:15am Dromahaire.

No weekday Masses Monday 13th Feb to Friday 17th Feb inclusive.
Adoration: Mon 13th Feb 6:00pm until 7:00pm in Drumkeeran Church.

Sat 18th Feb 7:00pm Tarmon Peter Foley (8th Anniversary).

Sun 19th Feb 10:00am Creevelea Madge McGee (MM).
11:15am Drumkeeran Mary Flynn (1st Anniversary).

Pray for: Please pray for Anne Normoyle nee Flanagan formally of Shass, Dowra who died in Camillus, New York. Sister of Kathleen Harrison, Sheena and aunt of Ann Flanagan Fallon, Annaghgerry. May she rest in peace.

Parish Donations Online: The Diocese of Kilmore has made it possible to donate to your Parish online. The link required is www.kilmorediocese.ie/donate/. There is also a link on the Parish website that will take you directly to the donate section for our Parish. Please quote your envelope number if you have one.

St Brigid's Crosses Donations: A total of €342 was raised. Thanks to the people who donated and to the children and adults who made the crosses. This money will be divided between the two Primary Schools.

Online Lenten Retreat: The Priory Institute is delighted to offer a free of charge online retreat 'Reflecting on the Sunday Gospels of Lent as Stepping Stones on our Journey to East'. Visit our website www.prioryinstitute.com or use this link <https://bit.ly/3DWrTKx> to register or find out more.

Welcome back and Thanks: Welcome back to the Parish secretary Angela, who has returned to work this week and a big thank you to Annie for providing cover. Please continue to send your items for inclusion in the Parish newsletter to newsletter@inishmagrath.com.

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel

Matthew 5:17-37

1. In this section of the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus proposes standards that go beyond external ways of behaviour. He challenges our inner attitudes. When have you found that living out of inner conviction is more life-giving than keeping up appearances?
2. Jesus applies His teaching to feelings of anger and sexual desire. He suggests that if we do not keep an eye on our feelings and thoughts we will not be able to control our actions. Perhaps you have experienced the truth of this. What has helped you to integrate your feelings so that you were able to live in right relationships with yourself and others?
3. For Jesus, people with genuine authenticity do not need to swear an oath to be convincing. Their 'yes' or 'no' suffices. Recall people who had this kind of credibility for you. When have you found that your simple, direct and honest communication had a positive persuasive force?
4. In recent times public discourse sometimes has little respect for truth. What effect does this have on how you view politicians or other people in the public eye? What helps you to distinguish the truth from fake news?

John Byrne OSA

Saint Vincent de Paul: The society wishes to thank most sincerely the people of Inishmagrath Parish for their very generous response to our Christmas church gate collection, which amounted to €836.00. For anyone wishing to contact SVP, our contact number is 085 7764431. Messages may also be left in the SVP box in the wall of the main porch of Drumkeeran church. Confidentiality is assured.

Catholic Grandparents Association: The Faith Café will open again online on Wed 15 Feb online via Zoom. Visit www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org to register or for more information.

Rally on Forestry Policy and its impact on Rural Ireland: Irish Natura and Hill Farmers Association are holding a rally on forestry in the Beepark Community Centre, Manorhamilton on Fri 17 Feb at 8:00pm. The rally will outline the damage being done to farming, the environment, and local communities by vulture funds planting Sitka Spruce and how this can be reversed by adopting IHNFA's forestry policy based on farmers planting native woodlands.

Computer Course for Beginners/Improvers: Will be held subject to demand/interest, in Ballintogher Enterprise Centre at end of February '23 it will cover word processing, email, online banking, internet access, etc. Register by Fri 17 Feb please contact 087 6645509 or email teresamccorm@hotmail.com.

Community Bingo: Back in Manorhamilton starting on Wed 15 Feb at 8:00pm in the Bee Park Community Centre. All are Welcome.

Job Opportunity: Administrator, full-time, required for Mo Chairde Centre in Keadue. For further details and job description, please see www.rosleaderpartnership.ie/ recruitment or call 090 66 30252.