

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

30th June 2024

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

Masses

Sat 29th Jun	7:00pm	Tarmon	Charlie & Katie Smith, Towneycorry.
Sun 30th Jun	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Tommy Cassidy. Mary O'Rourke (MM).
Mon 1st July	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration.
	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	Mass.
Tue 2nd July	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	
Wed 3rd July	10:00am	Creevelea	
Thurs 4th July	10:00am	Drumkeeran	No Mass - Dental Appointment.
Fri 5th July	7:00pm	Tarmon	Brigid & Michael McTernan & Mary & Ben Molloy.
Sat 6th July	7:00pm	Tarmon	
Sun 7th July	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Eamonn O' Grady Snr (MM). Nick, Kate, Sean, Frank & Margaret Carty.

Ministers for July:

Readers - Tarmon Church - Ann Foley.
Drumkeeran Church - Blaithín McPartlan.

Collectors - Tarmon Church - Colette McGovern, Kathleen Flynn.
Drumkeeran Church - Thomas McHugh, Mary Bohan, Padraig Travers and John McPartlan.

Visitation: Fr Tom will be doing his rounds on Fri 5 July.

Pope's Collection: Please bring in your contribution, thank you.

Blessing of the Graves 2024: The schedule for this year is as follows;

Aughaloughy Cemetery - after 11:15am Mass in Drumkeeran Church on Sun 21 July.

Kilbride Cemetery - after 11:15am Mass in Drumkeeran Church on Sun 28 July.

Drumkeeran Cemetery - after 11:15am in Drumkeeran Church Mass on Sun 4 Aug.

Curraghs Cemetery - after 11:15am Mass in Tarmon Church on Sun 11 Aug.

Visitation & Blessing of Graves Killargue Old & New Cemeteries: On Sun 30 June, commencing with Mass in St Brigid's Church, Killargue, at 2:30pm, with Blessing of Graves in the Old Cemetery immediately after Mass at 3:15pm approximately and continuing to the New Cemetery for 3:45pm approximately. The usual collection will be taken up at the cemetery gates; the proceeds of which goes towards the on-going upkeep and improvements to our cemeteries. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

New Altar Servers: The children of the First Communion Class of 2024 are invited to join the Altar Servers. Parents can collect the relevant form from Fr Tom. A meeting for parents, date to follow, will then be organised by the Parish Safeguarding Representative to inform parents of the Diocesan Safeguarding guidelines.

Day for Life message: This year the focus is on End of Life Care. We give thanks for all who provide and support hospice care. We are called to value, protect and defend the gift of life to its natural end. www.councilforlife.ie.

Lay Pastoral Ministry Programme in Kilmore Diocese: Following feedback from Parish meetings across the Diocese in Autumn 2023, Bishop Martin and the team are delighted to announce that plans are well underway for developing (in conjunction with St. Patrick's Maynooth) our Lay Pastoral Ministry Training Programme. This training programme aims to equip lay leaders with the skills to work in Parishes/Pastoral areas as Lay Pastoral workers. Information meetings are being scheduled across the Diocese for September. More details to follow.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine: Bishop Martin Hayes invites you to join him and parishioners throughout the diocese of Kilmore for the annual diocesan pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Fri 9 Aug 2024, the Feast of St Felim, the Patron Saint of the Diocese. Ceremonies will begin at 2:00pm with the outdoor Stations of the Cross and Rosary Procession. The Celebration of Mass with the Anointing of the Sick will take place at 3:00pm and the Ceremony will conclude with a Eucharistic Procession and Benediction. Parishioners from St Anne's Church, Bailieborough, Co. Cavan will participate in the liturgy and provide the Sacred Music for the special ceremony.

Points to Ponder

Mark 5:21-43

To have access to His heart, to Jesus' heart, there is only one requirement: to feel in need of healing and to entrust yourself to Him. I ask you: do each of you feel that you need to be healed? Of something, of some sin, of some problem? And, if you feel this, do you have faith in Jesus? These are the two requirements in order to be healed, in order to have access to His heart: to feel in need of healing and to entrust yourself to Him.

In this Gospel passage the themes of *faith* and of *new life*, which Jesus came to offer to all, are intertwined. When He enters the house where the dead girl lies, He sends outside those who are weeping and making tumult (cf. v.40) and He says: "The child is not dead but sleeping" (v.39). Jesus is Lord, and before Him physical death is like a dream: there is no reason to despair. Another death is the one to fear: that of the heart hardened by evil! When we feel we have a hardened heart, a heart that is hardened, allow me to say, a mummified heart, we should be afraid of this. But sin too; the mummified heart too, is never the last word with Jesus, because He has brought us the infinite mercy of the Father. It is beautiful to hear that word of Jesus addressed to each one of us: "I say to you, arise! Go. Stand up. Take courage, arise!" Jesus restores life to the little girl and restores life to the healed woman: life and faith to both.

Pope Francis, Angelus, St Peter's Square, July 2018.

Drumkeeran Drama Group: Due to popular demand we are delighted to announce an extra showing of our hilarious production "The Maiden Aunt", a 3 act play by Jimmy Keary, directed by Andy Redican; on Thurs 4 July in Drumkeeran Community Centre; doors will open from 7:15pm and curtain rises at 8:00pm. Tickets are €10 at the door on the night. Family rates will apply. We can't wait to see you all again!

Thanks and well done to the Drama Society for a reason to laugh in these difficult times.

QQI Level 5 Computer Course – Starting September 2024: Are you looking to up skill, gain employment or access third level education? Then we have the course just for you. Mohill Computer Training is now enrolling for our full-time QQI Level 5 computer course. The course begins in September. Register now as places are limited. Call 071 9632024 or email margaret@mct.ie for more information.