PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

23rd 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 22nd Jun	7:00pm	Tarmon	Mary Ann McLoughlin. Bernadette McGuighan.
Sun 23rd Jun	11:15am		Rosaleen Lyons (1st Anniversary).
Mon 24th Jun	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration.
	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	Mass - Tessie O'Rourke & Deceased Family.
Tue 25th Jun	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	
Wed 26th Jun	10:00am	Creevelea	
Thurs 27th Jun	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Fri 28th Jun	7:00pm	Tarmon	Patrick & Elizabeth Smith & Deceased Family, Mullafadda.
Sat 29th Jun	7:00pm	Tarmon	
Sun 30th Jun	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Tommy Cassidy. Mary OʻRourke (MM).

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.

Amended - Relics of St. Oliver Plunkett: Relics will visit The Conaty Chapel of the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre in Cavan on Tues 25 June. The relics will arrive at the Centre at 10:00am and will be available for veneration until 10:00pm that evening. Masses will be offered at 1:15pm (Rev Jordan MacGabhann, recently-ordained); 5:45pm (Rev Thomas Small, CC Cavan), and 8:00pm (Bishop Martin Hayes). There will be opportunities for Confessions throughout the day. Petitions/Donations may be sent to the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre (Relics Visit), Cullies, Cavan H12 E5C7. All petitions received will be placed beside the relics as they rest in the Chapel. All are welcome for this very special event. Please contact the Centre on 049 4375004 for further information.

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 4:35-41

"Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?"

Have you ever felt like this? Have you ever felt like you were sinking in a raging sea, and no matter how hard you prayed, and how intently you looked for Jesus, Jesus just didn't seem to be listening? Did you ever feel like you would hit the bottom of the sea before Jesus ever got around to doing anything about it? Have you ever asked aloud; Why? Why me? What did I do to deserve this?

It can't be said enough: God never, ever, ever, promises that nothing bad will ever happen. God never promises smooth sailing and blue skies every day. If you think that God promises this, you haven't read your Bible lately. What God does promise is that when the world comes crashing down, God is right there with us. Jesus is there with us, in the in the sinking boat. This is an important part of the story: Jesus isn't everywhere. He isn't in some comfortable palace somewhere eating olives and hummus. He is in the boat with the disciples. Sinking. And then He calms the storm.

So, maybe the world is crashing in on you today. Maybe it was yesterday. And then again, maybe it will be tomorrow. But whenever it does - and it's not a matter of "if" but "when" - whatever you think, and whatever your prayer, know that you haven't been abandoned/ God isn't on a lunch break. God isn't out for you.

God is with you. And all you need is enough faith to get you through to the moment when Jesus speaks, "Peace. Be still." www.rickmorley.com.

Local Schools: As we have now come to the end of another academic year for both the National and Secondary schools in the Parish we would like to wish the all students and staff a happy and safe summer, with some hopefully good weather! Our prayers go with those who have completed their leaving certs as they move on in their lives as adults and 6th class students as they prepare for "big school" at the end of August.

Drumkeeran Drama Group: We are delighted to announce the newly scheduled date for our hilarious production "The Maiden Aunt", a 3 act play by Jimmy Keary, directed by Andy Redican. We hope to see you all on Thurs 27 and Fri 28 June 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!

The Priory Institute: A two week on-line Summer School is reflective, informative and interactive and will run from 19 August. The course includes eight recorded presentations and three on-line zoom discussions and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more and register click here www.prioryinstitute.com.