

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

16th August 2026

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Neighbouring Priest: Fr T Mannion 071 964 3014, Fr J Gilhooly 071 985 5042.

Masses

Sat 15th Aug	7:00pm	Tarmon.	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Rita & Tommy Gilhooly, Gertie Fallon & the Deceased of the Fallon & Gilhooly Families.
	8:00pm	St Brigid's Killargue.	
Sun 16th Aug	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	Tom & Kathleen Gallagher, Launagh.
	11:30am	St Patrick's Dromahair.	
Mon 17th Aug	6:00pm	Drumkeeran.	Exposition.
Tues 18th Aug	11:00am	Áras Bhríde.	
	7:00pm	St Brigid's Killargue	- Exposition followed by Mass at 8:00pm.
Wed 19th Aug	9:30am	St Patrick's Dromahair.	
Thurs 20th Aug	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	
	8:00pm	Mary Mother of God, Newtownmanor	- Exposition followed by Mass at 8:00pm.
Fri 21st Aug	7:00pm	St Patrick's Dromahair.	
Sat 22nd Aug	7:00pm	Creevelea.	
	8:00pm	Mary Mother of God, Newtownmanor.	
Sun 23rd Aug	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	
	11:30am	St Patrick's Dromahair.	

Pray for: We continue to remember in our prayers all those who have died, including the recently deceased; **Mary Conlon (née Kelly)**, Ballydoogan, Sligo and formerly of Drumkeeran who died on Tuesday; **Msr. James Curran** formerly of Corriga, Aughavas, Leitrim who died recently, the Monsignor was the brother of Eileen Kelly and the late Bridgie Wynne of Drumkeeran; **Francie Cullen**, formerly of Cornacloy. Francie lived with his family in Newport Legan, Longford and was brother to Anne O'Rourke. May they rest in peace.

Notices can be sent in to newsletter@inishmagrath.com for inclusion, subject to review and adjustments as space allows.

All notices should be received by 10:30am on Friday morning to be included in that week's newsletter, thank you.

Hymn for August:

Be Thou my Vision

Be thou my vision o Lord of my heart
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night
Both waking and sleeping thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee Lord
Be thou my great Father and I thy true son
Be thou in me dwelling and I with thee one.

Parish Pastoral Councils: As we prepare for the renewal of our Parish Pastoral Council this autumn, we continue our weekly series exploring the role, purpose and importance of the council in the life of our parish.

Your Gifts Matter

The Parish Pastoral Council depends on people who are willing to listen, reflect, and serve the wider community.

As we approach the time of renewal, please consider how you could contribute to the life of your parish by being a member of your Parish Pastoral Council. Even taking the step of coming along to an information evening is a great way to begin. Details of the dates, venues, and times of these information evenings will be announced in the coming weeks.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend (2–4 Oct 2026): Marriage Encounter Ireland invites married couples to a residential weekend from Fri 2 to Sun 4 October at the Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Step away from daily distractions to deepen your communication, renew your love, and rediscover the joy of your marriage. Visit www.marriageencounter.ie for more information.

Blessing of the Graves: Thank you to everyone who helped us with our Blessing of the Graves schedule this year, we really do appreciate all of you and your help. Thank you to everyone who contributed financial via the cemetery collections. Thank you.

Dromahair webcam and newsletter are available at: www.churchtv.ie/dromahair.html

Drumkeerin Festival: Drumkeerin Family Festival 2026:

Sun 16 Aug - Family Sports Day 1:00pm,
Drumkeerin GAA Pitch & Clay Pigeon Competition

Mon 17 Aug – Walking Football
Over 55's V Under 55's.

7:00pm Drumkeerin GAA Pitch

Tues 18 Aug – Play Your Cards Right,
8:00pm, Wynne's Bar

Wed 19 Aug – Comedy Night, 8:00pm,
Drumkeerin Community Centre

Thurs 20 Aug – Social Dance, 9:00pm
Drumkeerin Community Centre

Fri 21 Aug – Talent Night, 8:00pm
Drumkeerin Community Centre

Sat 22 Aug – Festival Bingo,
Lough Allen College

Sun 23rd August – Sets Céilí 3:00pm
Drumkeerin Community Centre
Ball Race 7:00pm, Back Lane, Drumkeerin.

Please see the full programme on Facebook/drumkeerinfestival.

Cavan Institute Parent and Student Information Evening & Open Day - August 2026: Join us at our Information Evening on Tues 25 Aug from 7:00pm to 9:00pm, or call in to us during our Open Day on Fri 28 Aug from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Late applications are still being accepted, with student induction commencing from Mon 7 Sept. Don't miss your opportunity to secure a place for September - Apply today.

Book Launch: "From Bridge to Spire" - Two Centuries of Maudabawn Chapel and its people by author Aogán Ó Fearghail in Gallonray House Maudabawn on Fri 21 Aug at 9:00pm. Photographic display. Refreshments Served. All welcome.

National Heritage Week: Event to be held at Newbridge Old Schoolhouse on Thurs 20 Aug at 7:00pm; this is a free event and all are welcome. AMS will talk about creating a conservation management plan for the local church and graveyard at Kilbride. Please support.

Upskill this autumn in The Women's Centre, Manorhamilton: QQI Level 5 Intellectual Disability & QQI Level 6 Word Processing. Two great course to complete and there is no cost. To book a place on any of these courses contact the Centre on 071 9856220.

Church Gate Collection Leitrim LGFA: There will be a church gate collection taking place August 22 and 23 in all Co. Leitrim parishes in aid of Leitrim County Ladies LGFA. Your contribution helps with transportation, physiotherapy and all related costs to support the ladies throughout the year. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

National Heritage Week 2026: There are lots of events happening in Leitrim and nationally, please see; <https://www.heritageweek.ie/event-listings>.

Bat walk in Ballinamore with Caroline Shiel, Bat Ecologist on the Return to Nature project
<https://www.heritageweek.ie/event-listings/bat-walk-in-ballinamore>.

Havens for Nature – online webinar; Supporting biodiversity in faith grounds

<https://www.heritageweek.ie/event-listings/havens-for-nature-supporting-biodiversity-in-faith-grounds>.

Church Return to Nature Conference in Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo; The event will include: Tour of the grounds and actions taking place for biodiversity. Refreshments/light lunch will be available on the day. Information stands including the Heritage Council, Mayo County Council and Trócaire Laudato Si will be present. Biodiversity Office will also be issuing resources and materials to attendees.

Event details and booking: 'Faith In Bloom' Church Return To Nature Conference: Saturday, August 29th 2026 | Knock Shrine - www.knockshrine.ie or call 094 938 8100 ext. 408.