# PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

## The Most Holy Trinity Day for Life

15th June 2025

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025 Neighbouring Priests: Fr T Mannion 964 3014 - Fr P Casey 916 4143

### Masses

Sat 14th Jun	7:00pm	Tarmon	Christopher Gilhooly and Parents Bridget & Michael Gilhooly.
			Mae & Phil McGovern.
Sun 15th Jun	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Hubie & Annie McPartlan.
			Agnes & Michael Coyle & Deceased Family.
			George Wiggins (6th Anniversary).
Mon 16th Jun	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration Hour.
NO WEEKDAY MASSES - Priests on Retreat.			
In emergency call Fr Paul Casey on 071 916 4143.			
Sat 21st Jun	7:00pm	Tarmon	Mary Ann McLoughlin & Mai & Tony McLoughlin.
Sun 22nd June	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Rosaleen Lyons (2nd Anniversary).

Confession: Available after weekday Masses and anytime on request.

**Diocesan Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage to Rome:** Bishop Martin Hayes will lead a diocesan pilgrimage to Rome from Thurs 20th to Wed 26 November 2025 to mark the Jubilee Year of Hope. This pilgrimage will be of particular interest (though not exclusively) to those involved with church choirs as it will coincide with the Jubilee of Choirs being organised as part of the Jubilee Year of Hope programme in the Vatican. The cost of the pilgrimage is €1,855 per person sharing on a half-board basis. Single Room Supplement: €300 (limited availability) See poster on church noticeboards for further information or contact Seán Coll, Pilgrimage Director on 049 4375004 (Extension 102) or by email to directorkdpc@kilmorediocese.ie.

**Eucharistic Minister Training:** Manorhamilton and surrounding parishes: Glencar Community Centre, Glencar, Co. Leitrim, Wed 25 June at 8:00pm

**Minister of the Word Training:** Manorhamilton and surrounding parishes: Glencar Community Centre, Glencar, Co. Leitrim Wed 3 Sept at 8:00pm

Pope's Collection: You can bring in your contribution next weekend, thanks.

**Time Change for Trinity Island Mass:** Please note that the time for the Jubilee Mass with Bishop Hayes on Trinity Island this Sun 15 June will be 2:00pm and **not** 3:00pm as previously advertised. All welcome!

**Choir Practice:** Will be held on Mon 16 Jun at 8:30pm in Drumkeeran Church, new members are always welcome.

**Can You Help?** We need large, even sized stones suitable for a secure, permanent border around the raised beds we have planned for our Biodiversity project. We also need, large sheets of cardboard, soil and topsoil to fill the same. If you can help in any way, it would be appreciated as it will mean the cost of the work could be kept to a minimum. Also once we have our beds built we will need plants to fill it and also create a habitat for flora and fauna to enjoy. So if you are able, cuttings reared from local grown native plants could be started now to add to the garden. Thanks.

#### **Points to Ponder:**

John 16:12-15

There is a very old and much-repeated story about St Augustine, one of the intellectual giants of the Church. He was walking by the seashore one day, attempting to conceive of an intelligible explanation for the mystery of the Trinity. As he walked along, he saw a small boy on the beach, pouring seawater from a shell into a small hole in the sand. 'What are you doing, my child?' asked Augustine. 'I am trying to empty the sea into this hole,' the boy answered with an innocent smile. 'But that is impossible, my dear child,' said Augustine. The boy stood up, looked straight into the eyes of Augustine and replied, 'What you are trying to do - comprehend the immensity of God with your small head - is even more impossible.' Then he vanished. The child was an angel sent by God to teach Augustine a lesson. Later, Augustine wrote: 'You see the Trinity if you see love.' According to him, the Father is the lover, the Son is the loved one and the Holy Spirit is the personification of the very act of loving.

This means that we can understand something of the Mystery of the Holy Trinity more readily with the heart than with our feeble mind. Evagrius of Pontus, a Greek monk of the 4th century who came from what is now Turkey in Asia and later lived out his vocation in Egypt, said: 'God cannot be grasped by the mind. If God could be grasped, God would not be God.' *frtonyshomilies.com* 

#### Thought for the Day: Community of Love

We seem to be moving more and more towards a contactless society where our own existence and our own needs are of primary importance and meeting these needs can be done without contact with another living human being. Not only that, but less contact with others means less insight into the needs of others as well, and in that situation others suffer and we are deprived of the experience of developing empathy and of helping our fellow human beings. Our drive towards a contactless society will deprive us of many things, not least the richness that comes from sometimes messy face to face contact with another human being.

Brendan McManus SJ & Jim Deeds, Finding God in the Mess – Meditations for Mindful Living.

#### Blessing of the Graves 2025:

Aughaloughy Cemetery - after 11:15am Mass in Drumkeeran Church on Sun 20 July. Kilbride Cemetery - after 11:15am Mass in Drumkeeran Church on Sun 27 July. Drumkeeran Cemetery - after 11:15am in Drumkeeran Church Mass on Sun 3 Aug. Curragh's Cemetery - after 11:15am Mass in Tarmon Church on Sun 10 Aug. For Curragh's Cemetery weekend, the Vigil Mass will be in Drumkeeran on Sat 9 Aug at 7:00pm. Please remember to bring Holy Water with you or a small container to collect Holy Water provided on the day in each Cemetery.

**Jubilee Year of Hope:** Leaflets outlining the schedule of events planned across the Diocese of Kilmore to mark the Jubilee Year of Hope have been published and are now available in each church porch.

**Drumkeeran Tidy Towns – AGM Notice:** The Annual General Meeting of Drumkeeran Tidy Towns will take place on Mon 30 June at 9:00pm in the Courthouse, Drumkeeran. All members of the community are warmly invited to attend. Your support is vital to our continued success in keeping Drumkeeran clean and beautiful.

**Children's Disco:** In memory of Nova-Leigh Breeze, Drumkeeran Youth Café are holding a charity disco for National School Children on Fri 27 June at 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the Courthouse. €5 per child.