

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6th September 2020

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

Sunday Masses

St Brigid's Church, Creevelea

Sat 5th Sep 8.00pm Tommy Drugan (MM)

Sat 12th Sep 8.00pm

St. Patrick's Church, Tarmon

Sun 6th Sep 10.00am

Sun 13th Sep 10.00am Michael & Beatrice Lyons
John & Kathleen McHugh

St Brigid's Church, Drumkeeran

Sun 6th Sep 11.15 am Des White

Pat Early & Parents, Michael & Sadie

Sun 13th Sep 11.15 am Tom & Mary Dowd

John & Mary Rogan

Johnnie Gallagher

Masses During the Week

Mon 7th Sep	7.00 pm	Drumkeeran	Special Intentions
Tues 8th Sep	10.00am	Drumkeeran	Special Intentions
Wed 9th Sep	10.00am	Creevelea	Special Intentions
Thurs 10th Sep	10.00am	Drumkeeran	Special Intentions
Fri 11th Sep	7.00 pm	Tarmon	Special Intentions

Confession: Available after weekday Masses or anytime on request.

Bishop: The Episcopal Ordination of the Very Reverend Martin Hayes as Bishop of Kilmore will take place on Sun 20 Sept in the Cathedral of SS. Patrick and Felim, Cavan at 3pm. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions, the numbers attending the ceremony will be greatly reduced and will be by invitation only with only his immediate family and a few friends attending. The ceremony itself will be live-streamed on www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral. In the meantime, we continue to pray for Fr. Hayes as he prepares to take up his new ministry as shepherd of God's flock in the Diocese of Kilmore.

Request: PLEASE don't leave Mass leaflets and Newsletters on the seats as you leave the Church. Bring them back to the table where you collected them if you don't want to take them home, thanks.

A Prayer for Our New Bishop:

God, eternal shepherd, you tend your Church in many ways and rule us with love. You have chosen Your servant, Fr. Martin Hayes, to be shepherd of Your flock in the Diocese of Kilmore.

Give him a spirit of courage and right judgement, a spirit of knowledge and love.

By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care,
May he build Your Church as a sign of salvation for the world.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Face Masks "Church leaders urge worshippers to wear face coverings to reduce the spread of coronavirus". Please see the noticeboard or website for the full article. While parishioners are inside the Church they are **strongly advised** to wear a mask or face shield, if possible. This makes others feel safer. Young children (under 13's) don't have to wear a mask. Please keep your mask covering your nose and mouth while coming up for Communion, it should be dropped only briefly to allow for taking of the Sacrament. Thanks.

The Deep End - Our Common Home: Today we mark the first Sunday of the Season of Creation 2020, which runs from 1 Sept to 4 Oct. This special season in the Church calendar celebrates the joy of creation, while encouraging awareness of initiatives to protect the natural environment.

We are reminded during this time of our duty to care for what Pope Francis calls 'our common home'. When we hear the word 'home', we tend to think of the immediate place where we live and the people we share it with - our house or living space and our immediate family, neighbours and community. Each of us lives within a particular web of relationships that we call home. But we must be conscious too that we live in a wider relationship with the Earth and with all of creation. We all live in a common home; we all must care for it, and for each other.

Our Gospel today sees Jesus offer some advice about living in community. He first acknowledges that communities are far from perfect. We all struggle with our relationships and duties. But He makes one thing clear; in a community, we all have a responsibility to each other and to work to build harmony. This responsibility extends beyond our immediate environment to our world. In this Season of Creation, we remember in particular those across the world who are suffering as a result of environmental damage. The way we live on this Earth has consequences for the world and its people, and indeed for future generations. Over the next few weeks, let us consider how we might make some changes that reflect our care for others and for our common home.

"We need to strengthen the conviction that we are one single human family" (Pope Francis, Laudato Si).

Triona Doherty

Priory Institute: We are taking registrations now for our autumn online theology courses. The courses are up to degree level and are heavily subsidised by the Irish Dominicans. They could be just the thing as the nights draw in and we look to an uncertain winter. <https://prioryinstitute.com/>.