PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

27th August 2023

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

Neighbouring Priests: Fr T Mannion 964 3014 - Fr P Casey 916 4143 - Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

Masses

Sat 26th Aug Sun 27th Aug	8:00pm 10:00am	Creevelea Tarmon	Martin & Alice McTiernan.
	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Hugh & Annie & Stephen McPartland & Deceased Family.
			Paddy Travers & Deceased Family.
Mon 28th Aug	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration until 6:50pm.
	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	Mass.
Tue 29th Aug	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	
Wed 30th Aug	10:00am	Creevelea	
Thur 31st Aug	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Fri 1st Sep	7:00pm	Tarmon	Tom & Katie Agnes Smith & Deceased Family, Towneycorry.
Sat 2nd Sep	8:00pm	Creevelea	Patrick & Elizabeth Daly & Son John. Martin & Sarah McMorrow & Daughter Mary
		_	McGuigan.
Sun 3rd Sep	10:00am	Tarmon	
	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Des White.
			Tom & Mary Dowd.

Confession: Available after weekday Mass or on request. **Visitation:** Fr Tom will be doing his rounds on Fri 1 Sept.

Pray For:

- + Rosaleen Walsh (née McGowan) of Glencar, sister-in-law of Thomas Fallon and aunt of Marie McMorrow. May she rest in peace.
- + Ray Travers, Towneycorry, brother of Mary and Padraig, Ray died in Idaho on 12th August. May he rest in peace.

Curraghs Cemetery Collection: €1418.35 was collected, thank you to all who contributed.

Drumkeerin Church Choir: Practise on Mon 28 Aug at 8:30pm. New members are invited to join the choir, especially young parishioners.

Church Gate Collection LGFA: There will be a Church gate collection this weekend, Sat/Sun 26/27 August, in support of the Leitrim County Ladies Gaelic Football Association (LGFA).

Church Ministers for September:

Readers - Creevelea Church -

Tarmon Church - John McKernan. Drumkeeran Church - Gillian Forde.

Collectors - Tarmon Church - Michael & Kathleen Flynn.

Drumkeeran Church - Sean Gallagher, Desmond Wynne, Veronica McTiernan and Mary McHugh.

Points to Ponder: The word "Church" is often a stumbling block for many. There's something which makes us feel uncomfortable! The Gospel today presents to us the Faith Statement of Peter, and then Jesus declaring to him that, "...on this rock, I will build my Church; and never will the powers of death overcome it!" (Mt 16-18). The Church is a body to be called out of the world into being a Family and Fellowship in God! The Church is a body to be called out of materialistic and worldly gain and be a sign of hope and salvation! The Church is not a mere building... The Church is the People of God. We reduce the Church in our everyday vocabulary to a mere building made of stones and cement. But, the Church is made of living stones (1Pt 2:5) and all of us need to contribute our might in keeping alive this Church of God.

Do I give my share of talents and gifts to the Church to keep it effective and relevant for our modern times? Do I make sacrifices and offer prayers for the Church so that she may stand strong in the midst of struggles? Do I promote and encourage the teachings of the Church and find beauty and wisdom in them?

The Body of Christ while hanging on the Cross was weak... but "No bone of His was broken" (Jn 19:36). The Church of Christ while living in the world may be weak... but No bone shall be broken!

"...on this rock, I will build my Church; and never will the powers of death overcome it!" Let the Great Rock help us to stand firm and become passionate in service of the Church!

Fr Jijo Manjackal MSFS.

Leitrim County Childcare Committees Childminder's Network Free Event:

Leitrim County Childcare Committee is inviting all childminders to a free crafts workshop on Thurs 14 Sept at 7:15pm in Childhood Days, Laird House, Church St, Drumshanbo N41H3C5. Booking is necessary please contact; aoife@leitrimchildcare.ie or phone 083 468 3773.

Leitrim Women Through Time: On Sat 2 Sept in the Rainbow Ballroom, Glenfarne Co. Leitrim from 11:00am until 3:00pm. Have you ever fancied trying your hand at wool spinning, willow weaving, or straw craft? Would you like to see some professionals demonstrate some of the many crafts that Leitrim women have held skills in over many generations (and join in yourself!)? Join us for a day of celebration of craft, where we'll also have our Leitrim Women Through Time travelling museum exhibition on display, with a Pop-up Leitrim Women's Craft Museum. All welcome to this free event - no booking is required.