

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Fourth Sunday in Lent Laetare Sunday i.e. Rejoice!

Mother's Day

10th March 2024

Fr Tom McManus – 964 8025

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

Fr Loughlain Carolan 985 3012

Masses

Sat 9th Mar	7:00pm	Creevelea	Annie & John McTiernan & Grandsons Aiden & John. Peter McHugh, Derrylustia.
Sun 10th Mar	11:15am	Drumkeeran	Paddy & Mary Devitt, Knockocausan. Mannix Guighan. Elizabeth Forde & Michael. Gerard McKenna.
Mon 11th Mar	6:00pm	Drumkeeran	Adoration.
	7:00pm	Drumkeeran	Mass.
Tues 12th Mar	11:00am	Áras Bhríde	No Mass.
Wed 13th Mar	10:00am	Creevelea	
Thurs 14th Mar	10:00am	Drumkeeran	
Fri 15th Mar	7:00pm	Tarmon	
Sat 16th Mar	7:00pm	Creevelea	Vigil of St Patrick's Day.
Sun 17th Mar	11:15am	Drumkeeran	St Patrick's Day. Peter Curnan & Deceased Family.

Confession: Available after weekday Mass or on request.

Welcome: To Keelan Luke Fallon, son of Francis and Marie, Drummons Upper, who was baptised in St Brigid's Church, Drumkeeran on Sat 2 March. May God's blessings shine down on him through a long and happy life.

Choir Practice: Will be on Mon 11 Mar at 8:00pm in St Brigid's Church, Drumkeeran. New members are always welcome.

Centenary of the Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary:

Centenary Celebrations will include; Mass in St Brigid's Church, Killeshandra on 10th March 2024 at 3:00pm and a Centenary Celebration Mass in the Cathedral of the St. Patrick & St Felim on 3rd August 2024 at 11:00am. All are welcome to attend.

St Patrick's Day Collection: "Some give by going, others go by giving". Your generosity to the St Patrick's Day Collection will help;

- St Paul's Missionary Society, a number of whom work in our diocese.
- Support Irish Missionaries working in African Countries.
- Provide support to the Irish Emigrant Chaplaincy abroad.

All Married Couples Deserve A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend:

The next weekend will be held in the Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare, starting on Fri 26 April to Sun 28 April. Register online at www.marriageencounter.ie. Good marriages can always be made better!

Care of Creation: Bishop Martin has asked parishes to set aside 30% of parish land for Biodiversity. This means growing a diverse species of plants to encourage a diversity of species of animals to inhabit that area. This will be to our benefit; at the moment the native Irish bee is struggling to exist, so if you have an interest in gardening or landscaping or horticulture please give you name to Fr. Tom.

Calling all 18-30 year olds: Do you want to explore your faith with other like-minded young people in a beautiful and reflective location? Join us for a Retreat for Young Adults at Lough Derg, Pettigo County Donegal on Sat 27 April from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

Refreshments and Lunch provided. This Retreat is organised by The Knights of St Columbanus Omagh and is free of charge. To register please visit www.tiny.cc/loughderg Or email info@knightsofstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk.

St Pat's College: Tues 12 Mar will mark the 150th Anniversary of the opening of the iconic building which served as the original Saint Patrick's College in Cavan and is now the base for the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre. Bishop Martin will be the principal celebrant of a special Mass in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick & Saint Felim, Cavan, on Sat 16 Mar at 11:00am. The Mass will be broadcast live and may be accessed at www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral. Past students of the College are especially welcome to attend.

Thought for the Day

John 3:14-21

God Himself needed a Mother: how much more so do we! Jesus Himself gave her to us, from the cross: "Behold your mother!" (Jn19:27). He said this to the beloved disciple and to every disciple. Our Lady is not an optional accessory; she has to be welcomed into our life. She is the Queen of peace, who triumphs over evil and leads us along paths of goodness, who restores unity to her children, who teaches us compassion. Mary, take us by the hand. Lead us by the hand to rediscover the bonds that unite us. Gather us beneath your mantle, in the tenderness of true love, where the human family is reborn.

Pope Francis.

Open Evening Tarmon NS: On Tues 12 Mar from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Enrolment forms are available for request by email stpatsnstarmon@gmail.com or contact the school on 0719648306. St. Patricks N.S. Tarmon. N41V344.

Community Information Evening: An Garda Siochana are holding a Community Information Evening on Wed 20 Mar at 8:00pm in Drumkeeran Community Centre. All welcome to attend.

Rural Social Scheme Vacancies: The Rural Social Scheme (RSS), which provides supplementary income support for farmers in receipt of social welfare payments in return for part time employment in their community, is open for applications. The employment programme has work placements to suit different interests and skills in the Drumkeeran, Newbridge and Ballinaglera areas. Phone 086-8521791 or email brianmcgloin@ldco.ie for further details.

Drumkeeran National School Parents Association: We are holding a "bake sale" on Good Friday, 29th March, starting after the Good Friday Mass. The bake sale will be held in the old Courthouse Youth Club building. Pop along and grab yourself some baked treats. There will also be a raffle and teas and coffees available. All welcome!

Drumkeeran NS: We will be holding an open day for the September 2024 new starters on Fri 15 Mar between 1:30pm and 3:00pm. If you require further information or want to get an enrolment form for your child, please contact the school on either drumkeerinns@gmail.com or 071 964 8314.