

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

3rd November 2024

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

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Masses

Sat 2nd Nov	7:00pm	Creevelea	All Souls Day. Peter Gallagher (2nd Anniversary) & Deceased Family.
Sun 3rd Nov	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Mary Ellen & John Byrne & Deceased Family. Sean, Noel & baby Ann, Pat & Mary Ellen & All Deceased of the McWeeney Family. Tony Forde & Deceased Family.
Mon 4th Nov	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration.
	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	Mass. Jack & Mary McMahan.
Tue 5th Nov	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	
Wed 6th Nov	10:00am	Creevelea	
Thurs 7th Nov	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Fri 8th Nov	7:00pm	Tarmon	
Sat 9th Nov	7:00pm	Creevelea	Jim Gallagher, Shividillagh.
Sun 10th Nov	11:15am	Drumkeeran	

Leitrim County Council: There will be a Mass said for the deceased members and staff of Leitrim County Council in St Mary's Church, Carrick on Shannon on Mon 4 Nov at 8:00pm.

November Masses to Pray for the Deceased: You can write out a list of your Deceased Family and include it in the Masses in your local church for November. These lists are put in a box on the Altar. Please don't include November offerings unless there is Mass in the church at that time.

Mission Sunday Collection: Thanks to all who have contributed. If you forgot, please bring in your envelope. Everything helps and is appreciated. €1220 contributed so far.

Pioneer Pledge for the month of the Holy Souls: A short-term pledge gives spiritual support and encouragement to people and their families who are living under a shadow of addiction. Contact the Pioneers on 01 805 4226 or via www.pioneers.ie/pray.

Dilexit nos - He loved us - Encyclical of Pope Francis: On Thurs 24 Oct, Pope Francis published his fourth encyclical of his pontificate titled "Dilexit Nos". Prayers and Reflections based on "the Human and the Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ" are available on www.pioneers.ie. Also this week, iCatholic has published a related video interview with Austen Ivereigh in Rome, which can be watched at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VafdiJTtok&t=21s>. Additionally, CCO has published a background story on CatholicNews.ie at <https://catholicnews.ie/pope-francis-to-publish-encyclical-on-sacred-heart-of-jesus/>.

Remembrance Prayer: God, thank you for the people in our lives who we are remembering in a special way during the month of November. We thank you for being a compassionate God who walks with us in our dark moments of grief and loneliness. We are thankful for all who continue to love and support us through our grief.

Lord, continue to be a light for us, giving us hope, directions and courage. May we now live our lives treasuring the memories of those special people we have known and loved and help us to bring light and hope to others. We make this prayer through Christ our lord, Amen.

Anam Cara - Supporting Parents After Bereavement: Are hosting their penultimate Online Bereavement Information Evening of 2024. The month of November, can be very difficult for bereaved parents and is the month of Remembrance. This online event will take place on Thurs 7 Nov at 7:00pm. Our guest speaker will be Diane Clabby. Register at info@anamcara.ie to join the Zoom meeting.

Points to Ponder:

Mark 12:28-34

We all struggle to try and get our priorities right. We need to be able to sift out what is more important from what is less important. This is perhaps all the more needed today when so much comes at us from so many different directions. Today's Gospel reading is the story of a scribe who wanted to get his priorities right. He came to Jesus to know which of all the more than six hundred commandments of the Jewish Law was the most important one. In reply, Jesus gave him more than he asked for, not just the first of all the commandments but the first and the second of the commandments. Jesus seemed to be saying that these two commandments were inseparable. What they have in common is the commandment of love; what distinguishes them is the object of that love, God in the case of the first commandment and neighbour in the case of the second. Also the quality of the love differs, God is to be loved with all our heart, soul, mind and strength; the neighbour is to be loved as ourselves. God alone is worthy of the total love of our being, but such love must flow over into the love of our neighbour. The journey in love to God leads us to the other; in loving God we are caught up in God's love for others. Today, at least in our western culture, it is the first commandment rather than the second that is more liable to be neglected. Yet Jesus implies that our relationship with God is at the heart of all other relationships.

Fr Martin Hogan, Parishes of Finglas, Finglas West & Rivermount.

Drumkeeran North West Hospice Support Group: Wish to thank, most sincerely, those who so generously supported our recent coffee morning in Davitt's. A cheque for €1300 has been sent to the hospice.

Drumkeeran NS: Are holding a Cash for Clobber Collection on Thurs 7 Nov, please drop in clean, dry clothes, matched pairs of shoes, handbags, belts, etc. into school. We cannot accept duvets or pillows.

Walking Football: From this week, walking football will take place on Mondays from 7:00pm until 8:00pm, beginning Mon 4 Nov. Over 40's, male and female, no running, no physical contact and good exercise. Great to see numbers increasing each week.

John McKenna Traditional Society: Are in the process of putting the 2025 calendar together. We would greatly appreciate any photos you might like to offer. Contact Seamus 086 8569900 or any committee member.

Killenumery and Killery Areas Development Association: Is pleased to announce a talk on diabetes, scheduled for Wed 20 November at 7:00 PM. This event will take place at the community centre in Killenumery, Dromahaire and will cover insights into a condition that, if left undetected, can significantly increase the risk of complications affecting the eyes, heart, feet, nerves, kidneys, and liver. Diabetes encompasses a group of diseases that impact how the body utilizes blood sugar (glucose). All are welcome to attend.