

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

22nd August 2021

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

Masses

Sat 21st Aug	8:00pm	Creevelea	
Sun 22nd Aug	10:00am	Tarmon	
Sun 22nd Aug	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Dermot Fallon (MM).
Mon 23rd Aug	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	\
Tues 24th Aug	10:00am	Drumkeeran	\
Wed 25th Aug	10:00am	Creevelea	NO WEEKDAY MASSES
Thurs 26th Aug	10:00am	Drumkeeran	/
Fri 27th Aug	7:00pm	Tarmon	/
Sat 28th Aug	8:00pm	Creevelea	
Sun 29th Aug	10:00am	Tarmon	
Sun 29th Aug	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Susan McLoughlin, Liskellew.

- Remember:**
1. Sanitise your hands at the door.
 2. Wear a face mask all the time, covering nose AND mouth.
 3. Keep the 2m distance.

Pray For:

- + Bernadette Tisserand (Née Tyrell), who died in Connecticut, USA. Aunt of Ann Flanagan Fallon, Annagherry.
- + Patrick Begley, husband of Mary (née McWeeney), Derrydangan, who died in Connecticut, USA.

May they both rest in peace.

Season of Creation: Will be celebrated from 1 Sept to 4 Oct 2021. After the Season of Creation there will be a meeting in October of world leaders in China for a UN Biodiversity Conference (known as COP 15) and another UN meeting on Climate Change in November of world leaders in Scotland on (known as COP 26). In preparation for these UN meetings there will be a petition known as the Healthy Planet, Healthy People Petition available at

<http://healthyplanetandpeople.org/> for dioceses, parishes, **and individuals to sign**. It is envisaged that this petition with signatures will be presented by Pope Francis to the Presidents of these upcoming UN conferences.

Defib Training: "How to use an AED". There are two groups for training; Margaret Fee's list is on Fri 27 Aug, 10am - 4pm in the Ball Alley at the GAA grounds in Drumkeerin. Fr Tom's list is on Thurs 2 Sept, 10am to 4pm at the same venue. Thanks again to those who donated to the funds to get the new AED units and to those who have volunteered for training.

The Deep End - Leap of Faith

John 6:60-69

Children are often adept at looking beyond the practicalities and seeing the possibilities. Where a parent or guardian might only see a messy room in need of tidying, a child sees an obstacle course, a castle, a jungle, a magical fairy forest. It can be refreshing to take a breath and remember that there is more to life than our physical, tangible world with its daily routines and to-do lists. Sometimes circumstances can leave us blinded to life's beauty or meaning. In today's Gospel, some of Jesus' followers are finding it difficult to see beyond the physical. He has been teaching them that He is the living bread, but it is hard for them to accept. They dismiss it as 'intolerable language' and they wonder 'How could anyone accept it?' His teachings are too difficult to comprehend and they are annoyed and offended. Some of them even walk away.

But Jesus is offering something more than the practicalities, more than physical food or drink; He offers the bread of life, living bread, His very self. It is a difficult message, but Simon Peter gets to the heart of it: "You have the message of eternal life, and we believe." He is able to see beyond the obvious, to hear the truth at the heart of Jesus' words. Jesus demands a lot of His followers, who must each decide whether or not they want to follow. Are we ready to make that leap of faith?

Triona Doherty

North Leitrim Women's Centre: QQI Level 4 Certificate Course in Information and Communications Technology Skills. The Course will commence Tues 14 Sept and thereafter on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10am - 1pm in the North Leitrim Women's Centre. Induction; Tues 7 Sept at 10am. Places are limited, please contact the Women's Centre on 071 9856220 or email info@northleitrimwomenscentre.ie to book your place. Course is free.

Sole Mates Walking Group Tarmon: Sole Mates Walking Group would like to thank everybody who supported the fundraising walk last Sun, it was a great success. Thanks to everybody who helped out in anyway. The funds raised will be used as match funding to support the grant application to Leitrim County Council to develop Scardan Waterfall and its environs.

Kilbride Graveyard: On behalf of our Committee I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to our restoration page on "Go fund me". The amount donated so far is in excess of €3700; donations have come from home, abroad and across the generations. We have engaged conservation experts who will draw up a detailed plan of work to be undertaken. This plan will be submitted to Leitrim County Council by August 30th for consideration and approval. Mary Early

NW Simon Community 13th Annual Sleep Out: On Fri 1st Oct, NW Simon Community are calling on the people of North West and beyond to swap their beds for sleeping bags for one night only by taking part in the Virtual Sleep Out in your own garden or office car park. Anyone can sign up to take part including families, work mates, students, teams, clubs or schools at home and abroad. Register today on the charity website www.northwestsimon.ie.