

# PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

## Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

6th October 2024

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

### Masses

**Important Notice:** The Vigil Mass on the Saturday evening will transfer to Creevelea Church on Sat 5 Oct until the end of March 2025. The Sunday Mass will be in Tarmon Church until the plumbing works are finished in Drumkeeran Church. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding. Should you wish to help with the costs of repair, please send a donation to Fr Tom and mark envelopes "Heating", cheques payable to Drumkeeran Church Account or make the donation directly to;  
IBAN: IE12 BOFI 9054 0829 8913 29 please use the reference "Heating" and your name.  
Thanks.

Sat 5th Oct	7:00pm	<b>Creevelea</b>	Micheál Sweeney (MM). Michael McMorro & Parents & Siblings and Deceased of the McNulty Family, Shiddillagh, And Martin & John Stankard, Omagh and Rachael Lansfield, UK.
Sun 6th Oct	11:15am	<b>Tarmon</b>	Lisa Cullen (3rd Anniversary). Annie Cullen & Deceased of the Cullen & Higgins Families.
Mon 7th Oct	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration.
	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	\
Tue 8th Oct	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	\
Wed 9th Oct	10:00am	Creevelea	No Masses Fr. Tom away.
Thurs 10th Oct	10:00am	Drumkeeran	/
Fri 11th Oct	7:00pm	Tarmon	/
Sat 12th Oct	7:00pm	<b>Creevelea</b>	
Sun 13th Oct	11:15am	<b>Tarmon</b>	Chris McKenna (MM). Mae McGee. Peter & Kathleen Loughlin, Sheena. Kathleen & James Flynn & Deceased Family.

**Thank You:** To the parishioners who have given a donation to help cover the cost of the new heating system.

**Emergency Cover:** Fr Paul Casey, Dromahair - 071 9164143.

**Choir Practice:** Mon 14 Oct at 8:30pm in Tarmon Church. New voices are always welcome.

**Pray for:** James Barlow, USA, nephew of Kathleen Harrison, whose funeral is this Sunday. May he rest in peace.

**Backpack for Adults:** Following on from the success of the Backpack for Adults in previous years at Cavan Institute, the course will run again on Tuesday evenings from 15 Oct for 8 weeks. The Backpack is a human and spiritual development programme containing topics such as Anxiety, Negative Looping Thoughts, Resilience Building, Self-Awareness, Boundary Setting and Healthy Relationship with Self, Others, and God.

Apply online: [www.cavaninstitute.ie/eveningcourses](http://www.cavaninstitute.ie/eveningcourses) or call: 049 437 7940.

### 10 Good Reasons To Go To Mass

#### Part 1.

Whether you're 8 years old or in your 80s, at some point in your life you've probably struggled with the question, "Why do we have to go to Mass?" If you feel like skipping Mass, here are 10 good reasons to go:

1. *God asks us to make one day Holy* - God asks us to set aside one day to refocus physically, mentally and spiritually. We live in a secular world. Going to Mass helps us to see everything from a different perspective. We begin to see in the depths of our being that God is in charge. We can let go of our own agenda because we know that God will inspire us, guide us and strengthen us for the week ahead.
2. *Jesus gives us the gift of Himself* - When we go to Mass, we are doing what Jesus commanded His followers to do. It is a command to love and to be loved by God. Jesus offers Himself to us in the Word of God that we hear and in His real presence, offered to us in the Blessed Sacrament of Communion.
3. *We need to be part of a community* - When we come together at Mass to pray and worship God, we fulfil a deep need inside of us to be in communion with other people. The other parishioners - even if we don't know all of them - give us support, affirmation and encouragement in our attempt to live the Gospel message. They help us to see that we are not alone. They remind us that we are all part of the Body of Christ.
4. *God has a special message for us* - When we listen to the readings, the homily and the prayers of the Mass, God speaks to us in a special way. We should come away from each Mass with at least one inspiration that will impact our lives in some way. We just have to pay attention and be open to what the Lord is trying to tell us.
5. *We need to talk to God* - When we go to Mass, we speak to God through our singing, our communal responses and prayers, and our personal prayers from the depths of our hearts. During Mass, we have the opportunity to ask God for what we need, promise God that we will do what He wants us to do, and thank God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon us.

Part 2 will continue in next week's newsletter.

**ABIDE in His Love Women's Conference:** From 15th to the 17th November 2024 at The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, Co. Donegal. Join us for an inspiring weekend with guest speakers including Lisa Cotter (Denver, Colorado), the Nashville Dominican Sisters, Fr. Barry Braum (London), Kathleen Nichols & Celine Kelly (Magdala, Israel), Bishop Kevin Doran (Elphin), Catherine DiNuzzo (Kansas), and Fr. Joseph Mary Deane, CFR, among others. This conference will celebrate the beauty and dignity of women in the Church and the world today. It offers a wonderful opportunity to come together, form new friendships, be uplifted by powerful talks, and experience the transformative presence of Christ in the Eucharist. We encourage you to invite a family member or friend to join you. To register, visit [Eventbrite.ie](http://Eventbrite.ie) and search for "Abide in His Love." Further information, including accommodation details, will be sent via email upon registration.

**Hedge Cutting Grant Scheme 2024/2025:** Open to all, individual applicants, communities and groups. Further information and application forms are available from Leitrim County Councils website [www.leitrimcoco.ie](http://www.leitrimcoco.ie) or by contacting the Roads Department by e-mail - [roads@leitrimcoco.ie](mailto:roads@leitrimcoco.ie) or telephone 071 9620005 Ext. 630. Closing Date is Fri 31 Jan 2025.

**SVP in Leitrim Recruiting New Volunteers:** Please consider volunteering with SVP and become part of the largest charitable organisation in the country. SVP will host an information meeting in The Landmark Hotel on Wed 2 Oct at 7:30pm for people interested in joining the conferences around the Leitrim areas. For more information, please call membership support officer Orla Beirne on 087 775 7426 or email: [orla.beirne@svp.ie](mailto:orla.beirne@svp.ie).