

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Third Sunday in Lent

8th March 2026

Parish Office, Drumkeeran - 964 8025 ~ Parish Administrator - Fr P Casey 916 4143

Neighbouring Priest: Fr T Mannion 964 3014

Masses

Sat 7th Mar	8:00pm	St Brigid's Killargue.
Sun 8th Mar	10:00am	Drumkeeran. Cathal & Mary Keaveney, Moneenreave & the Keaveney & Flynn Families. Elizabeth & Mannix Forde & Michael Guighan & Deceased of the Forde & Guighan Families. Gerard McKenna, Sheena.
Mon 9th Mar	6:00pm	Drumkeeran. Exposition.
Tues 10th Mar	11:00am	Áras Bhríde.
	7:00pm	St Brigid's Killargue - Exposition followed by Mass at 8:00pm.
Wed 11th Mar	9:30am	St Patrick's Dromahair.
Thurs 12th Mar	10:00am	Drumkeeran.
	7:00pm	Mary Mother of God, Newtownmanor - Exposition followed Mass at 8:00pm.
Fri 13th Mar	7:00pm	Tarmon.
Sat 14th Mar	7:00pm	Creevelea. Annie McMorrow, Glasdrummond (1st Anniversary).
	8:00pm	Mary Mother of God, Newtownmanor.
Sun 15th Mar	10:00am	Drumkeeran. Peter Curnan & Deceased of the Curnan Family. John & Paul McPadden (2nd Anniversaries).
	11:30am	St Patrick's Dromahair.
		<u>St Patrick's Day Masses.</u>
Mon 16th Mar	8:00pm	St Brigid's Killargue. St Patrick's Day Vigil Mass.
Tues 17th Mar	10:00am	Drumkeeran.
	11:30am	St Patrick's Dromahair.

Sunday Mass Times in Neighbouring Parishes/Churches:

Mullies at 9:00am, Killavoggy at 10:00am, Ballintogher at 11:30am, Manorhamilton at 11:30am

Pray for: We continue to remember in our prayers all those who have died, including the recently deceased; Geraldine Harkin, née Heraghty, Treenadullagh, Drumkeerin. May she rest in peace.

Notices can be sent in to newsletter@inishmagrath.com for inclusion, subject to review and adjustments as space allows.

All notices should be received by 10:30am on Friday morning to be included in that week's newsletter, thank you.

We also have a website at www.inishmagrath.com and we are on Facebook under Parish of Inishmagrath.

Entrance Hymn for March.

Be Not Afraid

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst
You shall wander far in safety, though you do not know the way
You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand
You shall see the face of God and live

Refrain:

Be not afraid, I go before you always, come follow me, and I will give you rest

If you pass through raging waters, you shall not be drowned
If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed,
If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side,
Know that I am with you through it all

Refrain:

Be not afraid, I go before you always, come follow me, and I will give you rest

Thought for the Day**John 4:5-42**

'The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist.'

Pope St Gregory the Great

'There are three elements that are almost always part of Lent: prayer, giving something up, and giving something back.'

Elizabeth Hyndman

'Everything in life has its own time. There is time to celebrate and there is time to mourn. This is the time for reflection and transformation. Let us look within and change into what we ought to be.'

Aaron Saul

Diocese of Kilmore:

- Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place this year 5th to the 10th of May. To book a place please contact Cavan Travel on 049 4361222. Pilgrims who need assistance please contact Fr Tom Mannion on 087 9170879.
- A concert with Gospel and Country singer Owen Mac and his band will take place in Saint Clare's Church Manorhamilton on Sun 26 April. This is a fundraising concert to help bring Assisted pilgrims to Lourdes. Your support would be much appreciated. Tickets are €20 and are available from the Parochial House, Manorhamilton and Eventbrite where an extra charge applies. If you have any difficulty, please contact me 0879170879, Fr Tom Mannion.

Retirement Mass: Thank you to everyone who helped out and took part in Fr Tom's retirement Mass and the reception afterwards, there was a great turn out and the evening went very well.

Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood in the Diocese of Kilmore

Loving God, our need for Vocations to the priesthood in our diocese is great.

In a busy world it is difficult for people to hear and respond to your gentle but insistent call.

We pray for the gift of courage, generosity and faith in the hearts of those you call.

We beg you, Lord, for the gift of new vocations to the priesthood in our diocese.

In your fatherly care, accompany those who are seeking to do your will in their lives.

Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

(Composed by Fr Ultan McGoohan, Diocesan Vocations Director.)

Parish Dates for your diary 2026:

First Confessions, Drumkeeran NS and Tarmon NS - Wed 25 Mar at 7:00pm in Drumkeeran Church.

First Communion, Sat 9 May at 5:00pm in Tarmon Church for Tarmon NS.

Confirmation, Sat 16 May at 11:00am in Drumkeeran Church for Drumkeeran and Dromahair.

First Communion, Sun 24 May at 10:00am in Drumkeeran Church for Drumkeeran NS.

Blessing of the Graves, Aughaloughy Cemetery - after 10:00am Mass in Drumkeeran Church on Sun 19 July.

Kilbride Cemetery - after 10:00am Mass in Drumkeeran Church on Sun 26 July.

Drumkeeran Cemetery - after 10:00am in Drumkeeran Church Mass on Sun 2 Aug.

Curragh's Cemetery - after 10:00am Mass in Tarmon Church on Sun 9 Aug.

Ballintogher Feis: Music, Song & Story on Sun 22 March in Ballintogher Enterprise Centre (F91C2HT). See full programme and details at www.ballintogherfest.ie and www.ceolnanogorchestra.com. Enquires to either 0876645509 or 0862435653.

John McKenna: March JMCK traditional music session takes place in Forde's Inn on Sun 15 Mar from 6:00pm to 8:30pm; with special guests May Baxter & friends. All musicians & singers welcome. There will be a traditional music concert in the community centre on Easter Sunday 5th April with Fergus Bogue, Ademar O Connor & Darren Culliney. A night not to be missed.

North Leitrim Women's Centre: Join us as we celebrate International Women's Day 2026 with a vibrant celebration of cultural diversity through food, friendship and shared stories. Enjoy international cooking demonstrations, delicious global flavours, and meaningful connections that honour the women who enrich our community. As well as lots of time to chat, connect with each other. On Fri 13 March 9:45am until 1:00pm. This is a free event and all women are welcome - pre booking is appreciated for catering purposes. To register contact us on 071 9856220.