

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Fifth Sunday in Lent

22nd March 2026

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Masses

Sat 21st Mar	7:00pm	Tarmon.	Patrick J Gilhooly, Lough Allen.
	8:00pm	St Brigid's Killargue.	
Sun 22nd Mar	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	Geraldine Harkin (MM). Michael Rogan & Deceased Members of the Rogan Family.
	11:30am	St Patrick's Dromahair.	
Mon 23rd Mar	6:00pm	Drumkeeran.	Exposition.
Tues 24th Mar	11:00am	Áras Bhríde.	
	7:00pm	St Brigid's Killargue	- Exposition followed Mass at 8:00pm.
Wed 25th Mar	9:30am	St Patrick's Dromahair.	The Annunciation of the Lord.
Thurs 26th Mar	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	Thomas & Margaret Fallon, Greaghmagh.
	7:00pm	Mary Mother of God, Newtownmanor	- Exposition followed Mass at 8:00pm.
Fri 27th Mar	8:00pm	St Patrick's Dromahair.	
Sat 28th Mar	7:00pm	Creevelea.	
	8:00pm	Mary Mother of God, Newtownmanor.	
Sun 29th Mar	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	Palm Sunday. Bernie, Mick & Sinead Hanly, 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; **Gerry Cleary**, Ballyshannon, **Mary Harkin**, née Carroll, Treenadullagh, Drumkeerin. whose funerals took place recently. 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.

Entrance Hymn for March.

Be Not Afraid

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst
You shall wander far in safety, though you do not know the way
You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand
You shall see the face of God and live

Refrain:

Be not afraid, I go before you always, come follow me, and I will give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters, you shall not be drowned
If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed,
If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side,
Know that I am with you through it all

Refrain:

Be not afraid, I go before you always, come follow me, and I will give you rest.

Pastoral Council Meeting: Please will all members of the PPC attend the meeting on Tues 24 Mar at 8:45pm in the Parochial House.

Thought for the Day

John 11:1-45

The best fertiliser stinks. But it is out of that very real stink that something amazing grows. So it is with us: it is the dead and decaying parts of our lives, the rotting resentments, blistering wounds of old hurts, and the festering fears that are the points where we are most likely to be able to experience something new. The only way that happens is to bring them into the light of day, unbind them, and set them free; just as Lazarus was unbound and set free. Doing that takes faith in the process, a faith that Martha confessed, doubted, and then lived out; a faith in resurrection and life.

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Diocese of Kilmore:

- Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place this year 5th to the 10th of May. To book a place please contact Cavan Travel on 049 4361222. Pilgrims who need assistance please contact Fr Tom Mannion on 087 9170879.
- A concert with Gospel and Country singer Owen Mac and his band will take place in Saint Clare's Church Manorhamilton on Sun 26 April. This is a fundraising concert to help bring Assisted pilgrims to Lourdes. Your support would be much appreciated. Tickets are €20 and are available from the Parochial House, Manorhamilton and Eventbrite where an extra charge applies. If you have any difficulty, please contact me 0879170879, Fr Tom Mannion.

Free Online Retreat: The Priory Institute is delighted to offer a free of charge, Easter Triduum retreat. Journey through the Sacred Music of the Easter Triduum. Visit our website www.prioryinstitute.com.

Youth 2000 Day Retreat: Takes place on Sat 25 Apr at Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo. Youth 2000 provides an opportunity for young people (16-35) to develop their relationship with God, learn more about the Catholic faith and meet other young people through a structured retreat programme. Talks, testimonies & games. Donation only. Check out www.Youth2000.ie to register or contact connaught@youth2000.ie for more information.

Parish Dates for your diary 2026:

First Confessions, Drumkeeran NS and Tarmon NS - Wed 25 Mar at 7pm in Drumkeeran Church.

First Communion, Sat 9 May at 5:00pm in Tarmon Church for Tarmon NS.

Confirmation, Sat 16 May at 11:00am in Drumkeeran Church for Drumkeeran and Dromahair.

First Communion, Sun 24 May at 10:00am in Drumkeeran Church for Drumkeeran NS.

Blessing of the Graves

Aughaloughy Cemetery - after 10:00am Mass in Drumkeeran Church on Sun 19 July.

Kilbride Cemetery - after 10:00am Mass in Drumkeeran Church on Sun 26 July.

Drumkeeran Cemetery - after 10:00am in Drumkeeran Church Mass on Sun 2 Aug.

Curragh's Cemetery - after 10:00am Mass in Tarmon Church on Sun 9 Aug.

John McKenna: There will be a traditional music concert in the community centre on Easter Sunday 5th April with Fergus Bogue, Ademar O Connor & Darren Culliney. A night not to be missed.