

PARISH OF INISHMAGRATH

Second Sunday of Advent

7th December 2025

Parish Office, Drumkeeran - 964 8025 ~ Parish Administrator - Fr P Casey 916 4143

Neighbouring Priest: Fr T Mannion 964 3014

Masses

Sat 6th Dec	7:00pm	Tarmon.	Packie & Annie McKenna. Francie & Katie Flynn, Cartron Beg. Sean & Pauline Keane.
Sun 7th Dec	8:00pm	St Brigid's, Killargue.	
	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	
	11:30am	St Patrick's Church, Dromahair.	
Mon 8th Dec	6:00pm	Drumkeeran.	Exposition.
Tues 9th Dec	11:00am	Áras Bhríde.	
	7:00pm	St Brigid's Church, Killargue	- Exposition with Mass at 8:00pm.
Wed 10th Dec	9:30am	St Patrick's Church, Dromahair.	
Thur 11th Dec	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	
	7:00pm	Mary, Mother of God Church, Newtownmanor	- Exposition with Mass at 8:00pm.
Fri 12th Dec	7:00pm	No Mass.	
Sat 13th Dec	7:00pm	Creevelea.	John & Brigitte Brandt.
	8:00pm	Mary, Mother of God Church, Newtownmanor.	
Sun 14th Dec	10:00am	Drumkeeran.	The Deceased of the Cassidy & Gannon Families.
	11:30am	St Patrick's Church, Dromahair.	

Flowers for Christmas: If you would like to contribute towards the cost of the flowers for the Christmas season, please give your donation to the Sacristan in your local church. Thank you.

2025 Collections: Can we respectfully ask that any outstanding dues envelopes or other collections be brought in to your church area as soon as possible please and thank you to all who have theirs in already, your continued financial support of the Parish is essential and greatly appreciated. 2026 collection envelopes will be available for collection in the coming weeks.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Special community celebrations of the Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place to celebrate the importance of "Forgiveness" and to receive absolution for Christmas on the following dates and times:

- + Creevelea Church at the 7:00pm Vigil Mass on Sat 13 Dec.
- + Tarmon Church at the 7:00pm Vigil Mass on Sat 20 Dec.
- + Drumkeeran Church at the 10:00am Mass on Sun 21 Dec.

Individual Confession will be available before Christmas at a date to be confirmed.

The Society of St Vincent de Paul: We will hold our annual Christmas Collection in Tarmon after Mass on Sat 6 Dec, Creevelea on Sat 13 Dec and in Drumkeeran after Mass on Sun 14 Dec. There will be envelopes at the back of the local Churches which can be returned in the collection baskets or left in the locked box in the lobby at the back of Drumkeeran Church. For anyone in need, we can be contacted at 085 776 4431 all contact is strictly confidential. We are truly grateful for your support and hope that you can donate generously.

Thought for the Day:

For centuries, millennia, the whole world was in a state of advent. It was waiting. Until the Lord revealed Himself to Abraham, our ancestors did not know for what or for whom they were waiting, but every thinking being knew (and still does) that our present state is not right. Injustice, violence, misery; this is not how it is meant to be, and all our instincts cry out against it.

For us, Advent is the time when the Church asks us to look seriously at how real the incarnation is to us. How does Christ's coming affect the way we live? It is a praying time to think about the reality of Jesus.

Sr Wendy Beckett - The Art of Christmas

Ministers for December:

Collectors - Drumkeeran: Darina McWeeney, Gabriel Clarke, Mary Louise McCabe, Margaret McPartlan.

Tarmon: Paddy McPadden, Gerry Rynn.

Readers - Drumkeeran: John Brennan.

Tarmon: Tommy McLoughlin, Ann Foley.

Creevelea: John McTernan.

Eucharistic Ministers - Drumkeeran: Patrick Joseph McTiernan, Mona Travers, Paddy Joe Daly.

Creevelea: Paddy McMorrow, Mary Kerins.

Tarmon: Rita McPadden, Ann Foley

Spreading the Joy of Christmas: With Songs & Carols in St. Michael's Church, Cootehill Sun 7 Dec at 7:00pm. Led by Fr, John Cooney P.P. Please join us for a magical musical evening with the choirs from St. Michael's Church, Cootehill, St Patrick's Church Maudabawn and the Children's choir and special guests - Tommy & Jimmy Swarbrigg. Voluntary subscription at the door. Everyone is welcome.

25 Card Game: Drumkeerin GAA Club are running a 25 card game every Sunday evening that started last Sun 30 Nov in their club rooms from 7:00pm until 9:00pm. Winners will receive a Turkey. Please support.

Family Carers Ireland: Is the National Charity Supporting 500,000+ Family Carers Nationwide, we are currently recruiting for Community Homecare Workers to provide support to our clients. Work hours are flexible based on your availability. Essential Requirements: Qualifications, QQI Care of the Older Person and Care Skills Modules completed, must have own car and Full Driving Licence. Please send your CV to jobs@familycarers.ie or contact Carol on 049 8511031 or 086 4183949 for more information.

Primary School Survey 2025: The current Department of Education survey on the future of patronage in the primary sector is important in that it will shape the discussion on primary school divesting for the years to come throughout the Republic of Ireland.

It is important that those who wish for a change in patronage would have their voice heard. It is equally important that those who wish for a Catholic Education for their children and for those who would wish for Sacramental preparation within school would have their voice heard also. For those reasons and to ensure that an accurate picture emerges, please participate in this survey if you are a parent or a prospective parent of a primary school student. The survey can be accessed at www.gov.ie/primaryschoolssurvey. **Have your say before the survey closes on Tues 16 Dec.**

Mo Chairde: Would like to thank all the local communities who supported our 25 Card Drive Fundraising event. Thanks to everyone's generosity from sponsorship, raffle prize donations, raffle ticket sales and cash donations, this event raised €1,320. These fund will go towards our day to day running costs and we are very grateful for all your support.